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The
Tepartment of
Health Department of Health
offering special immunization hours from 8 a.m.-11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday from now
until July 29 .
Parents need to bring their child's shot
record or a letter from record or a letter from
their school or daycare.

## Shelhamer fund

A fund has been
established for anyone established for anyone defray medical expenses for Dusty and Sandi Shelhamer, whose son Hunter was born prematurely on June 30 Children's Hospital in Ghildren's Hospital in
Lubbock. Shelhamer is a fifth grade teacher at Goliad. Dusty is a fireman and
a guard at Alon USA. a guard at Alon USA.
The fund has been set up in Hunter's name at Employees Credit Union on Gregg Street.
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## Dunnam to fill principal's post at Marcy

BSISD trustees begin budget work sessions, continue today
By LYNDEL MOODY F Fry Assistant Principal "Marcy has a great staff and assistant principal, Dunnam Staff Writer Carie Dunnam to great faculty, great teachers, par- served as a fourth-grade teacher
Trustees with the Big Spring Independent School District approved the promotion of a disElementary School principal's vacancy Monday night before heading into a lengthy budget study.
By an unanimous vote, trustees
approved Big Spring High School
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By ROGER CLINE Staff Writer
A shooting A shooting in late 2001 is the focus of a trial slat
ed to start Thursday in ed to start Thursday
118th District Court. Monte Raven Anderson 28, of Big Spring is accused of participating
in an apparent drive-by shooting Nov. 6, 2001, on Harding Stree
Big Spring brothers
Eric and Will Franks, 20 and 19 at the time wer both injured in the shooting. Eric Franks received while Will Franks was grazed in the left leg.
Home school workshop set this evening HERALD Stat Repoot Big Spring Christian Home Educators will host
the third annual work shop, "Is Home Schooling for You?" this evening. The workshop will
begit at $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at the St. begit at 7 p.m. at the St .
Paul Lutheran Church Paul Luthe
Parish Hall. Anyone - parents or grandparents - interest
ed in learning about home schooling is urged to attend. There is no cost.
The local home school group will also have used
curriculum and books for sale. A panel of parents and students will field questions about getting started, state requireSee HOME, Page 3A

Big Spring EMS personnel wheel 24-year-old Carmen Rodriguez to a weraliting ambulationce Monday afternoon following a major accident on Gregg Street. According to police, Rodriguez was driving in the inside lane southbound on Gragg Street when her Oldsmobile collided with a Chevrolet driven by Jesus Valdes, 75. Valdes was punfing

Big Spring man goes on trial this week, accused in alleged drive-by shooting


## Commissioners told sheriff's 16-car fleet becoming unreliable



County Ols resolution against redistricting
By ROGER CLINE
Howard County commissioners aren't happy about congressional
redistrict-
 resurface Business interstate 20 in Bis Sping.

## Obituaries

Una Lee Herren Morris
 Una Lee Herren Morris, 80, of Big pal nursing Some Funeral s, 2003 , in a be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 16, 2003, at Chapel in Big Spring with the Rev. R.T. Havener, pastor of First Assembly of God, fficiating. Interment wil be in Trinity Memorial Park
Mrs. Morris was born on Oct. 13, 1922,
in Knott and married William Truman Morris on April 4, 1948, at Brown Community Church. They moved to Big Spring in July 1966 from Knott. She was a homemaker.
Mrs. Morris was a member of First Assembly of
God. She was a charter member of Evangel Temple God. She was a charter member of Evangel Temple served as treasurer of Women's Missionary; and had served as chaplain for Navy Wives Club in Morrocco while stationed there from 1958 to 1960 .
Survivors include her husband, William Morris of
Big Spring; ; three daughters, Nelda Reagan of Big Big Spring; three daughters, Nelda Reagan of Big Snyder; one sister, Ila Herren of Big Spring; one brother, Alfred Herren of Knott; 15 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.
In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the First
Assembly of God, 310 West Fourth Bis Sping Assembly of God, 310 West Fourth, Big Spring 79720 . Welch Funeral Home \& Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Josefa Lara Nollola


Josefa Lara Nollola, 63, of Midlanddied Funeral service will be at 9 a.m. Wednesday, July 16, 2003, at Primera Iglesia Bautista with the Rev. Ernesto Gil officiating. Interment will be at Fairview
Cemetery. She was born Sept. 18, 1939, in Cuero to Ricardo Nollola on Oct. 16, 1954.
Ricardo of Midland; daughter and son-in-law, husband, and Domingo Cantu of Big Spring. Nollola of Midland; daughter, Ruth Nollola of Midland: three granddaughters; three great-grandchildren; two sisters, Maria Gomez of California and Edna Garcia of Kansas; and three brothers, Pedro Lara of Indiana, Tomas Lara of Brady and Antonio Lara of Idaho.
Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Arrangements are un
Funeral Home of Midland

Estelle M. Birdwell
Funeral servies for Estelle M. Birdwell, 91, of Tahoka
will be at 10 a.m. today Tuesday will be at 10 a.m. today, Tuesday, July 15,2003 , at
Sweet Street Baptist Church in Tatroka with the Rev. Lynh Long officiating. Burial will bbs in Tahoka Cemetery under the direction of White Funeral Home. Mrs. Birdwell died Sunday, July 13, 2003, in Lubbock. Mrs. Birdwell was born on March 4, 1912, in Gatesville, a daughter of Lewis and Annie Katherine
Bray Swindall. She married C.E. "Ed" Birdwell on Jan. Bray Swindall. She married C.E. "Ed" Birdwell on Jan.
21, 1936, in Royce City. He preceded her in death on , Whe was a homemaker and a charter member of Sweet Street Baptist Church. Survivors include two sons, J.E. Birdwell and wife Survivors include two sons, J.E. Birdwell and wife, Carolyn, of Lubbock and Bill Birdwell and wife, Nancy, of Alexandria, Va.: a daugher, Carolyn
Talamantes and husband, Art, of Big Spring; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and one great-great granddaughter
The family suggests memorials to Sweet Street
Baptist Church, 1300 Ave. Baptist Church, 1300 Ave. J, Tahoka 79373, or the

Thoma Lee Winford
Thoma Lee Winford, 92, of Lamesa died Sunday, July 13, 2003, in Lamesa. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m.
Wednesday, July 16,2003 , at the Second Baptist Church with her grandson, Chris Winford, officiating and the Rev. Clifton Igo and the Rev. Cecil Foster assisting. Burial will be in Lamesa memorial Park. Mrs. Winford was born on Oct. 16, 1910, in Rotan. She
married Harry Winford on Dec. 11, 1929, in Lubbock married Harry Winford on Dec. 11, 1929, in Lubbock. She worked as a cook at the school cafeteria and the Pink Pantry for many years. She was a member of the Second Baptist Church.
Survivors include three sons, Kenneth Winford, - Jimmy Winford and Richard Lee Winford, all of Lamesa; five daughters, Estelle Foster of Lubbock, Laverne Hensler of Odessa, Ann Tuttle of Lamesa, of Big Spring; four brothers, Gene Denton of Hobbs, N.M., Butch Denton of Early, Howard Denton of Lake Brownwood and J.T. Denton of McKinney; one sister, Marie Clark of Denton; 17 grandchildren; 31 great grandchildren; and 11 great-great-grandchildren. the Branon Funeral Home in Lamesa.


Louis Duque
Louis Duque, 86, of Stanton, Texas died Monday July 14, 2003. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 16, 2003, at graveside in St. Joseph A vigil service will be held tonight at 7 at the funeral home.
Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath
Funeral Home of Stanton.

## Marguerite Marie Langley

Marguerite Marie Langley, 70, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, July 15, 2003, at her residence. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle \& Welch Funeral Home Crematory of Big Spring

## Police blotter

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

- JIMMY PAUL, 37 , of 204 Merrick Road was arrest ed Monday for two local traffic warrants.

RUSTY SQUIRES, 36, of Odessa was arrested Monday on a charge of theft, more than $\$ 500$ but less than \$1,500.

- MARCUS McVEA, 19, of 2524 Hunter was arrested Monday on charges of possession of marijuana; theft, more than $\$ 50$ but less than $\$ 500$; and on a Nolan
County warrant. LATOYA MAXLL, 18, of 2608 Ent was arrested Monday on a charge of theft, more than $\$ 50$ but less than \$ $\$$ SNTA CRUZ DIAZ JR 31, of 701 NW Ninth Street was arrested Monday on charges of assault class c/family violence and resisting arrest.
- RONNIE RIVERA, 23, of 1801 E. 18th St. was RONNIE RIVERA, 23, of 1801 E. 18th St. Was DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the - DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the West Interstate 20
- DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 2500 block of Hunter Drive, the 1500 block of Mesa Street and the 700 block of Northwest Ninth Street

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 3900 block of West Highway 80 .
700 where clothes valued at $\$ 18.40$ were reported soen

## Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity

- DEAD DQG CHAINED UP was reported on North
Birdwell Lane and Loop Road Upon arriva of th Birdwell Lane and Loop Road. Upon arrival of the dead dog but left food and water to the animals in the yard. roperty was later returned to owher
- STOLEN VEHICLE was reported in the 1600 block f East 16th
- PROWLER was reported in the 2900 block of South - LIVESTOCK IN ROADWAY was reported Hughes and Ratliff Road.
ACCIDENT-HIT and RUN was reported on Merrick Road. According to the report, complaint advised a subject hit an electrical pole with his vehi-
cle and continued on to his residence.


## Lottery

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by
Texas Lottery: 9-10-14-29-33
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## Weather

Today - Sunny. Highs in the upper 90s. Southwest
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Tonight - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s. Southeast winds 5 to 15 mph
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Thursday - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s. Thursday - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s.
Friday - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s. Highs in the mid 90s.
Saturday - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s. Highs in the mid 90s.
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## Bulletin board

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## TODAY

Intermediate Line Dance class, 9 a.m., Spring City enior Center, 1901 Simler, 267-1628.
Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus Big Spring Art Association, 7 p.m., Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.
Big Spring Chapter 67, Order of the Eastern Star, :30 p.m., Masonic Lodge, 219 Main

## WEDNESDAY

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus oom, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
Senior Circle Stretch \& Tone, 10 a.m., Scenic ountain Medical Center, 1601 W. 11th Place.
Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College actus Room.
Line dancing, 1 p.m., Spring City Senior Center 901 Simler, 267-6966 or 267-1628.
Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring Country lub, Driver Road.
Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m. Eagles odge, 203 W. Third St.

THURSDAY
Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room
001 Birdwell Lane, 267-6479.
Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060, m., Herman's Restaurant, 1601 Gregg St.

Coffee Club, 10 a.m., Gale's Sweet Shoppe, 1712 E FM 700.
Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring Country Club, Driver Road.

Care Giver's Workshop and Ice Cream Social, 1:30 p.m. $-4: 30$ p.m., at the Dora Roberts Community
Center, Comanche Trail Park .Presenters will proCenter, Comanche Trail Park. Presenters will provide information on topics ranging from where to issues, planning for the future and managing med issues,
ication.
Citizen's Police Academy Association, 5:30 p.m
RSVP offices, 501 Runnels.
American Legion Post 506, 6 p.m., call 263-2084
Rackley-Swords 379, Vietnam Veterans of America 7 p.m., 309 S. Main, Sparenberg
Masonic Lodge 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.
FRIDAY
AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron Inn., Highway 87.
Greater Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College
Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
Country \& Western Dance, 7:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m. Spring City Senior Center, 1901 Simler. All area seniors are invited.
SATURDAY
Howard County Scottish Rite, 7:30 a.m. Masonic Howard County Scottish Rite, 7:30 a.m., Mas
Lodge, 21st and Lancaster. Breakfast is served.

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


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third-grade teacher at
Ebow Elementary in the
Forsan ISD, a fifth-grade
teacher at Kentwood
Elementary School and a
kindergarten teacher at
Coahoma Elementary
School.
Dunnam's promotion
follows last week's
announcement that Mark
Owen, the former assis-
tant principal at Goliad
Intermediate School, was
chosen as the new princi-
pal at Bauer Elementary

## VEHICLES

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90,000 añd 100,000 between "They're wearing out we're not going to get any for next year," he said. "It's a desperate measure on my part to get thi and show them the neces sity of having good oper-

## RESOLUTION

such as Lubbock, would remain in the 19th District. It is our feeling that our commonality of interubbock,", Crooker said. We don't feel that the map the House put forward by the House truly repre

## TRIAL

ers. That's really as•far as
I can go into the facts."
Big Spring lawyer Tim byt it was settled at the ast minute. We already naed to come in later in the week. It's kind of unusual to pick a jury (Monday) and go on
Thursday, but tit's not really that much out of the ordinary.
diseuss the facts of to the charge.
"I can tell you that the defendant, Mr. Anderson, is charged with aggravat ed assault with a deadly weapon," he said. "There was involved in the shoot ing of the Franks broth

## HOME

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ments and other related home education issues.
For information before the workshop, call 263 7147.
ings, thinking and so The resolution high lights some of the points made by Crooker and Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen at redistricting
hearings
recently in hearings recently in
Lubbock and San Angelo: - Howard County has already had three different congressmen in a span of two years.
The current 19th Congressional
representative Yeats is Anderson's defense attorney. the makeup of the jury," Yeats said. "We look forward to presenting the evidence to the jury." The delay in the trial's impact on the outcome, Yeats added.
would," he said. "All of the jurors took an oath that they would base their verdict solely on the evi-
dence and I don't think hat will change just because of the fact that there's a two- or three-day lapse in between there."

Smith hands Salvation Army Capt. Russ Keeney Army's back-to-school supply drive for area chir dren. Also pictured are
Capt. Linda Keeney and Candidate Donald New, far right.

School. It also leaves the
district scrambling to fill district scrambling to fill cipal's positions. One assistant principal's position - that at
the Big Spring Junior High School - was filled on July 7 with the hiring of Tommy Gibson. In other business, trustees settled down for a lengthy budget study session to review the administration's proposed $\$ 24.4$ million budget. The FY includes a surpluses of \$719,145 that would allow trustees a little breathing room and add a few projects back into the budget.
"I think the session "I think the session
went pretty smooth," said Board President Mike

Tm fearing liability issues if we do not have proper equipment that we need to get to the calls we
need to go on in emergeed to go on in in emer Of Walker's proposed budget amendment, $\$ 170,000$ would be for the new vehicles and another
$\$ 11,000$ would raise $\$ 11,000$ would raise the
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$\$ 30,000$ for the year. Another $\$ 27,700$ would fund increases in the female boarding, inmate

Dawson. "Of course, it's increases to meet the
always smooth when you impending loss employees have extra money to work with. The tough budgets are when you are in the hole. well this district is doing added. "I year," Dawson sensus of the board is to try to put as much money in the fund balance or the savings account for a rainy day because we don't know what the state will do from one day to
the next." the next."
During During the discussion,
trustees seemed inclined to add several items rec ommended by the administration back in but still
allow for a projected allow for a projected
$\$ 250,000$ surplus.
Discussions on salary plies, jail repairs, medi-
cine and medical/ambu-
lance budgets for the jail. lance budgets for the jail. "Midland County, for quite some time, has
allowed our sheriff's office to house mainly our female inmates over in their county without charging us," Walker said. "Midland County
itself is faced with over itself is faced with over
crowding now. They have crowding now. They have
to charge for any inmates we send there now. The commissioners' court wa
impending loss employees
will have when the state takes away part or all of its $\$ 1,000$ pass-through for decision on whether to allow funds to replace
computers at the Big Spring Junior High School dominated much of the discussion. Trustees will meet again today at $5: 15$ p.m. in the Big Spring High School Board Room, 70711 th
Place, to solidify numbers Place, to solidify numbers
for the proposed budget Trustees also approved: - Spending $\$ 28,683$ for digital video equipment or the athletic depart-
ment on a $5-2$ vote purchase comes as a response from the
today for inmate housing.
That's out of our control That's just a continual expense that this county will face until we see a
hew jail to house our inmates."
Commissioners declined to comment on Walker's request at the meeting Monday
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| University Interscholastic | cial education teacher |
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| League 4A coaches meet- | Bauer and Kentwood; and |
| ing request. Trustees | Todd Patterson, Big |
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| Kennedy and Maria | teacher. |
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| sure and Trustees Kent | Kathryn Felice Logan, a |
| Sharp and Phil | second grade teacher at |
| Furqueron voted against. | Kentwood. |
| Jennifer Lance and | the career and applied |
| Jeremy Sturdivant, Big | technology program from |
| Spring High School spe cial education teachers: | a multi-vendor list. |
| Ellisa Medina-Bancroft, | Contact Staff Writ |
| Big Spring. High School | Lyndel Moody at 263-733 |
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Midland/Odessa

- Howard College and Lubbock Christian formed a cooperative bachelor's degree program, allowing Howard
students to obtain a four-


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MYERS \& SMITH about his client's FUNERAL HOME about his client's
prospects.
"We don't believe that the evidence will show that Monte is guilty of the charged," he said

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## Diversity in our American speech

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Our Views
Graffiti Clean-up project simply makes sense

Tthe word that Big Spring is in for a cleanup at best to mess it up in the first place - namely vandals, curfew violators and those teens

Offenders eligible to work off their fines received in
teen court, the probation office or in municipal court. teen court, the probation office or in municipal court
will be removing and painting over graffiti. will be removing and painting over graffiti asking the community to contact him and report any Grant money will be used to pay overtime hours for
a police officer to supervise the community service a police officer to supervise then authoritative
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That officer will not only be a strong That officer will not only be a strong authoritative
figure for the youth that are too enthused abut having to do their community service work
The bottom line is the courts will focus on putting youths who engage in destructive behavior into the
program, giving them an opportunity to not only think program, giving them an opportunity to not only think
about what their actions have resulted in, but repair some of the damage at the same time Police are asking businesses that sell paint to donate For more information of if you want to donate to the For more information, of if you want to donate to the
program, contact the police department at 264-2550.

Your Views
To the Editor: For those of you that lifted to Covenan
don't know Dusty and Children's Hospital in Sandi Shelhamer, they Lubbock Tuesday ing people. Sandi is afth breathe on his own in grade teacher at Goliad. Hunter is now in the the Week Award for geing
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students. Dusty is fireman a platized another 10 to 12 guard at Alon USA and is Netional Salt Lake his work at the the floods in Hourmpics, Columbia crash and the Sept. 11 World Trade them as part of our comThey were expecting
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A Small Prayer
by K. Rae Anderson
lives that your word brings.

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 recent times, progress andadvancement advancement in edu-
cation have altered the course of human history. When it could be truthfully said, "the pen was
mightier than the mightier than the of power was no
longer brute strength, but people
ability to use their ability to use their native tongue with grace and ease.
While America is a land of diverse While America is a land of diverse
peoples and cultures, our rich heritage is something we should always strive to preserve.
Several years ago I had the honor of being the speaker for the
Yellville, Ark Commerce Banquet. Yellville quiet little town on the Ozark plateau, not too far from the
Missouri border. The morning following my speech I had breakfast
at a little restaurant called the at a little restaurant called the
Cedar Inn. I understand it's no longer in businers but back then
their place mats contained some. their place mats contained some-
thing called Mountain Talk that I found to be very interesting.
Before I share a portion of this to point out or at least emphasize

about our country is that we have a common bond. Regardless of who our ancestors were or where they came from, what we do for a living, whether we are rich or poor, we are all Americans. We
should take our responsibility ser ously because we are all citizens of the greatest nation in the world Not only do we have a common bond, we also have a great diversity among our people which is also
a great strength. As diversity areat strength. As diversity
relates to our language, millions of Americans speak languages in addition to English and many speak with an accent. Accents can reflect more than American's eth-
nic variety, they can reveal nic variety, they can reveal For example, I can't figure out why the folks in Boston think I talk funny. Mountain Talk, the article from the place mat that I want to share with you, contains regional sayings commonly used of you folks in the Midwest, California, Washington and other areas where our column runs may find this a little more than unusual. Some of these sayings have England, Scotland and Ireland brought to this country by early settlers who lived in the mountain
regions of the American South.
Here are some of the examples: A-fixin' means getting ready to do
something. "We're a-fixin' to go to omething. "We're a-fixin' to go to
the store." Peaked means pale or sickly looking. "He's looking
mighty peaked today. ${ }^{n}$ Fetch means to bring." "Go fetch the Doctor. Put-Out means angry or about the meshore was put-o means become quiet. "Make Jamie hesh-up." Clum means climbed. " clum that hill for the last time." Now, before I'm plum slap done, would like to give you more of the sayings without the definitions and examples. You will probably Askeered of, doins, dast, holler, vittles, you'uns, cuttin' up, book ead, fur piece, gully washer, lolly gag, crick, airish, kiver, skittish nd smack dab.
These expressions have a way of
touching my roots, and if you will touching my roots, and if you wil race yours back there, too. You know, if we will take this line of thinking back far enough, we're all just chips off the old block. In all my years of speaking, the one want to be effective, I must speak in the language of those who are in the audience. I have found how ever, that clean humor is the one bond that unites us all. As Robert Louis Stevenson has said, Al dead language until it finds a will ing and prepared hearer
(Jim Davidson is a motivational speaker and syndicated columnist.
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## Signing any health bill is the plan


Pryce, Republican Conference chairman, told the House: "Upon passage of both pieces of legisla-
tion, the text of HR 2596 (HSA) hould be added as new matter drugs). In simple terms, these tw Oddly, no Democrat protested. By itself, the HSA would have into prescription drugs, it now The question becomes whether his market-oriented proposal will nce.
On the day after the Senate passed the Kennedy-approved bill, went to the floor to state the liber position. Stabenow, who relent are promotes government healt was "one of the toughest" since 2000. If the House bill ends up as he final product, she promised, " In vote ho.
port is 'hased on Stabenow's sup House's market elemg the White House gives the impression ie. That would not be the if the he listens to Medicake nderstrands the stakes Scully, who American health care. The perception on Capitol Hill is that e president's political team any bill, and damn the conse quences. Novak and read his past Robert D. isit the Creators Syndicate we COPYRIGHT 2003 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

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## Ratliff joins efffort to block redistricting bill in Senate <br> AUSTIN

$\begin{aligned} & \text { AUSTIN } \\ & \text { Republican } \text { (AP) } \\ & \text { Sen. Bill }\end{aligned}$ Republican Sen. Bill
Ratliff handed Senate Democrats the one dissenting voice they needed to block a congressional redistricting bill from not be enough to kill the bill that is likely to favor the GOP. Ratliff, a former acting Monday he planned to
Claudette threatens mid Texas coastline
PORT OCONNOR (AP)
An invigorated
Hurricane claudette lum-
bered toward the Texas bered toward the Texas
shore early Tuesday bringing heavy rainfall. gusty winds and flooding
to the middle Texas coast as residents took last-
minute precatutions Claudette. from a tropical upgraded picked up speed and become better organized
Maximum sustained making Claudette a - the first of the Atlantic
season. At 6 a.m. Claudette was
125 miles east-northeast
of Corpus (hristi. mov The hurricane's 25 mile ing. with forecasters pre dicting some increase in ing shore in about 12 18
18 hours. o keep its westward
course before makint landfall Tuesday evening Matagorda Bay or Corpus Christi. Winds early to 50 mph in Galveston,
where heavy rains from Claudette's spiral bands had made it onshore.
Minor coastal flooding $\begin{array}{ll}\text { was reported in } \\ \text { Galveston and } & \text { Brazoria }\end{array}$ The hurricane has ing north of where fore casters initially anticipatern turn.
The entire Texas coast line was under some sort
of advisory. with a hurricane warning stretching
from Baffin Bay in South Texas to High Island east houisiana border. The warning means the coast
should expect winds of at least 74 mph .
Flooding from a storm surge three to five feet
above normal tide levels. with battering by large waves, warning area and to he north of wher the coast. Rainfall of five to eight inches is possible from the hurricane. Police in Rockport.
about 30 miles northeast of Corpus Christi. saic "strongly recommend that Aransas County residents evacuate as soon as possible. Law officers and or patrol the city ant broadcast an evacuation speakers.
Port O'Connor, anothe town of vacation homes
and shrimpers that found itself in Claudette' sights, wás destroyed by a strong hurricane it 1919 and again by the Category 4 monster Carl in 1961. While no one expects such a disaster
this time, residents and visitors were puzzling on whether to stay or flee on the only road out of town

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## Armstrong avoids crash, keeps Tour lead

## In Brief

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for football is $\$ 75$ per person. more informaFor more infor
tion, call $266-9634$.

## Rose Magers-Powell

 volleybill camp set The Rose MagersCamp will be held July 23-26 at Steer Gym. Registration forms are available at the BSHS Athletic Training Center. Camp times for players in the sevenththrough ninth grades will be from 9 a.m. to noon. Players in grades 10.12 will attend from p.m. to 7 p.m.

The cost is 885 per
camper. For more inform
tion, call $263-4847$.

## Forsan tennis clinic

set for July 21-23 The Forsan Students held July $21-23$ at the Forsan tennis courts The junior high porbe tield frait a each day The high school portion will run from 10 a.m. to noon. Midland College pro Lance Armstrong will serve as the instructor. is $\$ 10$ per junior high participant and \$20 for high schoolers.
For more information or to register contact, Connie Eggleston
at $267-6913$ or $264-0483$

Area players sought for all-star game the 2003 all Americas Basketball squad are available to area seniors interested in participating in the
Area boys and girls, who graduated this past year, are eligible to compete in the con test.
For more informaWells at (915) 816-6336.

CGA, HWP to host golf tourney Sunday Association will hold a benefit golf tournament for Hispanic Sunday at Comanche Trail Golf Course.
The tournament will be a pick-your-own. The event will begin at 10 a.m. with a shotgun
start. more Information contact pro shop at 264-2366.

## Las Eatas sonthall

tomey ready to ro Softball Tournament will be hed inturday The tournament is Open to Class fe and 12 pers squat. Mhat toadFor more informa:-810-1393 or Henry Vilia

GAP, France (AP) - Lance moment like that, it's a survival "You can't train for that so it's too fast into the corner and Armstrong escaped a harrowing
crash in the Alps on Monday riding into a field to avoid a fal en rival but keeping his overal lead in the Tour de France.
Joseba Beloki had been secon overall behind Armstrong and is out of cycling's premier race with a broken right leg. right elbow and right wrist. Armstrong, bidding for
record-tying fifth consecutive title, made a strong recovery to finish fourth in the ninth stage on Bastille Day.
"I was scared like never before," said Armstrong, who took the leader's yellow jersey his bike, carried it to the road 4fin
Former Big Spring High School star Daniel "Bubba" Franks spends some time with Big Spring students during Saturday's Big Spring Footbail Boosters Goif Tournament. Standing with Franks (center) are Jef
Phillips, Michael Ornales, Ragen Phillips, Hadden Phillips and (kneeling) Wesley Smith.

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Two-time NFL Pro Bowler enjoys chance to help, serve as a role model at 'home'

By TOMMY W
Despite being up early to catch a plane from his house in Miami to Big Spring, Daniel "Bubba" Franks
signed autograph after autograph without complaint Saturday morn-
ing. He stopped and talked to fans ing. He stopped and talked to fans

## at almost every request.

Unike some, Franks doesn't the least he thinks he can do for the place he still considers home. "I like coming back here as often as the special guest at the Big as the special guest at the Big
Spring Steers Football Boosters Golf Tournament.
"I really enjoy coming back here
and talking to the people and trying and talking to the people and trying
help where I can," said Franks, help where I can," said Franks, a
1996 graduate of Big Spring High

Webber pleads guilty to criminal contempt, expected to avoid prison
DETROIT (AP) - On
ing, the former Michigan
the eve of his federal per- player admitted that in jury trial, Sacramento 1994 he gave Martin about Kings forward Chris $\$ 38,000$ in cash as repay Webber pleaded guilty
ment for past expendi-
Monday to a lesser charge of criminal contempt in a made on his behalf. deal that is expected to allow him to avoid prison time.
Webber had face a fine. U.S. District charged with lying to been Judge Nancy Edmund charged jury about money will decide whether the criminal contempt charge authorities say he is a felony or a misdereceived from former meanor. Sentencing was Michigan basketball set for Sept. 16.
booster Ed Martin. He A perjury charge booster Ed Martin. He A perjury charge
could have faced up to against the player's could have faced up to against the player's
five years in prison. During Monday's hear is expected to be dropped
$\qquad$ Attorney
Convertino As Convertino said. The father's attorney declined
to comment. Jury select Jury selection in Chris
Webber's trial had been scheduled to begin Tuesday. He left the courtroom Monday without talking to reporters.
Martin, who died Feb Martin, who died Feb.
14 at age 69 , pleaded guilty last year to con spiracy to launder money He admitted he took gambling money, combined it with other funds and lent
it to several players while it to several players $w$
they were in school.
"It's kind of cutting it a little
close, but this is what I need to get my head straight before I begin the
year," he said. year," he said.
Franks is hoping the brief four day visit leads to something much larger in the near future. He indicoundation later this year and hoped to convince several of his
high-profile friends to town next year for a football
celebrity bowling event.
"I hope this is just the start of something bigger," he said. "I'd maybe a bowling event with some of my friends to try and help the Big Spring economy. I'd like to try
and get it started as soon as I can get my foundation started." "I'd like to do something
This is my home," he added.

Clemens
in, Zito out of baseball All-Star tilt

 Star roster Monday, with the commissioner's office saying the Oakland left-
hander was unable to pitch.
That was news to Zito who said he found out he was off the roster while
sitting with his All-Star teammates in a hotel bal room, giving interviews.
"If I had some black and-white explanation,
During the A's $1-0$ win
at Baltimore on Sunday, Young Award, winner
threw 106 pitches, getting threw 106 pitches, gettin four hits in eight innings Sandy Alderson, execu
tive vice president of baseball operations in the commissioner's office Ken Macha and pitching Ken Macha and pitching
coach Rick Peterson made the decision, and
that A's general manager Billy Beane also was "Barry was informed of
 relayed to us, and we
acted on that informaZito had been in an AL sion with reporters and
said nothing was mentioned to him.
"It has nothing to do with me or my physical
situation," he said. "I don't know if they didn feel comfortable with $m$ Zito thought he could have pitched an inning. game, Zito faced one batShawn Green Angeles groundout
replaced replaced

## Judge rules in favor of

 Sanders in bill dispute judge ruled in favor of Edson told reporters. Deion Sanders on Edson said he has Monday, saying the for-mer Dallas Cowboy paid the full amount he had authorized for repairs on his 1961 Lincoln Continental convertible. State District Judge Joe Cox made the ruling
after a one-day trial after a one-day trial.
The owner of the repair shop said Sanders wanted to pay only $\$ 1,500$ of the $\$ 4,265.57$ bil., saying that Jesus had informed him that was all he needed topay.

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