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## FRIDAY

- February 7, 2003

Weather
Tonight:


TONIGHT TOMORROW 26 ${ }^{\circ}-28^{\circ} \quad 44^{\circ}-46^{\circ}$ Briefly VFW CHIL SUPPER VFW Post 2013 will be having a chini supp.m. Saturday at the post, 500 Driver Road. The meal is $\$ 5$, and
includes chili, dessert includes chi. derry.
and a drink. Carry. outs are available.

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February is time to for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Call 267 .3841 to request a team cap tain's packet and start
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## Talking trash Committee's purpose doesn't please everyone

By ROGER CLINE Staff Writer
Some ccounty Some çounty residents were disappointed
Thursday to discover that the Howard County Nuisance Abatement
Committee will not be Committee will not be
hearing appeals on Health hearing appeals ons.
and Safety citations. About 40 people showed up to the Howard County
Courthouse for the comCourthouse for the com-
mittee's first meeting, in mittee's first meeting, in
which Chairman Phil which Chairman Phil
Furqueron outlined the committee's purpose up for is set up for is to hear appeals whereby the county elects to abate the structure itself,"
dures they have to go
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proces. Then after they through. It's very lengthy
process. Then after they
go through the notifica go through the notifica- hard headed
tion procedures, it comes to the board and the and don't board can either dismiss the abatement complaint or render an order."
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If you're
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and don't want to clean it up, suggest you build a nice, high fence around it so nobody can see it." Joy
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E $\qquad$ Riddle. Bebe
Mecasland and Melanie Hernandez, along with
County Attorney Thomas Attorney Mike Thomas forcement




 House Caucus named hi
Republican Freshman

Duncan co-authored
many of the bills included
in the 1995 tort reform legislation, which bol eyed pea caviar, cherry mash
sours and jalepeno something-ornuthers. A slight change in format from previous years' "Around the World in 80 Bites" seems to have
made a huge difference made a huge difference
"We changed it "We changed it $\mathrm{pp}^{2}$ to be
"Flavors of West Texas." I think people are a lot more comfortable with that. It's helped a lot, Raney said.
As an extra incentive the
museum is awarding prize museum is awarding prizes to
the top three chefs - $\$ 100$ for the top three chefs - $\$ 100$ for
first, $\$ 50$ for second and $\$ 20$ for third. "Flavors of West Texas in 80
Bites" will be held from 530 Bites" will be held from 5:30 p.m. to $7: 30$ p.m. at the museum, 510
Scurry St. Admission is $\$ 8$ for Scurry St. Admission is $\$ 8$ for
adults and $\$ 5$ for children. Tickets are available at the museum.
See BITES, Page 3a

## Musical 'Extravaganza' plamned Saturrday night

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer
Around
Around 50 talented All-City Children's Honor Choir mem-
bers will show off months of bers will show off months of
practice Saturday during the next Big Spring Symphony presentation

## Extravaganza.

"I rehearsed the childres rus last night and they're ready to go," said Dr. Keith Graumann conductor of the Big Spring Symphony and Chorale. "They should really impress the crowd with how prepared they are. Graumann added that Big Spring choir directors Susan
Dawes, Linda Lindell, Anna Dawes, Linda Lindell, Anna
O'Brien and Elsha McMeans have done an excellent job work ing with the students. Saturday's performance begins
at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in at 8 p.m. in the Big Spring
Municipal Auditorium with the

Admission to the concert is $\$ 10$ for adults, $\mathbf{\$ 8}$ for seniors and $\$ \mathbf{5}$ for students. A combination ticket for both the concert and "Flavors of West Texas in 80 Bites," is $\$ 15$
Big Spring Symphony perform ing an overture by Mozart fol
lowed by Mendlessohn's Italian."
For the second half of the pro gram, the All-City Children Honor Choir will take center See Choir page 3A

## A Big Spring A ROUND THE TOWN

## Obituaries

J.C. "Red" Self

ednesday, Feb. 5, 2003, in Midland. Graveside service will be at 2 p.m.
Friday at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. Randy Cotton officiating
was borth on Nov. 28, 1927, at
began work at the Cosden 1947 and retired from Fina in untry music bowling, golf and Big Spring: two soms. F...J. Self and his wife, Carol and Lonnie Self and his wife. Rita, all of Big Spring: two
daughters. Becki- Wash and her husband, Robert, of Forsan and Dethe Hanson of Coahoma; 10 grandchilnieces and nephows

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Rusty Bak.1.


Jean "Jeanie" Eggleston


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Barbara Itab(om Iaily

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Wednesday until to 8 a.m. ${ }^{\text {today: }}$ THEFT was reported -In the 1700 block of East FM 700. Items worth In the area. Twice in the 500 block of South Birdwell Lane. In the first incident, merchandise worth $\$ 82$ was reported stolen and later recovered, while in the second, merchandise
$\qquad$ in person at the police station. Items worth $\$ 290$ were reported stolen from a school or college.
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the
i200 block of East Third Street was remobiles reportedly tained $\$ 200$ damage in the Automo - POSSESSION OR DELIVERY OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA was reported in the 1900 block of South - MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 700 block of Northwest Eighth Street, the 2600 block of South Gregg Street, the 500 block of South Gregs Street and . DiSTURB ANCE OR FIGHT
700 block of East 11th Place and the 2900 block of West Highway 80.

- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 900 block of South Runnels Street.
The Big Spring Police Department reported the folDETECTIVE CASE LOAD

4 Investigators
35 percent clearance
92 previous cases
87 new assigned cases
.63 cleared .63 cleared
PROPERTY STOLEN/RECOVERED: $\$ 83,947$ stolen
IN-HOUSE TRAINING: 24 officers
ADULT ARRESTS
102 total
29 drunk
driving under the influence 8 narcotics
JUYENLEE ARRESTS -14 white
7 burglary
1 theft weapon 3 runaways
CRIMES REPORTED
robberies
29 assaults
33 burglaries
65 thefts
unauthorized uses of motor vehicles 16 family violence reports
S.T.E.P. PROGRAM

6 officers
84 hours overtime
9 citations
9 written warnings
PATROL STATISTICS:
1.696 gallons gasoline used
1.696 gallons gasoline

68 accidents worked
129 arrests
546 citations issued
54 written warnings issued
157 field interviews conducted
alarm responses
2 open door investigations
283 house watches

## Sheriff's report

## The Howard County

(11th Place - HERD OF SHEEP IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROAD was reported on Highway 350 - LOOSE DOG
Wasson Road. - POSSIBLE PROWLER was reported in the 4900 ock of Ratliff.
DOMC DISTURBANCE IN VEHICLE was reported on Interstate 20 eastbound between the 180 - ANIMAL PROBLEM was reported in the 8700 block of Gillem Road and in the 200 block of Davis $\because$ RUPTURED TANK BATTERY

## Take note

BIG SPRING AND SURROUND
Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused and neglect ed.
For more information on becoming foster parents or For more information on becoming foster parents or
a SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright has free food for the area needy.
has free food ior the area needy. 10 am to noon
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every Thursday.

## Bulletin board

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## TODAY

AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron Inṇ, 3101 S Highway 87.
Greater Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College HC Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane

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

Reception for Jeannie Cunningham, retiring from Santa Fe Sandwiches, 2-3 p.m. Friday

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

## SATURDAY

Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Hangar 25 Air Museum, McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historical home is open form 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is $\$ 2$ for adults and $\$ 1$ for children and senior citizens.
Dance, Eagles Lodge, 703 W Third, 8:30-12:30 Members and guests welcome
Big Spring Squares, 267-7043 or 263-6305
V.F.W. Post 2013 will be having a Chill Supper, 4 o 7 p.m. at 500 Driver Road. The meal is $\$ 5$ which includes chill, dessert and drink. Carry-outs a

## SUNDAY

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

## TUESDAY

Big Spring Band Booster, 6 p.m., Big Spring High School band hall, 707 11th Place. All band parents are invited to attend.

Gospel singing. 7 p.m. at the Kentwood Activity Center; 2805 Lynn Drive.

## WEDNESDAY

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard County Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

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

Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

## Lottery

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday nigh by the Texas Lottery, in order

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday after noon by the Texas Lottery, in order 3-9-4
The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery

## Weather

Tonight...Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of snow. Lows in the upper 20s. Light and variable winds. Southwest winds 5 To 15 mph ..Saturday night...Mostl cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s. Sunday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50 s. Monday...Clear. Lows in the lower 30s. Highs in the lower 60s.
Tuesday...Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 30s. Highs ound 60 .
Wednesday...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s. Highs in the lower 60
around 60 ...Cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s. High



## TRASH

Continued from Page 1 A around it or look the other way. Or look at the oad where she's sup posed to be looking, he Fire Marshal Carl Condray was on hand to warn those present against attempting to citations by burning sub-

## CHOIR

Continued from Page 1A
stage for three songs. After a five-minute Symphony Chorus Sping the Big Spring Meistersingers will per form a cantata by Henry of Art." everyone is invited to attend a reception at Gale's Sweet Shoppe. 700 and Birdwell Lane.
> standaŕd structures. Whenever people take puch action to abate it, it er," he said "Nes in danare you endangering the ives of firefighters you're subject
o $\$ 10,000$ fine
> Condray said there are only four situations in
which county can conduct burnings.

Admission to the concert is $\$ 10$ for adults, $\$ 8$
for seniors and $\$ 5$ for students. A combination ticket for both the conert and "Flavors of West exas in 80 Bites.". is $\$ 15$.
Graumann will next direct Big Spring
Symphony for Symphony for a "Night in Vienna," on April 12, and
then again on July 3 for then again on July 3 for
the annual in "Pops in the Park"
Tickets are available at the following businesses

HONOR
Continued from Page 1A vant, we are also helping The David Counts Scholarship was also
established at Howard College to honor his many years of public service. "David Counts repre sented the citizens of the Big Spring area in the
State Legislature for ten State Legislature for ten
years," Sparks said. "His tireless efforts to serve the area resulted in sig. nificant economic growth and greatly improved the quality of life
Counts was
term legislator, having served West Texas since Nvember of 1988. During was chairman of the House Natural Resources with jurisdiction over the water-related affairs o the state. He served on the House State Affairs Committee that oversaw homeland security He authored, and helped to pass, legislation that improved the economies of smaller, rural commu nities and helped to o keep rural hospitals and nursing homes open. "David Counts worked long and hard to bring veterans nursing home "He was in the military for 32 years and has never forgotten those who have served in our wars or pre pared to do so. We have

ing home right here in and health care benefits
Big Spring thanks to for public school teachers Big Spring thanks to for public school teachers
Representative Counts." Representative Counts.
Sparks said that Counts high cost of prescription worked to pass pay raises for the elderly

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## BITES

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"Don't forget, you can also get a combo ticket for $\$ 15$," said Raney. At 8 p.m. Saturday, the Big Spring Symphony
Orchestra and Chorus the Meistersingers of Big Spring High School and the All-City Children's' Honor Choir will perform at the Municipal
Auditorium. Tickets are Auditorium. Tickets are
$\$ 10$ for adults, $\$ 8$ for senior citizens and $\$ 5$ for students.
Adults who purchase a $\$ 15$ combo ticket, good for both "Bites" and the sym-
phony performance, will save $\$ 3$.
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met to this point because the county has not elected to abate any nuisance on its own since
tee was formed


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Vintage-chic treasures! Uncovered in a dusty attic?

## *Broyhill avo Elrod's



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- MYERS \& SMITH FUNERAL HOME $\&$ Chapel 24th \& Johnson 267-8288 J.C. "Red" Self, 75, died Wednesday, wwere 2:00 Friday at Trinity Memorial Park. CINEMA 4 ..


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of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

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## Our Views

## We salute:

Each week, the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognishents.
We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play
AREA SCOUTS, who collected 4,000 pounds of food for the needy in their annual Scouting for Food drive Saturday

- BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL and JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS, who performed so admirably in All-Region band contests.
- STANLEY PHILLIPS. Goliad Elementary School fifth grade instructor, who was named

RICK HUSBAND, MICHAEL ANDERSON, KALPANA CHAWLA, WILLIAM MCCOOL, DAVID BROWN, LAUREL CLARK and ILAN RAMON. the crew of the space shuttle Columbia.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? so, please send us their name and why you
think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must
provide it in writing.

Your Views

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A Small Prayer
by K. Rae Anderson
Dear Lord, help us to laugh at our mistakes and enjoy
our life with you.

## Explore to discover - risk worth it

Tter has broughttle disasround of questioning about rogram and of the shuttle program specifically. It is a
debate that has been around since the beginning endeavor; but this time, a high-ranking
government
source government source
tells us, there is a twist. It is all a mat-
ter of risks and
rewards. Are the rewards. Are the
gains received from the shuttle progr
worth the risks?


In 149?, Columbus sailed acros the Atlantic to the New World, but it could all have been in vain had not many others followed in his
wake. Suppose, instead, further exploration had been limited to just beyond Europe's horizon. Sailing in the Atlantic, just out of sight of
land, was a dangerous occupation especially when storms came but such voyages did little to advance man's knowledge. It was the far crossings, building on such
voyages as those of Columbus, that brought great rewards.

The analogy to America's space
program is not exact. The space station and the shuttles to and from it do continue to provide valuable
information through various experiments. The space station is, however, only about 250 miles up. By
any standard, that is not pressing any standard, that is not pressing the envelope of space exploration.
Our source says that the debate that has raged in government circles for the past 30 years has been over the question of near-space experiments versus deep-space exploration. We have not been will ing to budget the money to fully do elsewhere have been funded, but a manned mission to Mars has not. The deep-space advocates face the same unanswerable question that most explorers have faced: What do able because the purpose of exploration is to discover the unknown. That is what happened when we went to the moon. That is what happened when we launched the
Hubble Space Telescope. And that is what happened when we established the space station. Unexpected benefits accrued.
And benenits will undoubtedly con-
tinue to accrue from these endeav. inue to accrue from these endeav. ors, but the emphasis and the money shoild be put on deep space. Although a mission to Mars would -in terms of the solar system; Mars is a walk around the block - it would mark a new beginning on the road to deep space.
A mission to Mars would be fraught with peril. Lives would prould be worth the risk. After all, we are sending highly trained and highly educated people into space. And while every life is precious, their lives constitute national trea-
sures; but like all national treasures, they are not in infinite supply. They need to be used where they can achieve the greatest gain, and that is more likely to be found in deeper space than 250 miles up. program will come under attack and face the usual round of budget questions, but deep-space advocates can only reply: We explore to discover. History has shown that
exploration provides unforeseen benefits. The Kennedy generation understood this, and the moon was reached. That same conclusion will be reached by another generation-


Addresses

## - george w. bush

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## The tax cuts just don't work

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aspect of the s. in Washington is that we are simultaneously nessing the effects of
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kids or nursing homes for old folks.
Politically, Politically, it's notori-
ously difficult to ously difficult to
tax cuts precisely because the trouble doesn't show up until after the next election, but this time we have are having results even as Bush pro poses to do it again at the federal level. And what a tax cut it is. According to Citizens for Tax Justice, the taxpayers, those who make over $\$ 356,000$ a year, will get almost 50 percent of the benefit of eliminating the tax on of the money from accel. erating the rate cuts. The 80 percent of the households making less than $\$ 73,000$ a year would get less than 10 percent the new tax breaks.
The Bushies have ous ways of justifying
this monstrosity, none
which holds up under scrutiny. The first claim is that the rich pay more
in taxes in the first in taxes in the first place. Well, yeah, the
do: They have more money. The richest 1 per cent have 18 percent of all the pretax income and
they pay 36 percent of all they pay 36 percent of al
personal income taxes. personal income taxes
But one of the many disingenuous tricks with
statistics you will see used by the Soak the
Poor school is to ignore the rest of the tax bure den. Most of us actually
pay more in payroll taxe than we do in income taxes, but FICA taxes c OFF at $\$ 87,000$ - you
make more than that, make more than that,
you don't have to pay you don't have to pay on the rest. And of course y regressive - rich fami. les and poor families. alike pay the same sales tax on a refrigerator, but it's a much bigger chunk of the income of the poor amily.
Despite all the scream gressive income tax is the fairest form of taxa tion ever invented unless you want to used by most European countries). When Dwigh Eisenhower left office, the highest marginal ta rate was 95 percent and communist. It's now down to 38.6 percent a due to drop to 35 percent For 70 years, the income tax has made at least part of the total tax pic rather regressive. It's n only unfair to change that, it's stupid. Bush is now arguing
that we need a tax cut
because the economy in recession (originally he argued for a tax cut because the economy was so good). It is true that a the be-all and end-all of good governance - that's one of those panaceas we occasionally fall for - and running a deficit at the end of the world or ne essarily even bad policy. Tax cuts can stimulate the economy. But note the long, circuitous thinking about giving ta cuts to the rich: If the
rich have more money rich have more money, that investment will allow companies to expand, and then they will hire more workers and that will end the
recession. Whereas if you give tax cuts to the middle and working classes, they go out and spend the money becaus the baby needs new shoes. Presto, deck in
up, factories back in ap, factorien, end of recessio There's no guarantee that rich people will do anything economically productive with more money. Their majo stashing it in offshore stashing it in offshore
banks so they don't have to pay any taxes. As Leona Helmsley so famously remarked, taxes The dirty little secret about taxes in this coun try is that rich people and corporations mostly don't pay them now they have a whole system
of shelters and offshore deals. We don't need to ralse taxes in this country, we need to collect

The centerpiece of the Bush tax cuts is eliminat ing dividend taxes, effecive immediately, on the grounds that the diviby the corporate income tax and then the dividend tax. This one has absolutely nothing to do with economic stimulus
it's a pure give-away to the rich.
One reason divide should be taxed is because the people who get them don't work for the money. In the old off their investments were known as "coupo clippers" and generally despised as non-working parasites. Granted, it takes some smarts to do market to live high (and somebody, like your granddaddy, had to make the money in the first place), but the fact is spend their lives poring over company prospectuses - they pay someone else to do It. They're making money off other people's labor. Why houldn't they pay taxes The dumb to cut taxes for the rich is the problem of social Justice. We're already in trouble because the income gap
between the'rich and the rest of us keeps setting worse and worse. The rich buy their way out of our public institutions schools, hospitals, park and then contribute let the public infrastruc.
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Do you Come

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AUSTIN (AP) - A new commission that would adopt
AUSTIN (AP) - A new commission that would adopt
standards for residential construction and establish a standards for residential construction and estabish a their disputes would be established under legislation announced Thursday
The process created through the legislation should be an "efficient and objective evaluation of disputes, a reasonable way to avold the pain and the expense of littigation."." sald Sen. Robert Duncan, who sponsored
the bill. "uniform standards for every residential ine bing conifrom standards for every residentia end mold problems that we've seen today."
Bust: The game is over with Iran
WASHINGTON (AP) Signaling that war with Iraq is approaching, President Bush says "the
game is over" for Saddam Hussein and the United Nations should not per-
mit itself to be "mocked mit itself to
by a dictator.
But France, which is holding out for extended in Iraq and clings to hope for a diplomatic settlement, resisted Bush's call for a new U.N. resolution to reinforce demands that
Saddam get rid of weapons of mass destrucweapon
tion.
"The
"The time has not come" for a second reso-
lution, the French representative to the United sentative to the United
Nations, Jean-Marc de La Sabliere, said in New York.
Britain is likely to Introduce a resolution in
the U.N. Security Council the U.N. Security Council
to authorize force to dis. to authorize force to dis-
arm Iraq after top weapons inspectors return from Baghdad and report to the council on 20231211

Janet Ahmad, president of Homeowners for Better Building, said she hadn't reviewed all of the bill but
said "my first reaction is this is a new innovative dansaid " $m y$ first reaction is this is a new innovative dangerous experience.
The bill would create the Texas Residential up of six industry representatives, two consumer representatives and one engineer.
The board would adopt the standards that would reg ulate how homes are built and how they should perorm
Wix Ithing a loct at smace deluis
WASHINGTON (AP) - NASA for years underest mated the amount of damage that small space debris ments show.
While the agency explores whether damage from such impacts could have caused the Columbia disas ter, its own documents detail replacements of nicke windshields and dents


Feb. 14, British and U.S "The U.N. must not back down." mush noid reading a prepared state ment in the White House world can Room. "All the moment."
The number of U.S
toops in the Persian troops in the Persian Gul
region now stands at about 113,000 - nearly half of them in Kuwait, the main launch point for any U.S. -led ground inva
sion - and it is expected to reach 150,000 by Feb 15, a senior official said Wednesday.

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AUSTIN (AP) - Senate Democrats are lining up behind a homeowners insurance bill that would require the industry to get state approval before raisThe bill, identical to one filed last week by state Sen the 2001 levels, make underwriting guidelines public information and prohibit credit scoring "This bill is the first in turning the tid rent insurance crisis," said Sen. Juan Hinojosa, 1)

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## First United

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The first worship service The first worship service
begins at $8: 30 \mathrm{a}$ a.m. followed by Sunday School at $9: 45$ a.m. and the sec-
ond worship service at 10:50 a.m. The church will host a
noon Prayer Time on Thursday, Feb. 13, and a morning Prayer Time on (Valentine's Day) Friday,
Feb. 14. Fab. 14.
Additionally, there is a noon Bible Study every
Wednesday in Garret Hall. The Bible Study is
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## Sunday School class for See сhurch, Page 7A

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Knight gets No. 800; focuses on improving Raiders

By BETSY BLANEY
$\qquad$ LUBBOCK Knight's office telephone started ringing early Thursday with friends calling to congratulate the career win No. 800 . But Knight had already moved beyond that victory. In fact, not long after he Red Raiders beat Nebraska

Wednesday night, Knight had shifted his focus to improving his team's Tanding in the Big 12 . Tech, at 3-4 in the con erence and 13-5 overall,
still has to face Big 12 powerhouses No. 8 Texas and No. 12 Kansas. "I didn't want to be that way. I didn't expect to be
that way, and I don't like being that/ way," Knight said of the Red Raiders -49 conference mark
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { "We can play with an } & \text { ries: Dean Smith of North } \\ \text { awful lot of people right } \\ \text { Carolina (879), Adolph }\end{array}$ now, but we don't have Rupp of Kentucky (876) much margin for error and Mount St. Mary's Jim We can't make mistakes. Phelan (827). We've got to play better have really good teams have to play."
Texas Tech. fifth in the tied for faces in the conference, the road Saturday. Knight joined ther Division 1 men's his 100th victory at Army With Phelan set to retir
after this season, Knigh after this season, Knigh
who has a career recor $800-303$, would becom Kactive leader
Knight has been a head
where his Hoosiers wen 662-239 and won three national championships from 1971.00.
Smith, wh Smith, who says he doesn't get to talk to his longtim'e friend as often as he'd like, was not one of the many to phone Knight's office Thursday. calling him now," Smith said.
See KNight, Page 28

## Another Nightmare

Cold shooting dooms Hawks in loss to OC

By JOHN A. MOSELEY Managing Editor Chris Jans was the only person to really believe his Howard College wary going to be Thursday noing night's Thursday night's
Western Junior College
Athletic Conference Athletic $\begin{gathered}\text { Conference } \\ \text { game }\end{gathered}{ }^{\text {with Odessa }}$ game with Odessa
College's Wranglers. rolled to a seemingly easy 26 -point win over Odessa in the WJCAC opener at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in January, was telling anyone who'd listen that facing the same Odessa College team
Indeed.
"They've developed chemistry they didn't have early on," Jans said opened conference play with four road games the first two being the loss to Howard and an 1-point loss to league. "Since then they've got ten a couple of guys that were hurting healthy solved some eligibility problems they had and are playing very well ogether right at Wranglers had won, the straight going into Thursday's showdown and had more than just avenging that 26 -point loss to play for. Win a 5 Wranglers needed the to knock off the 6-1 Hawks to pull into a sec-ond-place tie in the WJCAC. men's standAnd perhaps the

 Jot koiter (25) dribbles past a south Plains defender and makes a break to the basket at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum last week. Foster scored a toam-topping 18 points
Thurgday night, but it wasn't enough for the Hawks to avold a 7465 upset loss at the Thursday night, but it wasn't enough

## Lady Hawks improve, but still come up short

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
$\qquad$
ODESSA - It's begin
ning to be a familiar refrain. Howard College's Lady Hawks continued to improve
their level of play durting their level of play during
Thursday night's Western Junior College Western Junior College game, with Odessa College's Lady Wranglers, only to find good enough.
As a result, the Lady Wranglers claimed an 12 . 75 win, improving their ecord to 12-12 on the sea son and $5-2$ in WJCAC selves at third place in the conference stand
The Lady Hawks saw

15 overall and 1-6 league play. What happened? That's easy.
Too much Shane Moore.
The Wranglers oot-2 Lady ply impossible for the Lady Hawks to stop. Moore positioned self on the block, he teammates worked the ball to her, she'd wheel and put up two-foot jumpers that That, coupled with the 3 -point shooting by guard Ashley Davidson, was simply more than the Lady Hawks could handie in the first half. used that one-two combi nation to dominate play
he rady Hawks were and trair by just
the Lady Hawks were 34, at intermission.
able to tie the game twice Alexis Britt and Dan in the first half, at 3.3 Davis provided most of and at 5.5 - sophomore the Howard damage late guard Belqui Guardado in the first half and when popping a 3 -pointer for Howard's first points and adding a jumper from the win - Odessa visitors before going ice cold for the final three minutes of the stanza. Although the Lady Wranglers were able to hold the lead, Howard kept things close by coach Kevin Bucher's plan to slow down the game and use the clock. The Lady Hawks
responded to the Lady responded to the Lady
Wranglers core late in the first half score late in the irst haif

Guardado opened the second half with another quick 5 -point barrage,
the Lady Hawks claimed their first lead For the next 18 min -
utes, it would be a knock down, drag out gameanswering repeatedly for shot.
The Lady Hawks did make a couple of runs thanks in large part to Guardado's long-distance was a see-saw the resul saw the lead change 10 times in
minutes.
But Odessa regained
utes remaining and was utes remaining and was Although the Hawks would pull to within one several times - the final instance coming when Britt popped from the lane with 1:19 remaining - the Lady ranglers always had an In fact, Britt's score at the 1:19 mark that make t a 76-75 Odessa lead was Howard's last hurrah. iss three savis would point attempts on the Lady Hawks' next trip lown the court and Odessa would ice the game with free throw shooting
minute.

IN Brief
cher 34 playoff schedulud here
 ketball bi-district basketball playoff game
has been scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday in Big spring. Sweetwater's Lady Mustangs will square off against Monahans' Lady Loboes in the Big sphing Junior Ticket prices are at $\$ 3$ for adults and $\$ 2$ for students.
'Hawk Talk' will alr Feb. 12 on KBST Hawk Talk, a live
radio show dealing with Howard College sports, is scheduled to be broadcast on KB 1490-AM on Feb. 12 .
The $9 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. show w be hosted by Sam

Hunter safety class slated for weekend A hunter safety class
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held at meeting will be Hannifin. south of Hangar 25 at the Airpark.
For more informa-
tion, call 263.5314 or tion, call
$264-6066$.

Membership tourney scheduled by CGA The Big Spring
Chicano Association will have its 31st. annual Tournament Sunday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.
Play will begin at 10 a.m. Teams must be
registered for the fourperson scramble event by $9: 45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.
Membership fees are

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For more informa. top concerning the
tournament, call Billy Pineda at 264-7116 or Willie Mendoza at 267 . 7977.

## Cly ghooting event slated for Stanton

 The Fourth Annual A oertson's Clay Shoot - 112 be held March 21 . Farms in Stanton. The event will sist of four-person teams using Lewis Class scoring. For more informa0172 .ON THE AIR
 radio show The $9 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. show will
hosted by Sam ephens.
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Cowboys' QB coach ready for challenge

## B SAMEE AROM

Ap Sports Write
IRVING - Seven games into last seeson, Sean came to a stunning halt As the offensive coordinator of the New York Giants, one of Payton's op duties was calling plays. But after a sluggish
start. head coach Jim start, head coach Jim
Fassel decided to do it himself.
That insulting enough. It got worse when the team responded o the change. Aessional crisis coincided with a personal one, the death of his mother, he maintained a brave face, projecting a whatever's.
best-for-the-team attitude. best-for-the-team attitude.
"The best advice I got early on was to make sure you just ride this thing straight through and don't ever flinch. Be posi-
tive about it." Payton said. "I'm glad I handled it that way.
Payton's
mpressed his peers ncluding a former coach

## HAWKS

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ead.
Sophomore guard Jared Fears stopped the bleed
ing with a three-pointer at the $7: 57$ mark.
But Odessa Mark Duncan make it 20 15 with the first of his six 3-pointers of the night.
Finlay Brashears answered with a scoop from the lane and Fears coast to-coast layups, one resulting in a three-point
play. that allowed the play. that allowed the
Hawks to take a slight lead. From there, however, 1

## KNIGHT

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 Smith understandswhere Knight's attention
${ }_{-1}$ is think his mind is on this next game. I guaran Knight is optimistic Knight is optimistic
about his team's poten
tial. These kids, I think, have proven that over two years that they can play
with a lot of teams Knight said. "We've also have problem with a lot of teams. too.
I just want to see us get to a point where every ime we go out there chance to wing.
Knight touched on a number of topics at his ence Wednesday confer He said he wants remain in coaching at Texas Tech until "we're really good" or until he
believes that isn't possi-

He also spoke fondly ship with Smith, his expe rience as a player going against Rupp's Kentucky

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Parcells.
"It showed me that he's
team player." Parcells sated. "And I liker," that." When Parcells became coach of the Dallas Cowboys in early January and was looking for
bright young assistants Payton was high on his list. Asked if he wanted to be Parcells' assistant head coach and quarterbacks coach, the 39 -year-old
Payton quickly accepted. "Working with Bill Parcells and having a chance to be on his staff is special," Payton said. "Having a chance to work special. You put those two things together and you say, hey, regardless of whether you're calling plays, you're on a ship
that's going this way." hat's going this way.
lowing Payton's career since his debut as a playcaller in December 1999. In a game against the
Parcells-coached New York Jets the Giants pro duced 41 points and 490 yards. The following season he helped the Giants
reach the Super Bowl.

## Despite the problems them. <br> \section*{When you talk about}

 young players. youalways want to be careful," he said, using as
examples reigning MVP examples reigning MVP Rich Gannon, who was
dumped by three teams mid-30s, and Kerry Collins, who was released twice before leading the Giants to the Super Bowl "Make sure you spend ot of time looking at those guys, working with those guys, to get a feel
for what you have and for what you have and
developing their talents." pack himself, putting up huge numbers at Division I-AA Eastern Illinois. His NFL career consisted of 23 passes thrown for the
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ing the 1987 strike. He got into coaching the next year, starting at San
Diego State, then worked Diego State, then worked
his way up to $Q B$ coach of his way up to QB coach of
the Philadelphia Eagles the Ph
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## See Parton, Page 38

LADY HAWKS
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Guardado finished the night sitting on the bench with five fouls, but a team-topping 21 points,


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lead and they never looked back.
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With Fears spending considerable time on the
bench in foul trouble and bench in foul trouble and
still unable to find a con sistent shooting touch the Hawks simply could n't find an effective
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Hawks closed the game with a barrage of three treys - one each from
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Woods, who spent the
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ing from knee surgery. will end the longest layoff of his career next week
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nicely, and I will officially enter the Buick nvitational
Thursday." Woods sart on his Web site.
in a conference call last pain in his left knee. He played 18 holes for the first time Tuesday with his father and shot 66. The real test comes
next week at Torrey Pines," he said. "That's when I will find out how the knee holds 4 p in competition and what, if any,
effect walking the course has on it." s a good spot for him to

Along with having an endorsement deal with
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tournament in 1999 and tournament in 1999 and
has never finished worse than fifh.
Plus, it will give him a chance to visit with Phil
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chief rivals who caused a buzz this week by saying
Woods hà inferior clubs and is the only overcome the equipment he's stuck with.
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'I heard it was said in fun and jest, but until I talk to him, I really don't know," Woods said.
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ing my equipment is fool ing my equipment is fool-
ish. I'm not going to play with anything that is going to hold me back.
My career will be judged My career will be judged
on how much I've won." No one has won more
than Woods among active players.

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