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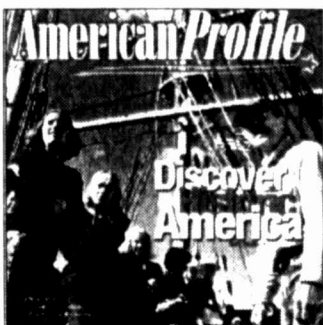
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Not so ruff: Kennel show gets under way Saturday

By LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

The Big Spring Kennel Club Dog Show will get off to an exciting bark Saturday — or several yaps if you're near the chihuahua section — as more than 400 dogs are expected to participate in the annual event.

The show is actually two separate events — confirmation and obedi-

ence — and will feature hundreds of purebred dogs and their handlers from around the nation

In confirmation, the dogs do not actually compete against each other as much as each dog competes against a set of standards for its breed. The animal that, in the judges' eyes, comes closest to the written standards for its breed is the winner.

Held simultaneously to

the confirmation event, about 100 dogs are expected to compete in the obedience contest. Obedience contests test the dogs' training and capabilities.

Hours for the kennel show are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sunday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Spectators will not

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Is your canine a good citizen? A 10-step test for your pooch

By LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

Is your dog a good citizen?

Take the American Kennel Club's Canine Good Citizens test and

find out.

"The dogs have to pass 10 steps that prove they are well behaved, adjusted dogs," said Trelis

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Familiar face, new role in town

By LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

Ever with an eye on the future, Chris Cole, Big Spring Independent School District's new technology director, envisions the continual expansion of technology as a necessity to provide a quality education.

"I think that (the district's technology program is) a lot farther than most people think, especially when you don't have the funds to just go out and buy new servers and PCs at any given time," said Cole, who has been on the job about two weeks.

Now, Cole wants to take the program a step farther.

"I want us to become even more efficient in what we have," he said. "I want to utilize it and push it because I come from the leading edge. I want to go back to that leading edge."

A 1990 Big Spring High School graduate, Cole comes to the position

"The people who really know me would be the first ones to tell you education is part of my passion."

Chris Cole,

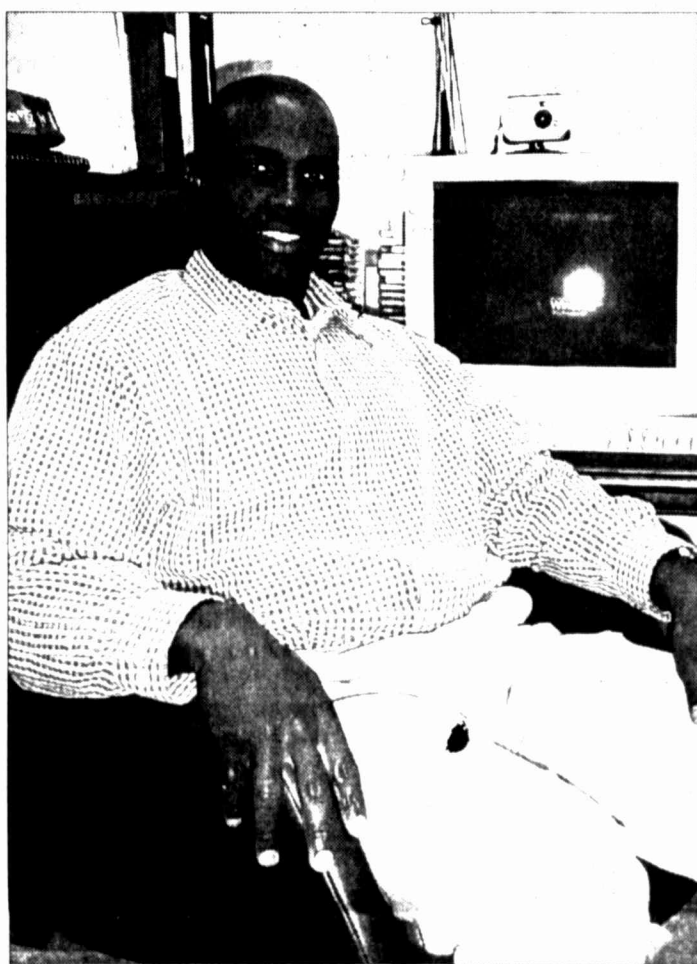
BSISD technology director

with a strong technological background in the private sector, having 14 years in the banking industry.

His career began in Big Spring, his native town, as a high school summer employee at State National Bank, one of the most technologically advanced banks in Texas, according to Cole. Eventually he made the transition into a full-time position.

"My primary job at State National was technology," he said. "I was blessed to work with a gentleman who was very visionary. His job at the time was to go in and dream up these things

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HERALD photo: Lyndel Moody Chris Cole, the new technology director for the Big Spring Independent School District, brings 14 years of experience in the private sector and envisions expanding the district's technology program to continue to meet the educational needs of the students.

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Embezzlement earns woman time in prison

By ROGER CLINE Staff Writer

A Big Spring woman pleaded guilty to felony theft earlier this month for embezzling \$57,000 from Canterbury Retirement Home.

Teresa Sheppard is serving two concurrent seven-year sentences in prison after pleading guilty April 10 — one for the embezzlement from Canterbury and the other for a previous felony embezzlement of more than \$20,000 from Big Spring's Premier Video.

The theft at Canterbury — owned by St. Mary's Episcopal Church — was discovered about Dec. 19, said District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson.

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Things are rattlin' this weekend at SWCID

By LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf's annual Rattler Fest should have a big kick to it this year.

A matchup between the college's soccer team and a team from the Texas Tech University African Student Association is expected to highlight the two-day, activity-packed festival.

Larry Musa, SWCID



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instructor and soccer coach, expects a well-fought, fast-paced game Saturday when the two

teams battle at 1 p.m. on the campus soccer grounds.

"Two years ago, we brought the SWCID team to play against Gallaudet University (a four-year college for the deaf located in Washington D.C.)," said Musa, a former Gallaudet standout soccer player. "We ended winning three games to two. It was truly a thrill and excitement for our students because they look

up to Gallaudet."

Musa hopes the game will bring area recognition to SWCID, the only self-contained community college for the deaf in the world.

"We're trying to set up a tradition here to give them the opportunity to think very positively of this school and give us an idea to publicize the name of the school," Musa said.

"When we went to Gallaudet two years ago,

we went for the same reason and now they aren't too happy with us," he continued. "They really haven't asked us to come back. It happened at their homecoming."

Musa's experience includes coaching the Gallaudet team following his graduation from the school and serving as assistant coach for the national team during the

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Sheriff's office honors two Howard, Restelli receive awards for service

By ROGER CLINE Staff Writer

If you file any kind of civil paperwork in Howard County, chances are it passes through the hands of the Sheriff's Office Civilian Employee of the Year and Deputy of the Year for 2002.

The titles were given out earlier this year to Civil Clerk Dena Howard and Civil and Warrant Investigator Dean Restelli.

Sheriff Dale Walker said the awards were based on nominations from the SO's employees and deputies.

"The employees, I have to agree with their selections," Walker said. "I think they were great selections. I'm proud of all our employees, but

"I kind of hate to do the evictions, where we have to evict people out of their homes. That's something I dislike, but it's something I have to do."

Dean Restelli, warrant investigator

especially these two. They're certainly an asset to this office. They deserve this recognition because they just do a fabulous job for this community."

Howard has a multifaceted job: Not only is

she the office receptionist, answering the phone and greeting the public, she also processes fingerprints from the public and jail inmates, and sorts through a mountain of civil litigation paperwork.

"My main job is civil," she said. "All the papers come in, some of them are urgent and you have to react on them right away. Others you do that day as soon as you can, but some of them, like protective orders, attachments, things like that, you have to just lay aside everything and do them."

Howard said the amount of civil paperwork is growing steadily, and she's not quite sure

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HERALD photo: Roger Cline

The Howard County Sheriff's Office Civilian Employee of the Year, Civil Clerk Dena Howard, left; and Deputy of the Year Civil and Warrant Investigator Dean Restelli work together to process and serve an ever-swelling tide of civil paperwork, including divorce papers, eviction notices, lawsuit papers and protective orders. The pair were chosen for the honors by their co-workers in the Sheriff's Office.

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A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Obituaries

Amy Haro



Amy Haro, 21, of McAllen, formerly of Big Spring, died Tuesday, April 22, 2003, in McAllen. Prayer service will be at 8 p.m. Friday, April 25, 2003, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 26, 2003 at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born June 26, 1981, in Big Spring and lived most of her life in Big Spring until moving to McAllen four years ago. She graduated from McAllen High School and was active in the ROTC program. After high school she enlisted in the U.S. Army. She was a student at McAllen Junior College at the time of her death.

She is survived by her father, Tony Haro of Big Spring; her mother, Dorothy DeLaPaz of McAllen; one brother, Tony Haro Jr. of McAllen; three sisters, Leticia M. Haro, Theresa A. Haro and Alia S. Haro, all of McAllen; her grandmothers, Eustolia "Emma" Haro and LaVern Wise, both of Big Spring; several aunts and uncles, Margarita and Juan Robles, Juan Haro Jr., Joseph and Frances Haro, Robert and Elizabeth Haro, Henry and Delma Haro, Richard and Sylvia Haro, David and Katy Haro, Jesse and Pricilla Haro, Lea and Michael Zimmerman, John and Jean Jannamon, Ronald and Lisa Jannamon, Eldon and Pat Myers and Bernie Myers.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Juan Haro Sr.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Matt Webb



Matt Webb, 22, of Midland passed away on Saturday, April 19, 2002, in Glasscock County.

Services were at 10 a.m. today, April 24, 2003, at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Herb McPherson, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating.

Matt was born on January 30, 1981, in Big Spring. He attended schools in Cedar Park and graduated from Garden City in 2000. At the time of his death he was attending Midland College. He was active in football, drama and 4-H Club. Matt was a kind, honest and very loving person and will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by his father, David Webb of Austin; mother, Kyrena Webb of Abilene; paternal grandparents, Gilbert and Alice Webb of Big Spring; maternal grandparents, Rita and Willie Hull of Garden City; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

The family suggest in lieu of flowers to send donations to your favorite charity.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

Support groups

THURSDAY

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

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

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

Open Discussion Meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open Podium/Speakers Meeting 615 Settles 8 to 9 p.m. Open Birthday Night, No Smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

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

Surviving Pregnancy Loss meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library Committee Room. Call 631-4430 for more information.

MONDAY

The Military Support Group meets on the first Monday of each month at 6 p.m. in Room 219 at the VA Medical Center. If you have a family member serving in the armed forces, you are welcome to join. For more information, call Treva Hall at 263-8574 or Holly Moore at 263-8106.

TOPS Club TX 21 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), weigh-in at 5:30 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m. at Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 West Third.

New Voice Club support group for laryngectomees and families. For more information, call 267-2800.

Alcoholics Anonymous meets from noon to 1 p.m. at 615 Settles. Open meeting on fourth floor at VA Medical Center from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets the last Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Texas RV Park meeting room. For more information, call 263-4948.

Police blotter

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

MICHAEL KLEIN, 19, of Stanton was arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported in the 500 block of South Birdwell Lane.

MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 300 block of South Runnels, the 600 block of South Lancaster

LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported in the 1700 block of Donley Street, the 300 block of Northeast Eighth Street

THEFT was reported:

In the 2300 block of Romer Street. Bicycles worth \$400 were reported stolen.

In the 2200 block of East 25th Street.

UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 700 block of Anna Street. A green 1995 Ford worth \$3,500 was reported stolen.

BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 200 block of South Lancaster. Household good reportedly sustained \$260 damage in the incident. Reported stolen were tools \$184, recordings and other items worth \$135.

STALKING and VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER were reported in the 500 block of Westover Road.

ROBBERY and RETALIATION were reported in the 800 block of Bell Boulevard. Stolen were items worth \$20.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 2500 block of Morrison. A brown 1983 motor home reportedly sustained \$225 damage.

Take note

ANYONE WHO GRADUATED from Forsan High School in the period of 1980 to 1989 is invited to an all 1980s reunion that will take place Aug. 1-2.

A schedule is still in the planning stages, but tentative activities include individual class get togethers on Friday, Aug. 1, and a golf tournament, tennis tournament and "Black and White Ball" on Aug. 2.

Some of the activities will be fund-raisers for the Forsan High School scholarship fund.

Organizers have taken great pains to reach as many students as possible but are still missing many. Any who graduated from Forsan during that time period or knows someone who did, is encouraged to call Carole Madry at 268-9191 or email Rick Hope at chalfmrt2@aol.com.

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ELBOW ELEMENTARY is gearing up for the annual kindergarten registration.

Registration will take place through Friday for children age 5 on or before Sept. 1, 2003.

The office will be open for registration between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. each day.

Parents need to bring: a birth certificate, Social Security card, shot record and proof of residence (utility bill).

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

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

About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered to recipients within the city limits of Big Spring.

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

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SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy.

Weather

Tonight...Clear. Lows in the lower 50s. West winds 5 to 15 mph...Becoming late tonight.

Friday...Sunny. Highs in the mid 80s. North winds 5 to 15 mph. Friday night...Clear. Lows in the mid 50s.

Saturday...Mostly clear. Highs in the upper 80s.

Sunday...Partly cloudy. Lows near 60. Highs in the mid 80s.

Monday through Wednesday...Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows near 60. Highs in the lower 80s.

Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 1-2-11-22-32-33.
Estimated jackpot: \$35 million.
Number matching six of six: 1.
Winning ticket sold in: Spring.
Matching five of six: 179. Prize: \$1,568.
Matching four of six: 8,275. Prize: \$84.
Matching three of six: 42,840. Prize: \$2.
Next Lotto Texas game: Saturday night.
Estimated jackpot: \$4 million.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 13-25-27-31-37.
Number matching five of five: 0.
Matching four of five: 123. Prize: \$495.
Matching three of five: 4,298. Prize: \$10.
Matching two of five: 42,840. Prize: \$2.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery in order: 7-3-4

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 a.m., Herman's Restaurant, 1601 Gregg St.

Coffee Club, 10 a.m., Gale's Sweet Shoppe, 1712 E. Marcy Drive.

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

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

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

Arts, Craft and Quilting club, 6 p.m., Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

FRIDAY

Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad St., call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron.

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

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

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

SATURDAY

Big Spring Kennel Club Dog Show, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, 1001 Birdwell Lane. The event is expected to bring in more than 400 canine entries from around the nation.

Downtown Revitalization Association, free Concert in the Park, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., featuring area rock and roll bands, vendors and a children's play area, Heart of the City Park.

Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Hanger 25 Air Museum, McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

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

Dance, 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge 704 W. Third St. Everyone is welcome.

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

Senior Circle Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics, 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, for people age 50 and older, call 268-4721.

Coahoma Lion's Club, 6 p.m., Coahoma Community Center, located on North Avenue.

Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., La Posada Restaurant, 206 N.W. Fourth St.

Concerned Citizens, 7 p.m., Fiberflex conference room, on Bethel St. in the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

TUESDAY

Intermediate Line Dance Classes, 9 a.m., Spring City Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park, 267-1628.

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why. "We're getting a lot more evictions, people that don't pay their rent, getting them out of the house. It seems like the protective orders and restraining orders have increased," she said. "We handle divorces papers, any original petition when anyone's suing anyone, whether it be accidents, non-payment, whatever. We also do writs of execution, when somebody has owed a lot of money for a long time and won't pay it."

Luckily, Howard said she enjoys the paperwork. "I do," she said. "I like shuffling papers. A lot of people really don't like that, but I'm kind of weird."

Her least favorite part of

the job? "I think the main thing is not having the time to do each part of my job the way I would like to do it," she said. "Having to put things aside and not do them because there's something else that has to be done first. Just not being able to get it all done, is the main thing."

"Dena is one of those ladies that, she might have a million things going in this office, and when you come here, you'll never know it," Walker said. "She's always got a smile on her face and she's always willing to help you. She also goes farther than that. She extends her ear to pretty much everyone around here to confide in and she's just always helping people out if they have a problem. They kind of look at her as a mom and just a friendly ear to talk to."

Restelli is one deputy that has to balance his tasks very carefully because of all the hats he wears. While the main part of his job involves serving warrants and civil papers — in which he works very closely with Howard — he also serves as the county's mental health deputy and also pulls a shift on patrol.

"We average about 200 civil papers a month, something like that," Restelli said. "You're always given the wrong address and you have to go to different areas to try to find out where the person lives. Ask neighbors where they moved to, previous employments. A lot of times when you're not able to find them, you recontact the issuing person, the plaintiff, or whatever, and a lot of time they can help me out. If not, we just end up send-

ing them back until the plaintiff is able to locate the person."

Sometimes, the person being served with the papers isn't that happy about receiving them.

"Some people are real cooperative and then some people are belligerent," he said. "Not really violent. Protective orders are sometimes the worst."

As mental health deputy, Restelli — an 18-year veteran of the Big Spring State Hospital — said he handles a lot of tense cases.

"A lot of it deals with suicidal subjects, Section 26s, emergency protective orders," he said. "I'm usually the one that responds out to a residence or assists with community service downtown, transporting hospital patients."

The deputy said he enjoys just about all of his job. His least favorite

aspect is probably serving eviction notices.

"I kind of hate to do the evictions, where we have to evict people out of their homes," he said. "That's something I dislike, but it's something I have to do. Sometimes I'm able to work with the landlord and they'll give the people an extension or whatever, but that's totally up to them."

"Dean is one of those employees, you never hear him gripe," Walker said. "You never hear about him complaining about his work schedule or how much work he has to do, he's always done it without complaining, and he goes above and beyond what's required of him."

Both employees of the year said they were surprised by the awards.

"I wasn't expecting it at all," Howard said. "I was very surprised and extremely pleased, of

course, because when you sit here and shuffle paperwork all day long you don't think about getting an award for doing it. The main thing is that it was by my peers. Not by the administration, but by the people that I work with. That makes it much more special."

Restelli agreed.

"I was surprised and happy," he said. "I was honored that my fellow deputies and workers considered me for it."

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

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Matthew Webb, 22, died Saturday. Services were 10:00 AM Thursday at Myers and Smith Chapel.
Amy Haro, 21, died Tuesday. Prayer Service will be at 8:00 PM Friday at Myers and Smith Chapel. Funeral Services will be at 2:00 PM Saturday at Myers and Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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Lucas, Big Spring Kennel secretary.
Lucas will be administering the 10-step test to all interested owners of purebred dogs at 7 p.m. at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The object of the project is ensure the dog is trained to act mannerly in the home, in public and in the presence of other dogs. The cost of the test is \$10.
The canines must pass all 10 steps to be certified as a Canine Good Citizen.
In order to pass, the dog must demonstrate:

- He can accept a friendly stranger approaching and speaking with its handler without showing signs of resentment or shyness and not break position.
- He can sit politely while being petted by a friendly stranger while out with its handler and without showing shyness or resentment.
- He welcomes being groomed and examined and will allow a friendly stranger to do so.
- He stays attentive and responsive to his handler while walking on a loose leash.
- He can stay under control in public places while moving politely through

pedestrian traffic.
• He response to "sit" and "down" commands as well as the command to stay in place.
• He comes when called.

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be charged a fee.
Those in attendance are asked to watch children around the animals and obtain the owner's permission before petting any of the dogs.
Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at newsdesk@crcom.net

- He behaves politely around other dogs.
 - He stays confident at all times when faced with common, distracting situations.
 - He can be left with a trusted person if necessary and still behave in a trained manner.
- Those interested in participating can sign up at 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum during the Big Spring Kennel Dog Show. Late sign ups will be taken at 6:30 p.m. as room allows.
To participate, dog owners must bring a receipt proving their animal has received a rabies vaccination shot.
For more information

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A spokesperson for the Wilkerson's office said Sheppard was sentenced to a seven-year suspended sentence for the Premier Video theft July 12, 2000, and had served about two and a half years of her 10-year probation.
With the guilty plea in the new theft, the probation has been revoked and Sheppard will serve both sentences.
Also pleading guilty April 10:
• Ricardo G. Lozano to felony possession of marijuana. Lozano was sentenced to two years in state jail.

• Billy Ray Westbrook, to felony possession of a controlled substance. Westbrook was sentenced to three years in prison.
Five people pleaded guilty to felony offenses in District Court Wednesday:
• Lela A. Williams, to burglary of a habitation. Williams was sentenced to a six-year suspended sentence and six years probation, plus a \$1,500 fine.
• Jimmy D. Farris, to possession of a controlled substance. Farris was sentenced to a two-year suspended sentence and four years probation, plus a \$2,000 fine.
• Cruz Gutierrez, to forgery and burglary of a

habitation. Gutierrez was sentenced to two years in state jail for the forgery charge and five years in prison for the burglary charge. Also, Gutierrez's probation on a second burglary charge was revoked and another five-year sentence was issued. The sentences will run concurrently.
• Lionso Lee Jimenez III, to three counts of theft. Gutierrez was sentenced to a year in State Jail on each count. The sentences will run concurrently.
• Latasha Woodson, to credit card abuse. Woodson was sentenced to a two-year suspended sentence and four years probation, plus a \$1,500

fine and restitution.
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Elsewhere

State and national news at a glance

Tracking abortion data gets early OK

AUSTIN (AP) — Four years ago, legislators wrote into state law that an unmarried, minor girl had to notify a parent before she could get an abortion, or she could get a judge to allow her to bypass that requirement.

On Wednesday, the Senate gave preliminary approval to tracking how many of those cases get to court and how often the girls are denied or allowed to avoid telling their parents before getting the abortion.

Anti-abortion groups hailed the bill as a step in tracking a super-secret process in which not only the girls' names are protected, but the judges presiding over the cases are, too.

Joe Kral, legislative director of Texas Right to Life, which supports the bill, said the data would be the public's only way to gauge what is happening in the secret process.

"People want to know, Texans want to know, how their judicial bypass is being implemented," Kral said.

American Airlines' loss worse

FORT WORTH (AP) — American Airlines' parent, struggling to regain control of a tumultuous labor situation and ward off bankruptcy, reported Wednesday that it lost \$1.04 billion in the first quarter, a bigger loss than expected.

Meanwhile, a congressman who met with labor leaders and AMR chairman and chief executive Donald J. Carty said a bankruptcy filing would be considered at an AMR board meeting Thursday.

"If it is left unresolved, there's a pretty good chance the board will approve a chapter 11 filing," U.S. Rep. Martin Frost, D-Dallas, said.

Analysts said the combination of huge losses and labor unrest would increase pressure on the company's board to remove Carty.

Carty called the first-quarter results "truly dreadful."

Perry: Don't take budget draft seriously

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry on Wednesday said he never saw draft budget documents from his office that show tentative plans to raise education and social services funding while suggesting accounting delays Perry now criticizes as budgetary "sleights of hand."

The Associated Press examined the working papers after the Republican governor's office made the hundreds of thousands of pages available to reporters who requested them under the Texas Public Information Act.

The papers detail plans Perry's staff were working on when Texas was expected to have a \$5 billion budget shortfall. When that was doubled in early

January, Perry scrapped it and released a budget full of zeros as a way to encourage lawmakers to write the 2004-05 spending plan by cutting spending and not raising taxes.

"That was a draft budget. That was a lot of different peoples' ideas that were being pitched up. As a matter of fact, that wasn't even a complete document," Perry said after a news conference at the Governor's Mansion where he repeated his message to hold the line on state spending.

"I never saw that document. It never got to my desk," Perry said. "My cautionary note would be don't read too much into it. It was a draft document that was a working document."

Bill to slaughter horses adopted

AUSTIN (AP) — A bill that would make it legal to slaughter horses in Texas for human consumption outside the United States was preliminarily adopted in the House on Wednesday.

Currently, no law prohibits horse slaughtering, but it is illegal to sell horsemeat for human consumption.

"We have a population of over a million horses in Texas and very few end up in slaughterhouses," said Rep. Betty Brown, R-Terrell, the bill's sponsor. "But, this is one avenue that needs to remain open."

The legislation, approved by a vote of 83-53, would make it legal for Texas' two horse slaughterhouses — believed to be the only such facilities in the country — to export horse meat overseas for human consumption.

Supporters of the measure say the measure would prevent horse owners from taking horses out of the country for less-humane, unregulated slaughtering.

Ratliff working on tort bill

AUSTIN (AP) — With public testimony now complete, the chairman of the Senate committee handling the session's major bill to overhaul civil and medical malpractice lawsuits is giving only a few hints on how it might compare to the sweeping changes passed by the House last month.

Although most details won't be made public until next week, Sen. Bill Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant suggested changes could give more settlement power to plaintiffs in liability cases and may hedge on the House provision for a strict \$250,000 cap on pain and suffering awards in medical malpractice lawsuits.

Ratliff said he'll withhold full details until he presents a bill to the State Affairs Committee next week, probably Tuesday.

He said Wednesday he likes the idea of keeping the civil and medical malpractice reforms in the same bill — a move that angered opponents of the measures when the House combined the two.

High winds overturn mobile homes

DALLAS (AP) — A twister overturned mobile homes late Wednesday, injuring several residents, as storms pounded North and West Texas.

Some residents of the Homestead mobile home park, an incorporated area between Venus and Alvarado, about 25 miles south of Fort Worth in northeast Johnson County, were trapped when winds knocked over their trailers and ripped down power lines.

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and my job was to make them run and oversee them day to day."

Cole's career progressed through the years. With financial assistance from the bank, he earned degrees at Howard College and the University of the Permian Basin and continued his education by graduating from both Texas Tech University and Southern Methodist University in Dallas banking schools.

Eight years ago, Cole earned another title — fatherhood — when his wife Maria delivered the couple's son, D'onte.

In 1997, Cole left the industry for an eight-

month period were he worked under Paula Cole, who is retiring as the district's technology director in June.

A too-good-to-turn-down offer to serve as head of operations for a bank drew Cole back to the banking industry, although he did feel some regret for leaving education.

"The people who really know me would be the first ones to tell you education is part of my passion," Cole said.

Now he hopes to bring his private sector experience to enhance education in Big Spring.

"From an educational stand point, if we don't gear our students for that private sector, we're setting them up to fail," Cole said.

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"This is one way to invite people to touch our campus, see what we have to offer and see how we enhanced and improved our campus facilities and grounds," said Dr. Ron Brasel, SWCID provost. "It's also a recruiting tool for us."

Traditionally falling the weekend after the college's advisory committee meets, Rattler Fest opens the SWCID campus not only to potential students and their families but also shows off its best to the community.

Other events on Friday

include a student panel with William Ofori-Attah, Marisol Echevarria, Ashley Gill and Joey Villarreal, 2:15 p.m.-2:45 p.m.; "The College Experience," presented by Sonia Gonzales, Dale Kesterson and Kevin Penick, 2:50-3:15 p.m.; a presentation entitled "College Life at SWCID and Howard College," 3:20 p.m.-4 p.m.; social hour, 4 p.m.-5 p.m.; and a barbecue dinner, 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Tickets for the dinner are \$5.95.

All the activities will be held at the Maddux Student Center. At 7 p.m., the W.W. Samuel High School Choir, a deaf choir from

Dallas, will entertain in the student center and rattlesnake demonstrations will also be given at this time.

Saturday's events start off with a volleyball tournament in the activities center and water games beginning at 9 a.m.

In addition to Saturday's activities, booths, food vendors and games for children will be set up in the student center.

An end-of-the-semester dance will close out the festivities Saturday night.

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A healthy snack attack with fruit and vegetables

Healthy eating habits are established at an early age. Children tend to keep the same eating and exercise habits throughout life; therefore, learning to make sound nutritional choices early is an important component to wellness as an adult. Health



KATIE WALKER

instruction easily fits into the active learning environment and should be included in school-age programs. Studies have shown that obesity is on the rise, especially in young children. Nutritious snacks have been replaced by junk and convenience foods, and physical activity by television. Obesity is the most prevalent and serious nutritional disease in the United States. From 5 percent to 25 percent of children and adolescents may be affected.

Research suggests that on the average only 26 percent of children eat the recommended five servings of fruits and vegetables a day, almost half of all children eat less than one serving of fruit a day. Additionally, one third of vegetables consumed are fried potatoes and potato chips! The United States Department of Agriculture recommends that children and adults eat five servings of fruits and vegetables each day. Fruits and vegetables containing vitamin C, vita-

min A, and fiber are essential to good nutrition. The vitamins found in fruits and vegetables help children stay healthy and help children's bodies grow. They also give children energy. Children can learn to identify, classify, and choose fruits and vegetables that are essential to their health and well being. Children learn to make good food choices through modeling, familiarity, and being offered a variety of foods. Modeling demonstrates to children

that eating fruits and vegetables is important for adults as well as children. Additionally, children eat what they experience. Take a field trip to a local grocery store and allow children to select green fruits and vegetables for a tasting party. Create a rainbow salad or make silly faces using various fruits and vegetables. Have a "sound tasting" party, sample crunchy and soft fruits and vegetables. Taste fruits and veg-

etables in different forms. For example, a potato can be mashed, baked, or scalloped, etc. Let children work in small groups to plan and make snacks for the program. Create a 4-H Nutrition and Cooking Club to meet as part of the after-school program. Keep an ongoing graph of the numerous fruits and vegetables children have tasted and like best. Enjoy!

Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON
Invite people to your way of thinking. The moon transits through inventive Aquarius, and an openness prevails. The moon is harmonious with other Aquarian placements, and a sense of emotional well-being makes it easier to grasp concepts beyond reach before. Bounce ideas off an equally bright individual to get your best work.



Joyce Jillson

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Romantic relationships have progressed to a place that is far off your original intent. Re-evaluate. At work, certain people have an overactive sense of entitlement. You're the one who should get first dibs or special privileges.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You know what people want to hear. (Others, strangely, won't find it uplifting to be told what you honestly think of them, so go ahead and do your best sweet talking.) Studying human behavior is lucky for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Unnecessary complications arise when you try to put everything you're feeling out in the open. Writing in a journal or making a piece of art will help you feel more balanced until you can actually say what's on your mind.
CANCER (June 22-July 22). To an outsider, it may look like you're fighting windmills, but you're really trying to find your bliss. Leaps taken in the darkness are starting to make sense, so don't let anyone keep you from doing what you love the most.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It takes time to sort through matters of the heart. Don't obsess on the phone, as word travels too quickly. A private journal is safer. However, do publicize your wins along the gossip chain — and give people something positive to say.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 24). You have gold untapped inside you. Let this year be a mining process. Ambition is urging you forward, so set clear goals in May, and a promotion at work is a shoo-in. A lucky hunch in June leads to love with a Pisces or Cancer that will last. In July, a romantic partner is open to suggestions never before considered — this could include marriage. Your lucky numbers are: 14, 25, 3, 11 and 32.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Loved ones blossom when you listen deeply to their concerns, although you may have heard the same thing a million times before. Smiling and nodding won't be hard. Your support makes problems seem more manageable.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your innate ability to juggle several things at once will leave you juggling instead of putting things in their place. Say "no" to a few invitations for a while, and unravel your own chaos. In this process,

you'll recover the energy you need.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Everyone keeps looking to you to solve problems without noticing that you're moving from one conundrum to the next yourself. You don't want a loved one to miss the boat, but motivational tips are starting to sound like nagging.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). If you don't learn by doing, at least learn how things are done. Read up on any new pursuits you want to engage in, whether it's finding a mate or learning how to fly-fish. Someone new in your social life keeps keying you up.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Even though you can't see it now, someone is keeping track of your performance and has special things in mind for you. Wins come at work, but know that what puffs you up might take the wind out of someone else's sails.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll wake up not knowing, and you'll end the day knowing. Regarding work, you don't have to be as corrupt as much of a gossip as everyone else at work just to fit in. Take the high road.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March

20). Treat yourself, and get what you've had your eye on! Vacations are coming up sooner than you think, so start planning. Promote your favorite ideas to a hard-sell friend, and smooth the edges before showing the money people.
ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I'm a Leo and have been a teacher for five years. This year, I'm having trouble disciplining my class of third-graders. They seem to like me, but still, they're unruly. What Leo attributes can I draw on to solve this?"
Enlist the help of one or two children for key projects, positions and assignments, like hall monitor or class secretary. Suddenly, the whole class will be competing with good behavior to be your special student. You have a lot of personal charm, so you can also discuss problems frankly and just allow the solution to come from the students.
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ing her Saturn return at the same time as you depends on the year of her birth. Where Saturn is positioned in your natal chart indicates what sector of your life your lessons will most likely focus on. It also depends on the other planets in your chart and what kinds of angles they form to Saturn.
CELEBRITY PROFILES: Barbra Streisand leads a very private life these days but could peek out from her shroud of secrecy for a political purpose this year. Her birth sign, Taurus, rules the throat, and there are many great singers who have a Taurus sun, moon or Mercury. Streisand has not only her sun but also Mercury, Saturn and Uranus in the sign of voices. Her moon is in show-stopping Leo. Hers is the chart of a diva.
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The Howard College Hawks will begin play in the WJCAC Baseball Tournament this afternoon against Frank Phillips. The Hawks, 24-27 overall, begin play at 1 p.m. in Midland's FAB ballpark.

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Bruce Schooler



Hawks open WJCAC tourney play

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

Howard College Hawks' head baseball coach Justin Hays knows one thing heading into the Western Junior College Athletic Conference Baseball Tournament: You can throw out the records because everyone has a chance. Hays, who saw his team

close out its regular season this past weekend with an offensive boom, will try and help keep the Hawks' chances of qualifying for the Region V Tournament alive this afternoon when he leads his team into the opening round of play. Howard College is scheduled to face Frank Phillips College beginning at 1 p.m. at Midland's First

KBST to broadcast Hawks' WJCAC opener

Howard College Hawks' fans will be able to catch the team's WJCAC tournament opener live this afternoon by tuning into KBST-AM 1490. The station's broadcast will begin at 12:45 p.m.

American Bank Ballpark.

The Hawks head into the tournament as the No. 4 seed in the Southern division. Frank Phillips is the No. 3 seed from the North.

Under new WJCAC tournament rules, the Hawks will need to advance to the championship game in order to qualify for the Region V Tournament. By making

See **WJCAC** on Page 7

The Glory Days

Big Spring, Coahoma girls ready to crash playoff party

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

For the Big Spring Lady Steers and the Coahoma Bulldogettes, making the state high school playoffs has become a tradition. Making the postseason is a foregone conclusion for both — as expected as dust storms, high temperatures and fire ants.

Guess what then? It shouldn't come as any great surprise to find out the Lady Steers and Bulldogettes are about to begin their traditional playoff runs. Both Howard County teams qualified for the postseason this fall with ease.

Big Spring, which advanced to the regional semifinals last season, nailed down a spot in the post-season by rolling through District 4-4A play with relative ease. The Lady Steers went 8-2 in loop play and finished as the district's runner-up. Coahoma, as usual, dominated District 3-2A action and streaked to their 10th consecutive district championship.

Big Spring is scheduled to open the area's softball playoff action Friday evening when they host the Pampa Lady Harvesters in the bi-district round of the Class 4A playoffs. The two teams will play beginning at 6 p.m. at the Lubbock High School field.

In Pampa, the Lady Steers will be facing a team that stumbled down the stretch. The Lady Harvesters finished the District 3-4A race with a 7-3 record, including a setback in their final game that dropped them to third in the district's final standings behind Dumas and Amarillo Caprock.

The Lady Steers, 19-9 overall, enter the playoffs on a different note. Despite coming in on the heels of a disappointing 4-1 loss to Andrews in the final game of the regular season, the Lady Steers have known their playoff run would continue for the past two weeks. The team wrapped up a playoff berth weeks ago.

In fact, the only speed bumps in the Lady Steers' expressway to the playoffs were tough losses to Andrews. The Mustangs, who drew a bye in the first round, edged the BSHS girls for the No. 1 seed by taking narrow 3-1 and 4-1 wins.

Big Spring is led into their showdown with Pampa by a bevy of stars, including sophomore ace Alex Watkins and second baseman Leina Braxton.

Watkins was more dominant than Darth Vader in his heyday this past season. She recorded more than 100 strike-



Herald Photo/Bruce Schooler

Coahoma freshman Sarah Dunn delivers a pitch to the plate during the Bulldogettes' recent win over Greenwood. Coahoma, which has never lost a district game and sent five teams to the state tournament, joins Big Spring in making its annual trek to the postseason party.

outs this season and hurled more than eight shutouts.

Braxton leads a potent offensive attack that also features hard-hitting third

baseman Laura Olague, centerfielder Chelsea Abner and catcher Erica Stewart.

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Foster, Reed earn HC's MVP honors

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

From the first time Howard College head basketball coach Chris Jans saw Je'Kel Foster and Vas'shun Newborne he knew they were going to be special on the basketball court.

His feelings haven't changed much over the past year.

Jans, who guided the Hawks to within five minutes of a berth in the National Junior College Basketball Tournament this past season, honored the two Natchez, Miss., standouts Tuesday night by presenting them with post-season accolades during the 2002 Howard College Athletic Banquet. In all, seven members of the HC men's basketball team were honored on the floor of Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Foster, who led the team in scoring this year as a freshman, was presented the team's Most Valuable Player and Mr. Offense accolades during ceremonies. Newborne was honored with the Hawk Award.

Foster wasn't the only Howard College standout honored. Lady Hawks' standout Jennifer Reed was also among the 50 HC athletes honored for their efforts during the school year.

Reed, an overpowering freshman starter for the HC women's softball team, was chosen as the Lady Hawks' MVP.

Also honored was Chaun Brooks, who was named the winner of the Mr. Defense honors. Fellow HC basketballer Jacques Pate, a 6-foot-10 forward, was given the Chairman of the Boards honor.

Jon Sykes, a walk-on who starred down the stretch for the Hawks, was given the Most Improved award by Jans, who has led the Hawks to 49 wins in two years — including a record-setting 21 in a row this year.

Newborne and Finlay Brashears were each given the Hawk Award, while Robbie and Kim Cooksey and Stan Feaster were presented with Friend of the Program honors.

Alexis Britt and Dana Davis topped the list of Lady Hawks' basketball players honored. Britt was selected the 2002-2003 MVP, while Davis collected the Best Defense and Lady Hawk merits.

Sophomore Belqui Guardado won the team's Best Offense award, while



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Eggleston, GC doubles team advance to semifinal rounds

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

First, Lacy Eggleston waited out a two-hour rain delay, then she outlasted Grape Creek's Kate Kuhlman.

All the waiting paid big dividends for the Forsan High School standout on Wednesday morning as she earned a berth in the semifinals at the Region I-2A Tennis Tournament at Abilene Christian.

After thunderstorms had delayed play for almost two hours,

Eggleston hammered out a 6-3, 4-6, 6-1 win over Kuhlman in the quarterfinals.

With the win, Eggleston moves to within two matches of advancing to the state tournament in Austin. The top two in each division will qualify for state.

Eggleston wasn't the only local making a strong bid for a spot in Austin. Garden City's doubles squad of Megan Niehues and Jessica Hoch advanced to the semifinals of the Region I-1A

Tournament, which is being held in Lubbock.

Niehues and Hoch dispatched the sister combination of Lauren and Morgan Hill of Miami by a 6-1, 6-2 margin to earn spot in the semifinals.

The Garden City duo had opened the meet with a tough 6-4, 5-7, 6-4 win over fourth-seeded Hedley.

The GCHS netters didn't fare as well in singles play. Donato Gonzales, Stacy Gully and Allison Jansa all lost their opening round matches.

Ruth Buzbee and members of the Big Spring United Girls Softball Association will return to play this afternoon at Roberts Field. Buzbee's Mama's Girls scrimmaged the Big Spring Reds Tuesday night.

Herald Photo/
Tommy Wells



Lady Steers take run at I-4A track crown Friday

The Big Spring Lady Steers will begin their run at the Region I-4A track championship Friday afternoon when they take to the track at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

Big Spring, coming off a win at the recent District 4-4A Track Meet, won five of the six meets it participated in this year.

The Region I-4A meet is scheduled to start at 2 p.m. with the field events. The running prelims will get under way at 6 p.m. The meet runs through Saturday.

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The following is a look at athletes honored at the 2003 ceremony which was held Tuesday at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

BASEBALL
MVP: Academic Excellence
Hawk Pride
Golden Glove
Big Stick
Newcomer of the Year
Most Improved

SOFTBALL
MVP: Academic Excellence
Hawk Pride
Golden Glove
Big Stick
Newcomer of the Year
Most Improved

RODEO
Top Hand: Academic Excellence (varmer)
Academic Excellence (men)

AWARDS

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Kaneicia Brown collected the Academic Excellence honors.

In baseball, Bryan Moore was selected the Hawks' 2002-2003 MVP, while teammates Austin Dorsey and Shon Maples shared the Academic Excellence award. Dorsey was named the program's top pitcher with the Golden Arm award.

Leonard Guerrero earned the Big Stick honors, while Brad Wiggins and J-Bob Thomas took home the Newcomer of the Year and Golden Glove prizes, respectively.

Former Coahoma High School star Kortney Kemper was honored by the women's softball team. The team's starting catcher, she received the Lady Hawks' Big Stick award.

Ted McDowell was awarded the Top Hand award from the HC rodeo program. Teammate Max Graham won the Most Improved accolade.

The softball team was honored as the school's top academic squad.



Former Coahoma High School standout Kortney Kemper was among more than 50 athletes honored by the Howard College athletic department Tuesday. Kemper, the Lady Hawks' starting catcher, won the team's Big Stick award.

Parcells-Simms II: Not likely

IRVING (AP) — Heading into the 2003 National Football League college draft, the quarterback position doesn't appear to be much of a priority for the Dallas Cowboys.

Should new Dallas head coach Bill Parcells want options beyond Carter and incumbent Chad Hutchinson, he's more

likely to trade for a veteran or sign someone who gets released after June 1.

The Cowboys, who are coming off a 5-11 campaign, probably will use one of their eight picks on a running back. Troy Hambrick is still the front-runner to replace Emmitt Smith, who was released in February, but his promotion opens a

backup spot.

So don't look for another Parcells-Simms tandem, with Texas Longhorn Chris Simms following the footsteps of his Super Bowl MVP dad, Phil.

"The chances of that happening, whatever percentage it is, it's certainly minuscule," Parcells said. "But if it did happen, then I'd look forward to it."

PLAYOFFS

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The availability of starting shortstop Whitney Hufford for the Lady Steers' playoff start was still unknown as of Tuesday. Hufford, who twisted her ankle in practice prior to Big Spring's season finale, visited doctors earlier this week.

Should the Lady Steers defeat Pampa, they would move into a second round matchup with El Paso Irvin.

Coahoma, 15-9-3, will have to wait a bit longer to begin its playoff run. The Bulldogettes earned a bye in the opening round of the Class 2A playoffs and will face the winner of the Grape Creek-Fort Hancock matchup next week.

The 2003 season has been nothing out of the norm for Coahoma softball. The Bulldogettes rolled through a tough non-district schedule that saw them face Class 5A powers from the Dallas-Fort Worth-area, San Angelo and Midland.

After that schedule, dropping down to play their district slate was almost easy. Coahoma finished the 3-2A race with a

perfect 6-0 record — and, amazingly enough, added another page of history to a program that has sent five teams to the state finals in the past 10 years. By going undefeated in loop play this fall, the Bulldogettes remain the only school in the state to have never lost a district softball game.

You read that correctly. Never, as in hasn't ever happened.

WJCAC

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it to the championship game, the team would earn either the No. 3 or No. 4 seed — depending on a win or loss in the finals — at the regional event.

New Mexico Junior College and El Paso Community College both wrapped up automatic bids to the Region V Tournament by winning the WJCAC North and South division titles. New Mexico and El Paso will play a best-of-three series, this weekend to determine which team will advance at the conference's No. 1 seed.

The Hawks, who finished the regular season with a 24-27 record, roll into the tournament on a

Like Big Spring, the Bulldogettes are powered by a strong — and young — pitching corps. Freshmen Sarah Dunn and Mandy Walker key the CHS attack.

Offensively, Ashley Lang, Ashle New, Megan Young, Michelle Walker, Ruby Garcia and Andrea Amaro give Coahoma plenty of pop at the plate and

high note. Howard College scored 56 runs this past weekend en route to sweeping four games from Lubbock Christian.

Should the Hawks win their opener against Frank Phillips, they would advance into a second-round showdown with rival Midland College this evening at 7.

Midland College, 40-11 overall, is the South's No. 2 seed.

The WJCAC tournament began this morning with a play-in game between New Mexico Military Institute and Western Texas College. The winner of that game was to face Odessa College at 4 p.m.

The championship game is scheduled for 10 a.m. Sunday in Midland.

2003 Howard College Athletic Banquet Honorees

The following is a look at the Howard College athletes honored at the 2003 Athletic Banquet ceremony which was held Tuesday evening in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

- BASEBALL**
 - MVP: Bryan Moore
 - Academic Excellence: Austin Dorsey
 - Academic Excellence: Shon Maples
 - Big Stick: Leonard Guerrero
 - Golden Arm: Austin Dorsey
 - Newcomer of the Year: Brad Wiggins
 - Golden Glove: J Bob Thomas
- SOFTBALL**
 - MVP: Jennifer Reed
 - Academic Excellence: Kim Ryzar
 - Golden Glove: Zera Trevino
 - Big Stick: Monica Droz
 - Big Stick: Bianca Paz
 - Newcomer of the Year: Kortney Kemper
 - Most Improved: Jennifer DeMay
 - Angela Piper
- RODEO**
 - Top Hand: Ted McDowell
 - Academic Excellence (women): Kelli McMurren
 - Academic Excellence (men): Allen Tacker

- Men's High Point Timed Event**: TBA
- Women's High Point Timed Event**: TBA
- Roughstock High Point**: Max Graham
- Most Improved**: Brandon Luce
- Friend of the Program**: Diane Hofacker
- Friend of the Program**: Russ McEwen
- MEN'S BASKETBALL**
 - MVP: Je'Kel Foster
 - Academic Excellence: Leon Woodstock
 - Mr. Defense: Chaun Brooks
 - Mr. Offense: Je'Kel Foster
 - Chairman of the Boards: Jacquie Pate
 - Most Improved: Jon Sykes
 - Hawk Award: Vas'ahun Newborn
 - Hawk Award: Finis Brashers
 - Friend of the Program: Robbie & Kim Cooney
 - Friend of the Program: Stan Feaster
- WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**
 - MVP: Alexis Britt
 - Academic Excellence: Kaneicia Brown
 - Best Defense: Belqui Guardado
 - Best Offense: Dana Davis
 - Lady Hawk: Dana Davis
 - Most Improved: Latasha Davis
- CHEERLEADERS**
 - Academic Excellence: Kacie Acri
 - Most Spirited: Nicole Payne
 - Best Jumps (female): Kacie Acri
 - Best Jumps (male): Andy Nunez
 - Best Motions (female): Nicole Payne
 - Best Motions (male): Andy Nunez
 - Best All Around: Nicole Payne
 - Best Dancer: Kacie Acri
 - Best Basket Toss: Candace Gantler
 - Best Stunts (female): Amber Ybarra
 - Best Stunts (male): Logan Long
 - Best Flyer: Candace Gantler
 - Best Tumbler: Dana Gonzales
 - Most Improved: Charles Abolias
- SPECIAL AWARDS**
 - Distinguished Academic Team: Softball
 - HC Hall of Fame: Jan Graham
 - HC Above & Beyond: Twyla Roberts
- TRAINERS**
 - Outstanding Student Trainer: Allison Davis
 - Academic Excellence: Krystal Cline
 - Newcomer of the Year: Wade Green
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 - Outstanding manager: Benny Conger

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You and Verity commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. on Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation, the same being Monday the 11th day of MAY 2003, before the Honorable, Thelma Davidson, District Judge of the Honorable County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Big Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 27th day of MARCH A.D. 2003, in this case number 03-04-00014-0 in the name of said court and styled IN THE INTEREST OF DONOVAN KING, A MINOR CHILD, vs. TELLAR RODRIGUEZ & VERITY, MAY 14, 2003.

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