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WEATHER

Tonight:



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Supplement to honor our 'men in blue'

Thursday's edition of the Herald will include a special supplement commemorating the police department's 75 years of service in Big Spring.

The 12-page section includes features on the department, its personnel and programs, as well as photos of each employee.

The Herald also encourages its readers to help celebrate the department's 75th anniversary by attending an open house at police headquarters, 400 E. Fourth St., from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday.

Refreshments will be served. The invitation includes all former employees of the police department and their family members.

WHAT'S UP...

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

THURSDAY

Gideons International, Big Spring Camp U42060,t Herman's Restaurant at 7 a.m.

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

☐ Coffee Club,t 10 a.m. at Gale's Sweet Shoppe. ☐ Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard

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

FRIDAY

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

☐ AMBUCS meets at noon at the Brandin Iron.

☐ ABC Club meets at noon at the Brandin Iron.

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

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Crossroads area to get 432 area code

The Associated Press

That's the area code Howard County residents will be using in 2003, the Public Utility Commission announced Tuesday.

The PUC had previously announced the breakup of the massive 915 area code east of El Paso. It has been estimated that without the breakup, the 915 area code would run out of numbers in early 2004.

in April 2003. Mandatory dialing using the new area code becomes effective Oct. 5, 2003. Customers dialing the old area code will get a recorded reminder until Dec. 7, 2003.

El Paso will retain the 915 area code.

The central part of the region will get the 432 area code, and the eastern portion will receive 325.

Among the cities in the to 20 years.

The new area codes, 432 432 area code are Big and 325, will be introduced Spring, Coahoma Stanton, Midland, Odessa, Fort Stockton, Andrews, Pecos, Alpine and Van Horn.

> The 325 area code will include vAbilene, Sweetwater, Snyder, Colorado City, San Angelo and Brownwood.

> The three-way split approved by the PUC will prevent the need for additional area codes in the regions for an estimated 17

State Veteran's Home sets open house on Thursday

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Lamun-Lusk-The Sanchez Texas State Veteran's Home, 1809 N. Highway 87, will hold an open house on Thursday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

"I have had a lot of people say they drive by but have never been in the home," said Susan Cutney, market specialist for the facility. "This is a chance

for them to come in." The event is open to

everyone. Representatives will, be answering questions about the facility.

"We will be giving people a tour of the facility,' Cutney said. "One of the reasons we are doing this, is this is a chance to answer questions and explain about the cost of

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Lots to bark about this weekend

Kennel Club dog show set for two-day run

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Pooches are heading to the groomers this week for a beauty makeover as hundreds of dogs are expected to strut their stuff Saturday and Sunday at the Big Spring Kennel Club Dog Show.

"There are 150 different breeds of dogs registered by the American Kennel Club," Trellis Lucas of the Big Spring Kennel Club said. "Last year we had about 85 different breeds of dogs (attend the show) and we expect about the same as last year."

The two-day event has more than 650 entries coming from around the nation Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, 1001 Birdwell Lane, located on the Howard College campus.

Activities begin each day at 8 a.m. and end around 4 p.m. Admission is free.

Handlers and their dogs will have a chance to show off a year's worth of training at the obedience competition held in the East Room of the coliseum.

The competition is broken into three levels, Lucas

"The novice is basically all the work with the dog that is close to you except



Courtesy photo/Rusty Wells **Trellis Lucas of the Big Spring Kennel Club works with Shane**, a Belgium Trevuren, during an obedience exercise. The Big Spring Kennel Club will host its annual Dog Show Saturday and Sunday at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. More than 650 entries from around the nation are expected. The show begins each day at 8 a.m. and admission is free.

for recall," she said. "Heeling, sitting, figure eight patterns - movements working with a per-

"Open is work away from you like receiving an object, jumps," she continued. "Utility is expanded dog to retrieve the right

work away from you. The animal has to find articles with your scent. In the three gloves exercise, the judge lays out three gloves and then tells you which one the dog should retrieve. You then have to direct the

glove. Utility is really for advanced direction commands working away form you.' Contestants

compete against a score card system. Every handler and dog are

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Dad showed little interest in son, wife tells jurors

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Through the tearful testimony of Elaine Sepeda Cansino, the prosecution on Tuesday painted her husband, John Ross Cansino, as a father who doted on his 18-month-old daughter while abusing his 7-weekold son, Julian.

John Cansino, 33, of Big Spring is charged in the January 2001 death of his son. Tuesday was the first day of testimony in the trial, which is being conducted in 118th District Court.

There was a marked difference in her husband's attitude during her first and second pregnancies, said Mrs. Cansino, who broke down and cried several times on the witness stand, and once claimed she felt as if she was going to faint.

While Mr. Cansino was excited and attentive during the first pregnancy, "I practically had to beg him to go to the doctor with me when I was pregnant with our son," she said.

Though her husband refused to let her do housework during her first pregnancy, he often refused to help out during her pregnancy with Julian, she said.

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City council approves cost-savings

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Big Spring City Council on Tuesday approved the first reading of change orders on two construction projects. The first affects the city's

hail damage roof replacement project for 2001. The change will save the city \$8,250 by aborting certain aspects of the plan and allowing substitute materials for others. The change order scraps

the city's anaerobic digester facility at the waste treatment plant, saving \$3,783. It also allows substitution of the thinner 26 gauge metal roofing panels with polyester coating for the originally planned 24 gauge panels with fluorocarbon coating, saving an additional \$4,027. The final change calls for reusing existing trim and insulation on the bailer office at a savings of a

The change order, the first See CITY, Page 2A

the proposed repainting of on the project, would lower the total price tag for the roof replacement project from \$119,185 to \$110,435. The second proposed change order adds close to \$5,000 to the city's bill for

> Phase II construction. The change order adds lighting and further stabilization for the museum's newly-acquired Webb Air Force Base chapel stained glass window, anchors of

the Hangar 25 Air Museum

Coahoma's Barton earns berth in state 2A contest

HERALD Staff Report

Coahoma High School student Austin Barton qualified Saturday to compete in the Class 2A University Interscholastic League State Academic Contest.

Barton placed second individually in current events and issues at the Region I AA University

Interscholastic Contest held on the Abilene Christian University campus.

Current event and issues team members Ricky Crawford, Trent DeHoyas and Barton secured second place at contest and a chance to earn a wild card position for state competition. The team with the

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Testimony emotional during candlelight vigil

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer More than 60 people Victim attended the Services candlelight vigil to honor victims of violent crimes Tuesday night at the First Baptist Church chapel.

Several speakers gave emotional testimony on the impact violent crime has not only for the victims, but on their families — during hour-and-a-half-long the

event. While on business in Lubbock in 1991, local residents Dwayne and Bonnie Wheat learned that their 18year-old daughter had been murdered. Having had to learn to cope with their own suffering, the couple now gives advice to family "

and friends who are praying for a victim of a violent

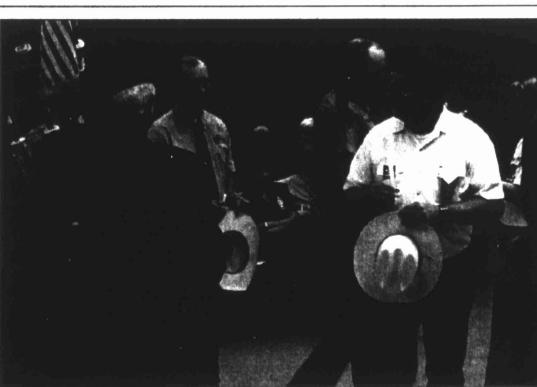
"It is better to go through the suffering with someone than go through it alone," Dwayne said.

"Pray for them to regain their sense of security,' Bonnie said.

After their daughter's death, Bonnie said she lost her sense of security. She became afraid of many things, including crossing a parking lot at night. The couple even sealed their windows shut. "Pray for someone's emo-

tional and physical health as they go through the stress," Dwayne said. As he suffered through the stress of losing his

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Howard County Sheriff Dale Walker, middle, and other law enforcement officers appearing at the Victim Services vigil Tuesday light candles in remembrance of victims of viclent crimes. More than 60 people attended the service, which was held at the First Baptist Church chapel.

OBITUARIES

Eufemia Hinojosa

Eufemia Hinojosa passed away Monday, April 22, 2002, at Covenant Hospital

in Lubbock She was born March 20, 1929, in Gonzalez to Juan and Genoveva Ceballos. She lived in Coahoma with her lov-



ing husband of 47 years, Enemencio.

Eufemia was a true believer in her faith as a Jehovah's Witness. She was a very loving mother, grandmother and friend and will be missed by many.

She is preceded in death by her parents, sisters, Olivia Rodriquez and Celia Cervantez, brother, Luis Ceballos, and nephew, Daniel Marquez.

Eufemia is survived by her husband, Enemencio (Mencho) Hinojosa; sons, Enemencio Hinojosa Jr., and his wife, Janie; Rafeal Hinojosa and his wife, Cindy; three grandchildren, Austin, Searra, Michael, all of Coahoma; brother, Mario Ceballos of Coahoma; sisters, Marie Marquez, Lucia Villarreal and Juanita Ceballos, all of Midland; numerous nieces and nephews.

A visitation will be held Wednesday, April 24, 2002, at Ellis Funeral Home from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Funeral service has been scheduled for 2 p.m. Thursday, April 25, at Ellis ciated by a minister of the Jehovah's Witnesses confollow at Fairview Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

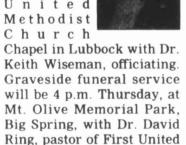
Pallbearers will be Sammy Marquez, Villarreal, Mario Ceballos Jr., Joe Ceballos Jr., Mark Campos John and Cervantez Jr.

Paid obituary

Marzee Ellen Wright

Marzee Ellen Wright, 88, of Lubbock, died on Tuesday, April 23, 2002, in a Lubbock hospital.

Memorial service will be 11 a.m. Thursday, April 25, at First the United Methodist Church



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Spring, officiating.

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She was born on June 22. 1913, in El Dorado, Ark., and married James A. Wright on Dec. 30, 1933, in Midland. He preceded her in death on May 16, 1974.

Mrs. Wright was a longtime resident of Big Spring and had lived in Lubbock the past 15 years.

She was a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Lubbock. She was a 50 year member of the Order of the Eastern star and a current member of Big Spring Chapter 67, OES. She was a charter member and past Worthy Matron of Laura B. Hart Chapter 1019, OES and had served as Deputy Grand Matron, Grand Chapter of Texas, OES.

Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law, Betty and Milton Henson of Lubbock; two grandchildren and their spouses, Debbie and Preston Love of San Antonio and Jim and Diane Henson of Lubbock: and four great-grandchildren, Trey and Kayleigh Love and Meredith and Garrett Henson.

The family suggests memorials to the Everliving Trust or the Building Fund, First United Methodist Church, 1411 Broadway Street, Lubbock 779401.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home. on Thursday from 3 p.m. until service time.

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

Pauline Sundy

Funeral service for Funeral Home Chapel offi- Pauline (Polly) Sundy, 72, of Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch gregation. Interment will Funeral Home. Mrs. Sundy died Wednesday, April 24, 2002, at her residence.

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the home."

The state veteran's home is 160-bed facility that curhas a 32-bed Alzheimer's

For more information about the home call 268-8387 or the Texas Veteran's hotline at 1-800-252-8387.

SHOW

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given a certain amount of points and for every mistake, points are deducted.

Handler and dog work as a team just like a dance competition," she said. "The dog reads its handler's body movements just like a dance partner."

Many of the canines add a little flair of their own while in the ring.

"The dogs really get into it," she said. "They know they're on exhibition. They'll do things that get the crowd clapping. It's really fun to watch."

Anyone interested in learning more about the obedience competition can pick up a booklet at the front desk.

The confirmation contest, where dogs are judged on how close they meet the standard of their breed, is held on the floor of the coli-

seum. Lucas said the public is welcome to watch the judging from the stands or the floor. Many of exhibitors will be grooming their animals in the foyer of the coliseum, a good time for anyone interested in a certain breed to talk to the

handlers, Lucas added. "Most would love to talk about their dog," she said. "Its like a grandparent talking about their grandkids' pictures."

Before petting someone else's dog, ask the owner, however.

"Always ask before you pet a dog because the guy who just spent four hours grooming that poodle's funny hairdó doesn't want it to mess it up," she said.

"Some dogs are also very concentrated on going into the ring so its always good to ask the owner.

"Don't let kids run up and hug a dog,' she continued. "Sometime kids will grab tightly or step on a foot and animals will sometimes react to pain. Most of the time people will let their dog be petted and the dogs are use to it.

Lucas said area business have been very supportive of the dog show.

'We are giving out a number of trophies donated by area merchants this year," she said.

Following Saturday's show, anyone with a pure breed dog can enter the fun match to see what a confirmation match is like. All entrants will need to bring their dog's AKC registration. Anyone interested can sign up on Saturday morning while space is available.

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display boards, and adds a new display area with four new display cabinets.

Ultraviolet protection will be added to the museum and the Phase I construction commemorative plaque will be relocated.

The total bill for the change order is \$16,720. Texas Department of Transportation funding for the project will pay \$11,790, while the city is responsible for \$4,930.

Both change orders were approved unanimously on first reading at the meeting. and must still pass second reading at the council's next meeting.

Council members also approved the second reading another change order for emergency stabilization of the museum's stained glass window. That change order is for \$990, of which the city must pay only **\$12.38**.

In other business, the council:

· Resceduled its first May meeting for Tuesday, May 7, at 5:30 p.m. The change will allow the council to canvass the votes of the May 4 city election within the time required by law.

 Presented proclamations rently is little more than declaring April 21 through half full. The facility also 27 National Volunteer Week and May 6 through 10 Nurses' Week.

 Approved plans and specifications and granted permission to advertise for bids on a transfer pump for the water treatment plant's decant basins.

· Tabled an item to authorize the mayor to execute an agreement for cellular phone service with Westex Telecom.

· Approved on first reading the annexation of 40 acres southwest of Parkway

and Willard. Appointed Elaine Talbot to the Big Spring McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark

Development Board. · Tabled appointments to Colorado River Municipal Water District and the Citizens Advisory Board.

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highest second place score in the state will advance to state competition, set for

Saturday, May 4. Non-advancing placers are Austin Barton, seventh in science and Eric Barton, eighth in prose.

Also competing Saturday were Nolan Paige, Chance Clanton and K.K. Kellar.

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daughter and the resulting murder trial, Dwayne was diagnosed with diabetes. Although he does not know if the stress brought on the diabetes early or not, Dwayne said times of stress increases both emotional and physical health prob-

lems.
"Pray for them to get their sense of identity to be given back to them in the days to come," Bonnie said.

1702 Gregg 263-1381 Bonnie said she lost her

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identity after her daughter's death.

"I was not someone's mother but I use to be someone's mother," she said.

"Pray for the family to get through the financial losses,' Dwayne said.

Even though the couple received some financial assistance through Victim Services for the burial of their daughter, they were still paying bills resulting from the crime two years

for forgiveness, Pray Bonnie said.

"I live enough of life, I know what bitterness and anger can do," Bonnie said. Bitterness and anger destroy lives, she said.

"Only when you give your bitterness and angry over to God can you be free," she

James Parks, director of emergency relief of the American Red Cross in and Dusty Midland, Shelhamer, a Big Spring firefighter and member of National Disaster the Medical Team, also gave emotional testimony on their experience working at ground zero at the World Trade Center in New York.

Tuesday's vigil included special performances by Big Spring senior Kimberly Jumper representing the Big Spring High School Choir and the SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf expressions. Flynn Long of Big Spring and Clint Adams of Midland played the bagpipes.

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"He would basically try to help but only if I asked him to. He didn't want to help. Mrs. Cansino testified. Mrs. Cansino said she

often saw marks or bruises on Julian during his short life, but attributed them to normal childhood injuries. "I noticed bruises on his

cheeks, four on his right side and one on his left," she said. "I saw scratches on his face, and the last week of his being alive he had bruises on his chest, under his arms.'

Mrs. Cansino said she also noticed red blood dots in the whites of Julian's eyes, but Cansino that John explained it away as normal.

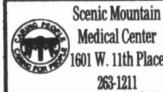
"He just said 'That sometimes happens to babies,' she said.

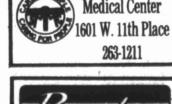
Mrs. Cansino testified that during Julian's last day, the family ate lunch at Cowboy's Steakhouse before stopping at Wal-Mart. At Wal-Mart they met John's brother's family, who took the Cansino's 18-month-old daughter Olivia home with them. John, Elaine and Julian continued on to H-E-B before heading home.

Once they arrived home, Mrs. Cansino said, she remembered a bill from Color-Tyme that was due that day, so she left Julian with Mr. Cansino and went to pay the bill. On her way home, she stopped to pick up Olivia and stayed to visit with John's sister-in-law, Shelly Cansino, for about an hour.

When they returned home, John was holding Julian, Mrs. Cansino said. The baby felt cold to the touch and didn't look right, she testified.

After putting Julian in his crib, John and Olivia went







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to get fried chicken for the family's supper. While they were gone, Elaine checked on Julian and discovered that he wasn't breathing. Taking the baby, she ran to Shelly Cansino's house and Shelly Cansino rushed them to the emergency room at Scenic Mountain Medical

Other testimony came from Shelly Cansino; James Crenshaw, the emergency room RN who began CPR on Julian when he arrived at the hospital; Dr. Terry Springer, the emergency room doctor that night; Dr. Joseph Chavez, the on-call pediatrician; Big Spring Police Detective Lupe Liddick, who investigated the case; Child Protective Services investigator Barbara Vincent Midland; and Elida Sepeda, Elaine Cansino's mother.

Springer and Crenshaw both said they thought Julian was dead when he arrived at the hospital, but Dr. Chavez said he detected a weak heartbeat and tried to revive the infant using epinephrine. The effort was unsuccessful.

Chavez testified that, in his opinion, Julian's death was due to "non-accidental trauma."

"The history I received from the parents did not fit with the severity of the injuries," he said. "To me, that is a hallmark of nonaccidental trauma.'

Liddick said that, while Mr. Cansino originally told her he didn't know what had happened to Julian, he later amended his state-"Mr. Cansino said that he

had killed his own son," she said. "He said it was an accident. He kept repeating that over and over - he said. 'The only thing I can't get out of my mind is my little son's head going back and forth.

Vincent reported that during interviews, Mr. Cansino had told her that he was holding Julian and trying to prepare a bottle for him. "When he twisted the bot-

tle, he said Julian slipped and fell on the floor," she said. Vincent said she noticed

some odd aspects in her interviews with Cansino.

"During the five months that I worked with the family, I only heard John call Julian by name once," she said. "There was a marked difference in the way he talked about Olivia and the way he talked about Julian. When he talked about Olivia, he lit up. It was clear that she was attached to him."

District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson said outside the courtroom that the prosecution case is shaping up as expected.

"What we heard today was an account of the child's last hours, and we heard an account of the relationship between the 7-week-old child and his father and which story he told, or rather didn't tell, and then later told a different story," said Wilkerson. "Tomorrow we're going to find out how

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this story he told the second and third time coincides with the physical evidence

of that child." Defense Attorney Novert Morales of Midland said testimony will show that the child's death was an accident.

"I think it's pretty straightforward," he said. "The child's death was unfortunate. It was a tragedy, but nonetheless it was an accident. Under state law you can't convict if it was an accident and we're certainly looking forward to a favorable verdict.'

Wilkerson said Cansino changed his story during the investigation into Julian's death, and he's not surprised by the defense's accident theory of

"I think that's been their theory from the word go, since he decided to stick with that story," Wilkerson said.

CORRECTION

An article in Tuesday's edition of the Big Spring Herald listed an incorrect contact number for the Christian Lubbock University bachelor's program to be offered on the Howard College campus. The correct number is 1-888-884-4804 qr 1-806-796-

POLICE

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

· TOBY JOHN MEEK,

20, address unknown was

arrested on a charge of public intoxication. FORGERY was reported in the 300 block of South

Gregg Street BURLGARY OF A

VEHICLE was reported: - In the 3400 block of West Highway 80. Reported stolen were computer hardware or software worth \$1,400.

- In the 300 block of Aylesford. Stereo equipment worth \$130 was reported stolen. BURGLARY OF A **BUILDING** was reported in

the 1300 block of Lindbergh

Street. Someone reportedly

cut the screen of a rear

window causing \$200 damage before stealing lawn equipment worth \$350. ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1700 block of Monticello Street.

 DISTURBANCE OR FIGHT was reported in the 1500 block of Wood Street and the 2600 block of Langley Drive.

 LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported in the 500 block of Westover Road.

 MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 600 block of East Eighth Street and the 3700 block of Calvin Street.



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After revisions, Senate looks to Thursday vote on major energy bill

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Senate is on track to finish energy legislation this week after agreeing on \$14 billion in energy tax breaks and staving off attempts to scuttle an agreement that would require ethanol in gasoline.

Senators voted 86-13 on Tuesday to limit further debate on the energy legislation, requiring a vote on the bill by Thursday.

Majority Leader Tom Daschle said the Senate already had spent too much time on the legislation nearly six weeks - and Republican Leader Trent Lott agreed "it's time to bring this to a

scurried to offer a last round of amendments, although none was likely to jeopardize the bill, which is expected to pass. The House already has approved a significantly different version, mirroring President Bush's energy agenda. The two will have to be merged.

The most glaring difference is that the House would open the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil drilling, while the Senate rejected disturbing the Alaskan refuge with development.

The Senate bill also contains a requirement that would triple the cents a gallon.

With a deadline set, senators amount of ethanol to be used as an additive in gasoline. The ethanol mandate is opposed by many House members and is not included in the energy package they passed last August.

Also Tuesday, the Senate turned back, by a 68-31 vote, an attempt led by senators from California and New York to strip the Senate bill of the ethanol requirement.

Democratic Dianne Sens. Feinstein of California and Charles Schumer of New York argued that the ethanol mandate would produce gasoline shortages and price increases of 7 cents to 9 use ethanol it doesn't need" to clean the air, Feinstein complained.

The ethanol proposal was crafted as part of a compromise that also bans the gasoline additive MTBE, which has been found to contaminate drinking water, and ends the requirement that refiners use an oxygenate to meet clean air standards. Its repeal could jeopardize the energy bill, supporters of the measure said.

Daschle, D-S.D., whose state is a prominent ethanol producer, disputed claims that the mandate, which would triple the amount of

"California will be required to ethanol to be produced by 2010, would cause fuel shortages or gas prices to increase significantly.

He called such claims "dead wrong ... a myth" and cited **Energy Department estimates that** the ethanol would add no more than a penny a gallon on to the cost of gasoline.

The energy tax package, added to the bill by unanimous vote Tuesday, would provide \$14.1 billion in tax breaks. About half the money would go for energy conservation and support for renewable energy sources. The other half would help producers of oil, gas, coal and nuclear power.

Report finds no evidence that abstinence-only counseling prevents teen sex, pregnancy or disease

whether programs that push ease, the government reported, as Congress debates whether to renew an abstinence-only initia-

These programs have multiplied in the five years since Congress directed almost half a billion dollars to the effort, but an evaluawhether they work will

WASHINGTON (AP) — interim report released

also have trouble getting parents and local schools involved.

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The abstinence-only iniwelfare heated caused sion of condoms or birth control other than to

explain their limitations. Congress is deliberating whether to renew the program for five more years, as President Bush wants, or to allow the money to be spent on a broader range of activities. Several Democrats said at a House hearing Tuesday they were disturbed by the program, but most Republicans defended

Eventually every state took money, although California later dropped out. In 1999, about half of high

school students and nearly two-thirds of graduating seniors reported having had That's a small drop from

earlier years, but the report cited a lack of evidence that the abstinence-only programs were responsible for

Airman awaits hearing in rape case that may extend to Philadelphia

FORT COLLINS, Colo. police said DNA evidence (AP) — An Air Force Airman was jailed on \$1 million bail after turning himself in to police investigating six sexual assault cases in this college town that have been linked to a slaying and rapes in

Philadelphia. Senior Airman Troy Graves, 29, was held for investigation of sexual assault and burglary pending a court hearing Friday. He has not been formally charged since his Tuesday arrest and public defender Kathryn Hay declined to comment.

Graves' mother, Michal B. Graves, called her son's arrest "unbelievable."

"Troy is happily married. He's on active duty with the Air Force. ... Troy is a nice-looking, very quiet young man," she told The Philadelphia Inquirer for Wednesday's editions.

Police refused to say how they connected Graves to the crimes and a judge has issued a gag order in the

In the attacks, an intruder entered apartments through unlocked doors or windows in the early morning, blindfolded his victims and forced them to perform a sex act. All six assaults involved women in their 20s living in apartments near-the Colorado State University campus. Last year, Fort Collins connected the same man to all six attacks.

In Philadelphia, the Center City Rapist struck well-to-do Rittenhouse Square neighborhood from 1997 to 1999. In each of those cases, the intruder climbed through a window or balcony doors.

Police connected six Philadelphia crimes including the strangling of University of Pennsylvania student Shannon Schieber

through DNA but were never able to identify a sus-

Worried that the fiveyear statute of limitations on rape was about to run out, Philadelphia's district attorney filed charges in December against a suspect who was identified only by his DNA.

Philadelphia District Attorney Lynne Abraham said that she was waiting for a DNA analysis from Colorado authorities.

"They believe there is a connection between our cases and their cases, but we're not saying yet that this is our person,' Abraham said Tuesday.

Graves is a former Philadelphia resident who lists Fort Collins as his current address, but has been stationed since 2000 about 40 miles away at F.E. Warren Air Force Base in Cheyenne, Wyo., where he did maintenance work

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WASHINGTON (AP) -

Karen, Hughes, one of

President Bush's closest

confidants and perhaps the

most senior female aide to

any modern American pres-

ident, announced her resig-

nation Tuesday. Bush said

he will continue to seek her

"She may be changing

addresses, but she's not

leaving my inner circle,"

the president said in a tele-

phone interview with The

Associated Press shortly

after Hughes' surprise announcement made her

the Tilst top White House

aide to depart Bush's staff.

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Top Bush aide resigning as White House counselor White House counselor her plans for a summertime my advice.' So I said to

> House briefing. "Later this summer, I'm friendship, I support the going to be changing the way in which I serve the president. My husband and I have made a difficult but we think right decision to move our family home back to Texas," she said.

"Our roots are there," she said. "I guess we're a little homesick."

Bush, in an exclusive interview, said Hughes broke the news to him Wednesday or Thursday and he accepted the decision.

"I said, 'Karen, I've Hughes, 45, an aide to Bush since his days as always valued your advice'

Texas governor, unveiled and she said, 'You'll have set of circumstances," the president said. Hughes and Condoleezza departure at a daily White myself as long as I have her

> move," the president said. "This is Karen being Karen. She loves her family. She has always made it clear to me ever since I've known her that her husband and son come first in her

advice, judgment and

life," Bush said. Hughes and political aide Karl Rove were critical to Bush's rise from a two-term Texas governor to the presi-

Rove, a fellow Texan with a teen-age child of his own, has no plans to leave the White House, Bush said.

"I think there's a different

Rice, the president's national security adviser, are two of the most influential female aides in White House history. Fifteen months into the

Bush presidency, this is the period in which senior aides generally start considering departures from high-pressure White House and Cabinet posts.

White House chief of staff Andrew Card has denied reports that he is considering leaving in the fall. Bush advisers say they expect Hughes will not be the last senior aide to leave this

Louisiana woman kills family, then herself

SLIDELL, La. (AP) — A woman shot and killed her husband, sister and mother before she turned the gun on herself, leaving a note on the front door that read: "Call 911. Door is unlocked. We are all dead."

The family's housekeeper discovered the note and called authorities early Tuesday after arriving at their home in a subdivision near Slidell, said Tiffany Tate, a St. Tammany Parish Sheriff's Office spokes-

Charlotte Haley, 59, may have been driven to the slayings because she was over- housekeeper from the shock of discovering whelmed in caring for her elderly mother

and mentally handicapped sister, said

Sheriff Jack Strain. "Early indications are that there appeared to be a great deal of medical problems," Strain said.

The victims were identified as Eupha West, 80, her mother; Janie West, 55, her sister; and Ronald Haley, 64.

All four had been shot with the same handgun Monday night, police said.

Authorities said the note on the front door was apparently intended to spare the the bodies.

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OUR VIEWS

Let's salute our keepers of the peace

riday, the Big Spring Police Department will be celebrating its 75th anniversary. Three-quarters of a century. That's quite a milestone of service to the community.

From 1927, when E.A. Long was chosen as the first chief of police for Big Spring, through today's modernized department under the direction of Lonnie Smith, many dedicated men and women have provided law enforcement for our

Today, it takes myriad resources to operate a program efficiently. The department not only handles such "routine" matters as patrolling beats and handling investigations, but they are behind the scenes providing services such as record-keeping and dispatching. The department dedicates many hours toward preventative and educational programs through the schools, the chior Center, neighborhood watches and civie functions. For instance, the Big Spring Police Department honor guard is well-known in the community, presenting the colors at parades, memorials, banquets and other functions.

Through its Citizens Police Academy, the department strives to both educate and inform the public, while making our streets more safe each day.

In saluting 75 years of hard work our department has served this community, the *Herald* has put together a special section which will be included in Thursday's edition.

We hope you will join us in saying "thank you" to our police officers, staff and volunteers, as well as former employees. In that regard, an open house has been scheduled at the department, 400 E. Fourth St., between the hours of 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Friday. You are invited.

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Rodeo has criminals behaving themselves

s murderers, rapists, robbers and assorted other convicted cowboys hold hands and form what's known in the evangelism business as a prayer circle, the preacher prays a

prayer that doesn't overlook anything. "Bless every head of livestock,"

the reverend beseeches at one point. That's how

RHETA GRIMSLEY it starts. JOHNSON There'll be

hollering, whooping, spills, a busted leg in the first 10 minutes. But the spring version of the Angola Prison Rodeo begins with a purely Protestant prayer, a prayer to age an ACLU lawyer by a decade. If there's a Muslim or Jew or secular humanist among the 5,000 Louisiana State Prison population, he doesn't speak up in protest today. Nobody wants to risk ending the rodeo.

And if there's a human emotion not triggered by the production, I don't know it. The annual fall

he bluebonnet is

names such as buf-

TUMBLEWEED

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known by other

falo clover, wolf

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Legend of the Bluebonnet.

"Great spirits, the land is

dying, too," the long line of

dancers sang. "Tell us what we have done to anger you.

supplied Tomie dePaola

material for the book,

dying. Your people are

End this drought, Save

we must do so you will

send the rain that will

For three days, the

sound of the drums and for

dancers danced to the

bring back life.'

your people. Tell us what

rodeo (every weekend in October) became so popular with the public that last year they added a spring show. So I had to see it,

You ride through those front gates into 18,000 acres of lush Louisiana, and - to quote a former president you feel the pain of the permanent residents. All the manicured drives and blueberry patches and white fencing in the world can't make you forget that twothirds of the men here are lifers, and this pretty place is one they cannot leave. Ever.

A few grim statistics. The Angola prisoner population is mostly from cities, mostly black, all men convicted of serious violent crimes. Nearly half (49.3 percent) are in for homicide. More than 3,000 are here for life; most of the rest are serving 20 years or more.

So you go in with eyes wide open, knowing these are tough customers, violent and flinty hard. You just don't expect to find engaging, clean-cut-looking fellows with good manners and an abundance of tal-

The crafts show before the rodeo begins the emotional avalanche. It makes you sad; all that talent

Legend of the bluebonnet

three days the people called

Comanches watched and

famine are hardest on the

very young and the very

old. Among the few chil-

dren left was a small girl

named She-Who-Is-Alone.

In her lap was a doll

made from buckskin, a

warrior doll. The eyes.

ed on with the juice of

She sat by herself watching

nose and mouth were paint-

berries. It wore beaded leg-

gings and a belt of polished

bone. On its head were bril-

liant flue feathers from the

The shaman went to the

top of the hill to listen for

Spirits who would tell him

would come and the earth

would be green and alive.

gone to the hill, She-Who-

mother who made the doll,

of the father who brought

the blue feathers and her

grandparents who had all

warrior doll was the only

The shaman returned and

spoke: "I have heard from

the Great Spirits who said

the people have become

died in the famine. The

thing she had left from

those distant days.

bird who cries "Jay-jay-

jay." She loved her doll

words from the Great

what to do so the rains

While the shaman was

Is-Alone thought of the

waited. Drought and

the dancers.

very much.

behind razor wire, dickering through a fence over the price of a parrot painting or a steamboat made of matchsticks.

One fellow is selling a jewelry box artfully constructed of folded Camel cigarette packages, a beautiful little relic brewed from the remnants of risky behavior and shellac. If he doesn't sell it today, a New Orleans gallery will take it and price it at \$500. Both the crafts show and

the rodeo are proof somehow that prisoners can find dignity and pride doing hard time. The Angola Rough Riders — the only real cowboys in the show, they are trusties from the prison range crew — gallop into the arena to the "Rawhide" theme, and darned if you don't want to cry. Something about the rousing music, the ramrodstraight men in the saddle, the faces — it's poignant. Still human, these men are, after all.

Then you see the frightened face of some city boy who volunteered to ride a horse bareback in an event called the "Buddy Pickup." It's clear he's never been near a horse before.

In this customized event, riders sprint toward a barrel where the "buddy'

selfish. They have taken

ing anything back. The

from the earth without giv-

Great Spirits say the people

must make a burnt offering

of the most valued posses-

sion among us. The ashes

scattered to the four points

of the earth. When this sac-

rifice is made, drought and

That night, She-Who-Is-

Alone held her doll tightly

to her heart. "You," she

said, looking at the doll,

After everyone was

glowing stick from the

the place where the

tepee fire and crept out

into the night. She ran to

shaman had heard from the

She spoke, "Here is my

warrior doll. It is the only

thing I have from my fami-

ly who died in this famine.

It is my most valued pos-

session. Please accept it."

and started a fire with the

glowing firestick and thrust

She then gathered twigs

her doll into the fire.

ers on her doll.

In the morning, the

ground was covered with

flowers, beautiful flowers

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Spirits want.'

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waits to jump on the same roused horse — a horse not wild about the first passenger, much less a second. Often as not, the couple tumbles together into the arena dust.

These are, after all, cowpokes who don't get to practice, but with nothing to lose and glory to gain. They are all volunteers, happy for the distraction, eager to be heroes instead of statesponsored goats for at least one day.

Angola Warden Burl Cain maintains the rodeo has changed the prison morale and atmosphere, given prisoners something to look forward to, something to excel at. Considering the security risk, he must be confident in his views. You wouldn't want to invite 10,000 outlanders into the prison for an event that prisoners weren't gung-ho

Of all the approaches to prisoner rehabilitation and reform, this must be the most unique, if not the most successful. Hard-time criminals behaving themselves for the chance to be thrown from a bronco, stomped by a calf, kicked by a cow or pitched into the Louisiana sky by the charging horns of a mad bull.

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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ***** Your efforts blossom into what you had imagined. Communication flows, and someone puts exactly what he or she is thinking on the table. Understanding flourishes as a result. Take this approach and attitude into other realms of your life. Tonight: The only answer is "yes."

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ** Another proves his or her willingness, even if you don't always see issues eye to eye. Remain gentle and sensitive when dealing with those who surround you. Use an innate talent or ability for financial gain. You offer much more than you're aware of. Tonight: Put up your feet.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** Venus moves into your sign, adding to your allure and attractiveness. Your timing and creativity dance together and enhance your abilities to succeed both professionally and emotionally. You have time. If possible, don't scatter your energy. Tonight: Decide to do something

CANCER (June 21-July 22) *** Do something special for a family member. Your efforts come back in multiples. Recognize your limits and be especially caring with someone close to you. Carefully consider options that surround a new friendship. Time works in your favor. Get to know this person. Tonight: Make it easy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **** A friend goes out of his or her way for you. A meeting tumbles in your favor. Expect more of these

positive happenings in the

next few months. Carefully

think through a decision

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Tonight: Munchies and dinner out.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) *** Manage your finances with your customary strength. A must appearance brings positive and long-sought-after results. A boss will acknowledge you. Ask for the raise or that bonus you want. Don't get shy right now! Tonight: Spring shopping.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** See to someone with your customary style. In fact, use that Libra charm and you'll get positive feedback. Arrange the world according to you, at least for now. Use your ability to read between the lines with others. Ferret out the facts.

Tonight: Ask. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) *** Slow down some. You often steamroll others around you. If you kick back, you might be delighted by what a close associate does for you. Use this time to let others speak about what they want, and act on their wishes. Tonight: Just don't make the first move.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** If you're expressive, you might be clapping your hands in glee or jumping up and down with joy. Certainly after recent flack, you could be thrilled by another's attitude. Focus on aspiration. Network within present constraints. Tonight: Where your friends are.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) **** You gain professionally. You have many reasons to be pleased by news at work. Use care when dealing with an associate. This person might have stronger feelings about you than just friendship. Be more aware! Tonight: Burn the midnight

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** Your vision and ability to read between the lines help you with others. Your intellectual responses head you down the correct path. Do not overthink, but, rather, consider alternatives that surround you. Tonight: Try impulsive-

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) **** Work closely with someone. How you feel about yourself comes out in your ability to trust someone. Financial negotiations could be instrumental to the end results. Consider an expenditure for the family. Improve the quality of your life. Tonight: Go along for the ride.

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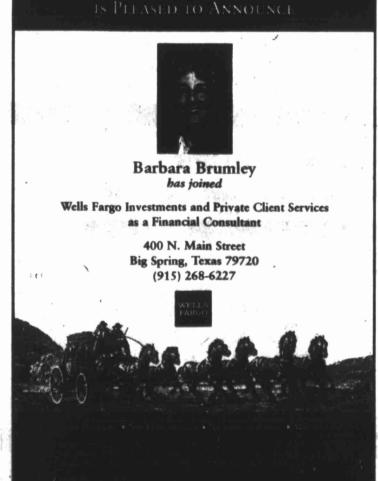
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Truth is stranger than fiction at the Library

Vincent Price is best remembered as the redeeming quality of a run of 1950s and 1960s horror films, but daughter Victoria says that "fewer than a third of the more than one hundred pictures he made . . . were horror movies."

In a literate biography, she examines her father's career and personal life, attending to the story behind the

Read about her father, Vincent Price, in "Vincent Price: A Daughter's Biography.

Several weeks ago, the television program "Biography" profiled Brenda Lee.

The Library now has "Little Miss Dynamite: The Life and Times of Brenda Lee."

Lee began in stereotypically classiccountry-music circumstances: dirtpoor family, drunken dad, tarpaper shack — hard to get much more down-home than that.

Lee's autobiography is another welcome brick for the foundation of any thorough pop-music book collection.

"Minding the Store" is a friendly and enjoyable tale of success in the retail business and how success was accomplished.

Stanley Marcus recounts the growth of his family business and the stories of customer demands and customer service that created a hugely profitable and customer orientated retail empire.

Stanley Marcus died on January 22, 2002, in Dallas at the age of 94.

Orson Scott Card is known primarily for his science fiction books. However in "Rebekah" the second volume of his Women of Genesis series, he has departed from his usual genre.

Chosen by God to be the wife of Isaac, she becomes caught up in an emotional storm as she struggles to find her place in the family of Abraham.

The author has created a cast of believable characters, burdened with all too human foibles, who struggle to be true in their

covenants with God. Card's first novel is "Sarah," the first in the trilogy, is a beautiful and courageous Jewish woman who changed the course of history through her faith, wisdom, and commitment to her husband, Abraham,

is on order. In a state as large as Texas the regions vary widely in their histories and identities.

This collection of stories recounts the colorful history of the Clear Fork country, the land along the Clear Fork of the Brazos in Shackelford and Throckmorton counties.

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The editors of "Tracks Along the Clear Fork" (edited by Lawrence Clayton) have blended the voices of modern writers with those who made that history.

Also included is a report from Capt. R.B. Marcy's 1854 expedition through this mostly unexplored area.

If you enjoy reading Texas history, then you must check this one out. I seem to be on a Texas thread; the Library has received Hal K. Rothmans's biography of Lyndon Baines Johnson title "LBJ's Texas

White House: Our Heart's Home.' This is a detailed and engaging account of the way the ranch was used during Johnson's years in poli-

You will learn who came to visit, how they were fed and entertained and how LBJ conducted the nation's business while in Texas.

Readers will also get an interpretation of how the role of the ranch formed Johnson's self-image and how, in his last years, brought the one thing he truly craved — control.

Drawing heavily on first-person tes-

timonies, Jo Ella Powell Exley (editor of Texas Tears, Texas Sunshine: Voices of Frontier Women, the Library has this) traces the Parker family's trajectory, from Elder John (born in 1758) to his great-grandson Quanah Parker, a Comanche war

This family had a particular impact on the development of Texas and the West and was especially determined to make a life there, despite the likelihood of violence.

Vivid, unsparing accounts, much insight into the pioneer experience and the details of early interracial relations will make this book popular among devotees of the history of the American West.

The title of the book is "Frontier Blood: The Saga of the Parker Family.

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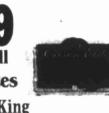
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Celebrate Administrative Professionals Day

Landers: Today National Secretary's Day. I hope you will allow me to use your column to slav something to all bosses every-



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where. Dear Boss: Please do not honor me during National Secretaries Week. If you are going to honor anyone, please let it be all of your employees, not just one.

I realize when you first started your business, I did everything in the office. But your company grew, and you hired a bookkeeper, then a clerk, research assistant, several salespeople and a technical adviser. And let's not forget the custodian and the cleaning staff. They are the ones who keep the air conditioning going and the coffee pots clean.

When I was a bookkeeper, I was never given a special honor because I didn't have the title of "Secretary." I know if you print this, Ann, my boss will receive at least 20 copies of it on his desk. I just want to say how much I appreciate the 19 other people who help me do my work. -Secretary in Oklahoma City

Dear Secretary: As you probably know, today is known Administrative Professionals Day. It has been observed since 1952 as a way for businesses to promote professional excellence and recognize office staff for their workplace wide range of responsibilities and skills, and employeffort to express their appreciation.

todians, salespeople, clerks, research assistants and technical advisers in your office. For the record, National Bookkeepers' Day is the Friday of the second full week in October. Salesmen's Day is June 4, Technology Day is Oct. 21, and Garbage Collectors Day is Oct. 12.

For the rest of us, Jan. 10 is Find the Top of Your Desk Day.

Dear Ann Landers: I just read the letter from "Confused in San Jose, Calif.," who wanted to know if she should wait for "Jake," even though he refused to set a date for the wedding. You told her to move out immediately and date others. You are absolutely right. I hope she

I met "Tom" when I was DICATE, INC.

Help your graduate get a handle

on things.

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24, and decided he was the one for me. We started living together almost immediately, and after two years, he presented me with a lovely engagement ring. However, I could not get him to commit to a date for the wedding. There was always some excuse. I believed him when he said we didn't need a piece of paper to prove our love.

After 10 years together, I became pregnant. I thought for sure we'd get married then. Tom promised to set a date as soon as the baby was born, but he kept putting it off. Our son is now 14 years old, and I have wasted half of my life waiting for Tom to marry me. Last month, he traded me in for a newer model a young woman in his

That "piece of paper" may not have changed how things turned out, but legally, I would have been in a much better financial position. Our state does not recognize common-law mar-Please "Confused" to move out immediately and not look Learned the Hard

Dear Learned the Hard Way: I appreciate your words of wisdom. Nothing has more impact than advice from someone who has "been there and done that." and you certainly have. I hope "Confused" sees this and learns from your sad experience.

Lonesome? Take charge of your life and turn it around. Write for Ann Landers' booklet, "How to contributions. Today's Make Friends and Stop office staff comprises a Being Lonely." Send a selfaddressed, long, businesssize envelope and a check ers should make a sincere or money order for \$4.25 (this includes postage and handling) to: Friends, c/o It is generous of you to Ann Landers, P.O. Box want to share the holiday 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611with the bookkeepers, cus- 0562. (In Canada, send \$5.15.) To find out more about Ann Landers and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com.

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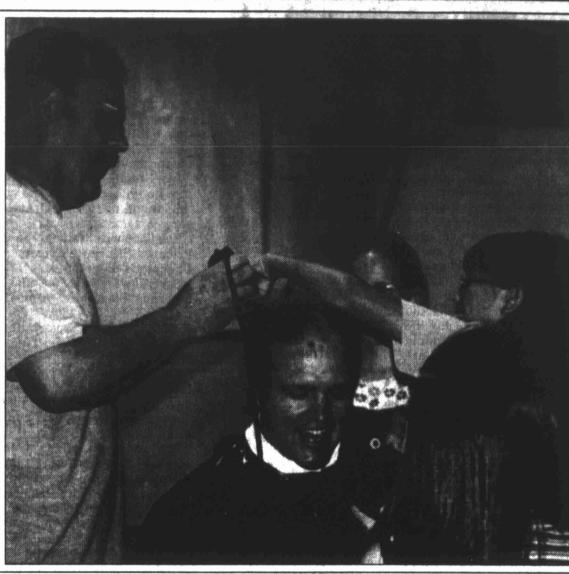
Billy Turner guides the hand of Elbow Elementary grader. Nattle Sorenson, as she cuts the hair of Elbow Principal Tommy Gibson. First grader, Alexis Armstrong, front, and fifth grader, Tlera Mohn watch as Gibson is relieved of

his blond tresses. Gibson had challenged the students to amass 5,500 points in the Accelerated Reader program before the end ot the fifth six weeks grad-

The students met and surpassed the goal by over 1,000 points.

ing period.

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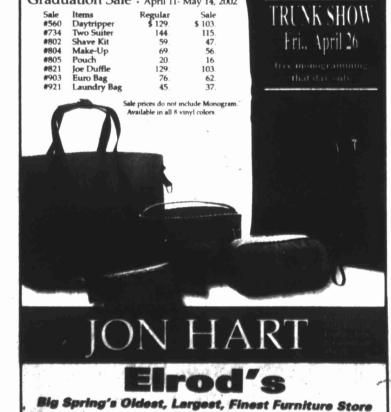
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Sports

Do you have an interesting sports item or story idea? Call John Moseley at 263-7331, Ext. 230. Email results to: johnmoseley@bigspringherald.com

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IN BRIEF

Lady Steers' playoff with Canyon slated

Big Spring's Lady Steers will play Canyon's Lady Eagles in a best twoof-three bi-district playoff series starting at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Lubbock Coronado High School.

Ticket prices are \$3 for adults and \$1 for students.

series' second The game will begin at noon on Saturday. A third game, if necessary, would follow the conclusion of Game 2.

Steers hold off rally for 4-2 win

Big Spring's Steers held off a late rally by San Angelo Lake View's Chiefs to take a 4-2 win in District 4-4A baseball action Tuesday in San Angelo.

The Steers scored two runs in the top of the first inning when Nathan Clements led off with a single and scored on a Jon McKinnon double. McKinnon then scored on a Ragan Phillips single.

James Helms provided an RBI double in the second inning for the Steers.

Big Spring's final run came in the fifth when winning pitcher Dustyn Beauchamp doubled. Zac Phinney then drove in courtesy runner Michael

Beauchamp cruised for 6 1/3 innings before running into trouble, giving up two runs and loading the bases with one out in the bottom of the seventh.

McKinnon then came on to strike out one batter and end the game on a ground out.

The Steers will close out their season Friday with a 6 p.m. game in Plainview.

Bulldogettes' playoff scheduled for May 3

Coahoma's Bulldogettes will open Class 2A softball playoff action at 6 p.m. Friday, May 3, with a one-game showdown with Grape Creek's Lady Eagles at San Angelo Central High School's new softball facility.

The Bulldogettes claimed the District 3-2A championship, going unbeaten in league play and own a 14-12 overall record.

BSHS coaches warn local businessmen

Big Spring High School athletic director Dwight Butler is warning local businesses that a Fort Worth-based company is contacting companies trying to sell advertising for a football poster.

"We want people to know that these people are not connected with our program in any way," Butler said. "What these people do in no way benefits our program."

Butler explained that the school does produce

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ON THE AIR

Radio

NBA PLAYOFFS 8 p.m. - Minnesota Timberwolves at Dalllas

Mavericcks, KBST-AM 1490.

Television **NBA PLAYOFFS**

6 p.m. - Toronto Raptors at Detroit Pistons, TNT. 8:30 p.m. - Minnesota Timberwolves at Dallas Mavericks, TNT.

NHL PLAYOFFS

6 p.m.— Philadelphia Flyers at Ottawa Senators,

6 p.m. - Toronto Maple Leafs at New York Islanders, ESPN2.

BSHS netters find Day 2 of regional tourney tough one

By CONNIE EDGEMON

Special to the Herald

SAN ANGELO — Day 2 of the Region I, Class 4A Tennis Tournament prove to be a tough one for Big Spring's Jay Shroff, Derek DeHoyos and Alex Edgemon.

Shroff, the No. 4 seed in boys' singles, won both of his opening matches on Monday, but ran into No. 1 seed Andrew Ulrich of Wichita Falls High in the semifinals and suffered a 6-0, 6-2 loss.

However, Shroff rebounded to

Quiones of Crowley in the thirdplace match, earning a playback against No. 3 seed Ian Bradburn of Wichita Falls.

Unfortunately, Bradburn took a 7-6, 6-4 win in that playback, dashing Shroff' hopes of qualifying for the Class 4A State Tennis Tournament

DeHoyos and Edgemon, the No. 3 seeds in boys' doubles, also opened with a pair of match wins on Monday, only to run into the No. 1seeded team of David Barrett and Jared King of Wichita Falls Rider.

over the Big Spring duo in the semifinal.

In their final match against Pampa's No. 4-seeded Jay Gerber and David Thacker, they were also defeated 6-3, 6-4, dashing hopes of a playback opportunity.

Big Spring coach Sarah Corse noted that the Big Spring boys lost to the eventual regional champions in both divisions.

"As in any match of this level, the score did not reflect how close many of the games were. It could have gone either way today, and unfortu-

take a 6-2. 6-0 win over Daniel Barrett and King took a 6-3, 6-3 win nately, it did not go in our favor," Corse said. "I'm proud of our players. We had a great year, taking our district last fall, bringing the boy's overall trophy and seven medals from the spring district tournament and taking five players to regionals.

"I'm looking forward to next year, knowing that we have a lot of potential. We are going to miss this year's seniors," she added. "These young men started with me as seventh graders and I have seen them grow into excellent competitors as well as strong and honorable young

HC honors athletes, fans

By MARSHA STURDIVANT Special to the Herald

Howard College honored more than 50 athletes and community members during the annual All Sports Banquet Tuesday, including the Lady Hawk Rodeo Team, which received the Top Academic Team honor.

"Athletes, you are a class act. We can't always be on top, but win or lose, we always are and always will be, a class act," said Dr. Cheryl Sparks, president of Howard College.

HC Rodeo Coach Greg Kernick received the Academic Team plaque for his Women's Rodeo Team, who have maintained a collective grade point average of 3.126.

Sparks presented the Hall of Fame Award to Dr. Robbie and Kim Cooksey, for their dedication to Howard College athletics for the past nine years.

"Dr. Cooksev came to me several years ago and said he wanted to be a part of our program. We appreciate you in a big way, and cannot say enough about your dedication each year," Sparks and.

Team head coaches, with their assistants, presented awards to each of their ath letes, including the MVP and Top Academic Award. Top Academic Awards went to Krystal Cline, athletic trainer; Samantha Ward, Lady Hawk Softball; Deidra Hirt, cheerleading squad; Andre Wright, men*s basketball; Parker Brooks, Hawk baseball; Afton Stowers, Lady Hawk Basketball; Schneemann, Men's Rodeo Team: and Darby Makloski and Courtney Bowman,

Women's Rodeo Team. Most Valuable Player awards were presented to Diana Faulkner, Lady Hawk Softball; Deidra Hirt, Best All Round cheerleader; Shamieka Buckley, Lady Hawk basketball; Jonathan "Sarge" Wilk, Outstanding Student Trainer; Darby Makloski, Top Hand Award for the HC Rodeo Team; Zach Moss, Hawk basketball: and Leonard Guerrero. Hawk baseball.

Jim Lewis, Howard College athletic director, acted as master of ceremonies for the banquet.

"I want to remind athletes of the need for humility. We need to be sure and thank those folks who helped us get where we are our parents, our friends and the numerous others who help us along the way," Lewis said.

Howard College Above and Beyond awards were presented to Lynn Walling. associate professor, for the 2000-01 academic year, and Ricky Sneed, supervisor of

grounds, for 2001-02. 'We don't have a lawn at Howard College, we enjoy green velvet, and Ricky Sneed is responsible for that. We are an oasis in West Texas, and we saw an immediate difference in our grounds as soon as Ricky came to work for Howard College four years ago," Sparks said.

Walling for his 23 years of service to Howard College. "He's a No. 1 recruiter for Howard College, and he loves Howard College,"

Sparks

Spark said. Other Friends of the

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HERALD photo/Marsha Sturdivant

Here are the recipients of Most Valuable Player awards given to Howard College athletes Tuesday night. Front row, from left, are Diana Faulkner, softball MVP; Leonard Guerrero, baseball MVP; and Deidre Hirt, cheerleading MVP. Back row: Zack Moss, men's basketball MVP; Shamleka Buckley, women's basketball MVP; and Darby Makloski, women's



HERALD photo/Marsha Sturdivant

Howard College presented academic athlete awards Tuesday night. Those receiving the awards are pictured here: Afton Stowers, women's basketball; Krystal Cline, athletic trainer; Deidre Hirt, cheerleading squad; Parker Brooks, baseball; rodeo coach Greg Kernick for the Top Academic team; Samanth Ward, softball; Andre Wright, men's basketball; Courtney Bowman, women's rodeo; Colby Schneemann, men's rodeo; and Darby Makloski, women's rodeo.

Program, those community members and employees who go out of their way to assist the Howard College athletic department, honored were: Hawk Rodeo team — Tom and Cindy DeGeer, Concho Business Solutions, South Plains Truck and Equipment and All American Chrysler; Athletic Trainer program Coliseum custodian Keith Whiteside; Lady Hawk Basketball - Boyce and Laura Kemper; Hawk baseball - Jim Shook and Steve Maples; Men's basket-

ball - Howard College

trustee Harold and Janell

Davis; Lady Hawk softball

 Susan Clapp and the Artavius Davis. Howard College maintenance department.

Other athletes honored

Women's basketball -Vangela Menter, best offensive player; Shanekqua Campbell, best defensive player; Kortney Kemper, most improved player; and LaTasha Mathiew, Lady Hawk Award.

Men's basketball — Mr. Defense, Tyrone Payne; Mr. Offense, Rodney Blackstock; Chairman of the Boards, Van Jamison; Most Improved, Maushae and Brandon Byles Haughton; Hawk Award,

Lady Hawk Softball -Zena Trevino, Hawk Pride; Rose Tirre and Crystal Judkins, Golden Glove; Big Stick Award, Breanna Bohls; Newcomer of the Year, Jennifer Reed; Most Improved, Veronica Owens.

Hawk baseball — Big Gregg Stick Award Lindsey: Golden Arm, Murray Carson; Newcomer of the Year Brian Halbert; Golden Glove,

Thomas. Cheerleaders — Spirited, Nicole Payne; Best Jumps Female, Ami

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Rangers edged by Jays

ARLINGTON (AP) John Rocker never got a chance to apply some of the things he worked on during his break from the Texas Rangers.

Rocker got Eric Hinske on a double-play grounder with the only pitch he threw in the Rangers' 2-1 loss to the Toronto Blue Jays on Tuesday night.

"I lobbied hard for another inning to put into effect some of the stuff I've been working on," Rocker said.

Earlier in the day, Rocker was recalled from a minor league assignment to which he never reported.

After he was assigned to Triple-A Oklahoma a week ago, Rocker instead stayed in California to work on his delivery mechanics with Tom House at a clinic the former Rangers pitching coach owns.

When asked about the last week, Rocker responded, "I'm just talking about the game.

Hinske had a part in both runs for the Blue Jays before his at-bat against Rocker. He had an RBI double in the third and led off the sixth with a single before scoring on Darrin Fletcher's sacrifice fly.

Brandon Lyon (1-2), who had an 8.82 ERA in his first three starts, pitched 6 1-3 innings for the win and allowed one run on four hits — the only hits by Texas against five pitchers. Kelvim Escobar got four outs for his third save.

Ismael Valdes (1-3), the first of six Texas pitchers, gave up just two runs on five hits over 5 1-3 innings. He struck out three and had three walks, all of which hurt him.

There were two on and one out in the seventh when Hinske faced Rocker and sharply hit the ball right at second baseman Frank Catalanotto.

"I thought I threw a decent pitch at a good time," Rocker said. "If you've pitched 20 scoreless innings in a row or stunk like I have the last two weeks, it's always positive to come in and give the team a boost and put the fire out."

Said manager Jerry Narron, who decided against another inning for Rocker: "I'll take a pitch like that and a double play every time."

When optioned to the minors a week ago, Rocker was 0-1 with one save in three chances and a 9.53 ERA in six games for the Rangers. His demotion came right after he gave up two runs in the 10th inning of a 6-5 loss at Anaheim.

Rocker was recalled after 10-time All-Star catcher Ivan Rodriguez was put on the 15-day disabled list Tuesday with a herniated disc in his back.

Because Rocker replaced an injured player, the Rangers weren't bound by the rule requiring an optioned player to spend at least 10 days with his minor league team.

After Rusty Greer was thrown out trying to score on Alex Rodriguez's single to end the third, Lyon had three straight 1-2-3 innings before getting into trouble. in the seventh.

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American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Recalled INF Brian

Roberts from Rochester of the International League, Optioned RHP Erik Bedard to Rochester

Receiled LHP Jim Parque from Charlotte. MINNESOTA TWINS—Placed DH David Ortiz on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to April 19. Recalled C Matthew LeCroy from Edmonton

TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS-Placed LHP Tom

League.
TEXAS RANGERS—Placed C Ivan Rodriguez on the 15-dey disabled list, retroactive to April 15. Recalled LHP John Rocker and LHP Randy Flores from Oklahoma of the PCL.

National League
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Acquired LHP Andrew
aziett from the Boston Red Sox for LHP Juan
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SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Receiled 18

National Football League
ATLANTA FALCONS—Signed QB Dusty

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CINCINNATI BENGALS—Re-signed S Cory Hall, S JoJuan Armour and RB Nick Williams to only-year contracts. Signed OT Justin Bland, OT John Grabowski, FB Harold Jackson, FB Jason Murray, WR Jim Jones, WR Kwazi Leverette, WR Daircey Levy, WR Michael Stater, TE Trent Sansbury, G Thatcher Szaley, DE Bob Dzvonick, DE Nate Krill, S Stephon Kelly, S Pig Prather, LB Diveryne Levels, LB Jermaine Petty, UB Tito Rodriguez, CB Reggie Myles, CB Tierre Sams and DT Derrick Johnson.

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DALLAS COWBOYS—Signed RB Woody Dantzler and RB Ennis Heywood, Re-signed TE Milke Lucky and WR Randel Williams. GREEN BAY PACKERS—Agreed to terms on

Damon Minor from Fresno of the PCL.

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COLLEGIATE BASEBALL

The top 25 teams in the Collegiate Baseball poll with records through April 21 (voting by coaches, sports writers and sports information

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1. Clemson	34-5
2. Rice	35-8
3. Alabama	34-7
4. Stanford	27-10
5. Wake Forest	33-6
6. South Carolina	31-9
7. Mississippi	32-9
8. Texas	34-10
9. North Carolina	28-14
10. Florida State	38-12
11. Florida	30-12
12. Houston	29-12
13. Georgia Tech	32-8
14. Wichita State	27-10
15. Nebraska	26-14
16. Oklahoma State	29-11
17. Cal State Fullerton	27-12
18. Baylor	29-14
19. Texas A&M	31-15
20. Florida Atlantic	34-7
21. Richmond	35-6
22. Long Beach State	25-12
23. Southern Cal	24-16
24. South Alabama	28-11
25. James Madison	33-9

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20. Nebraska

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South Alabama

25. San Diego State

The top 25 teams in the Collegiate Baseball

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2. Central Oklahoma	41
3. Central Missouri State	36
4. Cal State Chico	40
5. Kennesaw State	37-
6. Columbus State	36-
7. North Florida	34-
8. Florida Southern	35
9. Alabama-Huntsville	30-
10. Abilene Christian	38-
 Georgia Coll. & St. 	30-
12. North Alabama	35-
13. Tampa	27-
14. Grand Canyon	35-
15. S.CAiken	34-
15. Southern Arkansas	38-
17. Mansfield	31
18. Ashland	32
19. Mesa State	33-
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Minnesota	13	7	.650	-
Cleveland	12	8	.600	1
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San Francisco (Ainsworth 1-1) at Chicago Cubs (Clement 1-2), 7:05 p.m. Thursday's Games

Los Angeles (Nomo 2-2) at Pittsburgh (Fogg 2-, 11:35 a.m. San Francisco (L.Hernandez 4-0) at Chicago

Cubs (Lieber 2-0), 1:20 p.m. San Diego (Jones 1-0) at Philadelphia (Padilla 2-2), 2:05 p.m. Houston (Reynolds 2-2) at Florida (Burnett 2-2), 6:05 p.m

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Arizona (Helling 2-2) at Atlanta (Maddux 2-0), 6:35 p.m.

AL LEADERS

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BATTING—Fick, Detroit, .397; Lofton, Chicago, .392; THunter, Minnesota, .385; Durham, Chicago, .379; Soriano, New York, .378; Burks, Cleveland, .365; Cox, Tampa Bay, .362; MRamirez, Boston, .362. .362; MRamirez, Boston, .362. RUNS—Lofton, Chicago, .26; Cameron, Seattle, .20; Ordonez, Chicago, .19; Lawton, Cleveland, .19; Damon, Boston, .19; MRamirez, Boston, .18; Soriano, New York, .17; CGuillen, Seattle, .17; Thunter, Minnesota, .17; CDelgado,

RBI—Konerko, Chicago, 24; Hillenbrand, Boston, 20; ARodriguez, Texas, 19; MRamirez, Boston, 19; Thome, Cleveland, 18; Durham, Chicago, 17; Thunter, Minnesota, 16; Posada, New York, 16; Ventura, New York, 16.

New York, 16; Ventura, New York, 16.
HITS—Soriano, New York, 34; Lofton,
Chicago, 31; THunter, Minnesota, 30; Konerko,
Chicago, 29; JJones, Minnesota, 28; Suzuki,
Seattle, 27; Burks, Cleveland, 27.
DOUBLES—Soriano, New York, 11;
RPalmeiro, Texas, 11; Ordonez, Chicago, 9;
Mientklewicz, Minnesota, 8; Randa, Kansas Cty,
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8; Fick, Detrolt, 7; TBatista, Baltimore, 7; Posada, New York, 7; GAnderson, Anaheim, 7; Burks, Cleveland, 7.
TRIPLES—Suzuki, Seattle, 4; Catalanotto, Texas, 3; Vizquel, Cleveland, 3; Beltran, Kansas City, 2; CGuillen, Seattle, 2; NPerez, Kansas City, 2; Departs Better, 2; Tucker, Kansas City, 2; Departs Better, 2; Tucker, Kansas City, 2; Charles, 2; Tucker, Kansas City, 2; Catalanotto, Catal

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STOLEN BASES—Lofton, Chicago, 11; Knoblauch, Kansas City, 8; Mora, Baltimore, 7; Jeter, New York, 7; Soriano, New York, 6; Damon, Boston, 6; Durham, Chicago, 6.

PTCHING (3 Decisions)—Byrd, Kansas City, 4-0, 1.000, 2.22; Hasegawa, Seattle, 3-0, 1.000, 0.00; Osuna, Chicago, 3-0, 1.000, 6.30; Mussina, New York, 3-0, 1.000, 2.54; DWells, New York, 3-0, 1.000, 3.45; Buehrle, Chicago, 4-1, 800, 2.12; 5 are tied with 750.

STRIKEOUTS—Clemens, New York, 34; OHernandez, New York, 30; Halladday, Toronto, 28; Thudson, Oakland, 27; Ritchie, Chicago, 24; PMartinez, Boston, 22; Mussina, New York, 22.

SAVES—Guardado, Minnesota, 8; Urbina, Boston, 7; Sasaki, Seattle, 6; MRivera, New York, 6; Wickman, Cleveland, 6; Foulke, Chicago, 5; Koch, Qakland, 4; Yan, Tampa Bay, 4. 5; Koch, Oakland, 4; Yan, Tampa Bay, 4.

NL LEADERS

BATTING—Bonds, San Francisco, .404 Nevin, San Diego, .394; Barrett, Montreal, .382 Edmonds, St. Louis, .364; Lowell, Florida, .358; Spivey, Arizona, .355; Ward, Houston, .352. Spivey, Anzona, 355; Ward, Nouston, 352.
RUNS—Bergeron, Montreal, 21; Pujols, St.
Louis, 18; Bonds, San Francisco, 18; Vidro,
Montreal, 17; Voluerero, Montreal, 17; Rolen,
Philadelphia, 17; Urlbe, Colorado, 16; Floyd,
Florida, 16; Edmonds, St. Louis, 16.

RBI—VGuerrero, Montreal, 23; Berkman, Houston, 21; Pujols, St. Louis, 17; Barrett, Montreal, 17; Sexson, Milwaukee, 17; Hidalgo, Houston, 17; Rolen, Philadelphia, 17; Bonds, San Francisco, 17.

HITS—Lowell, Florida, 29; Nevin, San Diego, 28; Uribe, Colorado, 27; Spivey, Arizona, 27; VGuerrero, Montreal, 27; Vidro, Montreal, 26; JDrew. St. Louis, 25: Ward, Houston, 25 DOUBLES—Spivey, Arizona, 10; Rollins, Philadelphia, 9; Lowell, Florida, 9; Vidro, Montreal, 9; Rolen, Philadelphia, 9; Pujols, St. Louis, 8; MAnderson, Philadelphia, 8; Barrett, Montreal, 8; Lo Duca, Los Angeles, 8; Ward,

Houston, 8.

TRIPLES—Uribe, Colorado, 4; Furcal, Atlanta,
4; LCastillo, Florida, 3; 12 are tied with 2.

HOME RUNS—Berkman, Houston, 9; Bonds,
San Francisco. 8; AJones, Atlanta, 7; Floyd,
Florida, 7; SSosa, Chicago, 7; Sexson,
Milwaukee, 6; Edmonds, St. Louis, 6.

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Pierre, Colorado, 6; Patterson, Chicago, 6;
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Furcal, Atlanta, 5; Marrero, St. Louis, 5; LCastillo, Florida, 5; Vina, St. Louis, 5; EYoung, Milwaukee, 5.

PITCHING (3 Decisions)— RJohnson, Arizona, 5-0, 1.000, 1.38; Ishli, Los Angeles, 4-0, 1.000, 3.57; LHernandez, San Francisco, 4-0, 1.000, 2.03; Whurez, Florida, 3-0, 1.000, 2.57; Morris, St. Louis, 4-1, 800, 3.00; Schilling, Arizona, 4-200, 3.69; Walle, Distrabura 5. Louis, 4-1, 500, 3.00, Schilling, Arizona, 4-1, 500, 2.68; Wells, Pittsburgh, 3-1, 750, 5.79; Astaclo, New York, 3-1, 750, 2.89; Glavine, Atlanta, 3-1, 750, 1.08. STRIKEOUTS—RJohnson, Arizona, 51; Schilling, Arizona, 48; Morris, St. Louis, 33; Duchworth Publiddelphia, 31; Clement Chicago.

Schilling, Arizona, 48; Morris, St. Louis, 33; Duckworth, Philadelphia, 31; Clement, Chicago, 30; Padilla, Philadelphia, 29; Oswalt, Houston, 28; Wood, Chicago, 28; Glavine, Atlanta, 28. SAVES—Gagne, Los Angeles, 8; MiWilliams, Pittsburgh, 8; Graves, Cincinnati, 7; Hoffman, San Diego, 6; Smoltz, Atlanta, 6; Mesa, Philadelphia, 6; Benitez, New York, 5; Nen, San Francisco, 5.

NBA PLAYOFFS

FIRST ROUND

turday, April 20 Indiana 89, New Jersey 83 Sacramento 89, Utah 86 San Antonio 110, Seattle 89 Charlotte 80, Orlando 79

Sunday, April 21 Boston 92. P series 1-0 Dallas 101, Minnesota 94, Dallas leads series 1-0

L.A. Lakers 95, Portland 87, L.A. Lakers lead Detroit 85, Toronto 63, Detroit leads series 1-

Monday, April 22 New Jersey 95, Indiana 79, series tied 1-1 Seattle 98, San Antonio 90, series tied 1-1 Tuesday, April 23 Orlando 111, Charlotte 103, OT, sers tied

Utah 93, 6adramento 86, series tied 1-1 Wednesday, April 24
Toronto at Detroit, 6 p.m.

Minnesota at Dallas, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 25 Philadelphia at Boston, 7 p.m. Portland at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

Friday, April 26 Jersey at Indiana, 7:30 p.m. turday, April 27
Charlotte at Orlando, 11:30 a.m.
Sacramento at Utah, 2 p.m.
San Antonio at Seattle, 4:30 p.m.

Detroit at Toronto, 7:30 p.m. Dallas at Minnesota, 2 p.m. .A. Lakers at Portland, 4:30 p.m.

Onday, April 29
Detroit at Toronto, TBA, if necessary
Sacramento at Utah, TBA, if necessary

Tuesday, April 30
Charlotte at Orlando, TBA
New Jersey at Indiana, TBA
Dallas at Minnesota, TBA, if necessary needay, May 1 Boston at Philadelphia, TBA, if necessary

San Antonio at Seattle, TBA L.A. Lakers at Portland, TBA, if necessary Thursday, May 2 Indiana at New Jersey, TBA, if necessary Toronto at Detroit, TBA, if necessary Minnesota at Dellas, TBA, if necessary Utah at Sacramento, TBA, if necessary

Friday, May 3 Philadelphia at Boston, TBA, if necessary Orlando at Charlotte, TBA, if necessary Seattle at San Antonio, TBA, if necessary Portland at L.A. Lakers, TBA, if necessary

NHL PLAYOFFS

FIRST ROUND

FIRST ROUND
(Best-of-7)
Wednesday, April 17
Carolina 2, New Jersey 1
Philadelphia 1, Ottawa 0, OT
Vancouver 4, Detroit 3, OT
San Jose 2, Phoenix 1
Thursday, April 18
Montreal 5, Boston 2
Chicago 2, St. Louis 1
Toronto 3, N.Y. Islanders 1
Colorado 4, Los Angeles 3
Friday, April 19

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Rubio, Garcia record Comanche Trail aces

Ben Rubio and Charlie Garcia both recorded holes in one while playing the No. 15 hole at Comanche Trail Golf Course last week.

Rubio chalked up the first ace of his career on April 14 using an 8-iron on the hole. His shot was witnessed by

Ben Garcia Sr., Juan Montolongo and Marcel Torres.

For Garcia, his ace at No. 15 on April 16 using a pitching wedge, was the second of his career. Both have come on the same hole.

The shot was particularly pleasing for Garcia since it came while his wife, Valerie, and daughter, Loxie, were looking on. Others witnessing the shot were Jace Williams, Tim Strain and Joey and Tina

NL Minors Astros

knock off Toros National The League minors division Astros took a 5-3 win over the Toros on Tuesday to improve their record to 7-0 on the season.

Astros pitcher Jacob Acosta won the pitcher's

duel, striking out 13 batters. Paxton DeLaGarza, who took the loss for the Toros, struck out 15.

Payton Parker led the Astros offensively going 2for-3 at the plate, while Wayland Leach provided the team's only other hit.

The Toros were led by Jackson Watkins, who finished the night 3-for-3. DeLaGarza had the Toros only other hit.

Big Spring ISD offers physicals on May 18

Big The Spring **Independent School District** Athletic Department will offer the opportunity for anyone in the sixth through 11th grades to receive athletic physicals.

The physicals required for students who wish to participate in athletics entering the seventh, ninth or 11th grades, or those who have not already had one.

The requirement for current sophomores to undergo physicals is a new one, according to BSHS athletic trainer Andy Rankin, who also noted a new revised form must be used for the physicals. Forms should be available from coaches, trainers and local physicians.

Physicals will be given on Saturday, May 18, in the BSHS auditorium.

Sixth graders will have physicals at 9:45 a.m., eighth graders will be examined at 10:30 a.m. and those currently in the ninth through 11th grades will also be examined at 10:30 a.m.

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Heck, even his name was misspelled on the scoreboard.

Jason Giambi didn't let any of that bother him day night. He was too trying to win the game for the New York Yankees.

Playing at the Coliseum for the first time since leaving the Athletics, Giambi hit a seventh-inning double that preceded Jorge Posada's home run and gave the Yankees a 2-1 win over Oakland.

While there were a few cheers, the former AL MVP who left the Athletics as a seven-year deal heard hecklers all game.

"I wouldn't be human if I said it didn't affect me," Giambi said. "But it's just Cincinnati 3, Colorado 2; not personal and I don't and Philadelphia 8, San want to take it personal."

"Yeah, there was a lot of booing, but it was done in a good way. They let their feelings go. That was OK," he said. "I understand, I guess.

In other American League games, Seattle beat Oakland 1-0, Toronto topped Texas 2-Chicago downed

Cleveland 5-1, Tampa Bay 6-4, Minnesota beat Baltimore defeated Boston 7-5 and Detroit beat Kansas City 3-0.

In National League games, was: Montreal 5, Milwaukee 4; New York 4,

12, Chicago 4; Arizona 5, Atlanta 2; Los Angeles 9, Pittsburgh 6; Florida 4, Houston 3 in 12 innings;

Diego 5. Giambi arrived at the Coliseum five hours before gametime.

"I got here early to say hi to all the guys," he said. "I knew it would be a circus

The fans were ready for his return.

"Money can't buy you love," read one sign in the outfield. Another made reference to his younger brother, Athletics leadoff man Giambi is better."

And when the lineups were posted on the score-

free agent for a \$120 million, St. Louis 3; San Francisco board, he was listed as starts against Oakland, "Jiambi."

> The crowd of 40,360 booed Giambi when he came onto the field to play first base in the bottom of the first. Jeremy Giambi opened with a single, and was reunited with his brother at the bag.

Giambi was heavily booed just like at Yankee Stadium, actually — when he batted in the second. He grounded out, but wound up

2-for-4. The Yankees did little against Tim Hudson until Giambi doubled to start the seventh and Posada fol-

lowed with a home run. "He looked so serious up there," Hudson said. "I'd Jeremy, and said, "Our never seen that side of him.'

Orlando Hernandez (3-1) improved to 5-0 in seven striking out 11 in eight

innings. Mariano Rivera relieved to begin the ninth and started by throwing six straight balls. He eventually retired pinch-hitter Greg Myers on a popup with runners on the corners for his sixth save.

Mariners 1, Angels 0

Ryan Franklin won his first major league start and Mark McLemore accounted for the only run.

Seattle has won four in a row and 14 of 15. Anaheim lost its fourth straight game and fell to 0-6 against the Mariners this season.

Franklin got to pitch because Lou Piniella did not want to start lefties Jamie Moyer and John Halama.

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Cantwell; Best Jumps Male, Steven Kimble; Best Motions Female, Eric DeLeon; Best Motions Male, Andy Nunez;" Best All Around, Deidra Hirt; Best Dancer, Kaci Acri; Best Basket Toss, Autumn George; Best Stunts Female, Ami Cantwell; Best Stunts Male, Steven Kimble; Best Flyer and Base, Stephanie Fitzgerald; Best Tumbler, Steven Kimble; Most Improved, Logan Long. Atheltic Trainers Outstanding Manager Benny Conger; Newcomer of the Year, Allison Davis.

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BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, VS.

TO THE CITY OF BIG **OBRIN H. DAILEY, JR.** TY, TEXAS. LOTS THREE (3) AND FOUR (4), BLOCK TWO (2) A. ACCT#: B3090001500 ADDRESS: 816 NORTH FAIRVIEW ADDITION TO WEST 5TH, OPENING BID \$130.00 HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS Cause No. T-93-05-4091 ACCT#; B3390 Style of Suit and Property ADDRESS: 1709 JOHNSON, Description

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WEST HALF (W/2), OF LOT FOUR (4), BLOCK TWENTY (20), COLE & STRAYHORN (1) CENTRAL PARK ADDI ADDITION TO THE CITY OF TION TO THE CITY OF BIG BIG SPRING, HOWARD SPRING, HOWARD COUN-COUNTY, TEXAS ACCT#: B2880019500 ADDRESS: 804 EAST 15TH. OPENING BID: \$9,546.76 1014 BLUEBONNET AVE Cause No. T-96-06-4108 **OPENING BID: \$16,091.09**

Style of Suit and Property HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. ANSELMO HILARIO, LOT FOUR (4), BLOCK TWELVE (12), BROWN ADDI-TION TO THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUN-TY, TEXAS.

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VS. JUANA JAUERQUI FIER-

RO, ET AL LOTS THREE & FOUR (3 & 4), BLOCK SIX (6), BAUER ADDITION TO THE CITY OF BIG SPRING. HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS. ACCT#: B22800055 ADDRESS: 604 NORTH WEST 5TH,

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History:

On April 24, 1800, Congress approved a bill establishing the Library of Congress. On this date:

In 1792, the national anthem of France, "La Marseillaise," was composed by Capt. Claude Joseph Rouget de Lisle.

In 1877, federal troops were ordered out of New Orleans, ending the North's post-Civil War rule in the South. In 1898, Spain declared war on the United States after rejecting America's ultimatum to withdraw from Cuba.

In 1915, the Ottoman Turkish Empire began the brutal mass deportation of Armenians during World War I.

In 1916, some 1,600 Irish

nationalists launched the Easter Rising by seizing several key sites in Dublin. (The rising was put down by British forces several days later.)

In 1953, British statesman Winston Churchill was knighted by Queen Elizabeth II.

In 1962, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology achieved the first satellite relay of a television signal, between Camp Parks, Calif., and Westford, Mass. In 1968, leftist students at

Columbia University in New York began a weeklong occupation of several campus buildings. In 1970, the People's

Republic of China launched its first satellite, which kept transmitting a song, "The East is Red." In 1980, the United States

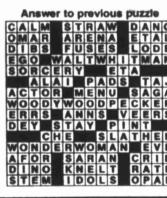
launched an abortive attempt to free the American hostages in Iran, a mission that resulted in the deaths of eight U.S. servicemen.

Ten years ago: President Bush and Democratic challenger Bill Clinton made long-distance back-to-back

hookups before the National Association of Hispanic Journalists meeting in Albuquerque, N.M. Today's Birthdays: Critic

appearances via satellite

Stanley Kauffmann is 86. Actor J.D. Cannon is 80. Actress Shirley MacLaine is 68. Author Sue Grafton is 62. Actress-singer-director Barbra Streisand is 60. Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley is 60. Country singer Richard Sterban (The Oak Ridge Boys) is 59. Rock musician Doug Clifford (Creedence Clearwater Revival) is 57. Actor-playwright Eric Bogosian is 49. Actor Michael O'Keefe is 47. Rock musician David J (Bauhaus) is 45.



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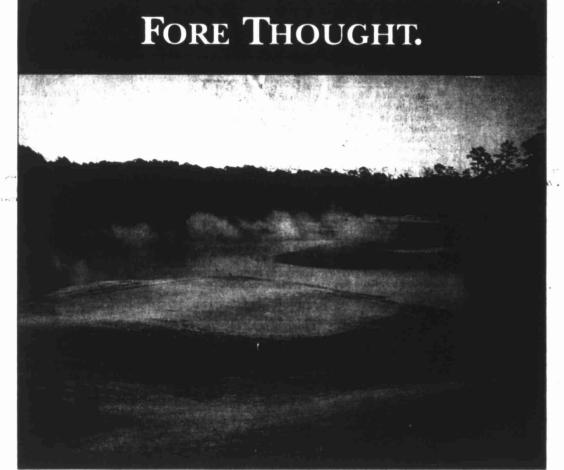
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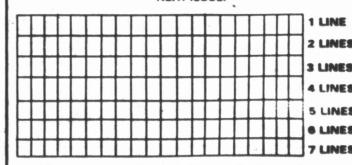
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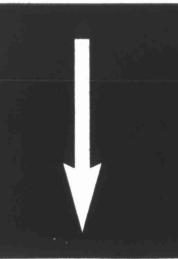
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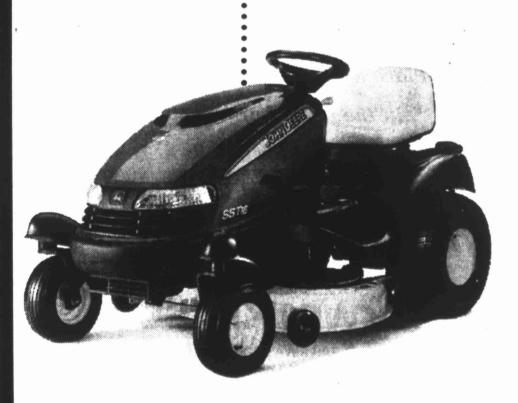
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change to a city manager form of government. city marshal was charged with fighting crime. When Long E.A. became the first police



chief, things didn't change too much right away: The Big Spring Herald referred to his "small staff" of officers.

By 1936, there were seven cops on the city beat. And it was a good thing, too: Big

Shift Sgt. Sellers conducts a recent briefing that will start a shift at the BSPD. A look at the department's history reveals much has changed, and much has remained the same.

early boom time topped 15,000.

The town has had its ups and downs, but surprising lit-

Spring's population at this tle has changed about crooks, offenders and law-breakers.

"Most of the crimes they saw back then were probably some of the same ones we see

in recognition of anniversary of the Big Spring Police Department 1-4 p.m. Friday, April 26, 2002 400 E. Fourth St. Public invited.

today," said Police Chief Lonnie Smith, who oversees 43 officers as well as civilian workers. He took a look at the past recently to prepare for the police department's 75th anniversary to be observed

"It was a different time. sure," Smith conceded, "but there were more bars here, a lively place.

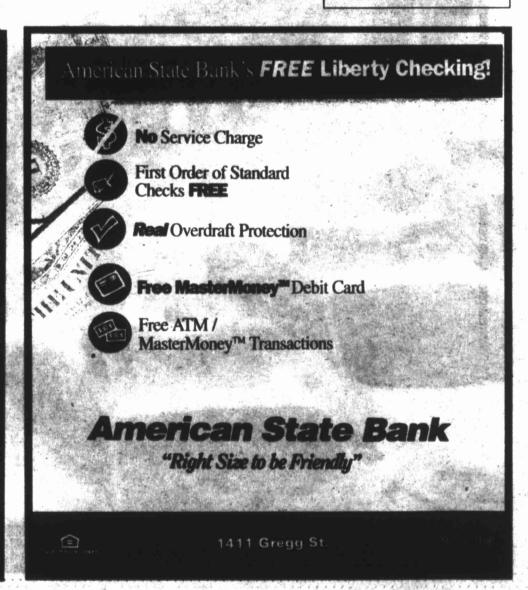
Indeed, records from the department's early days show a number of diverse offenses were common, including "prowling," "gaming," bur-glary, theft, vagrancy and alcohol abuse. In a less politically correct era, public intoxication was known simply as "drunk." Vagrancy, which old police records show was a common infraction, is no longer even a crime.

Think today's youth are troubled? Consider that in 1941, three kids ages 10, 11 and 13 were arrested for breaking and entering a local

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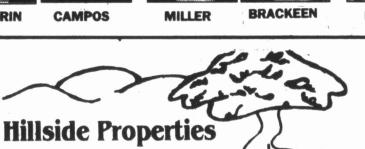






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building. Another 11-year-old was arrested for stealing bottles from the local Dr Pepper plant, apparently a common juvenile crime of the day.

Then two 15-year-old boys were caught in Big Spring after having stolen a car in Abilene, joy-riding down I-20 until their luck ran out.

Where there is crime, there must be punishment. In the 1940s, being drunk or speeding would cost you \$15. Improper parking was \$1.

"There was a different perspective," Smith said. "The way they dealt with things

then and what we do now, a lot has changed."

In the late 1930s, several young boys caught gambling were arrested, brought to the courthouse and "given a thorough lecture" by the judge.

Bothered by the rise of gangs in recent years? In the 1940s, a group calling itself "The 7 Kids" was identified as a gang in Big Spring.

"Kids today think they've invented something new," Smith said. "But here it is. The difference I think we see today is that there is not the respect for life. But violent crimes have always been around."



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Host of special programs boost PD's efforts

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Special to the Herald

In 75 years, some aspects of the Big Spring Police Department's work have changed very little, including the power of people in fighting crime in the community.

The Citizens Police Academy, created in 1994, trains a group of interested volunteers to assist the department in various tasks, including traffic control at large events, and clerical work such as data entry. Volunteers such as Jack and Mary Lou Abendschan, who have spent more than 2,000 combined hours entering pawn tickets into the computer, are a big help to the department.

"These (academy alumni) are all very dedicated to the community, and they have chosen to give many hours to the police department. That has made a big difference for



This patch is worn by members of the BSPD Citizens Police Academy alumni.

both the public and our officers," Smith said.

It used to be that police relied on their reserve officers to assist with certain duties. But today's laws require that reserves have as much training as sworn officers, effectively eliminating many candidates for those

This change broke a vital connection between the public and the police - one that needed to be restored, the chief said. Now alumni of the citizens' academies work together on projects, meet regularly for more training, and help bridge the gap between cops and communi-

"Without that connection, both sides tend to form opinions about each other." Smith said. "We are all human. We all make mistakes. This program shows citizens that our officers are well trained and well equipped, (and) very dedicated to what they do. It shows our officers that there are citizens who care about their community and want to improve it."

Training Center

In 1988, police — who must spend many hours in training to learn new skills and sharpen old ones — created a Law **Enforcement Training Center**



Classes are conducted in the department's Training Center, across from the headquarters building and above the City Council chambers.

across the street from the department. Vacant rooms above the City Council Chambers were transformed. with help from Wilderness Camp inmates, donations and the police association, into office space, a classroom and See PROGRAMS, Page 7

workout room.

The importance of training be emphasized cannot enough, Smith said.

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to the point where there is nothing left to learn," the chief said.

The center is designed for use by other departments in the city as well

Grants, seizures

The police department is dedicated to seeking grants to improve its equipment, but won't seek such funding for personnel, the chief said.

"We don't want to add additional personnel that way, because when the grant runs out, the burden falls back on the city to fund the position." Judicious use of grants, though, has helped buy some of the latest, high-tech crimefighting tools that might not otherwise be available on a tight municipal budget.

"Grants usually require matching funds, and the city government has been diligent about supporting that," Smith said.

Seizures are another tool. Law allows departments to apply for the right to seize vehicles, money and equipment that has been used in criminal activity, such as the illegal drug trade. Currently, the department has a pickup used by animal control that was a successful seizure.

Youth programs

One officer in the department is devoted to DARE, the highly successful youth program that reaches out to elementary students with tools designed to help them avoid pressures that influence them to experiment with alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, inhalants, or other drugs, or to engage in violence. Adopta-cop programs are also available at local elementary schools, where police can

sign up to participate in education and make appearances at school events.

Since the mid-1980s, one officer has taught criminal justice at Big Spring High School, a program Smith said has "helped to plant the seed of thought" that law enforcement is a valid career choice. And that could help in the department's newest battle, the fight to recruit and keep a full staff of officers.

"This is not unique to Big Spring," the chief said. "Young people are choosing other careers." The hope is that, with a class in criminal justice behind them, students will continue on to college and then consider a career in law enforcement.

"We want to show them that this is a good profession," Smith said. "This is something they can do that serves the community."

Right tools keep BSPD current in technology race

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Write

For a rural police force, the Big Spring Police Department is certainly managing to keep up in the technology race.

Recent additions of video cameras, laptop computers and digital cameras in the patrol units are making the officers' jobs easier, said BSPD Lt. Drew Bavin.

Videotaping helps the police make cases against suspects, he said.

"Basically it's an investigative tool, you might say," he said. "When you're talking about a DWI offender or any offender for that matter, you've got another piece of evidence right there."

Having a video camera in the patrol car won't stop an officer from being attacked during a traffic stop, Bavin said, but it might act as a deterrent by provide strong evidence after such an incident.

"You're going to have a video of what's going on," he said. "If somebody gets violent or something, you're going to have that video. If he was to get into a car pursuit or something like that, he could turn it on."

Writing reports has traditionally forced officers to spend hours in the station instead of out doing their jobs, Bavin said, but the department's new laptop computers are beginning change that for the better.

"All the officers that work on the street have laptops in their cars. They can do their police reports out in the field on that laptop," he said.

The past system of having officers return to the station to write reports cut down on

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their time in the field.

'They're not available for any kind of calls if they're here. They're going to have to go get in the car and go to the scene," he said. "If they're out in the field doing their reports, they're right there in the car ready to go. They don't have to leave their area or district to come do a report."

The laptops have other benefits as well, said Bavin

"We can do them faster on the computer than we can do by hand," he said.

"They make a neater report. Once those reports are put into the database or they're on the system, we don't have to turn around and have record clerks retype those reports to submit them to the courts. Once it's online and everybody's using it, we're going to eliminate a lot of pieces of paper."



Technology has improved the working environment for Big Spring Police Officers, and streamlined the way they do their Jobs. Shown above, laptop computers and video cameras have Joined radar and radios as standard crime-fighting equipment. These days, officers don't have to leave their district to complete their offense reports.





Above, technology in use at the Big Spring Police Department is not limited to computers and video cameras. At left, Corporal Detective Thad Thomas uses a scope to check a car's gas tank for hidden narcotics. At right, Lt. Terry Chamness shows the department's protective gear for exposure to hazardous materials.



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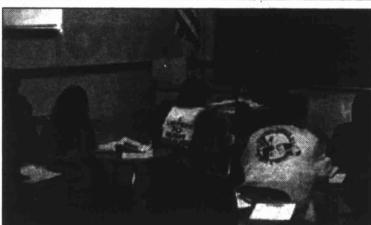
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