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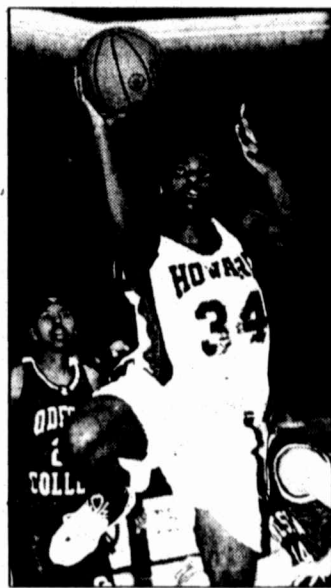
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Memory of famed civil rights leader is still strong

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

Today is Martin Luther King Jr. Day, a national holiday. But who was Dr. King? A leader of the civil rights movement and an icon of African-American pride and dignity, certainly.

People who lived during the time when King was

preaching his dream for America, like Big Spring's own Clarence Hartfield, have a unique story of how his message touched their life.

"My first memory of him was during the Montgomery bus boycott," Hartfield remembers. "I was in high school and I remember how I felt that day riding the

"That was a period of time I'm glad I lived through, just to see changes to things that I knew I couldn't do anything about."

Clarence Hartfield



bus. We had buses here in Big Spring and I was still in school."

After high school, Hartfield joined the Army. The civil rights movement

was in full force when he returned to the United States from Germany in 1964. His first posting after his European stint was at Fort Polk, La.

"I was down there and I was seeing this stuff first hand and there was a lot of things that we couldn't do," he said. "When I

was at Fort Polk they had some civil rights disturbances right there, not at the post but downtown, and they picked up a bunch of G.I.s. I happened to be in that group. I said right then 'If I buy another car it will always have a radio in it,' because I could have

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Carrying on the tradition

His teachers and coaches led Ritchey into education

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

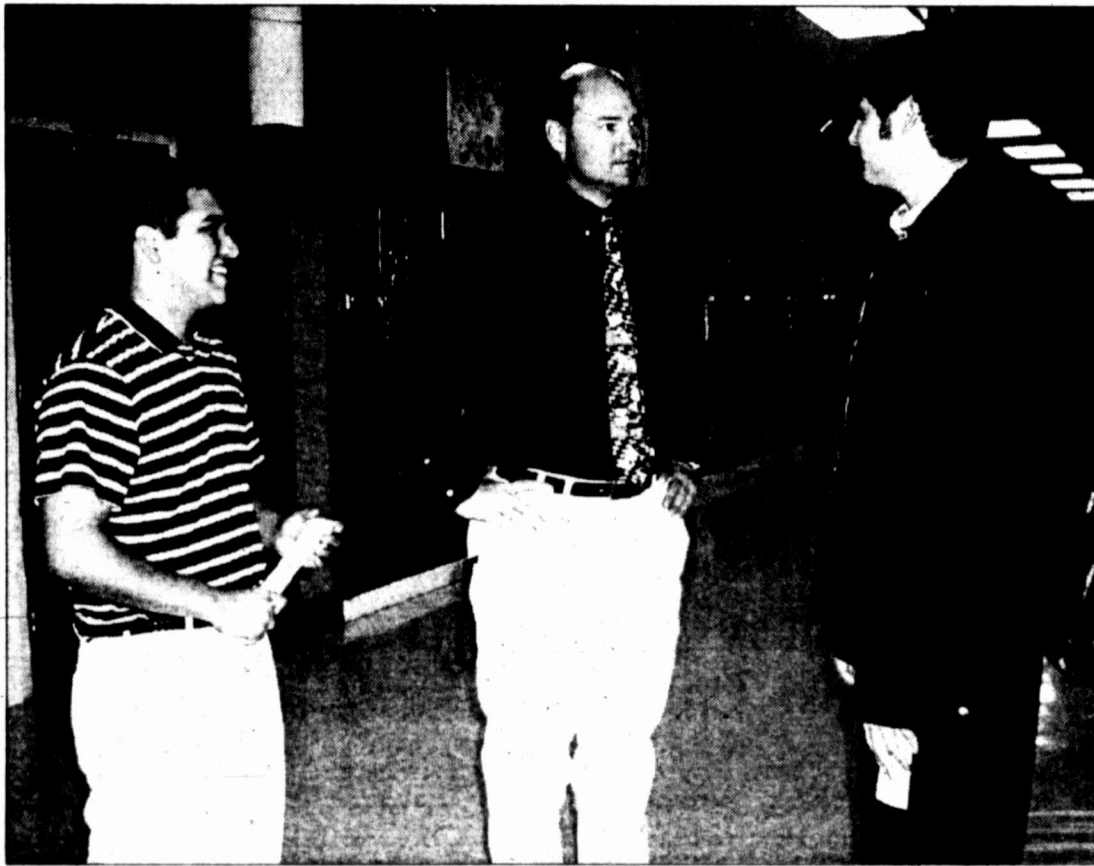
Every day, Mike Ritchey and the faculty of Big Spring High School try to impact students by being good role models.

Ritchey, a 1978 Coahoma High School graduate, said his high school teachers and coaches were the reason he went into education.

"They were a big influence on my life. Not only were they good teachers, good coaches, they were good people and I wanted to be just like them," Ritchey said.

Graduating from Angelo State University, Ritchey was already very familiar with Big Spring schools before accepting his first position at Goliad Middle School.

His mother, Jo Ann



Big Spring High School Principal Mike Ritchey takes a few moments to visit with seniors Tony Guzman, left, and Jonathan Larez before school begins. A 1978 graduate of Coahoma High School, Ritchey has spent the majority of his education career in the Big Spring Independent School District.

Ritchey was a long-time physical education teacher for the school district and Mike had attended Big Spring

schools before his family moved to the Sand Springs area.

Ritchey has spent the majority of his 18-year

career in education with the Big Spring Independent School

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CISD board to consider renaming junior high

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

COAHOMA Coahoma Junior High School may soon receive a new name to honor a long-time principal.

Trustees for the Coahoma Independent School District will discuss the idea of renaming the school after Robert "Rob" Ethridge, a long-time district employee and former principal, at their regular board meeting today.

"Rob was highly respected and made a big impact on this district," said Dr. Bill Kingston, CISD superintendent. "There has been some interest among some of the people who knew him to recognize him in some way."

Following his retirement, Ethridge continued to impact education in Howard County by serving as a trustee on the Howard College board from 1994 until his death in 2001.

"He was a well respected and well known," Kingston said. "He had a big impact on a lot of students who went through out the school system

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Local author to stage book signing Thursday

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

A Big Spring author will hold her first book signing Thursday and at the same time deal with a cantankerous puppet.

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McCasland, a long-time St. Mary's Episcopal School employee and administrator, will sign copies of her newly published book, "Do Chickens Go to Heaven?"

"A lot of people have been coming in (to the Howard County Library) and I tell them about the book signing," said children's librarian Karen McIntyre. "They say

they'll come back then. We're expecting a lot of people."

The book signing will be held in the children's section of the Howard County Library from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. The library receives proceeds from the sale.

Theodore, the library's resident puppet, will also be entertaining the crowd and is sure to cause a lit-

tle trouble for the author.

"I would say a Great Horned Owl or a Raven is just about the same," said McCasland, a bird wildlife rehabilitator. "Dangerous and talkative. I look forward to meeting him."

"I don't think it can be any worse than crawling into a dog house to get a

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Tax season brings out volunteer workers

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

For 20 years Jean Tidwell has been helping people with their yearly income tax reports and hasn't ever earned a dime for her assistance.

That's all right for the retiree because as a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance member, Tidwell enjoys the challenge and helping people.

"It helps keep me on my toes," Tidwell said. "It's a good way to help me when I do my own."

Every year, Tidwell takes the VITA week-long training sessions to brush up on the changes in tax statement preparation.

"You would be surprised to discover how much you forget from year to year," she said.

Starting Tuesday from 9 a.m. to noon at the Spring City Senior Center, the training prepares volunteers to assist residents

The training will be held at the Senior Citizen's Center, 1901 Simler Drive, Tuesday through Friday, and on Monday, Jan. 27, at 9 a.m. until noon each day.

in preparing their 2002 income tax statements.

Tidwell said volunteers don't have to have a background in tax preparation.

"You can choose what you do," she said. "I don't do stock markets. I don't want to be involved with that."

Persons must pass a

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Jean Tidwell, a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance volunteer, works on a tax return. VITA will be having a five-day training session for those who are interested in preparing 2002 income tax returns. The training session will begin Tuesday at 9 a.m. in the Spring City Senior Center.

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State and national news at a glance



Minister's missing plane found

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — A hiker found a missing Midland minister's plane eight miles north of this city on Sunday.

The bodies of minister Monty Price, 45, wife Susan, 44, son Jake, 19, and Lendon Stovall, 19, were found inside the PA-23, which had been missing since it disappeared from radar on Jan. 8. The plane, apparently piloted by the elder Price, had been en route from Las Vegas, Nev. to Midland when it went down. A self-employed computer technician, Frank Eargle, 29, found the plane on the Schultz Peak. He told investigators that he had not been searching for the missing plane when he discovered the wreckage. More than 200 people had joined in a search for the plane.

Pro-life legislation may be coming

WASHINGTON (AP) — Anti-abortion activists marking this week's 30th anniversary of the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision say they have their first chance in years to put a dent in abortion rights now that Republicans control the House, Senate and the White House.

"We will pass the first significant pro-life legislation actually limiting abortions in 30 years," said Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan. and a leading abortion foe. He predicted Congress will move quickly to pass a measure banning a late-term abortion procedure called partial birth abortion by opponents.

Congress passed a measure twice, in 1996 and 1997, banning the procedure, in which the fetus is partially delivered before its skull is punctured. President Clinton vetoed it each time. The House passed the measure again last year, but the then-Democratic-controlled Senate never took up the measure.

"We will pass a partial birth abortion ban," Brownback said. "That's going to hearten people. It's been a long fight. We're finally turning some of the battle."

President Bush has said he would sign the bill, one of several abortion-related measures Republicans will push this legislative session.

Two killed in ambulance wreck

BONHAM (AP) — Two people died in a fiery wreck Sunday morning when a car crossed the center lane of a highway and smashed into an ambulance.

Authorities said the Bonham Fire Department ambulance was traveling to a single-fatality accident in Honey Grove, 15 miles east of Bonham, when it was struck by the passenger car about 6:30 a.m.

The crash occurred about three miles east of Bonham on State Highway 56.

Kathy Deleon, 35, of Honey Grove, the driver of the car, was killed, as was James Taylor, 28, a worker for the Bonham Fire Department who lived in Blossom.

RITCHEY

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District. For 13 years, he served as a classroom teacher and coach.

"That's been my most enjoyable moment in education," he said. "It goes back to my coaches in high school. I know coaches are stereotyped but they were excellent teachers who realize the importance of teaching."

"That's were the rubber meets the road. The classroom is where it all takes place."

As principal at Big Spring High, Ritchey oversees the education of approximately 1,100 students with the help of 117 teachers and staff.

"I have a lot of professionals," he said. "I have staff who role model excellence. It takes a lot of good people around you to do this type of job. I don't believe anyone can do this by themselves or should try."

Educators have a responsibility to act as a role models for their students, Ritchey said, because an educator's reward is the positive impact he or she has on students.

"I'll use my mother for an example" he said. "Her

No. 1 concern wasn't about how well off she'd be. Her No. 1 concern was about the kids. That makes education worthwhile.

"During the Christmas holidays and toward the end of school I can't tell you the number of ex-students wanting to come back on campus to visit with their teachers. Do you think they had an impact on those students lives?"

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AUTHOR

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barn owl," McCasland added. "If you haven't tried it, I don't recommend it."

Taken from the Sounds of St. Mary's, a newsletter McCasland created 20 years ago, the material for the book comes from teachers' contributions of humorous incidents in class, students' poetry and drawings and McCasland's own reminiscences.

"This is not just about St. Mary's but reflects the whole community," McCasland said. "There are children of every social-economical class represented here. Private schools mirror the community just like public schools. I think what makes this a fun read is

you see how children see the world around them.

"I think a person can look at this book and see into the mind of child," she said. "If you've never walked into a classroom at St. Mary's you would recognize the commonality."

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VITA

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test in order to qualify for assisting taxpayers with their returns.

The free service will be available on Mondays beginning in February and will run through April at the Spring City Senior Center, 1901 Simler Drive.

For more information about VITA, contact Dorothy Kennemur at 398-552 or by e-mail at dkenemure@apex2000.net

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here." A vote on the issue will be held at a later date, Kingston said. Trustees will meet at 7 p.m. in the board room at the administration building, 600 Main Street, Coahoma.

In other business, trustees will:

- Evaluate and consider extension of superintendent's contract.
- Hear parent concern about special education.
- Discuss personnel.

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LEADER

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avoided that if I'd been listening.

"They had us locked up down there and they let us make one telephone call. I called my father and my mother and told them what was happening, and of course they got all nervous and upset.

After sitting in jail for a week waiting for assistance from the Army, Hartfield made bond and returned to base, only to learn that his commander had counted him AWOL (absent without leave) during his absence.

"When you are in the service and get put in jail, it's the commander's job to go down and check on you," he said. "I spent a week in there and they didn't check, but they counted me AWOL. I went to Fort Leonard Wood after that."

From 1965 to 1968, Hartfield was stationed at Fort Rucker, Ala.

"It was during the height of the civil rights movement," he said. "Being military, I couldn't join it."

In fact, Hartfield was a member of the base's Ready Reaction Force.

"We used to call them the 'riot control troops,'" he said. "They were all black with white officers. I look back and I remember that all the people who lived off-post were the ones that he had a part of, that would have to come in and practice this riot control, instead of using the people on post."

While stationed at Fort Rucker, Hartfield — on a three-day pass to the Democratic Convention in Chicago — heard King speak in person.

"He was up there and he gave a speech about how he was going to march and integrate Cicero," he said. "I thought it was pretty good being that close. Years later when I was president of the NAACP, I went back up there for a convention, I guess in 1998 or something. I got a chance to visit Cicero. I said 'What in the heck was he doing up here trying to mess with these Italians? They weren't bothering us.'"

Perhaps Hartfield's strongest memory of King came when the minister was assassinated in Memphis, Tenn.

"I was in Alabama when he got killed down in Memphis," he said. "I just got home, I guess about 4:30 or 5 o'clock and my wife said they called and wanted me to come back out to the post. I got out there and we drew all this equipment and we were supposed to ferry these state troopers wherever they wanted to go."

His superiors never told Hartfield and his fellow soldiers what had happened.

"They said there had been some trouble in Memphis. That's all they said. We said, 'Oh, OK. This is just another riot control. We're going to guard a few more things,'" Hartfield remembers. "We drew our weapons and got all this stuff, but instead of drawing a pot helmet, we drew a flak helmet. They had these aircraft out on

the runway and they told these pilots, 'You're going to carry these troops to such and such a place when you get the word,' but they never got the word."

Hartfield was finally released shortly after 9 a.m. the next day. He learned of King's murder listening to the radio in his car on the drive home. When he returned home, he was in for a shock.

"What was devastating to me and upsetting was when I turned down the street to go to our house where we were living, I saw all this trash and burned buildings," he said. "I could hear sirens (the night before), but I didn't think that much about it. As I got home I saw that people had shot up the house. I got scared and wondered where my wife was."

Luckily, she had gone to stay with her mother.

"She wasn't there," he said. "I look back now and I'm so grateful that she did decide to go stay with her mother. I don't know. Maybe something would have happened, maybe not. But I never could understand why we wanted to destroy our own neighborhood."

Hartfield hardly had time to think about the tragedy.

"It hurt at first, and

then you get angry. But how do you take out the frustration?" he said. "Like I said we got off about 9 o'clock, and we had to be back at 2. I got off there about 6, and then we sat down and talked."

Hartfield said King was responsible for making life better for all Americans.

"That was a period of time I'm glad I lived through, just to see changes to things that I knew I couldn't do anything about," he said.

Currently, Hartfield is an independent researcher collecting historical data about African-Americans in the military.

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Martin County Junior Livestock Show results

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Grand Champion Lamb, Tyler Matthews
Reserve Grand Champion, Lauren Robinson

Champion Finewool, Tyler Matthews
Reserve Champion Finewool, Randi Knight
Champion Finewool Cross, Lauren Robinson
Reserve Champion Finewool Cross, Tyler Matthews
Champion Medium Wool, Tyler Matthews
Reserve Champion Medium Wool, Lauren Robinson
Champion Southdown, Zane Robinson
Reserve Champion Southdown, Zane Robinson

GOATS
Champion Nanny, Karyn Cook
Reserve Champion Nanny, Lucas Traweek
Champion Wethers, Whitney Oppgard
Reserve Champion Wethers, Tyler Matthews

SWINE
Grand Champion Swine, Karyn Cook
Reserve Grand Champion Swine, Jennifer Beasley
Champion Hampshire,



HERALD photo/Roger Cline
Kaitlyn Blocker shows her pig for the judge at the Martin County Junior Livestock Show Saturday. Blocker got the best-of-class blue ribbon for this pig, a white OPB medium-weight.

Kandace Schuelke
Reserve Champion Hampshire, Trisha Decker
Champion Duroc, Jennifer Beasley
Reserve Champion Duroc, Kaitlyn Blocker
Champion Cross, Karyn Cook
Reserve Champion Cross, Chris Straub

Champion OPB - Black, Adam Evans
Reserve Champion OPB - Black, Kandace Schuelke
Champion OPB - White, Karyn Cook
Reserve Champion OPB - White, Karyn Cook

BEEF
Grand Champion Steer, Dex Allred
Reserve Grand Champion Steer, Dex Allred
Champion British Breed, Kelsi Howerd
Reserve Champion British Breed, Candice Howard
Champion Exotic Breed, Dex Allred
Reserve Champion Exotic Breed, Dex Allred

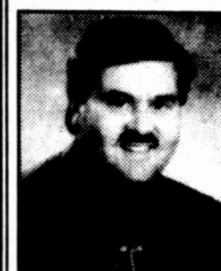
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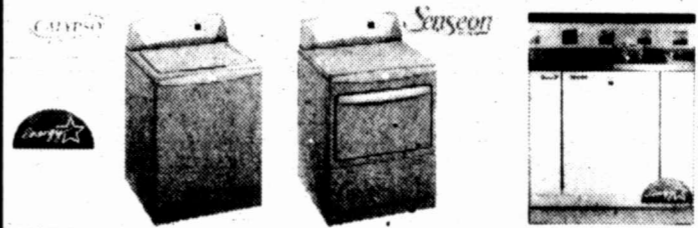


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Suicide prevention workshop scheduled

By VALERIE AVERY
Special to the Herald

Nearly every person will come in contact with someone who has suicidal tendencies at some time in his or her life.

Recognizing these behaviors can be instrumental in saving someone's life, said Janet Payne, LMSW, West Texas Centers for MHMR mental health essential services director.



PAYNE

"Many people have been trained to administer first aid to people heaving a heart attack, but very few know emergency first-aid for preventing suicide," she said.

Payne and Shannon Nabors, director of clinical training and critical care services, were recently trained as two of 10 people in Texas in the highly touted ASIST program or Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training. The two are now sharing the knowledge with WTCMHMR staff, educators, community organizations, law enforcement personnel, health professionals and other public servants during several summer workshops.

ASIST's two-day training will be offered in Big Spring on Feb. 4-5. West Texas Centers for MHMR is partnering with Howard College to offer training in the ASIST method of suicide prevention.

"In 20 years of practice in the mental health field, I have never seen a program that provides more hands-on, skills-building, and real-life impact as this one does," Nabors said. "This program truly offers help to those who are at risk for suicide. It was a learning experience that was one of the most rewarding I have had, and I look forward to sharing it with others."

West Texas Centers for MHMR provides mental health and mental retardation services for more than 2,200 people a month in 23 rural counties in West Texas.

Mental health care is

provided at Mental Health Centers in Andrews, Dawson, Gaines, Garza, Howard, Mitchell, Nolan, Reeves, Runnels, Scurry, Terry, Upton, Ward, Winkler and Yoakum counties.

Depression is the most common mental illness, and depression can lead to suicide, Payne said. West Texas Centers for MHMR employees come in contact with people in the community and their clinics who are at high risk for suicide.

Many people with suicidal tendencies provide some clue of their intentions, Payne said. Hints, including gestures or suicide attempts, are more common than some people believe.

ASIST provides participants with the necessary attitudes, knowledge and skills to recognize and

assess the risk of suicidal behaviors.

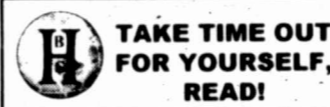
"The goal of the ASIST training is to improve caregivers' abilities to intervene until either the immediate danger of suicide is reduced or additional assistance or resources can be accessed," Payne said. "ASIST can be compared to CPR for the American Heart Association. Like the CPR method, the training is designed to provide caregivers with emergency first-aid skills for helping people at risk for suicide."

More than 99 percent of workshop participants recommend the workshop to others, Payne said.

The workshop costs \$70 and includes lunch, snacks, CEUs and an ASIST manual and workbook. The workshop will be in the East Room at

Howard College from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

To register, call Howard College at (915) 264-5131. For more information on ASIST training, call Payne or Nabors at (915) 263-0007.



Big Spring Independent School District Financial Statement for the Year Ending August 31, 2002

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:			
Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 10,147,664	\$ 992,826	\$ 11,140,490
State Program Revenues	12,154,914	821,221	\$ 12,976,135
Federal Program Revenues	119,520	3,017,565	3,137,085
Total Revenues	\$ 22,422,098	\$ 4,831,612	\$ 27,253,710
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
Instruction	\$ 13,557,394	\$ 1,727,429	\$ 15,284,823
Instructional Resources and Media Services	\$ 408,315	\$ 35,427	\$ 443,742
Curriculum Development and Instructional Staff Development	\$ 108,099	\$ 145,590	\$ 253,689
Instructional Leadership	\$ 337,407	\$ 13,683	\$ 351,090
School Leadership	\$ 1,354,272	\$ 2,935	\$ 1,357,207
Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services	667,047	39,202	\$ 706,249
Social Work Services	45,078	27,269	72,347
Health Services	206,619	1,766	208,385
Student (Pupil) Transportation	432,003		432,003
Food Services		1,741,691	1,741,691
Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	887,763		887,763
General Administration	927,939		927,939
Plant Maintenance and Operations	3,016,724	4,062	3,020,786
Security and Monitoring Services	20,759	4,088	24,847
Data Processing Services	375,845	171,266	547,111
Principal on Long-term Debt	563,217	328,208	891,425
Interest on Long-term Debt	59,965	660,981	720,946
Bond Issuance Costs and Fees	300	396	696
Capital Outlay	218,523		218,523
Total Expenditures	\$ 23,187,269	\$ 4,903,993	\$ 28,091,262
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ (765,171)	\$ (72,381)	\$ (837,552)
Other Financing Sources and (Uses):			
Loan Proceeds	503,623		503,623
Operating Transfers In		121,000	121,000
Other Resources	2,189	190	2,379
Operating Transfers Out	(121,000)		(121,000)
Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)	\$ 384,812	\$ 121,190	\$ 506,002
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ (380,359)	\$ 48,809	\$ (331,550)
Fund Balances - Beginning (September 1, 2001)	2,901,835	201,396	3,103,231
Prior Period Adjustment	31,452	(17,531)	13,921
Fund Balances - Ending (August 31, 2002)	\$ 2,552,928	\$ 232,674	\$ 2,785,602

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Hawks, Chaps renew rivalry tonight

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor
Howard College Hawks head coach Chris Jans feels one game will neither make or break his team. Then again, he just as soon not tempt fate. Especially with the Midland College Chaparrals coming to town.
In their biggest game to date, the No. 3-ranked Hawks will try and break a three-way logjam atop the Western Junior College Athletic Conference standings — and keep their season record

unblemished — tonight when they host the Chaparrals in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Both teams enter the game sporting 2-0 records in WJAC play.
The Howard Lady Hawks will begin the double-header at 5:50 p.m. when they try and snap a 3-game slide against the No. 24 Lady Chaparrals. The men will begin play at approximately 7:30 p.m.
For the Hawks, Midland is a major stepping stone. A win over the Chaparrals would enabled

WJAC Showdown
When: Midland College vs. Howard College
Where: Lady Hawks 5:50 p.m.; Hawks 7:30 p.m.
Where: HC's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Howard College to improve to 3-0 in conference play and to 19-0 on the year. It would also move the team within one game of matching the college's all-time mark for consecutive wins.
The Hawks roll into the showdown on a high note. The HC men survived a scare from Clarendon Junior College last week, winning 78-70. They

opened WJAC Play with rout of Odessa College.
The Chaps, 10-5, haven't had an easy run through conference. They opened league play with a nail-biting 70-67 win over Frank Phillips and then survived a 95-85 scare from New Mexico Junior College.
The Hawks won't sneak up on the Chaps by any means.
"Howard (College) is without question our toughest opponent to this point," said Midland
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IN BRIEF

Hawks' skills camp continues Jan. 25
The Howard College Hawks coaching staff and players will begin continue their Skills Camp on Jan. 25 in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.
The camp is open to boys and girls ages 6-12. Campers will learn the fundamentals of basketball. They will showcase the skills at the half of the Hawks-Clarendon game on Feb. 10.
The cost for the camp, which runs three more Saturdays from 11 a.m. to noon, is \$10 per person.
For more information contact Hawks head coach Chris Jans at 264-5044.

Hunter safety class slated for Feb. 8-9
A hunter safety class will be available for local residents on Feb. 8-9 in the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce offices.
Boyce Hale will conduct the classes, which are being sponsored by Dibrell's Gun Shop.
For more information contact Hale at 267-6957 or 267-7891.

Baseball boosters will meet tonight
The Big Spring High School baseball boosters will meet tonight at 7 p.m. in the ATC meeting room.
All boosters are asked to have their ads for the program completed and ready to turn in. The group is also planning a work day on Jan. 25 to prepare the field for the team's first day of workouts, which is set for Jan. 27.
For more information contact Jim Clements at 267-1069.

BSYBA hoop season continues this Sat.
The Big Spring Youth Basketball Association 2003 season continues this weekend with a full state of games.
Teams from throughout the area, including Big Spring, Ackerly, Stanton, Forsan, Garden City, Grady and Coahoma are fielding teams this year.

Big Spring cagers to face Lake View next
The Big Spring Steers and Lady Steers will continue their District 4-4A march tomorrow when they travel to San Angelo to face the San Angelo Lake View basketball teams.
The Lady Steers' varsity squad will start at 6 p.m. The BSHS boys will follow at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Ten Star basketball camp taking entries
Applications for the Ten Star All-Star Basketball Camp are now being accepted.
For a free brochure about the Ten Star camp persons can contact the camp at (704) 373-0873.

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Sports Broadcast Schedule
Jan. 20
Event, Time, Station
Lady Hawks vs. Midland, 5:50 p.m., 1490
Hawks vs. Midland, 7:35 p.m., 1490
Jan. 21
Event, Time, Station
Lady Steers vs. Lake View, 5:45 p.m., 1490
Steers vs. Lake View, 7:15 p.m., 1490

Big 12 teams expect rankings to get shuffled

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Going up: Oklahoma State and Kansas.

Going down, and fast: Missouri.

Holding in voter limbo: Texas and Oklahoma.

After six of the nation's top 11 teams lost on Saturday, at least three of the Big 12's five ranked programs appear likely to make some sort of move when the latest rankings by The Associated Press are issued on Monday.

Saturday's top 10 casualties were No. 1 Duke, No. 6 Connecticut, No. 8 Illinois, No. 9 Alabama and No. 10 Notre Dame.

No. 24 Oklahoma State, snubbed in the rankings until last week, made its case for a significant move up with a 76-56 rout of No. 11 Missouri. It was the Cowboys' 12th straight victory and second win of the week over a ranked team, following a 48-46 win last Monday over No. 5 Oklahoma.

"Two months ago we weren't underrated, but we've gotten a lot better," said coach Eddie Sutton, whose Cowboys (14-1, 3-0 Big 12) own the nation's longest winning streak. "We're a lot better team than we were two months ago."

If Oklahoma State doesn't make a big move in the polls, forward Victor Williams said, that won't diminish the Cowboys' resolve.

"We're really not worried about records, where we're ranked and all that," said Williams, who led Oklahoma State with 24 points on Saturday. "We go into each game knowing we're in the toughest conference in the country. If we don't play well, we can lose."

The Cowboys started

the 2001-2002 season 13-0 and were ranked as high as No. 5. But after losing guard Maurice Baker to a strained groin muscle, they went 10-9 the rest of the way and lost in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

"Last year, we somewhat fell apart," guard Cheyne Gadson said. "This year, the seniors know ... we need to stay together, stay positive and work hard in practice every day."

Missouri (10-3, 1-1) has lost two in a row and might be without point guard Ricky Clemons for a while.

He was arrested Friday on assault charges and suspended for the Oklahoma State game, and coach Quin Snyder hasn't said when Clemons will play again.
Complicating the Tigers' backcourt problems, one-time starter Josh Kroenke didn't play Saturday because of tendonitis in his right knee and might miss Tuesday's game against Iowa State.

"We don't know what kind of timetable we're on," Kroenke said. "The doctors just keep evaluating it day by day."

No. 12 Kansas, on the other hand, hasn't missed a beat in the four games since forward Wayne Simien — a double-digit scorer and the team's leading rebounder — went out with a separated shoulder.

The Jayhawks (13-3, 3-0) extended their winning streak to 10 games and their unbeaten conference streak to 23 games with an 81-64 victory over Kansas State on Saturday night.

It was Kansas' 25th straight win over the Wildcats (10-6, 1-2).



Forsan's Haley Belew dribbles past Sands' Kandes Carson during recent JV basketball action. Belew and the Lady Buffaloes finished third in the Forsan JV Tournament Saturday.

CHS boys, Forsan girls shine at JV Tournament

By BRANDON HALLFORD

Special to the Herald
FORSAN — If the Coahoma Bulldogs and Forsan Buffaloes happen to be in the same tournament, you can bet they will find a way to meet — and stage a barn-burner.

That turned out to be the scenario Saturday evening as the two Howard Co. junior varsity teams battled it out in the finals of the Forsan Junior Varsity Basketball Tournament.

Coahoma outscored Forsan by a 16-5 clip in the first quarter and never looked back en route to claiming a 54-42 win in the the championship game.

The Bulldogs played defense with the tenacity of their mascot in the initial eight minutes of the game. Coahoma held Forsan to just two field goals in the opening stanza.

The Buffaloes would go on to shoot just 37 percent from the field in the game.

While Forsan was having its problems, Coahoma took full advantage of a bevy of open looks on the other end. The Bulldogs converted 6-of-17 shots from the field in the frame — including 1-of-3 from beyond the 3-point line.

Both teams started to get untracked in the second. Coahoma and Forsan combined to shoot nearly 50 percent from the field in the stanza. After the scoring frenzy had subsided, the Bulldogs held on to a 28-19 advantage at the half.

The second-half belonged to Derrick Shifflet. The CHS standout got hot from behind the 3-point arc in the half — hitting three of five attempts — and

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Grady girls net first loop win with upset of Klondike

By RICK ALKIRE

Special to the Herald
GRADY — The Grady Lady Wildcats claimed their first district win of the season Friday with a 49-44 upset of the Klondike Lady Cougars.

With the win, Grady improved to 8-14 overall and to 1-4 in District 7-A action.

Klondike, now 13-8 and 3-2, struggled from the start against the Lady Wildcats' pressure.
Grady opened the game

by pounding out an 11-10 advantage in the first eight minutes.

The matched the Lady Cougars shot-for-shot in the second quarter and went into the half nursing a 22-21 cushion.

Klondike went on a 4-0 run to start the third quarter and grabbed the lead for the first time, at 25-22.

Grady head coach Johnny Peugh called a timeout at the 6:28 mark
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Football banquet tickets on sale

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will be holding its annual football banquet on Jan. 23 in the junior high cafeteria.

The banquet is scheduled to start at 6:30 p.m. Tickets to the catered

banquet are now available for \$10 apiece at Dakota's Flowers. Seating is limited to 350.

Steer memorabilia will be available.
For more info contact Jim Clements at 267-1069.



The Stanton Lady Buffaloes will try and bounce back from their stunning loss to Seagraves tomorrow night against Colorado City. The Lady Buffs are now 24-2.

Raiders, Bucs will meet in Super Bowl

Super Bowl XXXVII will be a matchup of two teams John Gruden knows real well — the Oakland Raiders and Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

Gruden was the head coach of the Raiders last season, but resigned in the off-season to take over the Tampa Bay program. Bow, the two will meet to decide who will reign supreme.

Tampa made believers out of many doubters Sunday by downing the Philadelphia Eagles 27-10 in Veterans Stadium. The Raiders hammered the Tennessee Titans, 41-24, and earned their first trip to the NFL championship game since 1984.

Tampa has never been to the Super Bowl.

By RICK ALKIRE
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Tate pumps in season-high 17 points in 'Cats 69-20 romp over Klondike

By RICK ALKIRE
Special to the Herald
GRADY — The Grady Wildcats cruised to an easy 69-20 victory over the Klondike Cougars Friday in District 7-A boys' basketball action.

With the win, Grady improved to 22-1 for the year and, more importantly, to 5-0 in district play.

The win enabled Grady

to remain fourth in the Class A, Division II polls according to the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches' poll. Klondike drops to 3-12 and 0-5.

The Cougars knew they were going to be in for a long night from the outset. Klondike had only five players suited up for the game.

Grady senior wing Colter Tate took little

mercy on the Cougars, however. He turned in his best game of the season by with 17 points — 15 of which came via five 3-pointers in the first quarter.

All of Tate's points came in the first half.

Trent May and Brent Madison also eclipsed the 10-point plateau in the win. May finished with 14 points while Madison chipped in 13 more.

Jason Pribyla closed out the game with eight. T. Springer, Kendall Cook, Jobe Christon, Andrew Villa and Josh Hinojosa also scored in the contest.

Eric Tunnell helped pace the Grady offense from his guard position. He recorded eight assists, and three steals.

Pribyla had nine rebounds, Madison and Springer collected eight and seven, respectively.

The Cougars managed eight points in the first

Team	W	L	W	L
Grady	22	1	5	0
Borden Co.	14	9	4	1
Dawson	12	12	3	2
Ira	11	9	2	3
Sands	4	10	0	4
Klondike	3	12	0	5

quarter, but managed only one in the third.

Aaron Weatherman led Klondike with nine points.

Grady was never seriously challenged during the game. The Wildcats breezed through the first 16 minutes and held a 36-14 lead at the half.

The Wildcats hit on 22-of-57 attempts from the field, including 8-of-25 from 3-point range.

Ira is next up for Grady. The two teams are slated to meet tomorrow night beginning at 8 p.m.

In other District 7-A action Friday, the Borden Co. Coyotes downed state-ranked Ira, 47-42. Ira standout Eric Dickerhoff did not play in the game.



Sands' Kandes Carson is consoled by teammate Tisha Lucio after being whistled for her fifth foul Thursday. The Lady Mustangs played part of their three games with just four players.

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College head coach Scott Raines. "They do a better job of playing at a high intensity level and playing for a full 40 minutes."

Raines said the Chaparrals would have to match the Hawks intensity if they wanted to have a chance at winning.

"I'm not making this more than it is," Raines said. "We haven't won at Howard since I've been here. If we go and win it would be great. I just want us to get better, go compete and get better."

Midland will be led into the game by Robert

Sevalia, a slick shooting standout who has averaged 16 points a game this year. Sevalia led the Chaps in scoring in eight of their 13 non-conference games.

The Hawks are led by a bevy of stars, including freshman Je'Kel Foster, guard Chaun Brooks, freshman Vas'shun Newborn, Leon Woodstock and sophomore Jared Fears.

Foster leads the team in scoring, averaging 15 points per game. Brooks and Fears have also posted double-digit averages this season, at 11 and 10 points, respectively.

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to try and stop the Cougar momentum.

The play worked wonders. Th Lady Wildcats rebounded to outscore Klondike by a 9-4 over the ensuing four minutes and regained a 31-29 advantage with 1:51 to go in the third.

Overall, Grady outscored KHS by an 11-10 margin in the third.

They capped the game with a 15-13 run in the fourth. Klondike managed to get as close as three with 44 seconds remaining before sophomore guard Lynsey Pinkerton put her team on top for good with a free throw.

Kelsey Tubb was the leading scorer for Grady, finishing with 15 points, eight rebounds, four assists and one steal.

Miranda Spradling had 12 while Pinkerton and

Team	W	L	W	L
Borden Co.	20	5	4	1
Ira	16	8	4	1
Klondike	13	8	3	2
Dawson	14	11	2	3
Grady	8	14	1	4
Sands	7	16	1	4

Callie Harryman tossed in eight and six, respectively.

Mary Harryman added five and Whitney Oppgard contributed three.

In other District 7-A girls action, Dawson beat Sands, 52-35, while the Dawson Lady Dragons upset the No. 11th-ranked Borden Co. Lady Coyotes, 47-45, in overtime.

With the loss, Ira moved into a tie with Borden Co. for first place in the 7-A standings with identical 4-1 records. Ira is 16-8 overall. Borden County is 20-5.

Klondike, with their loss, fell to third overall.

Grady will host Ira Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

King mashes to his 7th Kuskokwim 300 crown

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

BETHEL, Alaska — Jeff King continued to write his name into the Kuskokwim 300 Sled Dog Race Sunday afternoon by becoming the first musher in the race's 23-year history to win the grueling 300-mile race three straight years.

And he did it quickly, posting the fifth-fastest time in the race's history. King, a 3-time Iditarod winner, completed the course in 38 hours, 8 minutes and 32 seconds to pocket the race's \$20,000 first-place prize.

A 7-time winner of the

Kuskokwim 300, King mused his team across the finish line at 9:08 a.m. Sunday and finished the event more than an hour ahead of two-time runner-up Martin Buser.

Despite warm temperatures in the low 20s, King said the trail was in good shape and that his team seemed to get stronger as the race progressed.

"There were a few spots along the trail where it was slow, but otherwise, it was picture-perfect," King's 18-year-old daughter — a high school senior — made her debut in the event. She finished 14th overall.

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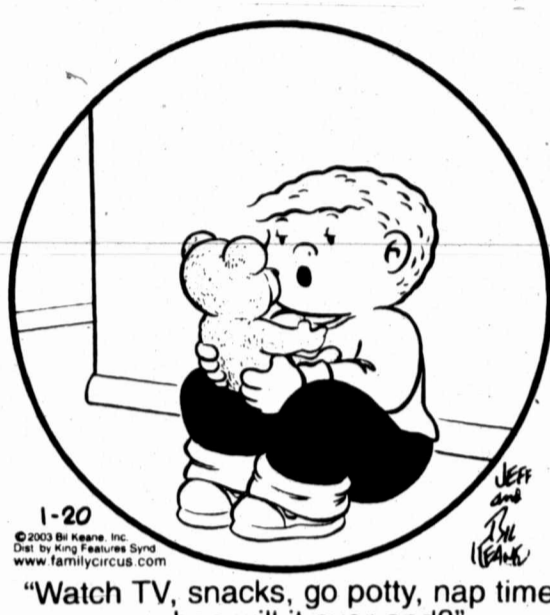
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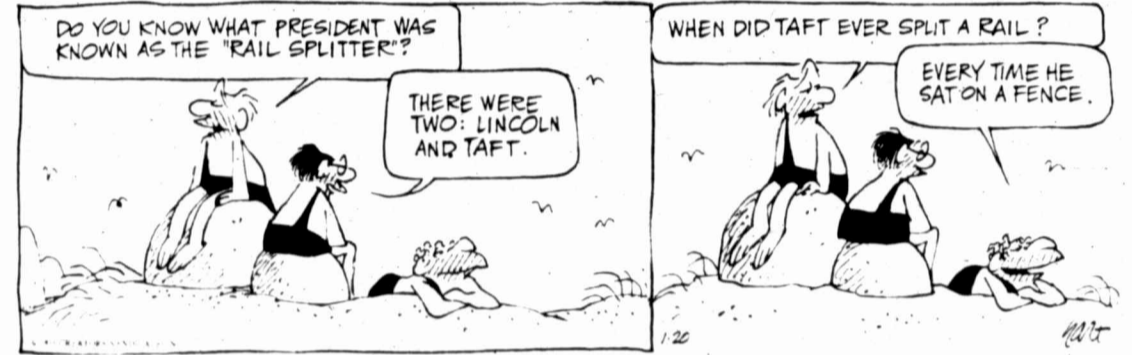
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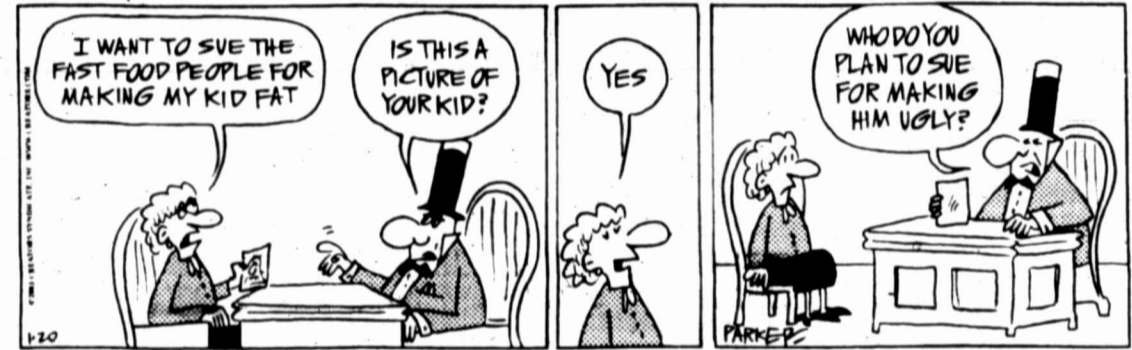
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People In the News

By the Associated Press

LONDON Prince Charles took a bus ride Thursday through a gentle green valley said to have been the inspiration for Middle Earth in J.R.R. Tolkien's 'Lord of the Rings' trilogy.

NEW YORK (AP) When Julia Stiles started classes at Columbia University more than two years ago, she tried to pretend she was just like everyone else, and not an actress with a decade of experience.

how she behaved; people were going to have preconceived notions about her, and she just had to be herself. 'One girl in my dorm admitted to me that she'd planned to ignore me before we had even met. She had assumed I'd be a 'glamorous, stuck-up Hollywood girl' (we actually became good friends, which is why she divulged such information).'

Newsday Crossword

MAKING UP by Shirley Soloway Edited by Stanley Newman

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