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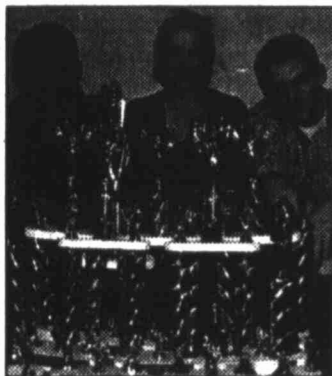
WEATHER

Tonight:



TONIGHT 30°-34° TOMORROW 35°-38°

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SPEECH AND DEBATE

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BRIEFLY

PLAYOFF TICKETS

Tickets for Saturday's Regional semifinal playoff game between Big Spring and Aledo are on sale through noon Tuesday at the BSISD administration building. Tickets bought in advance are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students. Tickets at the gate will be \$9 each.

Kickoff is set for 1 p.m. at Texas Stadium in Irving.

SPRING REGISTRATION

Howard College began registering students for Spring semester registration continues today at Howard College.

Registration will be held from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. through Tuesday, and then close for the Thanksgiving holidays. Registration will resume on Dec. 2 through Dec. 6.

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It's cold. And it's going to get colder

HERALD Staff Report

Notice anything different?

It doesn't take much imagination to realize it's cold outside.

How cold? It's not expected to get above 40 today. In fact, it won't likely edge above 40 until Thanksgiving Day or Friday.

"Pretty much it is just going to be cold, although there is a slight chance of

some light, freezing rain," said Todd Lindley, meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Midland.

"Temperatures will remain pretty steady today, in the high 30s. Tonight, you should see a low in the upper 20s," Lindley added. "Then starting tonight there is a chance of freezing rain. It's only a 20 percent chance. And that will carry on until early

Tuesday."

Tuesday should be cold — in the mid-30s — but dry. Look for a low of 20 to 25 degrees. The pattern will repeat itself Wednesday and warm up to 35-40 on Thanksgiving Day.

If you haven't already prepared for colder weather, today is the day, like it or not.

With temperatures

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United Way, 7-Eleven team up in effort to exceed goal

HERALD Staff Report

The United Way of Big Spring and Howard County will team up with local 7-Eleven Food Stores on Tuesday in a bid to reach this year's \$250,000 United Way campaign goal.

"Right now we're somewhere from \$3,000 to

\$5,000 short of our goal," United Way Executive Director Cynthia Scott said in explaining the



SCOTT

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Pierce raised plants, now he nurtures young minds

Kentwood principal left a career in agriculture for the classroom

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Now in his second year as principal of Kentwood Elementary, Wayland Pierce seems to be loving his job.

"I'm happy to stay here right now," Pierce said. "If the school district needed me for something I would go but for now I'm happy to be here."

Happy at Kentwood, extremely blessed to be in education, Pierce admits. A career he almost never had.

A 1981 graduate of Sweetwater High School, Pierce headed to West Texas State in Canyon to earn a degree in agribusiness and economics. Following gradu-

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ation, he secured employment with the Department of Agriculture and soon moved to Big Spring.

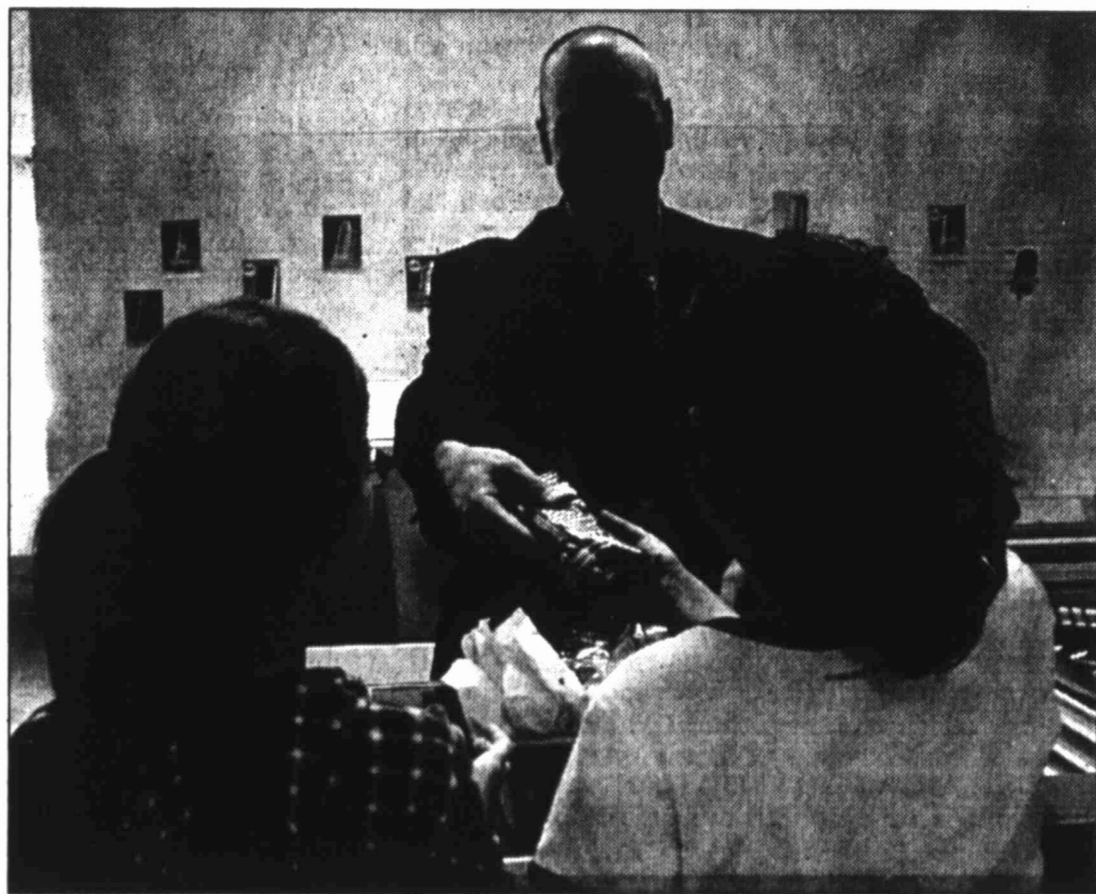
After several years in the field and with three growing young daughters, Pierce decided to make a career change in his mid-30s, a change his parents found surprising.

"They thought I was crazy," he said. "They thought I had lost my mind going to find a job teaching. It was the best move I ever made. I am happy with my career."

Earning a teaching certificate through a pro-

"If you can get the kids' respect off the field, you can get them in the classroom. Coach is the same title as Mr. or Mrs."

Wayland Pierce, Kentwood principal



Ice cream! Kentwood Elementary Principal Wayland Pierce hands out ice cream treats to the students during an afternoon break. In his second year as principal of the elementary, Pierce is happy to stay at the school.

gram offered by Region 18 of the Texas Education Agency, Pierce quickly gained employment with the Big Spring school system as a special educa-

tion teacher at the high school.

The next year he was assigned to Runnels Junior High School as a resource math teacher

and coach.

"It's just an unique age," he said grinning. "You either love junior

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Canterbury says 23rd bazaar could be the best yet

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Unique homemade Christmas decorations and gifts will highlight Canterbury Retirement Homes' 23rd annual



EDWARDS

Christmas Bazaar.

"This is one place you do not want to miss because you will find some very unique Christmas items for gifts as well as decorations," said Assistant Director Pat Johnston Edwards.

Set for Saturday, Dec. 7 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., around 30 Big Spring area vendors are expected to

have a variety of handmade items for sale.

"We have craft items, baked goods, Christmas decorations," Edwards said. "One fellow called me and said he was bringing birdhouses. We have candles. We have got all kinds of lovely things."

"We have one vendor who will bring all kinds of iron works," she said.

The annual event draws about 300 to 500 people on average to the retirement home, 1700 Lancaster St.

The man in red is also expected to make an appearance at the bazaar in his already busy schedule for Dec. 7. Santa Claus is expected to participate in both the Christmas parades of the city of Forsan parade at 10 a.m.

and the Big Spring Herald later during the day.

"For the first time in 23 years, Santa Claus will make an appearance at the bazaar sometime during the day," Edwards said.

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Excitement grows over plans for new HC fine arts facility

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

After listening to an hour-long update on the Howard College fine arts building project, trustee Adrian Randle had just one question.

"When do we move in?" "Before the spring semester," estimated project architect Phil Furqueron.

"I'm not telling you which year that will be," quipped Howard College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks.

Trustees and college officials are eagerly awaiting the start of actual demolition of the existing building that may come as early as two weeks, a huge step forward in the multi-year

"We will be able to teach in a direction we didn't even think of a year ago."



Clay Grizzle, theater instructor

project.

The privately funded project to renovate the current auditorium was put on hold for more than a year after trustees learned the college could construct a new structure

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Lacy McMurtry, 8, a student at Bauer Elementary, left, and Maranda DuChock, 9, a student at Washington Elementary, display strands of popcorn and cranberries at the Heritage Museum Saturday. The girls were part of a group of about 30 children who created Victorian Era-style Christmas decorations which will be used to decorate the Potton House.

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BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Obituaries

Manuel C. Prado

Funeral service for Manuel C. Prado Sr., 79, of Big Spring is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mr. Prado died on Sunday, Nov. 24, at his residence.

Terry Reese

Funeral service for Terry Reese, 55, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mrs. Reese died on Saturday, Nov. 23, at a local hospital.

Police blotter

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

- **SALITTIA LATOSHA BREHM**, 20, of 2615 Ent was arrested on for two local warrants.
- **JULIANNA SASSER PRINCE**, 26, of 1619 Harding was arrested for a Midland County warrant.
- **AVEL ABREO RAMIREZ**, 55, of 1511 Princeton was arrested on charges of public intoxication and criminal trespass of a habitation.
- **MELODY LYNN GAY**, 41, of 1217 Mobile was being held at the city jail for the Immigration and Naturalization service.
- **KAMAN BARBER**, 23, of 1500 Thorpe was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated, second offense; possession of marijuana, less than two ounces; evading arrest or detention with a vehicle; open container; no insurance; and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **BARBARA ARTEAGA**, 42, of 1310 Ridge Road was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **MARY KANTHATHIN**, 33, of 1007 S. Johnson was arrested on local warrants.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1500 block of East 11th where a white Nissan received \$600 in damages, at a bar/night club in the 700 block of West Third where a white Ford received \$75 in damages and in the 2500 block of Ent Drive.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 4100 block of Wasson Drive, the 4100 block of Dixon Street, in the 2500 block of Gunter, the 1700 block of East Third Street and the 1600 block of Settles Street.
- **DISTURBANCE/FIGHT** was reported in the 1200 block of East Third Street, the 2500 block of West 16th Street and the 1600 block of Vines Avenue.
- **BURGLARY of a HABITATION** was reported in the 800 block of East 15th and in the 2600 block of Wasson.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 900 block of Willa where \$10 of consumable goods was reported stolen and in the 800 block of Rosemont.
- **CRIMINAL TRESPASS of a HABITATION/SHELTER CENTER** was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson Drive and in the 1500 block of Sycamore.
- **BURGLARY of a VEHICLE** was reported in the 2600 block of Wasson and the 1500 block of West Fourth where \$400 worth of electronic equipment, \$98 worth of vehicles parts/accessories were reported taken and the vehicle received \$325 in damages.
- **ASSAULT CAUSE BODILY INJURY** was reported in the 1400 block of Nolan Street.

EMS

The following is a summer of the Big Spring Fire Department and EMS runs:

- FRIDAY**
- 2:14 a.m. — 2000 block of Virginia, medical call, patient refused service.
 - 3:28 a.m. — 1300 Grafa, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
 - 6:11 a.m. — 500 block of 17th Street, public service, service refused.
- SATURDAY**
- 8:44 a.m. — 1800 block of North Highway 87, medical call, patient transported to the VA Medical Center.
 - 9:30 a.m. — 1800 block of North Highway 87, medical call, patient transported to the VA Medical Center.
 - 3:56 p.m. — 1000 block of Goliad, traffic accident, patient transported to SMMC.
- SUNDAY**
- 7:02 a.m. — 800 block of Scott, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
 - 7:16 a.m. — 3600 block of Aspermont, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
 - 9:19 a.m. — 1800 block of North Highway 87, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
 - 12:12 p.m. — 1200 block of Fraizer, structure fire, fire was extinguished.
 - 5:07 p.m. — 3200 block of Parkway, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
 - 5:38 p.m. — 300 block of South Main, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.
 - 7:06 p.m. — 2400 block of Allendale, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
 - 11:51 p.m. — 1400 block of Stadium, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night: 01-17-38-41-47-48.

Estimated jackpot: \$9 million.
Winning ticket(s) sold in: Whitney.

Results of the Cash Five drawing Saturday night: 01-02-07-12-35.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3-7-3

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday afternoon by the Texas Lottery, in order: 8-5-8

Elderly woman loses home in late-night blaze

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

An elderly Howard County resident lost her home but suffered no injuries Saturday in a fire that started from an oil lamp.

"She (the resident) was using an oil lamp inside the trailer and she said the lamp exploded," Howard County Volunteer Fire Department Chief Tommy Sullivan said. "We're not sure if some of the cats and dogs playing around may have knocked the lamp over. It would be consistent with what she saw — an explosion — from the busting glass."

Firefighters arrived on the scene at 1431 Hilltop Road late Saturday night to find the trailer engulfed in flames, Sullivan said.

"The elderly lady that lived there did get out without injury but she did lose some family pets in the fire," Sullivan said.

Firefighters contained the flames in about 30 to 40 minutes, before the fire reached the bedroom. The bedroom, including clothing stored in the area area, was damaged by the heavy smoke, Sullivan said.

The woman, who was living by herself with no electricity or heat in the trailer, is currently residing with family members, Sullivan said.

As the holiday season approaches, Sullivan cautions that incidents like this can occur quickly.

"We caution everyone to make sure burning candles and lamps are secure and to not leave them unsupervised, especially overnight," Sullivan said.

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Support groups

WEDNESDAY

□ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 615 Settles. Noon Open 12 and 12 Study meeting, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY

□ Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.; Women's meeting; 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Non-Smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

□ Fibromyalgia/Chronic Fatigue Support Group meets at noon at the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center.

FRIDAY

□ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 615 Settles. Noon Open Big Book Study Meeting, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

□ Open Discussion Meeting, 615 Settles 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Open Podium/Speakers Meeting 615 Settles 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. Open Birthday Night No Smoking Meeting Celebrating AA Sobriety Yearly Birthdays, 615 Settles the last Saturday of every month covered dish supper at 7 p.m. Birthday meeting at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

□ Narcotics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

□ Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to 1 noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

MONDAY

□ TOPS Club TX 21 (take off pounds sensibly), weigh in at 5:30 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m. at Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 West Third.

□ New Voice Club is a support group for laryngectomies and their families. No dues. For more information, call 267-2800.

Take note

□ **THE BIG SPRING HIGH** School Key Club is selling poinsettias from Ponderosa Nursery through Dec. 4 to raise funds to attend a Key Club convention in Oklahoma City. The poinsettias are \$10 each and are available in four different colors: White, pink, jingle bells and classic red. The plant comes in a six-inch pot. For more information or to make an order, call Alicia Brunson at 267-6692 or Stacey Vaughn at 268-9430.

□ **THE FORSAN STUDENT COUNCIL** is currently seeking donations for its garage sale. The sale will be held on Dec. 7 as part of the city of Forsan's Christmas in Boomtown parade. Those wishing to donate items may call Jan Sims, student council sponsor at 457-2223, ext. 445.

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

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

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

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

Bulletin board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald Features Desk at 263-7331, ext. 238 or email jmoseley@crcom.net.

TODAY

Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Aerobics. People 50 and older are invited to participate. For more information call 268-4721.

TUESDAY

Intermediate line dance classes at 9 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. For more information call 267-1628.

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

Evening Lions meets at noon at the Senior Citizens Center.

WEDNESDAY

Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. at the Howard College Cactus Room.

Senior Circle Stretch and Tone meets at 9:30 a.m. in the classroom at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

Line dancing at 1 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in the Industrial Park. For more information call 398-5522 or 267-1628.

Duplicate Bridge Club meets Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 1 p.m. at the Big Spring Country Club.

Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge at 703 West Third.

THURSDAY

Gideon's International, Big Spring Camp U42060, Herman's Restaurant at 7 a.m.

Coffee Club, 10 a.m. at Gale's Resturant.

Masonic Lodge 598, 219 Main, 7:30 p.m.

Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 267-6479.

MONDAY

Spring City Senior Citizen's Center, Country and Western Dance, 7:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m. All seniors are invited.

SATURDAY

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

Fund-raiser

□ **THE BIG SPRING HIGH** school speech and debate team is selling a limited edition Steer "Beanie Babies" as a fund-raiser for a short time only.

The steer is a solid black color with white horns and an embossed gold BSS on its side. Each "beanie baby" is priced at \$8 each and will be delivered in late January. Orders will be taken on a first come, first serve bases.

To place an order, send \$8 per steer to Big Spring High School c/o Debate; 707 11th Place; Big Spring 79720. Please include: Name, address and phone number with the order. For more information, call Adams at 264-3641, ext. 234.

Do you have a favorite holiday memory? The Herald is seeking stories from our readers about their most memorable Christmases in their own words.

Send mailed submissions to Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring 79720 or by e-mail them to newsdesk@crcom.net or to jmoseley@crcom.net



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State and national
news at a glance



Ex-charter schools: State may lose millions

FORT WORTH (AP) — Officials say the state may never recover millions of tax dollars owed to them by ex-charter schools and blame a deficiency in the law and lax oversight for the lost funds.

Several charter schools are being investigated for fraud relating to their request and receipt of state money.

Estimates of what is owed to the state run from \$5.7 million to millions more when charter schools that are still operating are included, according to state agencies and investigators.

Strategies to woo Toyota starkly different

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The two states battling for a Toyota assembly plant have adopted starkly different strategies, with Arkansas roaring ahead like a sports car and Texas creeping behind the scenes like a darkly tinted limo.

Texas officials remain hush-hush about their efforts to lure Toyota to San Antonio, dangling a package that could feature enterprise-zone tax breaks, fast-track state permits, job training and millions of dollars for roads and rail lines.

Arkansas has openly courted the Japanese automaker, with Gov. Mike Huckabee, who had been invited to visit Toyota headquarters in Japan, now saying he may bring executives to Arkansas, and former President Bill Clinton being enlisted to help lobby company officials.

Detective arrested for firearms possession

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A man known as the private detective to the stars was arrested for illegal firearms possession after an FBI search of his office during a probe of alleged Mafia extortion threats against actor Steven Seagal.

Anthony Pellicano, 59, was jailed without bail, pending an arraignment Wednesday in federal court, FBI spokeswoman Laura Bosley said. She said the illegal firearms were two modified grenades that were not properly registered.

Authorities said the search Thursday was prompted after a man arrested for allegedly threatening a Los Angeles Times reporter's life told an FBI informant he'd been hired by Pellicano, who was acting on behalf of Seagal.

Authorities search grave of baby boy

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — Authorities were searching for the New Jersey grave of a baby boy who belonged to a couple charged with the starvation murder of their 4-year-old son, prosecutors said.

Anthony E. and Shenique Thomas were charged Thursday with third-degree murder, involuntary manslaughter and aggravated assault in the death of their son, Anthony Quincy Thomas.

The boy died July 29 in Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center after authorities removed him from the Thomas home near Carlisle because he was malnourished.

Study links health with religious faith

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — Cardiac patients who have a strong religious faith have greater confidence in their ability to perform tasks and complete their rehabilitation, according to a pilot study.

Researchers at Geisinger Medical Center and Bucknell University are now expanding their study to determine whether those with a strong religious faith also show long-term improvement in their cardiovascular health.

Timothy McConnell, director of cardiac rehabilitation at Geisinger, a 437-bed hospital in Danville that is funding the study, said Friday he hopes to enlist 100 cardiac rehabilitation patients for a five-year study.

Lapse in jobless benefits falls on Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — About 1 million people whose jobless benefits lapse just after Christmas will have to wait until at least January to see if their coverage will be renewed, now that the lame-duck Congress has gone home for the year.

The Republican-led House adjourned Friday, deadlocked with the Democratic-controlled Senate over the issue. Democrats accused the GOP of ignoring needy Americans, while Republicans said they would revisit the matter when the 108th Congress convenes in January.

Before quitting, the House sent President Bush the bill establishing the Homeland Security Department, merging the Coast Guard and 21 other agencies. Although both chambers approved the legislation days ago, the House had to approve technical changes, such as a different bill number, made by the Senate.

BSHS speech and debate team earns accolades

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

The Big Spring High School speech and debate team has been busy this year — very busy.

In their fourth month of attending competitions across the state, four team members have amassed enough points to qualify for the Texas Forensic Association state tournament.

State qualifiers included the cross-examination debate team of Wolfgang Robinson and Brittany Barrow.

A strong debater, Robinson returns to the team after success last year, placing 14th at the state University Interscholastic League contest with partner Nathan Smith, who graduated in 2002.

Individually, Robinson qualified in foreign extemporaneous and Lincoln-Douglas debate contests while Barrow earned enough points to attend state for humorous interpretation and oratory.

Also rounding out the state qualifiers are Manoj Thangam for Lincoln-Douglas debate and Dan Weissman in humorous.

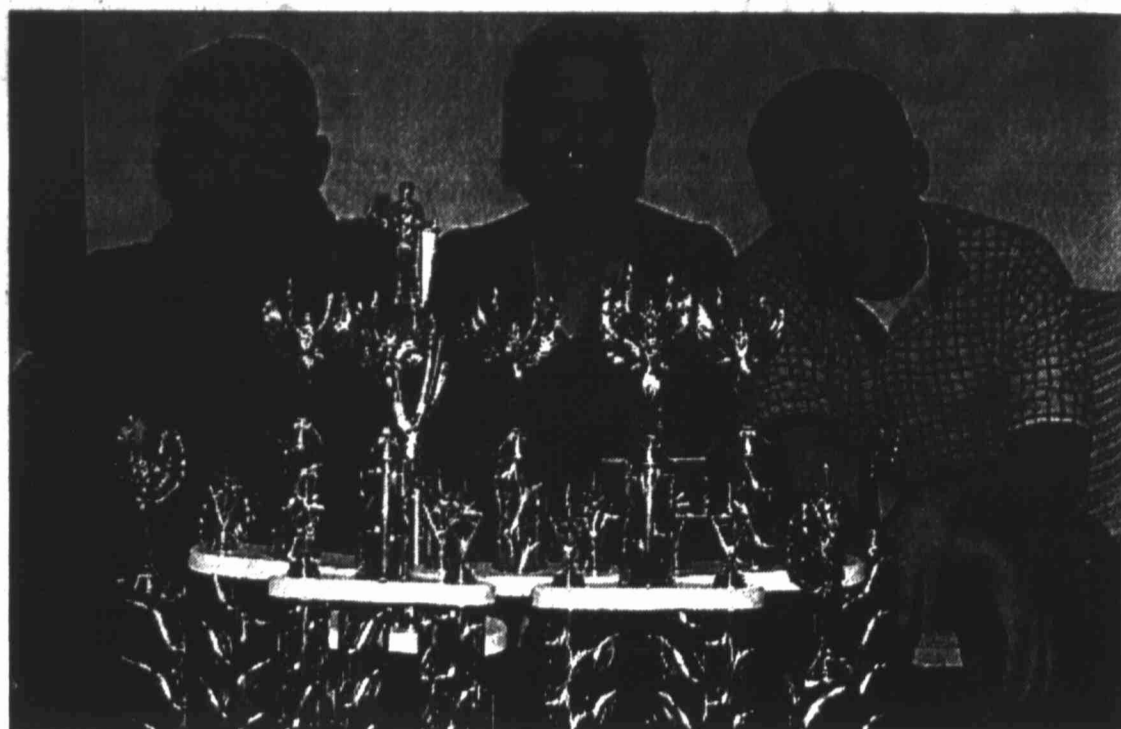
Students earn qualifying points for the state tournament for every round of competition they compete and for their placement at an association-sponsored meet.

This past month, the debate team had strong showings at two tournaments competing against students representing schools from Class A to 5A.

Four students placed at a well-attended competition held at McNeal High School in Austin Friday and Saturday. Corey Green placed fifth in oratory, Barrow placed seventh in dramatic, Thangam placed eighth in foreign extemporaneous and Dan Weissman placed sixth in humorous.

At the Midland High School tournament held Nov. 1 and 2, the team left trophy-laden with numerous students placing.

Robinson led the way by winning the Lincoln-Douglas debate and foreign extemporaneous con-



Surrounded by the numerous trophies of the Big Spring High School speech and debate team, members Manoj Thangam, left, Brittany Barrow and Wolfgang Robinson have qualified for the Texas Forensic Association state tournament.

tests. He also placed third in poetry. Joining Robinson were Synda Calobreves, who placed first in poetry; Weissman, earning the top spot in the humorous contest; and Green, who placed first in impromptu speaking and seventh in humorous.

Barrow's theatrical talents help her dominated most of her contests, placing second in dramatic, third in humorous, third in oratory, fourth in poetry and seventh in prose; Thangam placed second in foreign extemporaneous; Logan Churchwell placed fifth in U.S. extemporaneous and seventh in oratory; Camillia Painter placed sixth in dramatic; and Sarah Vela placed sixth in humorous.

Boasting about 40 members, the debate team attends around 10 forensic association tournaments as well as UIL contests a year.

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Classified advertising deadlines are adjusted as follows:
Deadlines for ads in Thursday's paper 12:00 noon Wednesday.
Deadlines for ads in Friday's paper 4:00 p.m. Wednesday.
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Deadline for Friday's paper 12:00 noon Wednesday.
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OUR VIEWS

Obesity among children a major health concern

Childhood obesity is finally being seen for what it is — a major public health issue that poses a lifetime of physical and emotional problems for those afflicted.

An estimated 15 percent of American children are severely overweight or obese, a percentage that has grown significantly in recent decades.

The causes of this explosion in corpulence are numerous and well-known: excessive consumption of high-fat foods, a dining habit facilitated by the popularity of eating at fast-food restaurants; and something of a parallel decline in exercise, as more kids get their fun sitting in front of a computer or television set instead of running around outdoors.

It hasn't helped, either, that schools — under enormous pressure to elevate test-score performance and provide time for a host of things beyond reading, writing and arithmetic — have curtailed the amount of time devoted to physical education.

While recognizing that schools today attempt to cover a lot of ground in a typical school week, the educational process would be wise not to lose sight of the fact that a sound body is an important contributor to having a sound mind. Children need exercise as surely as they need caring parents, good teachers and inspiring role models.

A well-rounded student doesn't just master the books; he or she also masters the challenge of leading a healthy lifestyle and having a good outlook on life.

The evidence is overwhelming — in youthful violence as well as childhood obesity — that this important element of education needs to be firmly reintroduced into the curriculum of American schools.

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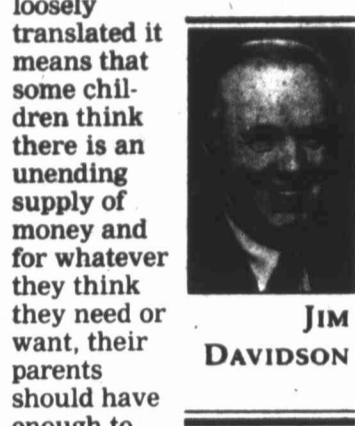
A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we joyously thank you daily, Lord, for your love and concern of our lives. Amen

Children and financial discipline

At one time or another, can you remember hearing some parent say, "My kids think that money grows on trees?" If you have never heard this, loosely translated it means that some children think there is an unending supply of money and for whatever they think they need or want, their parents should have enough to buy it for them.



JIM DAVIDSON

When I was growing up, my parents were good, honest people, but we didn't have a lot of money. We certainly were not destitute and had plenty to eat, a warm place to live and decent clothes to wear, but beyond this, at times things were pretty "lean." To be honest, I guess the thing that has motivated me more than anything else is that I saw so many of the other kids

in our small town who had so much more than I did.

One year during the summer, when I had just finished the seventh grade, I remember chopping cotton for four 10-hour days, for \$4 per day. When I got paid 16 crisp one-dollar bills, I thought I was rich! Of course, in some circles today that \$16 won't even buy a good steak. This experience helped to shape my values and I truly believe the only way to appreciate the value of money is to earn it. When a young person earns their money by the sweat of their brow they not only know its value, the chances are much better that they will spend it wisely and may even save part of it.

What I'm saying that may be of interest to you, especially if you have children or grandchildren you are rearing, is that most of our financial habits are learned while we are young. Trying to teach a 16-year-old youngster financial responsibility is a little late. It's not impossible, but it's much easier when they are younger. To my way of thinking, one of the

greatest problems we have in America today is parents who give their children too much money and material things without them having to earn it. Just think of all the divorces that come about because one or both of the marriage partners never learned the value of money or how to manage it.

Please consider this true story and how you might be able to use it to help someone you love. It seems a father had an eleven year old son who always wanted to borrow money, in addition to what he was being paid for doing assigned chores and odd jobs. So the father said, "What will you give me as collateral on a \$35 loan?" At this point the father explained what the word "collateral" meant and the son said he had a skateboard and a stereo set that he would give him to keep until the loan was repaid. Over the coming weeks a few payments were made on time, then one day he missed a payment, so the father sold his skateboard. Later when the son missed another payment, the father sold his stereo

set. Quite naturally this made the son very unhappy, but the father reported that this son never asked to borrow money again. You may think this was cruel, but just try to keep in mind that quite often the best lessons in life are learned the hard way. I say this because here is the rest of the story. Ten years later this same son said, "Dad, there is just no way you will ever know how much I appreciate what you have done for me in regards to managing my finances."

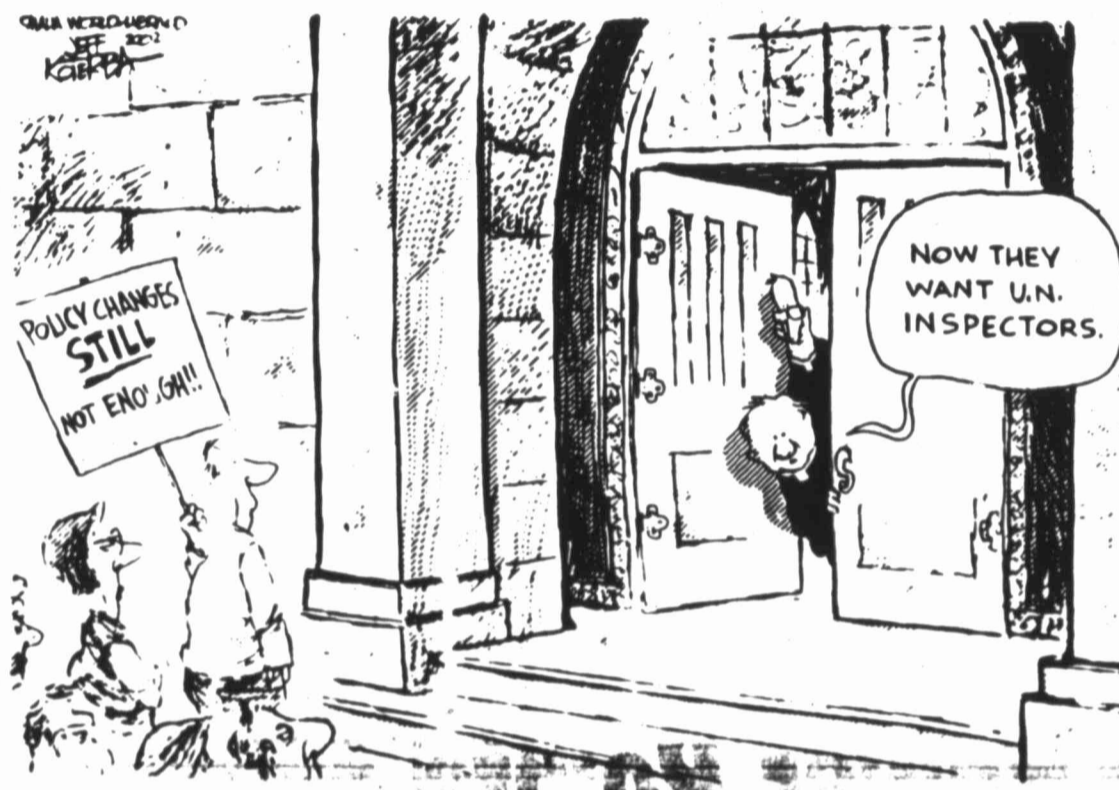
When we have lots of money, it's the easiest thing on earth to give, because there are few who will refuse it. From my heart to yours, if you really want to do something special for your children and grandchildren that has lasting value, teach them to work, save and invest a percentage of their money. Few are they that learn this, but it is a great lesson.

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An outside chance for peace

President Bush still seems intent on going to war with Iraq, and I suspect he will ignore anything the arms inspectors say that doesn't give him an excuse to attack.

Still, there is an outside chance for peace. It depends, of course, on Saddam Hussein. If he is smart enough to cooperate with the arms inspectors and give up any forbidden weapons he might have, then President Bush will have a hard time justifying an invasion.

As I've said before, Saddam will have a greater problem if he doesn't have any weapons of mass destruction. If he has some, he can turn them in; if he doesn't, he's stuck with trying to prove a negative, which is impossible. How can anyone prove he does not have something to a person who won't take his word for it? No matter how much searching the arms inspectors do, if there is nothing to find, the Bush administration will likely claim it's still hidden somewhere.

If that happens, then you will know for certain that the war is about oil and

perhaps personal animosity, not about disarmament. There are lots of countries with a lot more weapons of mass destruction and with more dangerous governments than Iraq. If the president were really serious and sincere, then he'd support the concept of a Middle East free of weapons of mass destruction. The Arabs have tried to foster that idea for years, but then the United States would have to confront Israel about its weapons of mass destruction, and that Mr. Bush will never do.

It's too bad we can't treat Israel the same way we treat France or Germany or Japan. If we could, it would eliminate so much hypocrisy and moral dishonesty in our foreign policy in the Middle East. But, alas, the politicians in Washington treat Israel as if it can do no wrong and the Arabs, especially the Palestinians and Iraqis, as if they can do nothing right.

The Dalai Lama of Tibet is 100 percent right. Every person on this earth is alike. We all want happiness and an end to suffering. But the two big obstacles are hatred and egoism, the kind of egoism that puts us not only first but above every other person. As long as hatred dwells in the human heart, peace will be impossible.

A war in Iraq will not merely discomfort Saddam Hussein. He has spent his

entire life in conflict. I doubt seriously that he's very happy, but he's probably one of those people who is relatively happier in battle than in peacetime.

But ordinary Iraqis will die and suffer, and quite probably ordinary Americans as well. People with families or hopes of one day having families. People who don't now and never will profit from the oil beneath Iraqi soil. People who, if the politicians permitted it, would likely be friends with the people they will try to kill and who will try to kill them. Iraqi children will be denied an opportunity to live. War in itself, as Ernie Hemingway said, is a crime against humanity, and the politicians on all sides who start them should be prosecuted.

In addition to hatred and egoism, I would add fear: President Bush claims to fear that Iraq will hand over some weapons to terrorists, though Iraq has not been linked to international terrorism for the past nine years. Certainly Israelis fear the Palestinians, and vice versa. It is natural to hate what one fears, and so the circle of violence becomes perpetual. It takes a thousand times more courage to favor peace than to be a warmonger.

We can't afford to give up hope for peace, though. Sooner or later, the human race will come to its senses.



CHARLEY REESE

Mallard Fillmore by BRUCE TINSLEY

Dear Mallard, Why do many people refer to Thanksgiving as "Turkey Day?" —Mystified

Dear Mystified, While this phrase originally referred to Thanksgiving dinner, in recent years, it's come to reflect the fact that...

...this is a day on which one can watch the Detroit Lions and the Dallas Cowboys attempt to play football.

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high or you can't stand it."

Pierce loved it and during his tenure at Runnels, he learned he loved teaching.

And he also got to coach young students who were first learning a sport.

"I enjoyed teaching the basic skills," he said. "You get to see a lot of progress through the year."

His time on the field translated to success in the classroom.

"If you can get the kids' respect off the field, you can get them in the classroom," he said. "Coach is the same title as Mr. or Mrs."

Pierce spoke fondly of his teaching days at the junior high level and said the staff was much like a family. Although coming to a career in education late, Pierce soon rose quickly, being promoted to assistant principal of the junior high school after only five years of teaching.

Then a new daunting challenge came for the agriculture major turned educator — elementary students. Pierce was chosen to helm Kentwood Elementary.

"The curriculum is totally different," Pierce said. "The teacher in elementary, in a self-contained classroom, teaches all subjects to just her classroom of students. The junior high teacher teaches one subject to many different students. It's completely flipped."

His first year at Kentwood was definitely a learning experience and Pierce gives credit to the Kentwood teachers, the former principal of Kentwood, Dee Owen, who now helms Marcy Elementary, and the administration for supporting and helping him.

Along with his new responsibilities, Pierce still finds time to coach his own daughters, Berkley and Brhett. He also has a daughter in the eighth-grade, Brinnan.

Working with elementary students has some great perks, Pierce added. "Lots and lots of hugs," Pierce said. "It's wonderful and having kindergartners you multiply that by a factor of six. You don't walk own the hall without one."

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for the same cost of the renovation. Trustees green-lighted the project during their September meeting.

Bids have been opened for the demolishing project and the inmates from the Wilderness camp have already started salvaging the stone facade of the existing building.

Plans call to replace the existing 10,000-square-foot structure with an approx-

imately 25,000-square-foot, three-floor performance hall.

The building will center around the studio performance area which is a large, empty, square room. A scenic shop will connect to the theatrical performance area with large doors that will allow built scenes to be brought in. A small traditional theater seating area is connected on the opposite side of the performance area.

On the north side of the first floor are costume storage areas, dressing rooms and a makeup room for the actors. Also on that side is an area for actors to gather between scenes called the green room with a small kitchen facility for possible dinner theater performances.

The art classrooms are located on the south side which includes a large room for painting, an area for spray painting, an enclosed area for ceramic works with rooms for glazing and storing finished and nearly completed works. Located outside, connected to the art area, will be a shed that will house three kilns to bake the ceramics.

A 12-foot-wide hall runs west and east between the performance area and art classrooms to allow for an area to hold exhibitions.

A small amphitheater/loading dock area will be connected in the corner of the northeast part of the building.

The basement area will include a dance rehearsal space, several storage areas for costumes and small props, the orchestra pit and a cement vault to include the equipment for the light dimmers.

The second floor includes three classrooms large enough to hold as many as 30 students and more storage areas. Other amenities include a tension grid consisting of quarter-inch cable located in the performance area ceiling that will allow students access to the ceiling lights.

College officials are hoping the building will be a unique structure in West Texas.

"We will be able to teach in a direction we didn't even think of a year ago," said theater instructor Clay Grizzle.

Grizzle added the college will be able to teach in areas of theater technology.

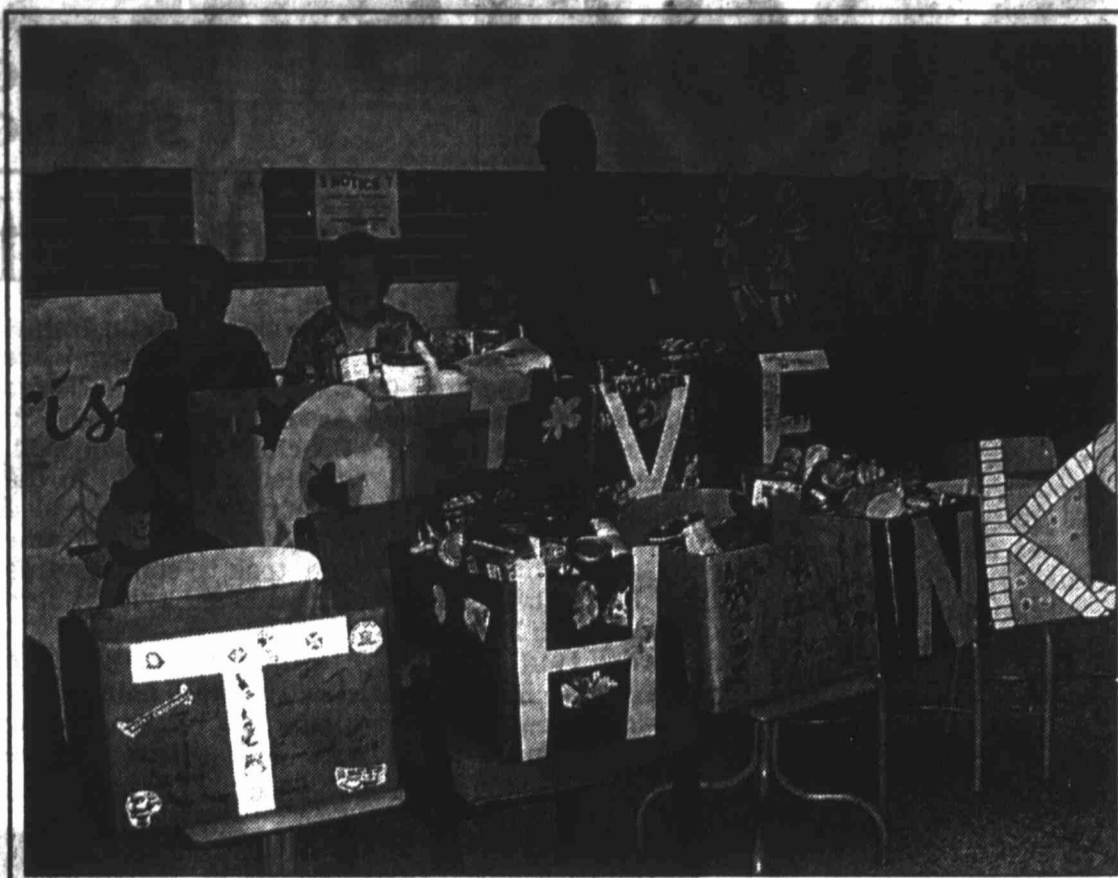
"I can only think of one other junior college in the state that can do that," Grizzle said.

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cooperative one-day effort meet the organization's objective. "We've already surpassed last year's contributions, but we're so close, it would be really frustrating not to reach



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the goal."

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In addition, the United Way office, located at 808 Scurry, will be open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Tuesday for those interested in making pledges in person or by calling 267-5201. Every hour on the hour, the first individual to make a pledge in person

at the office will receive a free pizza from Domino's Pizza.

For more information or to make a pledge, call Scott at 267-5201.

COLD

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tonight expected well-below freezing, the weather service is advising people throughout West Texas to make sure their water pipes are not exposed, antifreeze is in the radiator and animals are protected.

Motorists should take extra precaution, especially if freezing rain materializes, leaving roadways slick.

Other than that, bundle up well for the next few days... and maybe beyond.

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No. 3 Iron Co. holds off Buffalo charge

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor
Third-ranked Iron Co. was just happy to survive this weekend.
The Hornets posted a 19-6 run in the second quarter and then held off a furious second-half rally to take a shaky 59-57 win over the Forsan Buffaloes. Forsan, which had three players reach double figures offensively, outscored Iron Co. in

three of the four quarters. With the win, the Hornets improved to 2-0 on the year. The loss was Forsan's first and dropped the team to 2-1 heading into tomorrow's showdown with close rival Garden City.
The Buffs, behind the hot shooting of Matt Ellis and Brent Huff, grabbed the early lead in the first eight minutes. Forsan outscored Iron Co. by an

18-16 margin in the frame. The Hornets, who are ranked third in the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches preseason poll, righted their ship in the second. Iron Co. reeled off a 19-6 run in the frame and took a commanding 11 point lead, at 35-24, into the half.
Ellis, who knocked down three 3-pointers in the game, helped bring the Buffs back in the

third. He sank several key shots in the frame and spearheaded a 20-13 run that cut the Hornets' advantage to 48-44 heading into the final frame. Ellis finished the game as Forsan's top scorer, netting 18 points.
The Buffaloes continued to slice away at Iron Co.'s lead in the fourth. Forsan posted a 13-11 spree in the final frame. Huff finished the night

as Forsan's second-leading scorer, pumping in 15 points while grabbing nine rebounds.
Wes Longorio posted a double-double for the Buffs, finishing with 11 points and 10 rebounds.
Other FHS players figuring into the scoring were Ryan Sayles with six, Augy Hilario with five, Trey Kuykendall and David Lee each added one apiece.

Hawks improve to 9-0 with win

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor
The Howard College Hawks continued their impressive start to the 2002 season Saturday with an easy 72-36 win over Grayson Co. in the final round of the Midland College Classic.
With the win, the Hawks remained unbeaten this fall, improving to 9-0. Howard College won all three of its games at the tournament by an average of more than 40 points a night.
Freshman Leon Woodstock led four HC players in double figures in the win over Grayson Co. He poured in a team-high 17 points.
Je'Kel Foster, Chaun Brooks and Jared Fears also hit double-digits for the Hawks. Foster pushed home 12 points, while Brooks and Fears contributed 11 and 10, respectively.



Coahoma seventh grade coach Robert Wood talks with his team during a time out at the Forsan Junior High Tournament. The Bulldogettes, 4-0 on the year, won the seventh grade championship with a 25-11 win over Grape Creek on Saturday.

Howard College is scheduled to put its perfect start on the line next Friday and Saturday in the annual Collin County Thanksgiving Classic. The Hawks are scheduled to open the event on Nov. 29 against McClennan.
The Howard College Lady Hawks didn't fair as well in their finale at the Western Junior College Athletic Conference Pre-Season Tournament, falling to New Mexico Junior College, 57-54.
The Lady Hawks, who were led offensively by Chanel Ross, made a late run at NMJC, that tied the game with 1:53 left.
NMJC held off the threat, however. They sank several shots down the stretch to preserve the win.
The HC women, now 7-4 overall, will face Dixie State College, of Utah, in the opening round of the Odessa Classic next Friday. Tip-off will be at 6 p.m.

Coahoma slides past Westbrook

Toby Jackson scored 16 points and Cory Mulkey added 16 more Friday night and helped the Coahoma Bulldogs roll to a 58-41 win over the Westbrook Wildcats in non-district action.
With the win, Coahoma improved to 1-2 on the year. Westbrook slipped to 0-1.
The Bulldogs, who also picked up 10 points from Sam Tindol, blew the game open in the first half, outscoring Westbrook by a commanding 34-12 clip in the initial 16 minutes.
Westbrook rallied in the second, posting a 29-24 run.

Coahoma, Stanton streak to crowns at Forsan tournament

By BRANDON HALLFORD
Special to the Herald
FORSAN — Football was not on the minds of people in Forsan Saturday. Their thoughts were on a rounder ball — the basketball — as the finals of the Forsan Junior High School Basketball Tournament finals were taking place in the Buffalo gym.
The only thing on the mind of the Coahoma Junior High School seventh grade Bulldogettes was winning. Something they did.
Coahoma, which had survived a first-round scare from Stanton, claimed the girls' seventh grade championship in impressive fashion. The Bulldogettes downed Grape Creek, 25-11 and improved to 4-0 on the year.
The Bulldogettes were paced by Janice Gonzales' 10 points. Kayla Gutierrez contributed eight for the Bulldogettes.
The seventh grade boys consolation game had a distinct local flavor as Coahoma took on Forsan. The Buffs led for most of the game, taking a slim 14-13 lead into the locker room at the half. The

Bulldogs, however, would not be denied. Coahoma pulled even in the third quarter and then found its game in the fourth to pull out a 27-24 victory.
Logan Stone, who contributed seven points with a 2-of-3 shooting effort from the field, hit the game's lone 3-pointer at the midway point of the fourth quarter, providing what would prove to be the deciding basket.
Colton Morgan equaled Stone's output, going 3-for-9 from the field and 1-for-4 from the free throw line for seven points.
Forsan was led on the night by the duo of Adam Bailey and Cameron Parker. The two combined to put up 27 of the 45 shots that the Buffs took. Bailey ended the day with eight points. Parker scored 7. Bailey also contributed three steals on defense.
The seventh grade boys' championship was a thriller. The Grape Creek Eagles earned the championship with a 25-22 victory over the Stanton Buffaloes.
Stanton's leading scorer were Justin Hinjosa and David Erives with six points each.

The seventh grade girls consolation game turned out to be no contest as the Stanton Lady Buffaloes thumped Forsan by a final score of 46-0. Kelsey Coggins and Maria Najera both hit double figures for Stanton, contributing 14 and 13, respectively. Erica Chappa added eight for SJHS.
In the eighth grade girls, consolation game, Grape Creek slipped past Coahoma by a 21-17 margin.
CJHS leading score was Heather Paige, who had five points in the loss.
In the Championship game, Stanton's Jodi Brisen scored 10 points and led the Lady Buffs to a 23-7 victory over Forsan.
Traci Carr and Brennan Hays contributed four points each to Stanton's cause.
Forsan's Tessa Montgomery, Cayle Eggleston, and Kaylon Stanley each scored two.
In the eighth grade boys' championship game, Stanton sprinted out to a 26-15 halftime lead and to a 45-33 win over Grape Creek. Stanton was sparked by Michael Washington's 32 points. Dexter Schafer added six.

Hutchinson passes for 301 in Cowboys' victory

IRVING (AP) - Emmitt Smith had no complaints this week. Neither did Troy Hambrick.
Dallas found a way to utilize both the NFL career rushing leader and the brash youngster as the Cowboys (4-7) beat Jacksonville, 21-19, to end a 4-game losing streak.
Smith was upset after a loss at Indianapolis the previous week in which his role was minimized with just eight carries, just one more than

Hambrick.
They split series again against the Jaguars (5-6), but Smith had 20 carries for 73 yards and a touchdown and caught a pass for 12 yards. Hambrick ran for 38 yards on four carries and had three receptions for 33 yards.
The Cowboys offense got a huge boost from 25-year-old rookie quarterback Chad Hutchinson, who threw for 301 yards and two touchdowns. He directed the Cowboys to a

season-high three offensive TDs, including a 99-yard drive.
Hutchinson completed 16 of 24 passes, three of them at least 43 yards. His 301 yards were the most by a Dallas rookie since Troy Aikman set the club record with 379 in 1989.
Jacksonville ended a two-game winning streak that had buoyed its playoff hopes. To make it, coach Tom Coughlin said they had no margin for error.
But the Jaguars made plenty of mistakes against Dallas, the worst being a goal-line fumble by Fred Taylor midway through the fourth quarter. They also saw Tim Seder miss a 40-yard field goal in the second quarter and had a season-high 11 penalties.
Jacksonville's Fred Taylor finished with 100 yards on 20 carries.
Joey Galloway caught seven passes for 144 yards, two short of his career high.

IN BRIEF

BSYBA registration now under way at 'Y'
The Big Spring Youth Basketball League has started taking registration for boys and girls, ages 5-14, who desire to play basketball this winter. The registration fee is \$20 and includes a team t-shirt and award. The deadline date to register is Saturday, Dec. 7. All registration is taking place at the YMCA.
Boys and girls will be divided into one of several divisions based on their age as of Aug. 1, 2003. Player evaluations and a player draft will take place Monday, Dec. 9 for players in the 10 & Under Division, as well as the 12 & Under and 14 & Under divisions. Time and place will be announced.
Adults interested in coaching a team should attend one of two mandatory meetings for coaches scheduled for Monday, Dec. 2, at 7 p.m. or Saturday, Dec. 7, at 10 a.m. Both meetings will be held at the YMCA.
Games will be held on Saturdays, beginning Jan. 4, 2003.

Local chapter needs basketball officials
The local officiating chapter is looking for individuals interested in serving as referees for area basketball games this season.
For more information contact Adam Rodriguez after 4 p.m. at 263-8731 or contact Mandy Rodriguez during business hours at 264-4135.

Steers set to invade Merkel tonight
The Big Spring Steers will try and avenge an earlier loss to the Merkel Badgers tonight when they return to the basketball court tonight in Merkel. The two teams are scheduled to tip off JV action beginning at 6 p.m.
Big Spring will face the Snyder Tigers, beginning at 6 p.m. in the Steer Gym.

Big Spring girls will host Denver City
The Big Spring Steers will host Denver City tonight in the Steer Gym. The non-district game will tip off at 7:30 p.m.
Big Spring, 2-1, will also host Snyder tomorrow night, beginning at 6 p.m.

Coahoma boys, girls to face Borden Co.
The Coahoma High School basketball teams will continue their tour of local gyms tonight when they travel to Gail to face the Borden County Coyotes.
The JV girls game will tip off the action beginning at 4 p.m. The CHS varsity girls will begin play at 6:30 with the Bulldogs set to go at 8 p.m.

BSJHS squads to face Denver City
The Big Spring Junior High School seventh and eighth grade teams will face Denver City today, beginning at 5 p.m. in the BSJHS gym.

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Readers give advice to lonely married man

Dear Annie: This is in regard to "No Love, No Name, No Town." His wife hasn't had sex with him in over 16 years, but he is willing to stay with her out of a sense of loyalty and to cover her health insurance. She has given him permission to have sex with other women. He sounds like a saint, and all you can say is "masturbate and see a counselor"?

From experience, I can tell you she won't see a counselor. And why on earth would he want to spend \$200 an hour to see a counselor on his own? These two people should live separately. Then he can have a life of his own, and she will still have insurance coverage. Plus, if he saves \$200 a week by not going for therapy, he can spend it on a prostitute twice a month and relieve his physical needs.

A person doesn't have to be married to be happy. — Also Married Without Sex

Dear Married Without Sex: We were bombarded with mail on this one, and most writers agreed with you. OK, our advice could have been better. "No Love" said he didn't want to divorce his wife, and we are not about to condone extramarital sex, no matter how justified. However, a legal separation would allow them to live apart, which would include dating others, and she can continue to receive the financial benefits of remaining on his health insurance. He ought to see a lawyer and set it up. Here's more on the subject (at least the letters fit to print in a family newspaper):

From Boston: Your answer to "No Name" was morally correct, but it lacked reality. He and his wife have not shared a bedroom for over 16 years. Their children are not stupid. We all want to believe our marriages can be saved, but that is not always the case. They need to get off their butts and get a divorce.

Anytown, U.S.A.: That man is either a saint or a fool, and his wife may as well be a nun. Your advice was absurd. The idea that "masturbation will take care of" his sexual needs is ludicrous. If that were the case, we could do away with women altogether — or at



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least the two of you, who really blew the call on this one.

Durham, N.C.: I left a loveless marriage after seven bad years and met the love of my life four years ago. These people might still meet someone and be happy instead of living a miserable existence because they are too afraid to go it alone or don't want to pay for health insurance.

Brooklyn, N.Y.: Are you for real? "No Name" needs to see a divorce lawyer immediately and get rid of that selfish cold fish. Let her fend for herself. She obviously never cared about what unhealthy, emotional turmoil she put him through as long as he left her alone.

Chicago: That was terrible advice you gave that poor man who is so love-starved for affection. He should divorce his wife and enjoy the years he has left before it's too late. I am sure they could cut back on other things and spring for major medical insurance for her until she is eligible for Medicare. Life is too short to do without love.

New York: Masturbation should be a quick fix, not a life sentence. Sex is very important in a marriage. How many men want to go to a counselor and say, "My wife doesn't want sex anymore. Can you turn her back into what she used to be?" If he doesn't want to divorce her, he should accept her offer to have sex with other women and not feel guilty about it.

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BY JACQUELINE BIGAR HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Nov. 25, 2002:

Understanding marks your interactions this year. Sometimes you don't grasp all that a person means to convey. Learn to clarify and ask more questions. Confusion surrounds family and personal matters. Keep the faith; you will sort through your priorities. Your work demands tremendous attention. Professionally, you will succeed beyond your wildest dreams, as you head in new directions. Clearly others admire your professionalism and ability to make money. If you're single, your star is rising. You will meet someone very special late 2003. You will be thrilled by the quality of this person. If you're attached, your relationship will develop to a new level. Avoid getting stuck in a rut of being right or wrong. LEO pushes you hard.

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) ***** Though you might not be the epitome of organization, you certainly pull it together quickly — no matter what you're doing or where you are. Your questions aim for the meat and potatoes of the issue. Verbalize your thoughts. Tonight: Where the fun is.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) *** Getting out the door to work might take more of an effort than you originally anticipated. You can do it. You hear news from associates that piques your interest. Express what you really think, not what might be politically correct. Tonight: Ever playful.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** Speak your mind, especially around the workplace, and others will listen. Others care a lot about what you're thinking and what you need. Direct your energy toward clearing off your desk and returning calls. Good news comes via messages. Tonight: Touch base with others regarding Thanksgiving plans.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) *** Deal with finances in a creative way. You might not have a choice with upcoming demands. Float with an opportunity, and don't make a big deal of this chance just yet. Tap into one of your resources involving a co-worker or an associate. Tonight: Run errands on the way home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ***** Your sunny ways make it easier for those who enter your life in the next few days. What you hear from someone who is a creative source might get you thinking. Brainstorm with your muse. Also, lis-

ten more to someone else's sharing. Tonight: Whatever knocks your socks off.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) *** Step back. When confused or unsure, your best bet is to do nothing. Follow this course, and you will succeed. Realize when you don't know something, and you will ultimately gain. Others find you unusually laid-back, which you are. Tonight: Play ostrich.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** Aim for more of what you want within a friendship. Sometimes others don't see things the same way you do. Be more understanding of another and what he or she means to you. You like to be indulged, don't you? Tonight: Just don't be alone.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** Realize your limits when dealing with others. Not everyone will agree with you, even if you are dispersing some excellent financial wisdom. A boss or an "authority" figure seems to know better. Establish limits now. Tonight: Work as late as necessary.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** Realize that what is right up your alley might not be a high priority for someone else. Discussions help you understand others. Make strong decisions for you

and your family ultimately. A trip in the offing could be extremely exciting. Tonight: Say "yes" when invited to something totally different.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Your sensitivity to a partner enhances your relationship as well as your sense of security. Perhaps the time has come to share more of yourself. You can be nearly 100 percent sure a close friend won't walk on you. Tonight: How 'bout some quality time?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** Others present many more options than you originally thought possible. Knowing when to say "yes" remains key. Success surrounds groups. Make the most of an important meeting. You could be delighted by what comes up. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) *** Throw yourself into your work. Brainstorm with someone who is in charge but needs to know and understand more. Your sense of direction plays into a major decision. Hear the facts, then decide. Others trust your judgment because you are thorough. Tonight: Off to the gym.

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DENNIS THE MENACE comic strip panel showing characters at a clubhouse. Caption: "JOEY WOULD MAKE A GREAT TREASURER, IF HE COULD COUNT."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS comic strip panel showing a woman talking to a child. Caption: "I'm sorry - I'm tryin' hard to quit!"

HAGAR comic strip panel showing a character with a speech bubble: "IF THIS WORKS, IT WILL COMPLETELY ELIMINATE THE NEED FOR LADDERS!"

BLONDIE comic strip panel showing a character saying: "BLONDIE, LOOK!! I JUST MADE THE FINEST SANDWICH OF MY LIFE! IT'S A MASTERPIECE! PURE PERFECTION!!"

BC comic strip panel showing a character saying: "I WONDER WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED IF ALAN SHEPARD HAD WHIFFED THAT GOLF BALL ON THE MOON..."

BC comic strip panel showing a character saying: "YOU WOULD HAVE SEEN THE WORLD'S FIRST 10-MILLION-DOLLAR MULLIGAN"

WIZARD OF ID comic strip panel showing a character saying: "THERE ARE KIDS IN HIGH SCHOOL WHO CAN'T READ OR WRITE"

GEECH comic strip panel showing a character saying: "MAY I HELP YOU?" and another saying: "I DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS SERVICE CHARGE ON MY BANK STATEMENT."

HI AND LOIS comic strip panel showing a character saying: "I'M NOT SURE IF I WANT TO LEARN HOW TO READ!"

GASOLINE ALLEY comic strip panel showing a character saying: "I can't read my letter from Santa Claus to you 'cause it's marked personal!"

SNUFFY SMITH comic strip panel showing a character saying: "Rufus! It don't say, 'Don't open till Christmas.' Read the fool thing!"

BETLE BAILEY comic strip panel showing a character saying: "DON'T JUST STAND THERE BEETLE! MOVE!"

This Date in History
In 1974, former U.N. Secretary-General U Thant died in New York at age 65.
In 1986, the Iran-Contra affair erupted as President Reagan and Attorney General Edwin Meese revealed that profits from secret arms sales to Iran had been diverted to Nicaraguan rebels.
Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 25, 1963, the body of President Kennedy was laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery.
On this date: In 1758, in the French and Indian War, the British captured Fort Duquesne in present-day Pittsburgh.
In 1783, the British evacuated New York, their last military position in the United States during the Revolutionary War.
In 1835, American industrialist Andrew Carnegie was born in Dunfermline, Scotland.
In 1881, Pope John XXIII was born Angelo Roncalli near Bergamo, Italy.
In 1957, President Eisenhower suffered a slight stroke.

Newsday Crossword JOINT SESSION by Gail Grabowski Edited by Stanley Newman. Includes crossword clues (ACROSS, DOWN) and a crossword grid.