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WEATHER

Tonight:



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TONIGHT 54-56° TOMORROW 79°-81°

BBQ FUND-RAISER

Bakers Chapel AME Church, at 911 N. Lancaster, will hold its annual barbecue fundraiser from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

Meats include brisket, ribs and sausage. A regular plate is \$5; a combination plate \$6.50.

Call-in orders are welcome at 267-7158.

ADDRESSES WANTED

The Big Spring Herald is seeking the addresses of all Big Spring and Howard County military personnel currently deployed to the Middle East.

Herald Publisher Hank Bond said the newspaper will be sending free newspapers to the service men and women helping to prepare for a possible conflict with Iraq.

COMING SUNDAY



AMERICAN PROFILE

Clowns patrol the halls of Kootenai Medical Center in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, dispensing a dose of humor to patients. The program was started by former nurse Bev Toelle in an effort to aid in the healing of patients. Betty Mills, who coordinates the Mirth Corps, does some clowning herself. Both women believe in the healing power of humor.

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Hope through prayer and praise

Community rally, concert fills municipal auditorium

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Hope.

That was the message and the feeling at Big Spring's Municipal Auditorium Wednesday night as local residents gathered to ask for God's blessings and to see and hear the magical African Children's Choir, a potent beacon of hope for Africa's war-torn and hungry children.

"It's fantastic!" said event organizer Roger Huff, pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene in Big Spring. "These kids are so full of energy, and they have God in their hearts. They do this night after night and they're there every night. It's great. It was awesome. This is one of the best turnouts I've seen in a long time for this type of event and

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Pastor Sam Segundo

the prayer rally before was absolutely wonderful."

Local community leaders led the audience — which packed the auditorium — in prayer for

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HERALD photos/Roger Cline

Above, drummers with the African Children's Choir lay down a steady beat as their fellow choir members dance and sing at the Municipal Auditorium Wednesday night. The choir features 24 children from Africa's poorest countries, bringing their message of hope to America. Before the Children's Choir took to the stage, community leaders, including Oscar Garcia, left, led the audience in a prayer rally in support of American troops preparing for war with Iraq. The rally was sponsored by the Big Spring Military Support Group.



Elmore seeks another term on Coahoma council

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Stating a desire to help manage the city's budget, Coahoma City Councilman David Elmore filed Wednesday to seek another term.

"Maintaining the fiscal budget," he said. "All cities, especially in West Texas, have difficulty staying in the black and I just want to continue to keep Coahoma in that direction."

Although Elmore has only been on the council one term in recent years, he is a veteran of the Coahoma council.

"I served. I believe it was four terms, back in the late 80s and early 90s," he said.

Elmore has lived in Coahoma since 1969 and graduated from Coahoma High School before attending Howard College for a

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Yeats looking forward to working with 9-1-1 board

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

The Howard County 9-1-1 Communications District Board of Directors welcomed a new member at its noon meeting Wednesday.

Local attorney Tim Yeats was unanimously appointed to the board by all three of Howard County's incorporated



YEATS



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cities — Big Spring, Coahoma and Forsan —

at their city council meetings Tuesday night.

Yeats, a Howard County native and graduate of Texas Tech School of Law, operates a local private law practice. He served on the original Howard County 9-1-1 Board from 1987 to 1992, and served as chairman during a part of that tenure.

"I'm kind of coming in

with a clean slate," Yeats said. "I'm going to be following up with Tommy (Sullivan) over the next few days and getting some information on some of the past budgets concerning the monthly intake and outflow. I'll probably by the next meeting have a little better feel for whatever problems do exist."

Yeats added that he was

happy with Tuesday's meeting.

"I had a lot of questions and I think those questions were answered," he said. "There's some more questions in the future, but I think those are things that can be worked out."

Yeats was appointed to replace Tommy Tune.

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SCAM

Apparent con man fleeces local woman

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

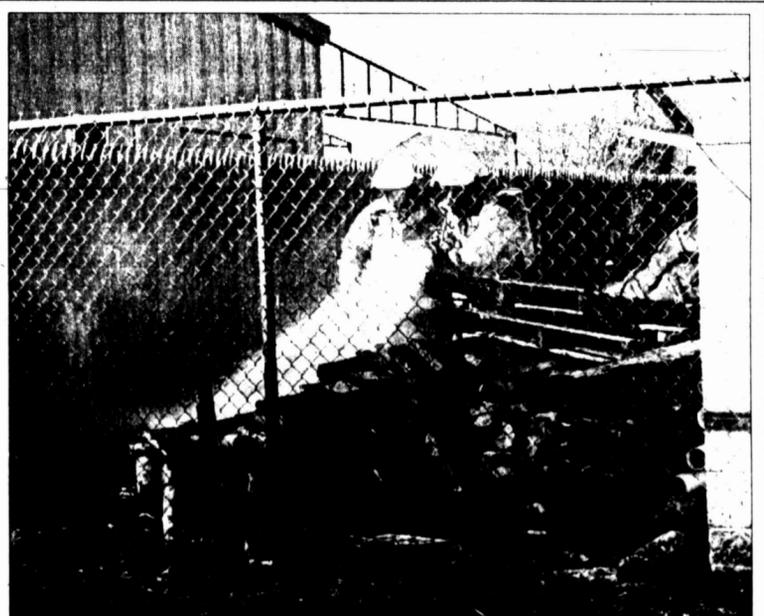
A elderly Big Spring woman may be out \$4,500 after trusting a person posing as a utility worker.

"A male suspect came up to an elderly woman holding out to be from the electric company," said Big Spring Police Sgt. Roger Sweatt, public information officer. "He told her a car struck an electrical pole down the street and two houses had caught fire."



Bank video photo Police are looking for this man, believed to have scammed a local woman out of \$4,500. He is described as 5-foot, 10 or 11 inches and weighing 180 to 200 pounds.

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Howard County volunteer firefighters Terry Rumpff, battalion chief, left, and Robert Carey extinguish a fire from stacked debris ignited by a neighboring grass fire Wednesday afternoon at the Whip-In RV Park in Sand Springs. The debris fire caused no monetary damage, Rumpff said. He suspects the fire was caused from the sparks of an electrical saw.

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A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Obituaries

Maxine Bradley



Maxine Bradley, 84, of Big Spring died Monday, March 10, 2003, at her home. Graveside service was at 3 p.m. Wednesday at the Becton Cemetery, east of Lubbock, with the Rev. Tom Griffin, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Petersburg, officiating.

Mrs. Bradley was born on Nov. 8, 1918, in Bushland the daughter of Etta Minnie Price Burris and Ira Herbert Burris. She married James Walter Bradley on Dec. 24, 1941, in Amarillo. They moved to Big Spring in 1949 from Brownfield. Mr. Bradley preceded her in death in 1980. She was a Baptist and had worked at Coker's Restaurant in Big Spring for 18 years and later in food service for Big Spring Independent School District.

She is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Gary and Brenda Bradley of Granbury; two brothers, George Rex Burris of Happy and Harding Burris of Elida, N.M.; four sisters, Bobbie Ruth Brooks of Amarillo, Fern Anderson of Dunlap, Calif., Susie Morgan of Laxahatchee, Fla., and Cuma Moore of Alvin; five grandchildren, Aaron Michael Bradley, Joshua Adam Bradley, Amanda Cherilyn Bradley, Wesley Wayne Warren and Shannon Leann Steward; and five great-grandchildren, Taylor Nicole Bradley, Trenton Bradley, Miriam Rose Bradley and Matthew Wayne Steward.

In addition to her parents and husband, Mrs. Bradley was preceded in death by one sister, June Ingram, and two brothers, John Donald Burris and Calvin Jack Burris.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Gladys Perkins



Gladys Perkins, 82, of Lubbock, formerly of Big Spring, died on Wednesday, March 12, 2003, in a Lubbock nursing home. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 15, 2003, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born on July 27, 1920 in Eula. Mrs. Perkins came to Big Spring in 1956 and worked at Herman's Restaurant for a number of years. She moved to Lubbock in 1993.

She was a member of Trinity Baptist Church and a member of TOPS No. 21 Club.

Survivors include three daughters, Joy Huddleston of Lubbock, Betty Gall of Ocala, Fla., and Joyce Klien of Sanger; one son, Terry Perkins of Lubbock; two brothers, Wesley Clearman of Carlton and Troy Clearman of Gravatt, Ark.; two sisters, Lola Shanks of Gold Canyon, Arizona and Emma Jean Teague of Garland; seven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Sheriff's report

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

- **JESSE CUELLAR**, 24, of 1002 N. Main No. 59 was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on charges of evading arrest or detention and theft \$50 to \$500.
- **LARRY DALE JACKSON**, 19, of 4201 Oak was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- **DEBRA FAYE MATHIS**, 42, of 100 Broken Bow was arrested on two charges of forgery of a financial instrument.
- **DONALD RAY CHANCELLOR JR.**, 31, of 500 S. Douglass was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Saturday on charges of failure to identify/fugitive from justice and on revocation of probation for driving while intoxicated.
- **CIPIO RAY AGUILAR**, 24, of Big Spring was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Monday on a charge of possession of marijuana, less than two ounces.
- **DARREST EDELL McCALLISTER**, 18, of 4900 E. University No. 44 in Odessa was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on charges of possession of marijuana, two ounces or less and prohibited weapon — switchblade or brass knuckles.
- **DAVID CANALES JR.**, 18, of 806 W. Sixth St. was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Saturday on a charge of evading arrest or detention.
- **KELLEIGH JAY SMITH**, 20, of 704 Culp in Coahoma was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on charges of possession of alcohol by a minor — third, possession of a controlled substance and unlawful carrying of a weapon.
- **LORENZO TORRES RAMIREZ**, 18, of 810 W. Eighth St. was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on a charge of theft \$50 to \$500.
- **ANDREW SEBASTIAN ISON**, 20, of 2406 Oasis Road was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 1200 block of Todd Road. The vehicle was later returned.
- **JUVENILE PROBLEM** was reported twice in the 400 block of South Moss Lake Road.

Janell Lewis Williams



Janell Lewis Williams, 52, of LaPorte, formerly of Big Spring, died on Tuesday, March 11, 2003, in a Baytown hospital. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 15, 2003, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Bill Myers, pastor of first Baptist Church of Menard, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born on Sept. 7, 1950, in Big Spring and married Howard Williams on Dec. 30, 1966, in Big Spring.

Mrs. Williams grew up in Howard County and graduated from Forsan in 1968. She had lived in LaPorte since 1994 and was a homemaker.

She was a member of Birdwell Lane Baptist Church. She was an active member of the San Jacinto High Rollers Motorcycle Club for 15 years.

Survivors include her husband, Howard "Howdy" Williams of LaPorte; her daughter, Candee Williams of LaPorte; her granddaughter, Stephanie Williams of LaPorte; her parents, Milton "Rip" and Juanita Lewis of Big Spring; two sisters, Lea Oma Gray of Midland and Cheryl Beeson of Big Spring; her mother-in-law, Mable Williams of Berwyn, Pa.; several nieces and nephews and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her son, Brad Williams on Dec. 28, 1995, and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wright.

Pallbearers will be Lou Vassilos, Erick Soder, Bryan Harbour, Chad Harbour, Brent Newton, Brian Reagan, Tony Conger and Justin Cole.

The family suggests memorials to the American Heart Association, 3205 W. Cuthbert, Ste A-8, Midland 79701—or to Birdwell Lane Baptist Church, 1512 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring 79720.

The family will be at the home of Rip and Juanita Lewis, 4820 Wasson Road.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Jessie Nickelberry

Jessie Nickelberry, 81, of Big Spring died Thursday morning, March 13, 2003, at Comanche Trail Nursing Home. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

D. H. "Bub" Griffith

D. H. "Bub" Griffith, 87, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, March 12, 2003, at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Police blotter

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

- **CLINTON ALLEN HAILE**, 17, of 1808 Alabama was arrested on a charge of assault class C/family violence.
- **JOSEPH GARY WAGGONER**, 45, of Charleston, S.C., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **CURTIS WAYNE CULVER**, 20, of 2306 Thorpe was arrested on a Howard County warrant and on city warrants.
- **RHONDA GAIL LATIMER**, 29, of 2407 Alamesa was arrested on city warrants.
- **JOHN MARK ANDERSON**, 47, of 17650 South Highway 87 was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ANGELA DENISE McMULLEN**, 28, of 3102 Dixon was arrested on a charge of driving with a suspended license.
- **MICHAEL RAY ROBERSON**, 20, of 1312 Lindbergh was arrested on city warrants and a Howard County warrant.
- **DISORDERLY CONDUCT — GESTURES** was reported in the 900 block of East Interstate 20.
- **DISORDERLY CONDUCT — LANGUAGE** was reported in the 1300 block of Tucson Road and the 200 block of Goliad.
- **DISTURBANCE OR FIGHT** was reported in the 1300 block of Tucson Road.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 500 block of Goliad Street and the 3600 block of Hamilton Street.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 2400 block of South Gregg Street, the 1400 block of Sheppard Lane and the 1100 block of North Lamesa Drive.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 800 block of South Owens Street. Money was reported stolen in the incident.

Take note

□ **A BENEFIT WILL BE HELD FOR MIKE MATHEWS**, who is battling Lou Gehrig's disease, on Saturday, March 22 beginning at 9 a.m. at the Eagles Lodge at 703 W. Third St. Barbecue plates will be on sale for \$6 each at 11 a.m. until late. To-go plates are also available. Activities include a cake walk, poker run and auction. New Company band will provide entertainment. The benefit is sponsored by the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the American Legion and the Cossacks Motorcycle Club. For more information, call 263-6862.

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

Bulletin board

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

Thursday

Gideon International, B.S. Camp U42060, 7 p.m., Herman's Restaurant, 1601 Gregg St.

Coffee Club, 10 a.m., Gale's Sweet Shoppe, 1706 E. FM-700.

Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane, 267-6479.

Friends of the Library, noon, Howard College Library, 500 S. Main.

Big Spring Main Street, noon, Rail Road Museum, Second St. and Main.

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

American Legion Auxiliary, 6 p.m., 3203 W. Highway 80, 263-2404.

Arts, Craft & Quilting club, 6 p.m., Howard County Library, 500 W. Main

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

Neighbors & Newcomers Club. New members are welcome, 268-9335.

Friday

Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

AMBUCS, noon, Brandin Iron Inn, 3101 S. Highway 87.

Greater Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

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

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

Saturday, March 15

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.

Barbecue brisket ribs and sausage fund-raiser, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Bakers Chapel AME Church, 911 N. Lancaster. Regular plates are \$5 and combination plates are \$6.50. Call in orders are welcome, 267-7158.

An 80th Birthday Reception honoring Wayne Bonner, 3:30 p.m.-5 p.m., Big Spring Country Club. Friends and former students are invited to visit with Mr. Bonner.

Weather

Tonight...Increasing clouds. Lows in the lower 50s. Southeast winds 5 to 15 mph.

Friday...Partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 70s. Light and variable winds. Chance of rain 20 percent. Friday night...Increasing clouds. Slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 50s. Chance of rain 20 percent.

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Sunday...Partly cloudy. Slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 50s. Highs in the lower 80s.

Lottery

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday afternoon by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-7-2

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 6-9-8

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery: 18-20-22-23-28

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RALLY

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"It's absolutely important to give the God for our country," said Sheriff Dale Walker, a representative law enforcement officer at the event. "Our country will never go without God."

Walker said he was gratified by the turnout at the event.

"This audience packed in here," he said. "I'm absolutely overjoyed that this man cares so much about the Lord that he came to the service tonight and brought with different perspectives from our community putting God first in their lives. That's a great about this. There's only one way to go, and that's with this type of faith and this type of hope."

Pastor Sam Seay of Big Spring's First Baptist Church said, "I think it's a miracle, and this is the first time I've turned a corner in Big Spring is headed up and up."

Following the rally, the 24-member African Choir — child The Sudan and bounded onto the stage and captivated the audience with such as "From a Little While" and "G America" as African folk tunes. "I think it's a miracle," said Commissioner Crocker. "They're talented young people. It's a great blessing to have them here. They have a great rhythm, great music."

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"This audience... it's packed in here tonight," he said. "It's just absolutely overwhelming that this many people care so much about our Lord that they would come to a gathering tonight and be blessed with different speakers from our community, all putting God first in their lives. That's what's so great about this. I guarantee there's only one way to go, and that's forward, with this type of crowd and this type of atmosphere."

Pastor Sam Segundo of Big Spring's Family Faith Ministry Center agreed.

"I think it is exceptional," he said. "I think it is a miracle, and I think this is the first of many to come. I think we've turned a corner and Big Spring is headed up and up and up."

Following the prayer rally, the 21 members of the African Children's Choir - children from The Sudan and Kenya - bounded onto the stage and captivated the audience with such favorites as "From a Distance," "This Little Light of Mine" and "God Bless America" as well as African folk tunes.

"I think it's marvelous," said County Commissioner Bill Crooker. "They're very talented youngsters. To me it's a great thrill to be able to be here and watch them. They have great rhythm, great music."

SCAM

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The man apparently told the woman he needed to check her breaker box, Sweat said.

"She let him in (the house)," Sweat said. "He told her he was going to have to replace it and it would be about \$200."

The victim repeated the amount for clarification and the suspect said the cost would be somewhere around \$200, Sweat said.

"Believing he worked for the electric company, she wrote out a check, signed it and left the amount blank," Sweat continued. "Then he went to the bank and cashed it for \$4,500."

The scam occurred Tuesday at a residence near Howard College.

The victim described the suspect as wearing a light blue button-up shirt with a name on one side and a logo she believed was connected to an electric company.

"These people prey on the elderly because generally elderly people can't

Mayor Russ McEwen agreed.

"A blessing, exciting, fun, how do you describe it?" the mayor exclaimed. "I've been smiling all night. It's just one of the neat things that we have come to our community and it's a great thing. I'm gratified by the number of people here. I just wish we had twice as many. It's a neat, neat night."

The choir's director, Ivan Ntabazi, is a veteran of the choir.

"When they go back (to Africa), they will get sponsorship as they're touring, and they go back and go to school, like I did," he said. "They will go to school as long as the sponsor keeps sponsoring them. After they graduate they will get good jobs and work for our country."

Ntabazi recently graduated from school as a mechanical engineer, but wanted to give back to the choir that helped him achieve his dream. The choir's organization also helps children who remain in Africa, he said.

"We have many activities and programs back in Africa for children left in Africa," he said. "These are here only to let the world know and bring hope and bring awareness to the people here."

The ambassador role is not all work for the youngsters, Ntabazi said.

"We were in California for about six months, and we performed in Anaheim and one of those weekends we went to Disneyland," he said. "We have also been to the San Diego Zoo, so there have been opportunities for fun, too. Not all singing."

The children and their chaperones have been put up with host families while in Big Spring.

"A couple of local preachers got together and we got host families from those churches to take two or three children each, as well as the adults, so that's how we took care of the kids," Huff said.

work on the house themselves and depend on people to help," Sweat said.

Last seen on a surveillance tape from the bank, the suspect appears to be a white or Hispanic male, about 5'10 or 5'11, 180 to 200 pounds, wearing a light colored T-shirt and a white baseball cap with an unknown logo on it, Sweat said. The suspect does not appear to have any facial hair or glasses.

Anyone with information about this crime is encouraged to call Crime Stoppers at 263-TIPS or the police at 264-2550 or Sweat at 264-2558.

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who resigned last month. Yeats is one of two municipally-appointed board members. Two members are appointed by the Howard County Commissioners' Court and the fifth by the Howard County Fire Marshal.

The board is currently one member short: Coahoma resident Don Nell Luce, who was the other municipally-appointed member, also resigned in February after members of the Big Spring City Council announced plans to seek her removal.

Both Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen and Forsan Mayor Roger Hudgins have said their cities' councils plan to defer to Coahoma in choosing Luce's replacement.

Board President Melinda Hernandez said she's glad to be working with Yeats again.

"I feel great about Tim coming on," she said. "Tim has been on the board before and we served very well together. Tim and I have a mutual respect for one another. He's worked very hard to build 9-1-1 up. I believe Tim's a fair man, a good man, and will really be an asset to our board."

During the meeting, the board went over invoices and the budget.

Yeats questioned some overages in cellular phone operating costs. Sullivan said the overages were due in large part to unexpected, one-time charges for setting

up the Phase One Caller ID system for incoming calls from cellular phones.

Sullivan said charges from cellular phone companies should decrease and level out after this year.



SULLIVAN

In other business, the council discussed a meeting with the Big Spring City Council to work out a contract for 9-1-1 call taking.

"Our last contract that we had (with the city) has been since 1993. I believe," Hernandez said. "All we want to do is renegotiate the contract. We want to come to a reasonable agreement on money and what our obligations are to them and theirs to us."

The meeting will be at 10 a.m. March 20.

"Hopefully we can come to an agreement where both parties are happy," she said.

The 9-1-1 Board usually meets at noon the second Tuesday of each month. This month's meeting was delayed a day to allow the city councils of the three cities time to appoint Yeats.

For more information, call the Howard County 9-1-1 Communications District non-emergency office number at 267-1900.

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ELMORE

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year. Retired from the Texas Department of Transportation after a 30-year career, he now works as a project estimator for Knight Construction in Big Spring.

Coahoma Mayor Bill Read is the only other person to have filed for the city election. In addition to those two incumbents' seats, that of City Councilman Ricky Stone is up for election on May 3.

In Forsan, all three incumbents whose seats are up for election have filed to seek another term.

Mary Gressett filed last week, while incumbents Fred Holguin and Clarence Williams filed Wednesday. Neither

Holguin nor Williams were available for comment this morning.

The deadline to file for the city election is 5 p.m. Wednesday. Early voting will begin April 16 and end April 29.

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OUR VIEWS

Help us keep our military in Mid-East in touch with home

As war with Iraq seems to become more and more inevitable with every passing day, a great many of us feel the need to keep our nation's leaders and military personnel in our thoughts and prayers.

That was obvious from the turnout for Wednesday night's Community Prayer Rally at the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium, and it was heartening to see so many of our community's leaders and the general public coming together to seek God's blessing on our nation and those tasked with defending our way of life.

Most of us can only imagine what it must be like for the young men and women currently serving in the armed forces who've been sent to the Middle East.

Certainly they must at times become very homesick. That's something we here at the Herald believe we can help do something about.

And that's why the Herald is seeking the addresses of all Big Spring and Howard County military personnel currently deployed to the Middle East.

Herald Publisher Hank Bond said the newspaper will be sending free newspapers to the service men and women helping to prepare for a possible conflict with Iraq.

To do so, we need the help from their families and friends here at home.

Those wanting to submit a friend or relative's address can bring them by the Herald's office at 710 Scurry, mail them to P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring 79720 or they can e-mail them to newsdesk@crcom.net or editor@bigspringherald.com.

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YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

The Constitution of the United States was written by and for the people. Common sense dictates the army and navy mentioned in the Constitution was meant to be created and used for the protection and defense of the nation's citizens.

Congress, the president, the federal government as a whole, including the armed forces are paid for, supplied by and supported by taxpayers. Yet every war we have been involved in since World War II has been waged on behalf of the protection and defense of other nations and citizens of foreign countries. Most of this hostility and interference with other nation's sovereignty is thinly veiled using "national security" or our "vital interests" as an excuse.

The United Nation has no authority to engage us in war or any other activity. Only Congress has the authority to declare war, and that declaration should only be made as a last resort.

Our country is steadily and rapidly going downhill, in large part to its interaction with other countries. War costs lots of taxpayers dollars and the loss of billions of dollars of material and equipment, not to mention the human cost, which cannot be measured in dollars.

Untold billions or trillions of dollars given to other countries in the form of aid and support is not only unconstitutional, it is sucking this country and its hard strapped taxpayers dry.

This country is literally being devoured by our involvement in other nations' affairs, as well as massive colonization by illegal immigrants that want to live the rapidly eroding American dream.

We need to pull all of our troops home, produce our own goods and services once again, get out of the United Nations and seal our borders.

TIM HATCHER
BIG SPRING

A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

You are gracious, merciful and loving to us, Lord. May we pass along to others your attitude.

Amen

Needed: Some adult supervision

As former San Francisco Police Chief Tony Ribera put it Tuesday, the big advantage of a comprehensive investigation is that it "not only gets the guilty, but it clears the innocent."

A follow-up to that idea is that a shoddy investigation spares the guilty and damns the innocent to eternal suspicion. In the Special City, a shoddy initial investigation seems to have led to a slew of indictments against 10 S.F. cops, including Police Chief Earl Sanders.

The worst of it is, the indictments of S.F.'s top brass were completely avoidable. They wouldn't have happened if someone in charge had tried to avoid what the public now perceived: the distinct appearance of a cover-up.

Go back to November, when three off-duty cops were involved in an after-hours brawl with two civilians. The department should have treated the three suspects by the book - and added special care to make sure that there was no taint of preferential treatment.

Reports of the investigation say that never happened: Key evidence wasn't seized at the scene. The three cops - Alex Fagan Jr. (son of the assistant police chief), David Lee and Matthew Tonsing weren't tested for alcohol until hours after the incident. The two civilians were not allowed to make an on-scene identification of the

suspects.

When news of the poor initial investigation leaked out, Chief Sanders or Mayor Willie Brown should have pledged to get the bottom of the story. Instead, they circled the wagons.

In November, Da Mayor dismissed the apparent assault as "mutual combat," and said if all parties admitted as much, there would be no crime to investigate. (The mayor's spokesman, P.J. Johnston, said that much-cited quote was taken out of context. Besides, Brown did try to get state Attorney General Bill Lockyer to take over the probe.)

Worse, Sanders compared criticism of the investigation to criticism of Jesus. He said all investigations are criticized, then added, "We are going into one of our major holiday seasons, to celebrate the birth of a leader of the religious world. And I do recall in my readings that he was criticized."

Unbelievable. Later Sanders made the mistake of transferring Lt. Joe Dutto - who led the investigation of the Fajita Three non-investigation - back to the vice squad.

A word about Dutto. He's a cop's cop. Before the indictments, Ribera told me that, while Dutto was no ace at getting along with his superiors, he was one of the most able investigators in the department.

Another word about Dutto: Sanders has maintained the transfer to vice happened after the Fajita Three probe was finished.

A word about the indictments: They were shoddy too, and not only because parts were handwrit-

ten.

Indeed, Sanders and other SFPD biggies may well be vindicated because the grand jury considered Dutto's transfer, the spreading of "misinformation" by police to the press and the department's refusal to hand over documents to constitute felony obstruction of justice. The grand jury charged Sanders for one act alone - the transfer of Dutto. If that's the crux of the case, it's a stretch.

Which puts the spotlight on District Attorney Terence Hallinan, who should avoid the spotlight - not that he does what he should do.

Hallinan is a liability here because he brings personal ill will to the prosecutor's table.

Then again, in the Special City, everything is personal. There's animosity between Hallinan and Brown over Hallinan's flirtation with Brown rival Tom Ammiano. Sanders is a Brown con. Fagan Jr. is the son of top police brass. As The Chronicle's Matier and Ross reported, Sanders' attorneys claimed that Hallinan met with Sanders in December to suggest the Fajita Three "simply admit to a street fight" so that the matter could be disposed of in the same manner that Lockyer handled Hallinan's son's assault case - for a different brawl.

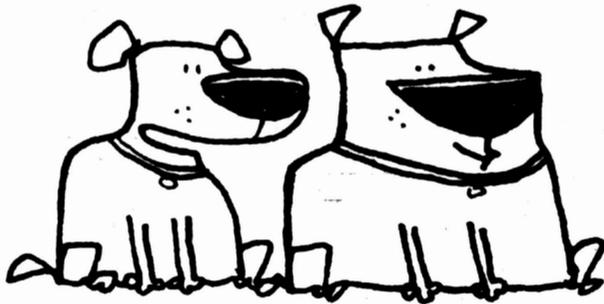
Sheesh. San Francisco criminal justice circles are incestuous as Russia's last royal family. Everyone thinks the city is so sophisticated, but it's as inbred as Appalachia. Well, the stereotype of Appalachia.

It's time for some new blood in this town.



DEBRA SAUNDERS

Riddick



"Eat any good books lately?"

It looks like the same old FBI

It defies credibility that FBI Director Robert Mueller did not reply to an e-mail letter from agent Coleen Rowley, whose previous whistle-blowing earned her Time's person-of-the-year status. She was not alone. For an even longer period, Mueller ignored a written complaint from a U.S. senator.

Last Tuesday, the very day a frustrated Rowley gave her latest whistle-blowing letter to two newspapers, Republican Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania confronted the non-responsive FBI chief face-to-face. Rowley contended that the FBI is unprepared to cope with a terrorist onslaught following a U.S. attack on Iraq. Specter was concerned that Mueller had not quickly corrected the FBI's unduly heavy burden of proof that played a part in the intelligence failure leading to the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

Apart from the substance of this criticism, Mueller's decision to ignore a world-class whistle-blower and a particularly tenacious sena-



ROBERT NOVAK

tor suggests not all that much has changed at the FBI. J. Edgar Hoover's arrogance toward the outside world permeated the Bureau's culture and has not been obliterated. Even after 9-11, local police chiefs complain the FBI still resists sharing information with them.

The Bush administration brooks no criticism of the FBI, but Specter surely does. After Rowley's famous letter last May accusing FBI headquarters of hampering any investigation of alleged 20th hijacker Zacarias Moussaoui, she and Mueller were questioned by Specter in a June 6 hearing. The senator contended the FBI was setting too high a standard of "probable cause" to issue an investigative warrant under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA).

In a closed-door hearing July 9, seven FBI officials (including four lawyers) questioned by Specter showed they were not familiar with a 1983 Supreme Court opinion by then Associate Justice William Rehnquist. That decision defined probable cause as "circumstances which warrant suspicion." Rowley had revealed that the FBI was using the wrong standard - 51 percent probability of wrongdoing. Specter wrote to Mueller on July

10 pointing out that his agency still had not applied the proper standard.

The senator's letter fell into the FBI's black hole. Not until Sept. 12 did Specter receive a reply - from since retired John Collingwood, the Bureau's assistant director for public and congressional affairs. As reporters experienced during his long service, Collingwood revealed nothing. But on Sept. 16, the FBI finally put out a memorandum - more than a year after the terrorist attacks - somewhat vaguely outlining a proper standard for probable cause.

Specter concluded that pursuing this one-sided correspondence with the FBI director was a fool's errand and that he had to confront Mueller personally and publicly. The opportunity came last Tuesday at a Judiciary Committee hearing, when Specter asked Mueller a blunt question. When "you get a letter of utmost importance" involving the Moussaoui case, "don't you feel you have an obligation to respond?"

"I do, Senator," Mueller replied, "and I wish we had gotten a response to you sooner." Mueller then delivered a largely impenetrable apology for the FBI's performance. Specter, once the district attorney of Philadelphia,

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In the kitchen.... with Beth

This week's restaurant of choice is a little different than

the past couple of weeks. Although the last couple of weeks have been excellent, this week was one like no other and it was accompanied by great friends and an excellent movie.

The restaurant I am speaking of this week is in Midland, located on Loop 250. The evening began with a hospitable greeting from Nhamo our server, his suggestive selling intrigued my brother Michael and my friend RhaeAnn into ordering a raspberry Italian ice with cream to start off their evening.

After taking our order, Nhamo brought out fresh bread and prepared a plate of olive oil, garlic and herbs for our dipping pleasures. He then took our orders and promptly returned with the Caesar salads that the three of us had ordered.

Keeping our drinks refilled in the meantime and blowing us away with the fact that Friday night was his first night working for Johnny Carino's, we enjoyed each other's company for a short 15 minutes before he presented me with the chicken scaloppini that I had ordered, the seafood fettuccini that Michael ordered and the shrimp scampi RhaeAnn ordered.

The chicken scaloppini was pasta with chicken, bacon and tomatoes served in a light sauce. This meal, service and over all experience was an A++ experience.

Due to the prompt service it allowed us to be seated, eat and pay within a needed timeframe to make it to the movies where we had already purchased our tickets. Even though I am not an expert movie critic I would recommend Steve Martin and Queen Latifah's new movie, Bringing Down the House, to anyone of any age, especially if you enjoy laughing!

Now on to the recipe of the week.

Chicken Tetrazzini

- 1 chicken, whole fryer
- 2 cans cream of mushroom soup
- 2 4-ounce cans sliced mushrooms
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 16-oz. bag thin spaghetti
- 2 8-ounce bags grated mozzarella cheese
- 1 sleeve Ritz crackers

Place chicken in large pot and rub it down with salt and pepper. Cover with water. Put on high heat and bring to a boil.

Once the water is boiling, turn heat down to medium and allow the chicken to cook for approximately 45 minutes or until the chicken is cooked to 160 F degrees. Once the chicken is done, take it out of the water and place on a plate to cool. While the chicken is cooling, use the juice that you cooked the chicken in to cook your spaghetti. Bring the water back to a boil and cook the spaghetti for 5 minutes. Turn it off and cover it with a lid, letting it sit for 5 additional minutes.

While the spaghetti is cooking, pull the meat off the chicken bones and put it into a large bowl, add the cream of mushroom soup and sour cream. Mix it all together. Once the spaghetti is done, drain off the water

and add to the chicken mixture. Once it's all coated with the soup, put it into 9 x 13 1/2 pan. Crumble the crackers in your hands and put them over the mixture. Put the cheese over the crackers. Use a generous amount

of cheese.

Place in a preheated 300-F degree oven uncovered for 30 minutes or until the cheese is melted and light brown. Enjoy. Next week we will visit again with another great recipe from the culinary

world and I will let you know where to dine and hope to have an A+ restaurant experience.

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HC lands five on all-conference teams

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The Howard College Hawks came within one game of reaching the national basketball tournament. Let the record show more than a few people took notice.

The Hawks garnered four spots on the Western Junior College Athletic Conference All-Conference teams. Only Midland College had more players (five) selected to the WJCAC first-team or honorable mention lists. South Plains, the WJCAC and Region V champion, and Odessa each earned

four. Alexis Britt was the lone player from the Howard College Lady Hawks to be named.

Je'Kel Foster and Vas'shun Newborne highlighted the Howard College contingent. Both were named to the WJCAC All-Conference squad. The two freshmen from Natchez, Miss., helped power the Hawks to a 29-4 record and



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PATE



BRITT

a berth in the Region V Tournament finals.

Foster, a 6-foot-3 guard, led the team in several categories this season, including scoring (15.3 points per game), rebounds (172) and steals (77).

Newborne was second in rebounds (136). He was the team's most accurate shooter through the year, hitting 60.1 percent of his field goal attempts.

Fears, a sophomore guard

from San Antonio, and Pate were honorable mention all-conference selections, as was Britt on the women's side.

Fears was a workhorse for the Hawks, who climbed as high as No. 2 in the national rankings. He played in all 33 of the Hawks' games at point and led the team in assists with 175.

Pate blossomed into a dominant force inside during WJCAC play. Over the final 14 games of the season, the 6-foot-10 sophomore from Oxen Hills, Maryland, averaged almost five points and five rebounds

See WJCAC on Page 7



Big Spring catcher Michael Shockley raises the ball in the air after making a diving catch near the fence in the Steers' 11-1 win over Fort Stockton Tuesday afternoon at Steer Park. Big Spring will make its final non-district appearance of the year Tuesday in Pecos. The Steers will open District 4-4A action on March 25 at home against Frenship.

Lady Hawks take twinbill from Odessa

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The Howard College Lady Hawks found the best medicine for the postseason playoff hopes Wednesday afternoon. It was the Odessa College Lady Wranglers.

Howard College, behind the play of freshman pitcher Jennifer Reed and shortstop Bianca Paz, swept both ends of a doubleheader with Odessa Wednesday afternoon. The Lady Hawks scored 24 runs in the two games.

With the win, Howard College moved two games over .500 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play. The team currently sits in third place in the WJCAC standings with a 6-4 mark.

The Lady Hawks, who are scheduled to return home March 18 to open a 3-game homestand with a doubleheader with the Ranger College Lady Rangers, didn't have any trouble winning the first game against Odessa.

Howard College cranked out more than a dozen hits and rolled to an easy 11-2 victory.

The second win didn't come quite as easy for the HC women. The Lady Wranglers staged a late rally and pulled to within two runs before finally falling, 13-11.

HC third baseman Angela Piper and catcher Kortney Kemper both turned in solid efforts in the second game.

The wins over Odessa College enabled the Lady Hawks to move six games over .500 for the year heading into this afternoon's twinbill with Odessa. Howard College, now 17-11-1 overall, will face OC again beginning at 1 p.m. today.

Following their showdown with Ranger — a team they defeated easily in the recent Midland Lead-Off Classic HC head coach Dawn Wutrich will lead her team into a 4-game matchup with WJCAC rival El Paso Community College on March 21-22.

Young, Tubb top BSBC tournament standings

Staff report

Allen Young and Todd Tubb can really tell fish stories. Unlike some, however, they have the fish to back up the tale.

Young earned first-place in the Big Bass competition recently at the Big Spring Bass Club's Lake Brady Tournament by hauling in a 10.96-pound fish.

In all, 22 fishermen

from throughout the area competed in the tournament, which was held March 1. A total of 22 fish were pulled in, weighing 75.66 pounds.



YOUNG



TUBB

second in the Big Bass standings with a fish that

tipped the scale at 10.69 pounds, compiled a total catch of 12 pounds. Dennis Witt and Terry Denton placed third and fourth, respectively, in the final standings.

The Big Spring Bass Club is scheduled to conduct its Top 15 Tournament later this month on Palo Pinto Lake near Mineral Wells. The tourney starts March 29.

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Sorlie, a firefighter from Oslo, completed the 1,100-mile race from Fairbanks to Nome — a city of 4,000 located on the Bering Sea coast just across from the former Soviet Union — in 9 days, 15 hours and 47 minutes.

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Herald Photo/ Bruce Schooler
Iditarod veteran Aaron Burmeister is one of 64 mushers who competed in the Iditarod race this year. Burmeister was 16th overall Thursday.

race. King, whose 18-year-old daughter Cali is competing in the race, has won Kuskokwim 300 — the state's other major race — seven times.

This year's race made rookies of all 64 mushers who hit the trail.

Due to warm winter temperatures and a lack of snow, Iditarod race officials were forced to abandon the traditional route from Anchorage. The race's start was

moved almost 300 miles north to Fairbanks.

The Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, which originated 31 years ago, was founded by Joe Redington in 1973 to honor the 20 dog mushers who transported medical serum across the state in 1929 to help battle a diphtheria epidemic in Nome. The race gave rise to the fame of Balto, the lead dog on Leonard Seppala's 16-dog team.

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Pate led the team in rebounding four times in the Hawks' final 14 regular season games.

Britt shined in what turned out to be a lackluster 2003 campaign for the Lady Hawks. She picked up the slack created by injuries and the mid-season departure of guard Jeanenne Colbert and finished near the top in several categories.

Britt, a freshman from the nation's capital, finished the regular season as the Lady Hawks second-leading scorer with 210 points. Fellow freshman LaTasha Davis

WJCAC All-Conference Teams

The following is a look at the 2003 WJCAC All-Conference teams.

Men
Most Valuable Player: Marcus Jackson, South Plains College.
Coach of the Year: Tony Starnes, Clarendon College.

All Conference
Je'kel Foster, Howard College; Jermaine Washington, South Plains College; Logan Lee, South Plains; David Sills, Odessa College; Brett Ward, New Mexico Junior College; Lonnie Cooks, Clarendon College; Ahnui Butler, Odessa College; Andre Ferber, Odessa College; Robert Faulkner, South Plains; Vas'ahun Newbourne, Howard College; Curtis Marshall, New Mexico Military Institute.

Honorable Mention
Tavari Sills, New Mexico Military; Jamaal Shellis, Clarendon College; Mark Durham, Odessa College; Robert Sevalia, Midland College; Englebert Chernington, Midland College; Thomas Allen-Orger, Midland College; Davon Hawkins, South Plains College; Marques Woods, Midland College; Tenico Smothers, Frank

paced the team with 213. Britt was also second in assists with 62 and and fourth in rebounding.

South Plains' Marcus Jackson was named the men's Most Valuable Player this season. Clarendon College's Tony Starnes collected the

Phillips, **Shedrick Pate, Howard College;** Andrew Patterson, Frank Phillips; **Jafed Foss, Howard College;** James Homer, New Mexico Junior College; Brian Latham, Midland College.

Most Valuable Women
Kanani Marshall, Odessa College.
Coach of the Year: Ara Baten, New Mexico Junior College.

All Conference
Sadio Sangare, Midland College; Miranda Swearingin, New Mexico Junior College; Melissa DeGrate, South Plains; Sancho Lytle, Clarendon College; Carla Sintra, South Plains College; Crystal Blue, Odessa College; Zaneta Lane, New Mexico Junior College; Joann Overstreet, Midland College; Lindsey Casey, Midland College; Edris Bailey, Frank Phillips College.

Honorable Mention
Brooke Campbell, Midland College; Vasha Adams, Clarendon College; **Alexis Britt, Howard College;** Eitra Pavao, South Plains; Chanel Moore, Odessa College; Dacia McGowan, Clarendon College; Toni Alberley, New Mexico Junior College; Tanesha Graves, South Plains.

Coach of the Year accolades.

On the women's side, Odessa College's Kanani Marsha was the MVP pick, while New Mexico Junior College head coach Ara Baten was the Coach of the Year recipient.

IN BRIEF

Umpires needed for LL season

Little League umpires are needed for this season.

The next meeting for umpires is scheduled for Monday at the Howard County 911, located at 610 Main Street.

Anyone interested in calling Little League baseball games should contact David Roman at 263-4688.

Lady Steers boosters to meet

The Big Spring Lady Steers Softball Booster Club will be holding a meeting this Monday. The meeting is slated for 7 p.m. at the BSHS ATC meeting room.

BSCGA to host tournament Sunday

The Big Spring Chicano Golf Association will hold a 4-person Selective Drive Tournament (A, B, C, D) on Sunday. Members and non-members are welcome to participate in the event.

For more information contact Billy Pineda at 264-7116 or the Comanche Trail Golf Course at 264-2366.

Lady Steers, CHS girls set to play

The Big Spring Lady Steers and Coahoma Bulldogettes will return to action this week by participating in tournaments.

Big Spring will play in the San Marcos Invitational Softball Tournament. Coahoma will play in Arlington.

Big Spring, now 11-5-1 overall, is scheduled to face Medina Valley Friday, beginning at noon.

Clay shooting event set for Stanton

The Fourth Annual Albertson's Clay Shoot will be held March 21-22 at Windwarker Farms in Stanton.

For more info contact (915) 570-0172.

Longhorn softball touney scheduled

The 2nd Annual Longhorn Softball Tournament will be held March 22-23 at Cotton Mize Field. Entry fee is \$110 per team.

For more information contact Oscar Cervantes at 263-9597 or Pano Rodriguez at 267-8307.

Midland to host Spring Bash touney

The Midland Softball Association will be hosting the Spring Bash Softball Tournament at the Bill Williams complex on April 12-13.

For more information contact Tommy Hawkins at 915-699-5559.

Westbrook, Grady to meet in dual

The Westbrook Wildcats will face off with Grady in a dual match this afternoon at the Big Spring Figure 7 Tennis Complex.

Steers to close non-district slate

The Big Spring Steers will close out their non-district baseball schedule Tuesday when they travel to Pecos. The game will start at 6 p.m.

Big Spring, under head coach Roland Herrera, opens District 4-4A play March 24 against Frenship.

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Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON

All the Pisces energy overhead lends a sixth sense to anyone brave enough to use it. You won't be able to avoid saying exactly what you mean, and if you try to skirt the issue, your message comes through anyway. People will be more apt to tune into body language and vibes for the real truth instead of relying on what is actually said.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You could be the "sensible one" - nobody's ever accused you of that before! A loved one will take you somewhere special. Singles find new love while practicing their talent. Discipline can be peaceful rather than a restriction.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). If you are feeling frivolous or out of control with spending, eating or drinking, you will be able to regain control by the end of the day. Tonight, take the time to appreciate what is simple and elegant.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Share your success - others need to hear a positive message. Romance takes center stage this evening. The channels of communication are open and active. A candid discussion leads to a change.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your reactions are remembered as much as your actions, so make sure you are really listening. A frank talk brings outstanding results. Threats are ineffective, but saying what you will do and doing it works wonders.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Of course, you know material things can't make you happy, but today, it seems like maybe they can. Make a wish list, and pin it someplace conspicuous. Proper upkeep of your possessions attracts more good things to you.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS (March 13). You imagine yourself right into the lifestyle you want, using visualization to fuel your determined, hard work. State your intentions to everyone in May, when your fondest project could finally take off. Moves are luckiest in August, and you can break into a new income bracket at the same time. Ideal partnership signs are Aries and Scorpio. Your lucky numbers are: 18, 27, 22, 44 and 32.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). While those close to you will shy away from controversy, you will be drawn to it! Anything challenging and unorthodox excites you. Get down to the business that was ignored last week.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Whatever you do, don't blend in. This is the easy choice and the one that you'll make if you're not thinking about where you'd like to go in life. There are no easy answers, but with a little hard work, you are way ahead of the game.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The ability to connect with colleagues, clients and co-workers is essential for success. Be sure and follow etiquette to the letter. If you don't know what's appropriate, ask someone savvy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You come off as powerful - some would even say intimidating. An associate might be white-knuckled because of having to

report to you. If you can make people feel at ease, they'll do their best work.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'd like someone in your life who is a fabulous influence on you, encouraging you to learn, earn and burn (calories!). These are the habits, after all, that make you feel self-expressed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It seems everyone would like to put you to work. Go with someone with a certain amount of status who knows how to present you in the best light, and your efforts will add up to something.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There's something to learn from a friend's unique attributes. When you witness one who doesn't let self-criticism stand in the way of production, it makes you want to stop being so hard on yourself. Indeed, this is advised.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I'm interested in someone younger. We started off as good friends, and I guess that's why we can talk about anything and get along very well. I really like this person, but I'm afraid that if I pursue this relationship it will end the way all my other relationships did. My DOB is 11/16/78, and his is 12/13/82. Do you think I should go for love or friendship?"

At your tender age, the phrase "all my other relationships" is almost laughable. Do you really have yourself married off and living happily ever after already? You're exactly right on track and are a big winner in matters of romance, even though you feel like love hasn't yet worked out for you. The fact is, you've had some interesting experiences and have started to learn about how to be in communication on more intimate levels with another human. So try to lose the doom and gloom, and your age prejudice while you're at it. It's not a problem for him, and it shouldn't be for you, either. With your Gemini moon, friendship comes very easily for you, but I say go for the love. Also, if you can work out a road trip for the two of you, that would be extremely lucky.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: John Turturro has a configuration in his chart that inspires loyalty in others. This is well represented by the way he is a favorite to certain directors and producers, who cast him in film after film. His versatility as an actor makes this possible, as there doesn't seem to be a part in the world he can't make his own. He can thank his hefty dose of Pisces influence for the ability to lose himself in a character.

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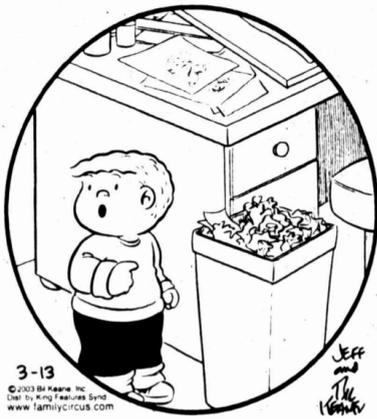
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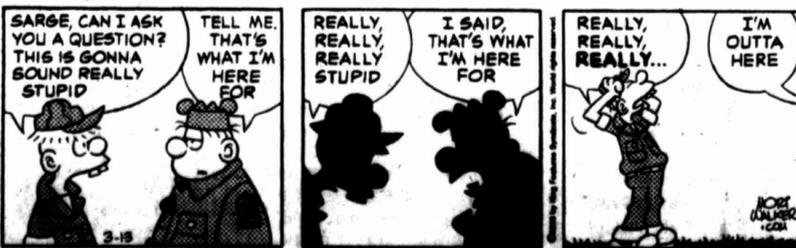
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People In The News

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Brooke Shields is ready for motherhood. "I'm in for a real life change, and I'm ready for it, as ready as I can be," she told AP Radio in an interview. "It doesn't scare me, it excites me, and yet I just know that there will be so many things that I will really be getting a quick education on."

Shields and writer-producer Chris Henchy, who were married in April 2001, know the baby due in May will be a girl. They haven't picked out a name. "There's just too many cooks in the kitchen. When you start showing the list you have to your family, everybody has something to say about

it, so we're kind of shelving it for a little while," the 37-year-old actress said. "Hopefully one of the names we have will stand out."

Shields provides the voice of the title character in "Miss Spider's Sunny Patch Kids," based on the children's books written by David Kirk. The animated special will air March 31 on Nickelodeon.

tions, the group's publicist said. "Just a few weeks ago I was just a high school student with dreams of a professional music career and now it's happening so quickly," Benson, of Severn, Md., said in a statement released Tuesday.

Naughton claims she was fired because she wasn't "ghetto enough," among other reasons. She has filed a lawsuit against her former group mates, the group's management and Sony Music, 3LW's label.

The group has denied her charges.

NEW YORK (AP) - The R&B group 3LW, which became a duo last year when one member left after a bitter dispute, is once again a trio.

Fifteen-year-old Jessica Benson will join original group members Kiely Williams, 16, and Adrienne Bailon, 19. She replaces Naturl Naughton, who left in August. Benson beat out hundreds of girls who competed in open audi-

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

WAYS TO GO by Daniel R. Stark
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- ACROSS
- 1 Furrier's unit
- 5 Kitchen lure
- 10 Dripping sound
- 14 Traffic sign
- 15 Curved roofs
- 16 *Lost Horizon* character
- 17 Actress Garr
- 18 African nation's former name
- 19 Be an accomplice
- 20 *Starry Night* artist
- 23 Warm greeting
- 24 Ambiances
- 25 Aussie tree-dweller
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- 40 Guitarist Paul
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- 42 Sorority letters
- 43 Pull with a twist
- 44 Trap
- 45 Wild time
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- 50 Reasoning line
- 56 Climbing aid
- 57 More scarce
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- 60 Egyptian cross
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- 30 Big Apple tennis stadium
- 32 Auctioneer's cry
- 33 Hill builders
- 34 Movie terrier
- 35 Put on
- 36 To be, to Brutus
- 38 Squad-car sound
- 39 Outlaw
- 43 Jockey's concern
- 44 Minimal money
- 45 Purse feature
- 46 Lop off branches
- 47 Standings
- 48 Saudi VIP
- 49 Crescent-moon tips
- 51 Spheres
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- 54 Head covering
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