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THURSDAY

December 5, 2002

WEATHER

Tonight:





TOMORROW TONIGHT 52°-54° 28-30°





CHASING THE TITLE

Sports Editor Tommy Wells will take an indepth look at Sands' game with Sanderson in Big Lake Friday night.



We're Always There

Parades!

Big Spring and Forsan to strut their stuff

SATURDAY'S PARADES

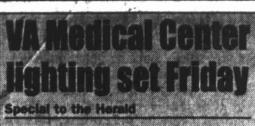
Christmastime is here, and 10 a.m. — Forsan Christmas two area parades are gearing in Boomtown Parade will up to usher in the holiday spirbegin in the high school parking lot and head south on Gregg and Main Streets in Avenue H. Big Spring will be the scene of

> 5:30 p.m. - Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade, 5:30 p.m., north on Gregg Street from 24th to Sixth, then to Main and the county courthouse.

begins at 5:30 p.m. at the inter-section of Gregg and 24th Streets. After passing the judges' stand at the Herald office, the parade — which currently has 65 entries - will turn down Sixth Street, take a left on Main Street, and end at Howard the County Courthouse.

This year's grand marshal will be Bert Andres, longtime director of the Big Spring Boys Club.

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50 CENTS DAILY/\$1.25 SUNDAY

The West Texas VA Health Care System will flip the switch Friday, illuminating the facility's indoor and outdoor Christmas displays. Cary D. Brown, the hospital's CEO; will turn on the lights for the indoor Christmas tree, assisted by several children. At the same time, the outdoor lights will be turned on. The public is invited to the ceremony, set for 6 p.m. The nursing home care unit choir will sing carols and refreshments will be served. Santa will be on hand to visit with all children. The community is invited to join in the festive occasion.

'Oz' debuts tonight Features cast and crew of more than 90 residents

By LYNDEL MOODY

By ROGER CLINE

the annual Big Spring Herald

Community Christmas Parade

Saturday evening, while earli-

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Christmas in Boomtown, the

town's annual holiday parade

The parade in Big Spring

Staff Writer

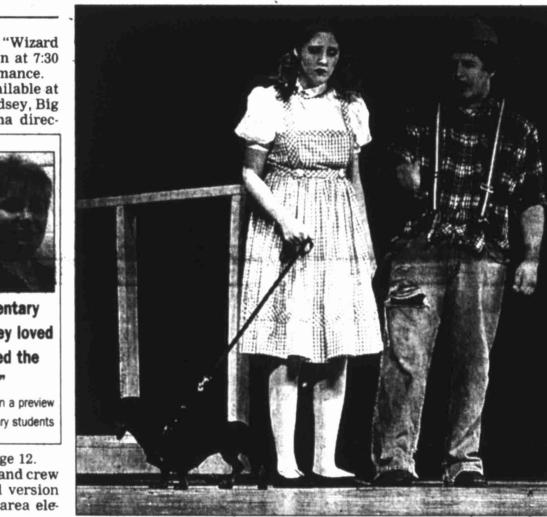
it Saturday.

and festival.

Staff Writer The community musical "Wizard of Oz" will blow into town at 7:30 tonight for its first performance. "Tickets will still be available at the door," said Tracie Lindsey, Big Spring High School drama direc-"We tor. will be sell-"It was ing tickets at 6:30 p.m." great. The re-We telling of the classic

had a children's story by L. full Frank house Baum is

expected to full of elementary bring large



Luminaria tradition continues on campus

By LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

The campus of Howard College will be lit up with more than 500 glowing luminaries

tonight to welcome in the holiday season. "This is a gift to the community from



Howard College," FLORES said Javier

Flores, administrative dean of student services.

SANTA LETTERS

Once again, the Herald will help area children get their wish lists to Santa. Mail them to Santa Claus in care of the Big Spring Herald at P:O. Box, Big Spring, 79720, or bring them to the office at 710 Scurry.

BRIEFLY

HOLIDAY DRIVES

The Big Spring Herald is gathering a list of area Christmas drives. Organizations which are sponsoring charitable drives during the holiday season are asked to contact Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by email at

newsdesk@crcom.net Please provide the name of the organization, the dates of the drive and drop-off locations. The list will be printed during the holiday season.

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whom are younger than age 12. On Wednesday, the cast and crew performed an abbreviated version of the 2 1/2-hour play to area elementary school students. "It was great. We had a full house

full of elementary kids and they loved it. They loved the Munchkins," Lindsey said.

Performances will also be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday with a matinee performance on Sunday at 2:30 in the high school auditorium, 707 11th Place.

Admission to the Friday and Saturday performances are \$5 for the public and \$2 for BSHS and Howard College students. The Howard College Diplomats will

Alicia Campos as Dorothy and Brian Wingert as Hank perform a scene in the community musical "The Wizard of Oz." The first performance is set for 7:30 tonight, at the Big Spring High School auditorium, 707 11th Place. Admission for the performance is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children and \$2 for BSHS and Howard College students.

provide free childcare Saturday's performance.

Admission for family shows on Thursday and Sunday are \$5 for adults, \$3 for children and \$2 for BSHS and Howard College students.

The play is directed by Lindsey

for and Clay Grizzle, Howard College theater instructor

The main cast includes Alicia Campos as Dorothy, Dan Weissman as Uncle Henry/Guard, Lawrence Thibault as

Courtesy Photo

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"We will have more than 500 luminaria bags lit throughout the campus. It's also the first day our buildings will be lit for the Christmas season. We invite all the kids out to see Santa. It's really a family environment."

The annual Luminaria will be held from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. and the St. Thomas Catholic Church choir will perform in the campus' Dora Roberts Student Union Building, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

"Santa will also be here to speak with the children and give them a small gift," Flores said.

The college will provide refreshments.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at newsdesk@crcom.net

What's a quilt worth? Find out on Friday at the Heritage Museum

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer Professional quilt appraiser and author Sharon Newman will return to the Heritage Museum on Friday, promoting her new book, "Quilts, Blocks Times Nine."

Newman will be available to appraise quilts from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the museum, 510 Scurry St.

"A good reason to have quilts appraised, either antiques or new, is insurance businesses are now recognizing the value of quilts," said Newman. who has been certified quilt appraiser since 1989 and travels the country performing appraisals.

INFORMATION

What: Quilt appraisals. Where: Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry. When: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost: \$35.

"Quilts need to be appraised," she said. "I can do it after a quilt is stolen or damaged but it is never as good as if I had seen the quilt before.'

The Lubbock resident charges \$35 to appraise a quilt.

"It takes about 30 minutes to appraise a quilt,'

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HERALD photo /Roger Cline

Big Spring city employees Daniel Riley, left, and Steve Salinas work to string lights at the Heart of the City Park this morning. About 15 city employees helped out with the holiday decoration project in the park, including Public Works Director Todd Darden.

A ROUND THE TOWN

Obituaries

Pauline A. Hanson

Pauline A. Hanson, 78, of Big Spring, died on Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2002, in a local nursing home. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 6, 2002, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Dudley Mullins, pastor of East Fourth Street Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born on Feb. 13, 1924, in Cameron County and married Marvin S. Hanson on April 12, 1942, in Midland.

Pauline had lived in Big Spring for the past 70 years and had delivered the Big Spring Herald for more than 30 years to the residents north of Hilltop Road to Centerpoint School. She loved sewing and spending time with her family.

She was a member of East Fourth Street Baptist Church and very involved with the Mary-Martha Sunday School Class.

Survivors include her husband, Marvin S. Hanson of Big Spring; two sons, Lavell Hanson of Hobbs, N.M., and Dwaine Hanson of Longview; two brothers, Vancil Scott of Midland and Kenneth Scott of Sand Springs; one sister, Sara Hodges of Midland; and three grandchildren, Kyle Hanson of Hobbs, N.M., Lisa Listenbee of Tyler and Eddie Hanson of Tyler.

She was preceded in death by one grandson, Todd Hanson.

The family suggests memorials to East Fourth Street Baptist Church, 401 É. 4th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or to a favorite charity.

The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home of Big Spring. www.npwelch.com

Paid obituary

Lambert V. Misek

Lambert V. Misek, 88, of Plano, a former longtime Big Spring resident, died Wednesday, December 4, 2002, at his residence.

His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Dorothy McCauley

Funeral service for Dorothy McCauley, 86, of Big Spring are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home and Chapel.

Mrs. McCauley died at 4:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 5, 2002, at Mountain View Lodge.



Here is a summary of Big Spring Fire Department and EMS activity for Wednesday: AMBULANCE CALLS

Police blotter

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

• EVERETT PAUL AUSBIE of 538 Westover Road was arrested on local warrants.

• **RAYMOND EARL OVERTON JR.**, 23, of 1203 Stanford was arrested on local warrants.

• MATTHEW GERALD HILGER, 28, of Midland was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated — third offense or more.

• **RUBEN HERNANDEZ**, 40, of 2702 Hernandez Road was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• DARLENE LUJAN, 45, of 1700 S. Lancaster was arrested on a local warrant.

• ASSAULT CLASS C was reported in the 1100 block of East 15th Street.

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1100 block of East 15th Street, the 1200 block of Ridgeroad Drive and the 400 block of Edwards Boulevard.

• **DISTURBANCE OR FIGHT** was reported in the 1300 block of South Owens Street and the 1300 block of West Fourth Street.

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

• MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1700 block of South Gregg Street.

• MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1700 block of East FM 700 and at Wal-Mart.

• BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported at Big Spring High School in the 700 block of East 11th Place. Someone reportedly entered an unlocked vehicle and stole items worth \$784.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 500 block of East FM 700. Someone reportedly stole a purse or wallet worth \$40, credit or debit cards, jewelry worth \$10, other items worth \$100 and \$60 cash.

• FORGERY was reported in the 3100 block of Sherman Road.

Sheriff's report

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

• JANIE AGUILAR, 36, of 1101 E. 12th St. was arrested motion to revoke probation for driving with a suspended license.

• STERLING DONALD McINTOSH, 19, of 1227 E. 16th St. was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

• CESAR MARTINEZ, 20, of 202 C Street in Ackerly was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on a charge of minor in consumption of alcohol — second offense."

• ANSELMO HERNANDEZ HILARIO, 47, of 1703 W. Third St. was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Saturday on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces. If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald Features Deck at 263-7331, ext. 238 or small Imoseley@crcom.net.

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

Coffee Club, Gale's, 7 a.m.

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

Duplicate Bridge Club, Big Spring Country Club, 1 p.m.

Genealogical Society of Big Spring, Howard County Library, 7:15 p.m.

Masonic Lodge 1340, 2101 Lancaster, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

AMBUCS, Brandin Iron Inn, noon.

Greater Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

Spring City Senior Citizen's Center, country and western dance, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. All area seniors are invited.

SATURDAY

Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Hangar 25 Air Museum located on the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historical home, open for tours from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

Eagles Lodge, dance, 8:30 p.m., 703 W. Third. Members and their guests are welcome.

Big Spring Squares, 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

SUNDAY

Hangar 25 Air Museum located on the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

MONDAY

Senior Circle, 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Seniors 50 years and older are invited to particpate, call 268-4721.

Big Spring Commandary No. 31, Masonic Temple, 22 1/2 Main, 6:30 p.m. dinner followed by meeting.

Big Spring Assembly No. 211, Social Order of Bearceant, Masonic Temple 221 1/2 Main, 6:30 p.m. dinner followed by meeting.

Big Spring Band Boosters, BSHS Band Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Archeology Society for Howard and Borden County, Howard County Library communty room, 7 p.m. For more

12:48 p.m. - 5700 block of Cedar, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

11:48 p.m. - 2900 block of Cleveland, medical call, one patient transported to the VA Medical Center. FIRE CALLS

8:44 a.m. — 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd., smoke scare in a structure.

11:32 a.m. - 2600 block of Carrolton, structure fire, blaze was out on arrival.

Lottery

The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery: 18-22-23-29-30-45

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Wednesday: 20-31-32-34-35

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night: 2-0-3

Support groups

TODAY

□ 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 1noon 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.

□ Military Support Group, first Monday of the month, meets at 6 p.m., VA Medical Center, Room 212. For more information contact Holly Moore 263-8106 or 263-8574. • **RANDY RAY MIER**, 25, of 1501 Runnels was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Nov. 27 on a charge of criminal trespass of a habitation.

• ADELAIDO MARTINEZ, 51, of 701 Bell St. was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on a charge of unlawful carrying of a weapon.

• SCOTTY RAY BLAND, 23, of 4201 Dixon was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Monday on a charge of driving with a suspended or invalid license.

• **FIGHT** was reported in the 1000 block of North Highway 87.

• STRANDED 18-WHEELER was reported near mile marker 196 on Interstate 20.

• **DRAG RACING** was reported in the 7200 block of Kyle.

• **PHONE HARRASSMENT** was reported in the 400 block of Main.

• LIVESTOCK ON ROADWAY was reported on Highway 176.

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. To make an order, call Alicia Brunson at 267-6692 or Stacey Vaughn at 268-9430.

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. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

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

□ **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. information call Lane Clawson, 270-2615.

TUESDAY

Intermediate Line Dance Classes, Spring City Senior Citizen's Center, 9 a.m., 267-1628.

Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

Evening Lions Club, noon, Spring City Senior Citizen's Center.

WEDENSDAY

Optimist Club, Howard County Cactus Room, 7 a.m.

Senior Circle Stretch and Tone, SMMC classroom, 9:30 a.m.

Downtown Lion's Club, Howard County Cactus Room, noon.

Line Dancing, Spring City Senior Citizen's Center, Industiral park, 1 p.m., 398-5522 or 267-1628.

Duplicate Bridge Club, Big Spring Country Club, 1 p.m.

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

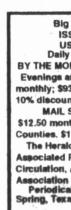


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AUSTIN (AP) - Cars, off-toad many motorboats and motorcycles 7 annual fee to raise money for air pollution-c rol programs under a proposal epublican lawmaker.

Rep. Warren Chisum, the House Environmental gulation Committee chairman, said he will file sistation that would require an environmental impact permit sticker on vehicles with a 50-horse ower engine or larger.

"What we are saying is if you have an impact or "What we are saying is if you have an impact on the environment, that you are going to pay an impact (fee)." Chisum, of Pampa, said after present-ing the idea at a clean energy policy forum. He said he hoped the fee would raise about \$188 million, annually through 2007. Lawmakers are under pressure to come up with the funding, which is needed to help bring the Houston and Dallas regions into compliance with federal clean air laws.

Group pushes sales tax expansio

AUSTIN (AP) — Expanding the state sales tax to include some services would create billions of much-needed dollars without hurting poor people, the leader of a think tank that tracks issues affecting low-income families said Wednesday. Most taxes for state and local programs in Texas come from local property and sales taxes. The sales tax raised \$14.7 billion, while \$22.5 billion came from local property taxes in fiscal 2001. But services pro-vided by lawyers newspaper advertisers stylists

vided by lawyers, newspaper advertisers, stylists child care centers and others are not taxed. The Center for Public Policy Priorities proposes expanding the sales tax to cover those services while lowering the tax rate itself by .25 percent. Physicians and dentists would be exempt.

That would lift the burden on lower-income Texan and expand the tax base to include more people, cen-ter director F. Scott McCown said. It also would raise an additional \$3.4 billion over the next two

Most of McCown's ideas involved raising or expanding taxes, including a \$1 per pack increase on cigarettes.

U.S Sen. Strom Thurmond turns 100

WASHINGTON (AP) - He was born in the first term of Theodore Roosevelt, was first elected when Dwight Eisenhower was president and is retiring with the modern Republican party he helped form firmly in control. Today, Sen. Strom Thurmond is 100.

Thurmond will spend his birthday on Capitol Hill, where for 48 years, longer than any senator in history, he has been an integral part of the changing political and racial mores of the South. In 1996, at age 93, he passed the late Sen. Theodore Green, D-R.I., to become the oldest person to ever serve in Congress. Green retired in 1960. Several hundred people - friends, family and Washington's elite - were to honor the new centenarian at ceremonies in a Senate office building. Organizer Thad Strom, who worked for Thurmond for more than 20 years and is now a partner in a Washington consulting firm, said the speakers will include Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., the next Senate majority leader, and former Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kan.

PARADES

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"I consider it quite an honor," Andres said. "I know there must have been some more people that are more deserving." Andres said he has taken part in the parade before, but never as grand

marshal. "The Boys Club at one time had a float in it, years back," he said. "One of the mothers decided we should have a float and she took charge of it and did it."

Herald Managing Editor John A. Moseley said he's happy to have Andres at the head of the parade.

"We're very pleased to have Bert as the grand marshal of our parade," Moseley said. "He's done tremendous work in this community for years. He's had a profound impact on hundreds of boys in this community through the Boys Club and we hope this is just a small way of saying we appreciate what he has given to Big Spring."

The Heritage Museum will host its second parade watch from the museum's patio area beginning at 5 p.m. Free coffee, hot chocolate and Christmas cookies will be dispensed.

Several other groups have announced they will be providing refreshments during the parade, as well. St. Paul Lutheran and First Presbyterian Church youth groups will serve cocoa, coffee and popcorn free of charge to the parade audience. Those who want some need only to come by the St. Paul Lutheran Church parking lot in the 800 block of Gregg.

Also, Wells Fargo will be manding out free German popcorn during the parade. They will also be selling soft drinks and other items, with money raised being donated to the American Cancer

The parade will start in the Forsan High School parking lot and head. south on Avenue H to County Road 461. The route will follow Rex Avenue and turn on Main Street for the final leg. The parade route is a little more than a mile.

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Hickory/Tinman, Wolfgang Robinson as Professor Marvel/the Wizard, Camilla Painter as Miss Gultch/Wicked Witch, Corey Green as Nikko, Dianne Posey as Aunt Em/Glenda, Mike Bond as Zeke/Cowardly Lion, Brian Wingert as Hank/Scarecrow, Logan Churchwell as Winkie General and Molly the Dachshund as Toto.

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QUILTS

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she said. "I give a written document describing the quilt, judgment of the workmanship, history as we know it and method of replacement. For new quilts, it's the cost of the material. For antique quilts, it's the market value."

Newman will also be displaying three antique quilts during her stop at the museum.

Park gates to remain closed during the evenings for now **Special to the Herald**

The city of Big Spring is closing the gates to Comanche Trail Park and the Dora Roberts Community Center during the evenings.

The move is in conjunction with an ordinance in Art. 4, Div. 1, Sec. 6-70, which states that the hours of operation for all park facilities will be between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m.

Entry onto the premises beyond the hours in the ordinance shall constitute a misdemeanor.

quilts," she said. "I have a 1840 nine-block quilt that is in the book and has a 10-inch border. I have a 1860, also large size blocks, that is signed by the quilt maker and dated. It is interesting to have one dated pre-Civil War to show the type of quilts made before the war.

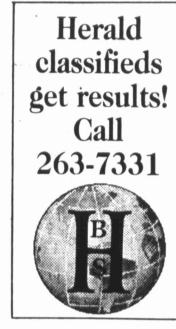
"I also have a 1830 quilt with a piece border," she added.

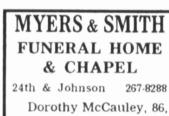
Newman is the author of several quilting books and owned her own quilt shop in Lubbock from 1979 until 2000. She was one of the first people in the United States to be certified as a quilt appraiser.

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Boston Archdiocese may file bankruptcy

BOSTON (AP) — The Boston Archdiocese, strug-gling to contend with a flurry of sex abuse lawsuits, has moved a step closer to a remedy usually associated with troubled businesses and people buried in debt: a bankruptcy filing. A financial panel of the archdiocese gave Cardinal

Bernard Law permission Wednesday to file for bank-ruptcy, a move that would give a secular court control over its finances and open it up to unprecedented scrutiny.

No Roman Catholic archdiocese in the United States has ever filed for bankruptcy, which requires approval from the Vatican.

The step toward bankruptcy troubled some lawyers of alleged abuse victims who are negotiating with the archdiocese toward possible settlements.

Society's Relay for Life. Grand marshals for Forsan's parade will be the town's retired educators.

Three busloads of retired teachers and administrators from the Forsan and Elbow schools will lead off the Christmas in Boomtown Parade at 10 a.m. Saturday.

The Forsan parade, 20 entries long, will also include several food vendors selling items such as hot cocoa, baked goods and hamburgers. The Forsan High School Student Council will be selling T-shirts and hosting a garage sale at the event.

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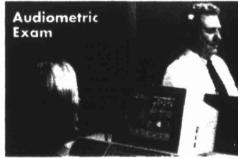


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OUR VIEWS

Parade kicks off this Christmas season Saturday

or 16 years now, the Christmas season in Big Spring has gotten off to its official start with the Herald's Community Christmas Parade. And another Yuletide will get under way Saturday afternoon as the parade's 17th edition begins at 5:30.

We here at the Big Spring Herald take great pride in sponsoring each year's Community Christmas Parade and strive to make every procession just a little better than that which came before.

That's obviously the case for most of those who enter the parade each year, because it seems that your entries continue to get better and better. That has most certainly been the case in recent years when the parade was changed to an evening start and lighted entries encouraged.

The parade, set to stroll down Gregg Street at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, will have 65, far surpassing the 53 who entered last year's judging competition.

The theme for this year's parade is "Home for the Holidays" in conjunction with the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's marketing

Universities need colorblind standards

or decades colleges and universities have been choosing their students on the basis of skin color, but that may change soon. On Monday, the U.S. Supreme Court announced it would take up two cases involving

University of Michigan's admissions policy. In one case, Stephanie Gratz, a young, white woman seeking admission as a Michigan

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undergraduate, was

turned down - despite having higher grades and test scores than most of the black students who were admitted because the school holds whites and Asians to a much higher standard than it does blacks. In the second case, another white student, Barbara Grutter, applied for admission to the university's law school and was turned down despite having test scores and grades that would have guaranteed her admission if she were black. In both instances, the university claimed what it did was justified by the need to achieve "diversity" among

its students. The Gratz and Grutter examples are no mere flukes, nor do they represent only a minor advantage for black students in the admissions process. When my Center for Equal

Opportunity (CEO) analyzed admissions standards at the University of Michigan's flagship campus in Ann Arbor, we discovered that the median SAT scores for black students who were admitted to the school were 230 points lower than for whites. What's more, their high school grades lagged nearly a half point (on a four-point scale) behind those of whites. From the data we obtained under a freedom of information request, we calculated that the odds of being admitted if you were a black student with the same qualifications as a white applicant were 174-to-

Sadly, the University of Michigan isn't alone in applying such racial double standards. CEO has published studies of admissions policies at 47 public colleges and universities and found that virtually all highly competitive schools admit blacks with significantly lower grades and test scores, and many (though not all) admit Hispanic students with somewhat lower qualifications. These schools have

sent a very clear – and, I believe, racist – message to all students: We don't expect black and Hispanic students to measure up, so we're giving them a pass, while we expect only the best grades and test scores from whites and Asians.

Isn't this racism, pure and simple? Few college administrators are as blunt in their assessment as former Rutgers president Francis Lawrence was in 1995 when he told a faculty meeting, "The average SAT (score) for African-Americans is 750. Do we set standards in the future so we don't admit anybody? Or do we deal with a disadvantaged population that doesn't have that genetic, hereditary background to have a higher average?" Lawrence nearly lost his job over the ensuing flap, but because he was such a staunch liberal and defender of affirmative action, he didn't.

The Supreme Court should consider what effect racial double standards have, not only on the whites and Asians who are passed over, but on the blacks and Hispanics who benefit from them. The University of Michigan, for example, admits more black students under its affirmative action program than it might if colorblind standards were applied, but many marginal black students at Michigan fail to graduate. CEO found that almost, 90 percent of white students graduated within six years, but only about two-thirds of black students did. We saw similar patterns nearly everywhere.

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The irony is that many of the black students who gained admission through racial preferences at Michigan and other highly competitive schools could easily have gained admission on their own merit at slightly less competitive schools.

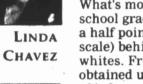
They wouldn't have landed out on the street, as some college administrators imply, but at good schools where their grades and test scores were the same as their white and Asian peers - and where they would be poised not only to succeed but even excel.

Ever since the Supreme Court handed down its Gordian knot-like decision in the Bakke racial quota case in 1978, colleges and universities have been trying to socially engineer their student enrollment to reflect some ideal racial balance.

It's time the court put an end to this mischief once and for all and got back to the original goal of the civil rights movement. No person should be denied opportunity because of the color of his or her skin.

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program of the same name.

Bert Andres, longtime executive director of the Boys Club, will serve as grand marshal for the event.

The parade route will have a slight modification because of construction at the intersection of Gregg Street and FM 700. The procession will start on East 24th Street this year because of the construction. The parade will then follow its traditional route north on Gregg Street, take a right on Sixth Street, go all the way up to Main, take a left on Main Street and disperse around the courthouse area.

While the chilly temperatures of the past couple of days are supposed to moderate to some degree Saturday, there's no question that it will be cold once the sun goes down.

So dress warmly, bring a thermos of coffee or hot chocolate and head downtown in plenty of time to get a good vantage point. You won't want to miss this parade.

We'll see you there.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Dear Lord, help us never compromise our eternal goal with earthly problems. Amen



'AND JUST WHEN I WAS FIGURING OUT WHO I WAS, SOMEONE STOLE MY IDENT'

Spend more time being thankful

ast time I moved, I gave away tons of books, and so unfortunately I cannot remember the name of a form of Japanese psychotherapy

that is built around gratitude. The name doesn't really matter;

I doubt many of us will fly to Japan to shrink. It's

the essence CHARLEY that counts. This theory requires

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the patient to think constantly of how many people have contributed to his or her life and to look for ways to repay them. It's particularly of interest to us Americans, as we tend to be rather self-centered and to think we are all selfmade

In fact, of course, we are not. But for our parents, we wouldn't exist. For that matter, but for our ancestors, we wouldn't exist. From birth to death we are dependent on others, many of whom we don't know and never see.

Do you grow your own food? Probably not. Someone else has to go to all the trouble and labor to plant, nurture and harvest the food we eat. Still others have to process it and transport it. Still others have to make it available to us for purchase. Every time we put a forkful of turkey into our mouths, we are the beneficiaries of the labor and capital investment of hundreds of people

turkey's own contribution of its flesh.

are full of examples of the work and study of many people. We drive vehicles designed and built by others. We drive them on roads built by others. We light, heat and cool our homes with the discoveries and inventions of others,

labor of others. Most of what we know is because of the research and study of others and the teaching by others. If we had to eat only what we produced and knew only what we had personally discovered, we'd be in a savage state. If you saw the recent movie "Cast Away," in which poor, likable Tom Hanks is forced to spend four years alone on an island, you can see what happens to the man denied the assistance of others. It's not pretty. In the movie, Hanks gets to the point where he decides he would rather die than remain alone, eking out a miser-

able existence. We would probably all benefit if we spent our time being thankful than if we spent our time griping about things that don't suit us

Even a poor American is better off than a poor Somali, and health care we can't pay for is better than no health care at all. I haven't noticed any hospitals tossing people out because they can't pay. People get the care and then, if they survive, the hospital badgers them for what money it can get. That's usually not much.

In the greater scheme of things, any day above ground is a good day. Most of what troubles most of us is in our minds, in our subjective assessment of things and situations.

Whether the proverbial glass is half-full or halfempty depends entirely on our subjective assessment. There is no point in making ourselves miserable with our own thoughts.

I, for one, give thanks to all those who have published my articles and paid for them, and to all those who have read them. You have allowed me to escape the hot sun and the sore back. Given my singular lack of talents, other than stringing words together, I would no doubt have had to earn my bread as a common laborer. I tried that on some occasions, and trust me, writing is better.

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In the kitchen ...with Beth

appreciate the opportunity to begin writing a column for the Big Spring Herald on many topics surrounding the kitchen, cooking and other food preparation topics. Let's jump right in here. The

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word clean means free of visible soil, but the word sanitary means free of harmful levels of disease causing micro-organ-BETH isms and BOND

other harmful contaminants.

Let me tell you about this problem. Sometimes it is easy to get this all mixed up. Let's use the example of a baby bottle. After the bottle is washed then boiled in water for 10 minutes it may have water-marks and not "look" clean, but it is sanitary and does not contain harmful bacteria, that will make the baby sick.

But, okay, let's say you're cutting a raw chicken and you wipe the counter and it looks clean, but really there is a good chance you haven't even touched the bacteria produced around the raw poultry,

To make it safe in your kitchen for you and your family to not suffer potentially dangerous sickness, you must make absolutely certain the preparation area and utensils are cleaned and sanitized.

But you know there's really a whole lot more to

without the proper steps you will only re-contaminate your area.

- Use separate cutting boards, utensils, and countertop areas for raw meat and vegetable preparation. Continue to clean and sanitize between each use to prevent bacteria build-up. Cutting vegetables where you have worked with and prepared - raw meat creates potential for cross-contamination.

- Once the food has been prepared in this sanitary environment and you have begun to cook your chosen dishes, make certain you return to the preparation area for another sanitary cleaning. The follow-up cleaning includes the utensils, counters and cutting boards, which harbor the possibility for harmful organisms.

What we have done here is basically explained how to prepare the kitchen creating a safe, sanitary environment for food preparation and subsequent clean-up. There are more steps involved in a totally sanitized kitchen and I will be glad to address this issue should anyone like to contact me by e-mail.

When we next visit we will talk about some of the many things you can encounter in safe food preparation, including proper food-cooking temperatures, and storage. We will also talk about the possibility of food contamination with exposure to extended room and outside-refrigeration temperatures.

If you have an item you would like for us to discuss in this column.

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ndoor air is usually more contaminated than outdoor air. contaminants The are in the form of gases fine particles. and Household

cleaning little effect on gaseous pollutants, but it can affect the concentration of particles in air. Fine parti-

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smoke that enter a dwelling from outside, as well as particles that are generated inside.

Internal sources of particulate contamination are smoke and grease aerosol (airborne particles) from cooking and using self-cleaning ovens; mold and fungal growth from moisture and high humidity; allergens produced by pets, insects, and dust mites; toxic lead dust from peeling leadbased paint; and airborne

dust from vacuuming and duct cleaning and some household cleaning products.

Airborne particles can cause breathing problems and allergies in sensitive individuals and severe health problems for persons with asthma. Controlling the concentration of particulates through cleaning can help relieve symptoms and prevent disease.

Mold and Mildew

Mold and mildew in the home generate spores that become airborne. Some spores settle on other surfaces to generate new mold colonies, while others remain suspended for long periods of time and can be inhaled.

Moisture/higher humidity level is required for mold growth. Some molds are toxic, and others are not. There are many common places where molds grow. These include walls, floors, carpeting and on stored materials in damp basements and crawl spaces; bathrooms without exhaust fans; laundry areas where dry-

LY FOELS ers are not vented outside or clothes are hung to dry; homes with new con-

struction materials; homes where there have been spills, leaks, or other water damage; and homes where a humidifier or an unvented combustion heater is used.

The solution is to reduce relative humidity levels in the home to no more than 50 percent.

Use exhaust fans vented to the outside when taking baths or showers and when cooking. Vent clothes dryers to the outside. Do not use unvented kerosene or gas heaters. Repair all plumbing leaks. Seal the concrete slab before putting carpet down.

Do not store natural materials containing high levels of moisture, such as firewood, inside the house. Reduce humidity with a dehumidifier, air conditioner, or furnace. Increase the air flow to problem areas. Use a vapor barrier to reduce the outside moisture that enters a crawl space.

Keep surfaces clean and dry to remove existing mold colonies and to prevent mold colonies from starting. Hard surfaces that have mold growing on them should be cleaned, disinfected and dried.

One of the most effective, least expensive disinfectants is chlorine bleach (sodium hypochlorite). Appliances that collect or distribute water need to be cleaned and disinfected regularly to prevent mold growth. These include dehumidifiers, humidifiers, air conditioners and refrigerator drip pans.

It is necessary to be more cautious if a resident suspects a toxic mold. Stachybotrys atra is a potentially toxic mold. It requires "longterm water saturation of cellulose-based material such as paper, cardboard, wood, wallboard or jutebacked carpet." It is a greenish-black mold.

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keeping the kitchen and your work areas clean that swooping a rag across the counter.

Here are a few things to keep in mind. When cleaning your work area, pre-clean the countertop and sink before you even begin working with the food products. Wash the area thoroughly with soap and hot water, rinse the area completely with clean water at 120-F degrees and sanitize the area with bleach water, at 170-F degrees. Let air dry, do not wipe dry. The reason to do it this way is that

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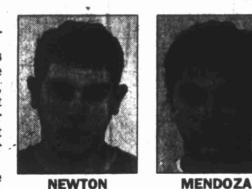
Steers place five on 4-4A all-district first team

By TOMMY WELLS Sports Editor

Brandon Mendoza and Curtis Woodruff may have been the best tandem since ... well, Batman and Robin this past season. The two helped power one of the top offenses in West Texas with clutch catch after clutch catch.

The Big Spring seniors were honored for the efforts earlier this week when they were named to the District 4-4A firstteam all-district squad. They were among five Steers named to the first-team unit by district coaches. Overall, Big Spring landed 27 on the 4-4A all-district honor rolls.

Mendoza, who was a running



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back until his sophomore sea- 21 loss to Aledo in the regional son, enjoyed a stellar season in 2002, rolling up career-high numbers in receptions, yards and touchdowns. He used his speedy and 6-foot-1, 175-pound frame to finish the year with 61 catches for 1,026 yards and 12 touchdowns. In Big Spring's 31-

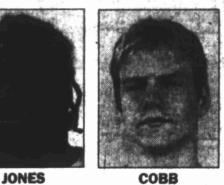


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semifinals, he proved his worth with a pair of 41-yard receptions — the second of which he turned into a touchdown.

Against Aledo, Mendoza had eight receptions for 125 yards and a pair of scores.

Woodruff was no less spectac-



ular in his final prep campaign. He starred this fall as the Steers' go-to receiver on third down and short-yardage situations. Early in the year, he caught three touchdown passes in a game against Odessa Permian.

Woodruff, who took an indi-

rect route to becoming a legitimate collegiate recruit 'as a receiver, finished the year just shy of the 1,000-yard receiving mark, rolling up 878 yards and 12 scores on 49 catches.

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The 6-foot-4, 185-pounder began his career as a fullback at the junior high level. As a freshman, he was shifted to tight end and then into the backfield as a running back the next two years before settling in as one of the Steers receivers.

Other receivers making the first-team cut were Frenship's Perry McDaniels, Lake View's Joey Jones, Estacado's Antuan Washington and Andrews

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Purdue heading back to Sun Bowl

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP) - Purdue is looking for a more favorable result when it returns to the Sun Bowl for the second straight year.

"Our team had a great trip to El Paso last year," coach Joe Tiller said. "The Sun Bowl committee goes out of its way to make sure the players, coaches and staff have a wonderful experience. The only thing we hope to change this time around is to win the game."

Purdue accepted an invitation Tuesday to play in the Sun Bowl for the second straight season. The Boilermakers (6-6, 4-4 Big Ten) will learn which Pac-10 team they

Mays roll to 103-88 win over Portland

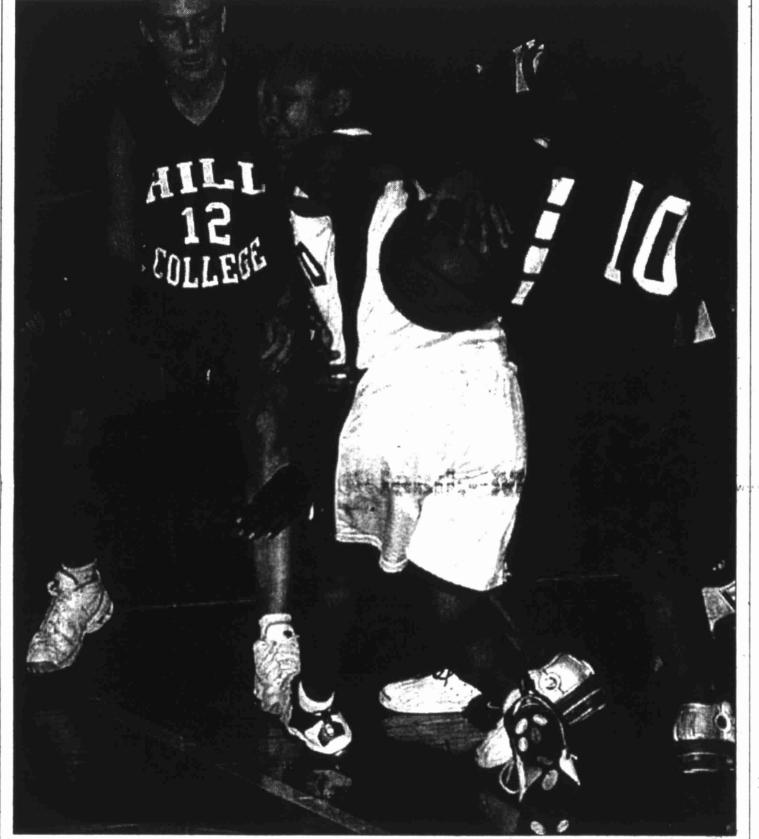
PORTLAND, Ore. The Dallas Mavericks made it look easy against Portland Trail the Blazers.

Dirk Nowitzki had 26 points and 15 rebounds, and Steve Nash added 20 points, five assists and four rebounds as the Mavericks beat the Trail **Blazers 103-88 Wednesday** night.

"When we're rolling, we're tough to stop,' Nash said. "We were opportunistic and capitalized on their defensive mistakes.'

Michael Finley had 15 points and 10 rebounds as the Mavericks improved to 17-1 with their third straight victory.

"Just look at their record," Portland coach Maurice Cheeks said. "We're not the only ones that haven't gotten to them." If the Blazers were bothered by the beating they had just absorbed, it was hard to tell in the locker room afterward. After getting soundly beaten by the league's best team, some of the Blazers gathered around a TV to watch the closing minutes of the Indiana-Seattle game before showering. Bonzi Wells was soliciting bets as to what Seattle's Gary Payton would do with the ball in the final minute, and others were talking trash about Ron Artest. When Payton made a shot to give the Sonics lead, Rasheed the Wallace, Wells and others cheered loudly, prompting reserve Antonio Daniels to mutter, "We just got beat by 20, and they're cheering on a team in our own division." When co-captain Scottie Pippen emerged from the shower to see what was going on, he immediately turned off the TV and closed the cabinet, even though the game was tied with seconds remaining. When asked why he did it, a cautious Pippen said, "Players have got to address the media, and you've (the media) got to talk to the players. Wallace scored a season-high 34 points for the Blazers, who lost their second straight and third in four games. Derek Anderson had 13 points and eight assists. Dale Davis added a seasonhigh 15 points. Portland 1. 1-3 on its five-game homestand, with a stretch of seven out of eight road games looming.



Courteey prioto Howard College's Chanel Ross attempts to pull in a loose ball during recent Lady Hawks' basketball action. The HC women suffered a 69-54 setback to the Cisco Junior College Lady Wranglers Tuesday and fell to 8-7 for the year. The Lady Hawks will resume play after the holiday break, beginning Jan. 3 against Trinity Valley.

Lady Wranglers deal HC women a 69-54 road loss

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor The third time wasn't the charm for the Howard College Lady Hawks Tuesday night - especially against the sophomore-laden Cisco Junior College Lady Wranglers.

Howard College, despite 16 points from Chanel Ross, dropped a tough 69-54 setback to Cisco in the third matchup of the year between. Cisco has won both games on their home court.

With the loss, the Lady Wranglers closed out the first half

of their season with an 8-7 record. The team is scheduled to play next on Jan. 3 in Tyler against Trinity Valley.

Howard College, which claimed a 70-66 win over Cisco in the Lady Wranglers' only appearance at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, held its own early. The Lady Hawks held a slim lead for much of the first half before falling on hard times.

Cisco went on a run in the final three minutes of the first half and took a shaky 26-22 lead into the intermission.

The wheels came of the Lady Hawks' wagon in the second. Cisco took advantage of a coldshooting performance by the HC women to build a 26-point cushion in the first 12 minutes.

Howard College managed to rally late, however. The Lady Hawks staged a furious run in the final eight minutes and pulled to within six with less than three minutes to play.

LaTasha Davis was the only other HC starter to reach double figures, pouring in 15. Alecia Humphrey chipped in eight.

Refreshed Stars skate to 5-1 win over Canadiens

DALLAS — The Dallas Stars were dragging after playing seven games in 11 days, capped by a tie and a loss

After three days off, the refreshed Stars beat the Montreal Canadiens 5-1 on Wednesday night to remain unbeaten at home in regulation this season.

"I thought we responded well,"

Stars coach Dave Tippett said. "The time off really gave us a lift. You could tell there was more zip at practice. We're feeling good about ourselves again."

Jason Arnott scored three goals, two on setups by Pierre Turgeon, for his fourth career hat trick and the first by a Dallas player since Brett Hull scored four goals on

March 21, 2001.

In the last five games, Turgeon has 10 assists and Arnott has five goals and an assist.

Jere Lehtinen and Mike Modano added third-period goals for Dallas, 10-0-0-1 at home this season. Marty Turco made 25 saves, and the Stars killed off all seven Montreal power plays.

will face when the conference finishes play on Saturday.

The Sun Bowl kicks off at 2:15 p.m. Dec. 31 at Sun Bowl Stadium in El Paso, Texas. Last year, Purdue lost 33-27 to No. 13 Washington State.

Purdue will become one of two schools in the Big Ten and one of only 13 nationally to play in a bowl game each of the last six seasons.

"They obviously feel good enough to invite us back," Purdue athletic director Morgan Burke said "We didn't overstay our welcome."

Purdue originally appeared headed to the Music City Bowl in Nashville, Tenn., just a five-hour drive from Indianapolis. Bowl officials there made no secret the Boilers were their top choice.

But the Music City is one spot behind the Sun Bowl in the Big Ten's selection process. In the end, Sun Bowl officials decided that having Purdue two years in a row was better than inviting Minnesota, which also was available.

"Purdue University cretremendous ated a amount of excitement in El Paso last year, and we don't expect anything different this year," Sun Bowl football committee chairman John Folmer said.

Tiller said the Sun Bowl was more attractive because it is carried nationally on CBS, which has televised the game for more than 30 years.

Burke said Purdue likely won't sell as many tickets to the Sun Bowl as it did last year, when it sold just under 4,000. But he added that the chance to play a strong team and the Sun Bowl's other benefits outweighed that.

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Lake View's Juamar Hall was the district's first-team tailback selection, while Levelland's Christian Coronado, Andrews' Isaac McQueen and Estacado's Quentin Lewis were first-team fullback selections.

Frenship quarterback Kris Kelly garnered the top two accolades, walk- Idris Lateef, Frenship's ing away with the firstteam quarterback honors and the District 4-4A Most Valuable Player award. Kelly, who finished the regular season with 1,197 passing yards and 17 TDs, guided Frenship to a 13-1 record. The Tigers captured the 2002 district championship with a perfect 10-0 record. Their season ended with a stunning loss to Brownwood in the Division I regional

semifinals, Kelly was also the district's first-team punter.

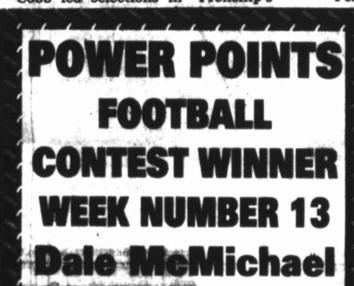
Estacado running back Tony Glynn was selected the district's Newcomer of the Year. He rushed for more than 1,000 yards this fall as a freshman for an Estacado team that finished 1-9.

Frenship's Steven Justin Neighbors shared the first-team kicking

the Steers' fourth-leading tackler Joining Jones in the junior turned in a phetrenches are Estacado's Larry Fink and Lake View's Daniel Ramirez. Frenship, which landed a total of 10 first-team selections, had two linebackers named to the defensive unit, including Josh Britton and Brody

Wright. Andrews' Sergio Robles also made the cut. Cobb led selections in the defensive secondary. The 6-foot-1, 165-pound nomenal season in 2002, recording 49 tackles and a team-high six interceptions despite not starting until midway through the Steers' non-district schedule.

Joining Cobb in the defensive secondary were Estacado's Albert Reynolds, Andrews' **Blaine** Springston and Frenship's Perry



McDaniel — who was also named the 4-4A Defensive MVP.

er Hayes w he district's Defensive wcomer of the Year. The Steers had two players named to the 4-4A second-team offensive squad, including record-setting quarterback Tye Butler. Butler guided Big Spring to an 8-5 record this year and a berth in the Division II state semifinals. For the year, he completed 176-of-310 passes for 2,738 yards and 29 touchdowns.

Senior wide receiver Ronnie Johnson was also a second-team pick. He caught 21 passes this season for 322 yards and four TDs.

Big Spring dominated the 4-4A second-team defensive unit with five selections. Chosen to the second-team roster were defensive tackle Jerod Boyd, linebackers Jared Phillips and Dustyn Beauchamp and punter

the Steers' top kler, making 126 stops, including 11 for a loss. He iso recovered three fumbles and recorded three sacks. Phillips had 113 tackles, while Boyd chart-ed 112 - six of which came as quarterback

Thursday, December 5,

Fifteen BSHS players earned Honorable Mention accolades, including Jeff Stanley, Kaniel Miramontes, Jeff DeLos Santos, Bryan Stokes, **David Partlow** Ornales, Michael Shockley, Cobb, and running back Josh Mathews. Netting Honorable

Mention honors on the side defensive were senior Jon Flores, defensive ends David Lopez and Jeremy Cerda, linebacker Howard Johnson and corners Shamar Myles and Eric Chavez.

Flores finished the season with a team-high 12 sacks.

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SYDNEY, Australia (AP) Peter Garrett, the energetic lead singer of Australian rock band Midnight Oil, has quit.

"The last 25 years have been incredibly fulfilling

But Garrett, a committed environmental activist, said it was "time for me to move on and immerse myself in those things which are of deep concern to me and which I have been unable to fully apply myself to up to now."

Besides his singing career, Garrett served as president of the Australian **Conservation** Foundation between 1989-93. He also was on the international board of environmental group Greenpeace.

In recent years, Garrett has focused his activities closer to home, with particular emphasis on campaigns against genetic'engineering, coastal development and the nuclear industry



People in the News **By The Associated Press**

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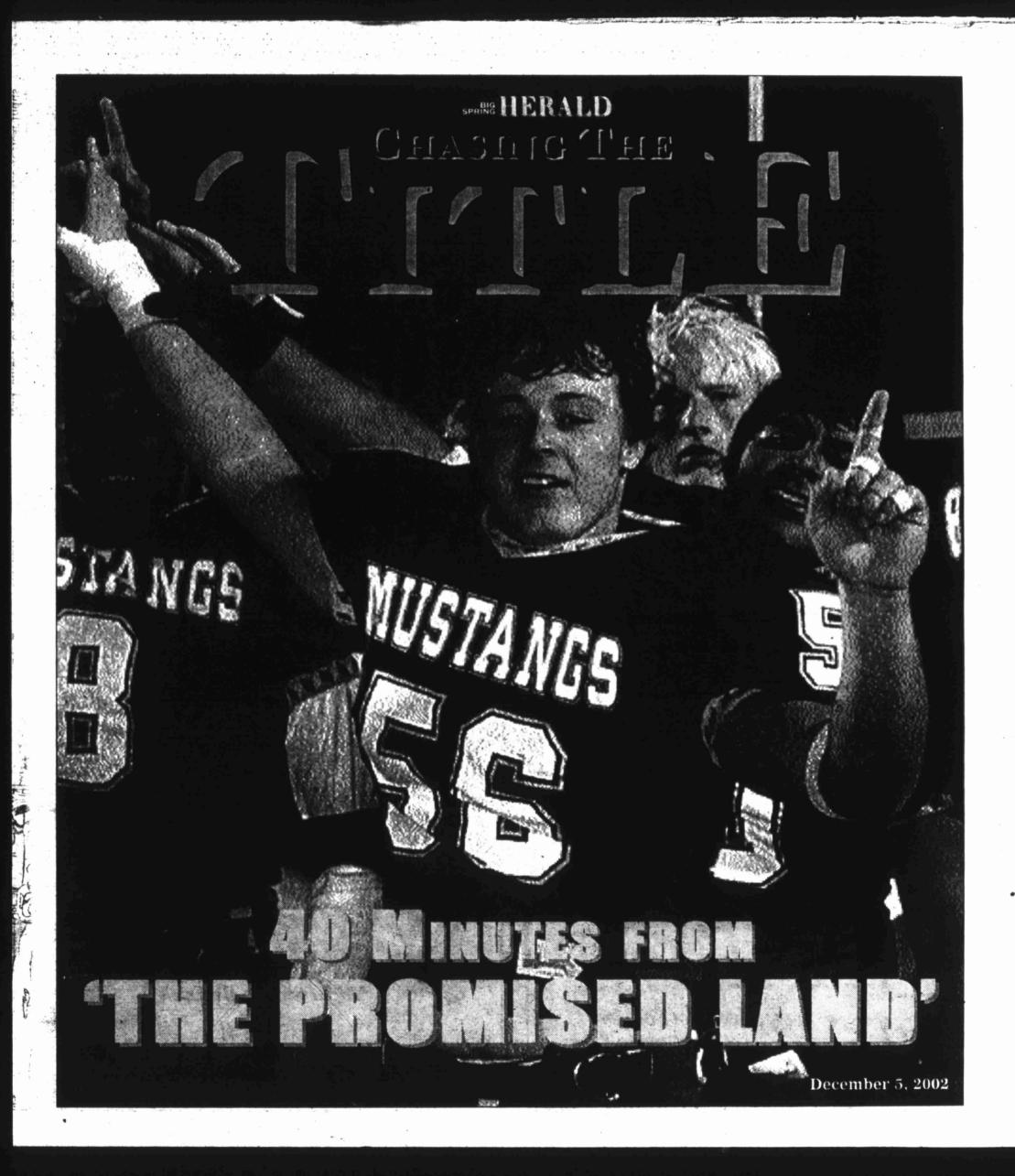
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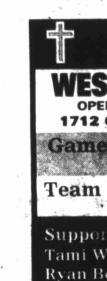
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Mustangs are last 'veteran' left standing

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor There used to be a time when six-man football semifinals meant the second season for the Panther Creek Panthers, Christoval Cougars, Fort Hancock Mustangs and Sands Mustangs. Alas, the times have changed a bit.

Panther Creek, for the first time in many moons, is celebrating the start of December at home. Christoval and Fort Hancock are now only memories as they were bumped into the 11-man ranks with climbing enrollments.

When the six-man playoffs begin tomorrow, there will be only one of the former super powers still standing. Only Sands has been able to avoid the ravages of the sands of time. Of course, what else would you expect from a program located in the middle of a West Texas cotton field?

Flash back to a few years to another century, if you will. The year was 1990 and the Mustangs were standing tall. going head-to-head with Fort Hancock and Lazbuddie for supremacy in the wild, wild west.

A short year later, the Mustangs were at it again, advancing to the state semifinals for a second straight year before running headlong into Vicente Ramirez and the Fort Hancock Mustangs again.

Fort Hancock - for those who may have missed the late 80s and early 90s was the most dominant team in six-man history. The Mustangs reeled off 90 straight wins and won five state.championships before being shown the door.

Make no mistake about it, Sands was the team Fort Hancock had to beat each and every year. In 1991, the Mustangs raced past Sands in the semifinals en route to winning the last of them crowns.

Despite the loss and several coaching changes and a city population of 290, Sands has remained a constant. Sands closed out the 1990s as the sixth-winningest six-man team of the decade, having rolled up a 91-28-1 record.

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From 1991 to 1999, the Mustangs rode the talents of such stars as Josh Richter, Dallas Hopper, Benji Ramirez and Coby Floyd to nine playoff berths. Of the four super powers, only Panther Creek managed to win more games (106-25) in the 1990s.

The Mustangs haven't shown any signs of slipping as the 21st century dawns. Sands made extended playoff runs in 2000 and 2001.

Of the four teams left standing this year, the Mustangs are certainly the most familiar to the postseason. The other three teams have just six playoff wins between them - all by Sanderson.

In the East, Abbott has enjoyed success recently, but through the 90s, the Panthers made Willie Nelson happy to hit the road by posting the six-worst win percentage going 28-72.

In the Panthers' defense, 20 of those losses came during an 0-for-2 year stretch as one of the smallest 11-man teams in the state.

Calvert? The Trojans didn't join the six-man mix until the mid 1990s. They also making their first-ever playoff appearance.

Sanderson is another team that West Texans may be familiar with, especially over the past four seasons. In 1999, the Eagles blossomed. That season, they beat Groom, the eventual state runnerup. Two years later, after quarterback Ty Means had transferred in from Veribest, Sanderson became a legitimate contender.

Last year, the Eagles made their deepest push ever in the playoffs, advancing to the semifinals before falling to eventual state champion Whitharral.

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By TOMMY WELLS **Sports Editor**

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Sanderson High School assistant coach Dale Means has seen it all as a six-man football coach. He's coached in Texas, won two state titles in New Mexico, and led the United States to a win in the inaugural Can-Am Bowl in 1997.

Today, Means is simply living a dream: He's watching his oldest son, Ty, lead one of the most potent teams in the world into the state semifinals for the second straight year. One more win, and he'll make it to the Mecca of football - the Texas state championship.

There's only one problem with the picture. The former Melrose, NM, head coach would rather see anyone but the Sands Mustangs tonight when he walks onto the field. Familiarity, he know, breeds success.

To be sure, no team is as-familiar with the Sanderson Eagles as the Sands Mustangs. And no team is more due for some success against the Eagles than Sands. The Mustangs have squared off against Sanderson three times within the last 14 games - and came up empty handed each time.

That familiarity is something the Sands Mustangs feel may go in their favor tomorrow night when they meet for Eagles for the fourth time in two years. The two teams are scheduled to face off beginning at 7:30 p.m. in Big Lake. The winner will advance to face either Calvert or Abbott in the championship game next week.

Sanderson, which enters the game sporting a 13-0 record, dealt Sands its only loss this fall. In Week 3 of the year, the Eagles used poor weather conditions to claim a 50-40 win at home.

It's a loss the Mustangs haven't forgotten.

"It's hard to say how you compare



• When: 7:30 p.m. · Where: Big Lake. Radio: KBTS 94.3 FM.

since the first games because you hope both teams are better," said Sands first-year head coach Larry Reid. "I think we're a better team and, from what I saw last week. they're definitely better.

"At the same time, we expect to win. We feel like we missed some opportunities to score the last time we played them. We're not changing our game plan for them because we don't feel like there's any reason. We feel like we can play with them."

Sanderson has been the Mustangs' Achilles heel over the last two years. The Eagles beat Sands twice a year ago, once early in the year as the Mustangs were adapting to coach Clint Lowery's system and later in the state quarterfinals. Sanderson went on to play in the semifinals before falling to eventual state - and national — champion Whitharral.

Then came this season's setback.

"Our players know them pretty well," said Reid. "They remember Sanderson and what happened. I don't think you'll see them hold anything back.

Neither does Reid expect Sanderson to hold back an arsenal of weapons that would get Saddam Hussein bombed off the face of the map.

"I think they're going to come out and get up on us quickly and take us out. We know they can score.'

Ty Means, who transferred in two years ago from Veribest, pulls the * See SANDS, Page 4

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Loreburn Aztecs claims record 8th six-man crown this season

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor The Loreburn Aztecs continue to write themselves deeper and deeper into the pages of six-man foot history. The team captured its eighth title this past November by rolling over the Raymore Rebels in the Saskatchewan Division I finals. With the win, the Aztecs became the winningest program in six-man history, snapping a tie for the most titles it had shared with Jesus

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won the Loreburn has Saskatchewan provincial crown in three of the past four years. The Watrous Wildcats won their

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trigger on the Eagles' offense. Last fall, he passed for more than 1,400 yards and earned all-state accolades.

Means hasn't slowed any this fall as a junior. En route to throwing for more than 1,200 yards, he's led an offense that has averaged more than 50 points a game.

The one thing you have to be impressed with is the smoothness of their offense," said Reid, who is 0-3 in

career in games against the Eagles. "They can run or pass to the left, the right or up the middle. You can't really take one thing because away they do the other so well."

Joining Means in the backfield is a bevy of speedy running backs. Sanderson has four rusher's who have gained more than 400 this season — a switch from last fall when the Eagle offense was powered by 5-foot-6 speedster John Benavidez, who

rushed for more than 2,200 yards and 24 TDs

Sophomore Haze Roberts, who saw limited action in the Eagles' 54-36 win over Valley Saturday in Gail, is the team's top rusher. He has rushed for about 100 yards a game this year despite weighing just 150 pounds Fellow sophomore Eric Bilano, another 150-pound speedster, is the team's second-leading rusher, rolling up more than 600 yards.

Senior Stevie Fuentes, a starter last season, and Andy Martinez also see



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time in the backfield. "They don't have the one big back

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like they did last year, but they make up for whatever they lost by spreading it between several backs," Reid said.

Last year, John Benavides rolled up 1,849 yards and an amazing 31 touchdowns as Sanderson's featured back.

When the Eagles need to go to the air, Means' top target is senior Dayton Scott, a 185-pound end.

Through Sanderson's first 13 games, Scott caught has approximately 40 Dasses.

Scott is hardly the only receiver the SHS on squad. Means has completed at least 10 passes to six other players this year

Offensively, the Eagles have won nine of their games via the 45point rule.

For Sands, the key is simple: Mustangs The must establish a running game early in an effort

control the clock and wear down the smaller Sanderson defense,

Larry Reid

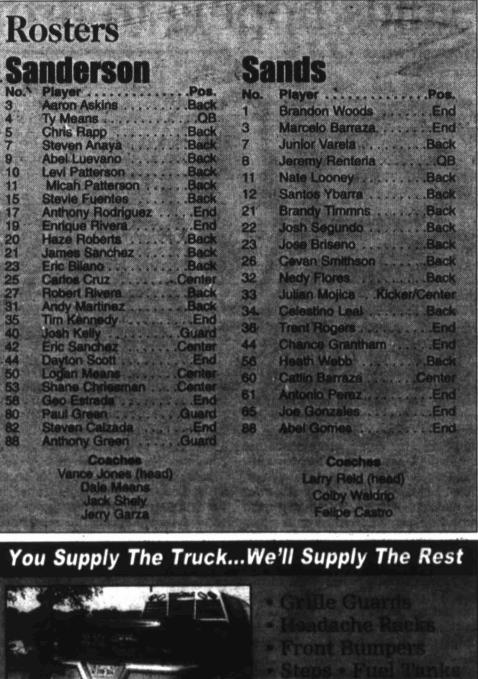
Sands head coach

"We know we're going to have to run the ball better than we did the first time we played them," said Reid. "We threw the ball well against them in September, but we don't want to have to rely on the pass so much. We want to try and use our size against them.'

Size is something the Mustangs have had on their side throughout the playoffs. Sands defeated a pair of

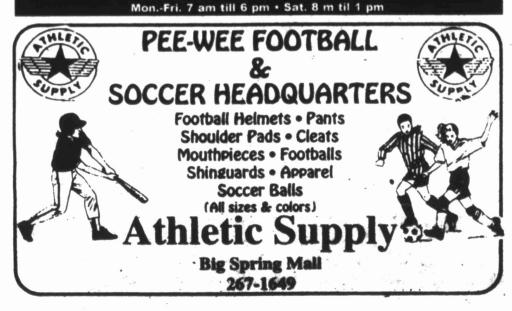
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earned their sixth crown with a win over defending state champion, Geraldine.

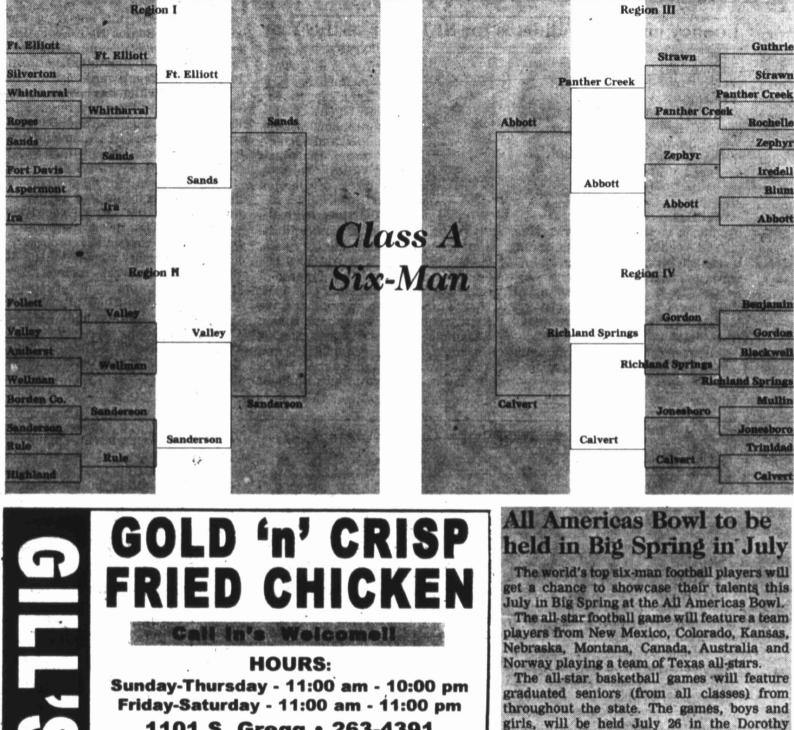
The championship moves the Mountaineers into third all-time. behind only Loreburn and Jesus Chapel, which is the only team to have won titles in three different leagues. Fort Hancock and Midland Christian have each won five.

In Nebraska, the Litchfield Trojans nailed down their third state championship with a win over Wheeler Central.

The Trojans, 9-0, compete in the Nebraska-Kansas league.

In New Mexico, Gateway Christian defeated defending state champion Lake Arthur in the finals, while Peetz took out two-time defending champion Idalia in the Colorado ranks.

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Webb among finalists for Texas player of the year award being considered for Player of the

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Heath Webb has won plenty of awards during his high school football career, including all-state honors as a linebacker last fall. Those honors could pale in comparison to what may be in store, however.

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American selection is the Mustangs'

top scoring threat, having accumulat-

Defensively, Webb is the Mustangs'

top tackler, having racked up more

Overall, the 2001 six-man All

WEBB

Webb is one of five finalists for Dave Campbell's Texas Football Gulf Lubricants six-man Player of the Year accolades. The award is given annually to the most outstanding senior in Texas high school football.

Webb has enjoyed an outstanding season for the Mustangs, helping lead the team to its third-ever appearance in the state semifinals. The Mustangs, with Webb leading the way, will try and nail down their first-ever trip to the state finals tomorrow when they face Sanderson.

Webb is the Mustangs' second-leading rusher this fall. Through Sands' first 13 games, he has rushed for 800

SANDS

Continued from Page 4 speedy teams in Ira and Fort Elliott in the first two rounds.

Both should serve as stepping stone toward Sanderson.

"It's probably good for us that we haven't face a big lumbering team," said Reid. "Both of the teams we played were fast and capable of big plays. That should benefit us against Sanderson in that we won't have to adjust to such a different style - even though both Ira and Fort Elliot ran out of a spread more than Sanderson.

The Eagles, who have posted a 26-1 record over the past two years, will have plenty to worry about, too. Namely stopping a Sands offense that has shown an ability to score plenty of points and come-from-behind.

Leading the Mustang attack is senior running back Nate Looney, who than 100 stops this fall.

RENTERIA GONZALES

has rushed for 1,739 yards and 21 touchdowns. His rushing total is the fourth-highest among six-man backs. Blum's Bryce Dean led the state in

rushing this season, gaining 2,218 yards and 45 TDs in 11 games. Strawn's Jake Popham was second, netting 1,824 yards. Valley senior Derrick Cruse was third at 1,762.

Joining Looney in the Pony Express backfield are another pair of threats



WOODS C. BARRAZA

in Heath Webb and Brandon Woods. Webb, who has scored seven times in the past two weeks, has rushed for 800 yards and 20 touchdowns. Woods has averaged more than nine yards a carry this season en route to gaining 559 yards.

The Mustangs have one of the top passers in the state pulling the trigger on their offense. Quarterback Jeremy Renteria enters the game as the sec-

Looney among candidates for SI Player of the Year Year honors. Senior Nate Looney is among the players being considered Other finalists for the award for the Six-Man Illustrated national Player of the Year award. include Ira's Eric The award, which has been present-Dickerhoff, ed since 1992 to the top six-man ath-Whitharral's lete in the United States and Canada. Brandon Hoskins. will be presented at the half of the **Richland Spring's** 2003 All Americas Bowl, which is set

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Player of the Year award will be

announced at the half of the Class 5A,

Division II Texas Bowl, which will be

held Dec. 21. The six-man Player of

the Year award dates back to 1998.

Past winner of the award include

Richland Spring's Jordan Hicks,

Grandfalls-Royalty's James Stocks,

Webb isn't the only Sands standout

Gordon's Lyle Campbell

Trinidad's Damien Jackson.

Cruse.

for July 26 in Big Spring, Texas. Looney, heading into Friday's game, is the third-leading rusher in the state, having rushed for 1,739 yards and 21 TDs. He's also caught 17 passes for 394 yards and six scores.

Some of the past winners of the SI Player of the Award include Fort Hancock's Vicente Ramirez (1992), Panther Creek's Chad Humphries (1993), Dewayne Miles (1995), Abilene Christian's John Estes IV (1997), Jackson (1998), Damien Lyle Campbell (1999), and Jordan Hicks (2001).

ond-leading passer, having completed 95-of-170 attempts for 1,669 yards and 33 touchdowns. Only Wellman's Chris Gibson has passed for more yards that Renteria in 2002, completing 134of-212 passes for 2,100 yards.

Leading the Mustangs' push up front are center Catlin Barraza and offensive ends Woods and Joe Louis Gonzales. Woods, who starts at an end, is the team's top threat via the air, having caught 29 passes for 633 yards - fourth among all receivers in the state - and 12 TDs. Should Woods catch a touchdown pass against Sanderson, he would move into a tie (with Cruse) for the most TD receptions by a receiver in the U.S.

Defensively, the Mustangs are taking the same approach the Big Spring Steers took against quarterback Broderick Newton-and the Aledo Bearcats: Contain the big play.





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owboys starting to see results from rookies

IRVING (AP) - While the growing pains can be tough to watch at times, the Dallas Cowboys are starting to see the real benefit of playing so many rookies.

Not only have the Cowboys (5-7) won consecutive games for the first time this season, the team is getting a solid evaluation of 13 rookies, six of them starters, and beginning to feel good about its future.

"The young guys that are playing are the guys who are going to be the future," said coach Dave Campo. "It's not like we're just throwing guys in there. They are growing with the offense and growing with the defense."

Safety Roy Williams, the. firstround pick in April, has started every game. Chad Hutchinson, the 25-year-old rookie who missed four football seasons while pitching in professional baseball, replaced Quincy Carter as the starting quarterback five games ago.

Williams has been all that the Cowboys had hoped from only the second player they got in the first eight picks of a draft since defensive tackle Russell Maryland was No. 1 overall in 1991. His 91 tackles are

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third-best on the team and he has started four straight games. three interceptions.

But Williams is only one of five picks from last April's draft _ considered the best for owner Jerry Jones without former coach Jimmy Johnson at his side _ to become starters for the Cowboys. Hutchinson signed as a free agent three months before the draft.

Receiver Antonio Bryant was thrust into the starting Tole when Raghib Ismail suffered a season-ending neck injury late in training eamp.

His 488 receiving yards are the most among NFL rookie receivers, but he has had just eight catches (two for touchdowns) in the last six games while splitting time with veteran Darnay Scott.

Andre Gurode, a guard at Colorado and like Bryant a secondround pick, was the first rookie to start at center in a Cowboys season opener.

After missing the first two October games with a sprained toe, he returned to the lineup at guard on a line shuffled by injuries.

Third-round pick Derek Ross has started seven games at cornerback, including the last four after two games on the bench. Ross has three of his five interception since, including 13 tackles against Indianapolis.

Williams has been a hard-hitting playmaker who proved to be a good compliment to five-time Pro Bowler Darren Woodson.

And the rookie safety has stepped up his game since Woodson was lost for the season with an abdominal muscle injury three weeks ago.

All three of his interceptions have come in the last three games, including one he returned 5 yards for a momentum-turning touchdown in a 27-20 win over Washington on Thanksgiving Day.

"Consistently now, he's doing the right things, and we had hoped that would be the case," Campo said.

Hutchinson has started the last five games, and won consecutive starts, something Carter did only once in his 15 games.

Hutchinson also threw for 301 yards against Jacksonville, the most young kickers. by a Dallas rookie since Troy

Aikman set the club record with 379 in 1989, and is 73-of-135 (54 percent) for 930 yards with five touchdowns. His only two interceptions came in the 21-19 win over the Jaguars.

'The things that I like about him, he has toughness and smarts. He doesn't make a lot of mistakes, and he doesn't make the same mistakes twice," Campo said. "He doesn't allow adversity to get him. He can't wait to get back in the game after he's made a mistake, he wants another shot at it."

"He's doing what we are asking him and he's making progress."

Rookie cornerback Pete Hunter, the fifth-round pick, has become a regular part of the secondary since Woodson was hurt. He spent the first half of the season bouncing between inactive status and special teams.

All three of the Cowboys kicking specialists are also rookies: placekicker Billy Cundiff, punter Filip Filipovic and long snapper Jeff Grau. While Cundiff and Filipovic have both struggled with consistency, Campo likes the potential of the



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