



FRIDAY

November 21, 2003

WEATHER

Tonight:



TONIGHT 52°-53° TOMORROW 75°-77°

BRIEFLY

AL Post fish fry

The American Legion Post 506 will hold a fish fry beginning at noon Saturday. Delivery will begin at 11 a.m. and end at 1 p.m.

Cost is \$7 per plate. Carry outs are available.

The post is located at 3203 W. Highway 80. Call 263-2084 for more information.

Brisket fund-raiser

The Big Spring High School Key Club will be at Wal-Mart Saturday to help raise funds for the Ronald McDonald House.

Members will be selling brisket sandwiches and soft drinks from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Foster families

Big Spring and surrounding counties are in critical need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers of the children in the community who have been abused and neglected.

For more information on becoming foster/adoptive families call Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669 or 1-800-233-3405.

COMING

THIS WEEKEND



Helen Barnes founded Meals on Wheels in Lehigh County, Penn., three decades ago. Now, at age 88, she still drives two routes a week.

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Entry deadline arrives for Community Christmas Parade

By BILL MCCLELLAN News Editor

'Time's a wastin' for those who have planned to enter the Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade but might have put it off.

Today is the deadline to enter and still be eligible as a winner in one of four categories: Lighted float, school or church, commercial and manufacturing, and civic organizations. Late entries will be accepted, but will not be eligible for a plaque.

'We always accept late entries, but you can still sign up now and be eligible, even if your float or other entry is not ready. Just call us

'A Family Christmas' is the theme of this year's lighted parade, set to roll down Gregg Street on Saturday, Dec. 6. The Grand marshal will be U.S. Congressman Randy Neugebauer, R-Lubbock.



NEUGEBAUER

and let us know you want to be in the parade, then fill out an application as soon as possible," said Elizabeth Flores, Herald parade

coordinator

'A Family Christmas' is the theme of this year's lighted parade, set to roll down Gregg Street on Saturday, Dec. 6.

In addition to Santa, the parade will feature a special guest.

'We're very pleased to announce that U.S. Congressman Randy Neugebauer will be our grand marshal,' said Flores. 'He has made a number of visits to our area since being elected a short time ago. We're happy he can be involved, not just politically, but in helping us celebrate the season.'

Flores said she anticipates the congress-

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Salvation Army Capt. Russ Keeney, left, and HEB Store Director Kenny Breazeale load up groceries destined for the Salvation Army kitchen. The organization is in need of volunteers to help prepare the annual Thanksgiving Day feast, which will be served Thursday. For more information on how to help, call 267-8239.

Few leads, but search goes on for missing man

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

The Big Spring Police Department is following leads into the disappearance of 40-year-old Arlin Bynum, but the trail of the Big Spring man continues to grow cold.

'Monday we followed up a lead by searching the area behind Barcelona Apartments,' said Police Spokesperson Sgt. Roger Sweatt. 'We've received several tips involving that stretch of land, but nothing has come of it thus far.'

Sweatt said tips on the missing man's fate are still coming in sporadically. Unfortunately they have yet to yield any new or usable information in the case, which began on Aug. 15 when Bynum's family reported him missing.



'There's always the chance that Mr. Bynum, or any other missing person who's body hasn't been found, will turn up.'

Sgt. Roger Sweatt

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AMERICA'S FUTURE VFW names winners in annual essay contests

By LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

The Veteran's of Foreign Wars Post 2013 awarded \$400 in savings bonds this week to the top finishers in the 'Voice of Democracy' and 'Patriot's Pen' contests.

'They were all excellent entries and it was a difficult decision,' said Leo Welch, VFW Post 2013 essay contest chairman. An independent panel of judges selected the winners.

In the 'Voice of Democracy' contest, open to students in grades ninth through 12th, Forsan High School's Stacie L. Borel placed first, winning a \$100 savings bond.

Second place went to Lacy M. Eggleston who received a \$75 savings bond and third place went to Ben Breyman, who earned a \$50 saving bond. Both Eggleston and Breyman are also Forsan students.

The 'Voice of Democracy' is a national audio essay competition designed to have students express their opinion on a patriotic theme. This year's theme was 'My Commitment to America's Future.'

In the 'Patriot's Pen' contest, a contest for students in grades seventh and eighth, Big Spring Junior High School's Suraj N. Patel won a \$100

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Winners of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2013 receive savings bonds from contest chairman Leo Welch. Pictured are, from left, Ben Breyman, third place; Stacie L. Borel, first place; and Lacy M. Eggleston, second place. All three students attend Forsan High School.

Trot for Tots? Sheriff's Posse to help raise funds in non-traditional poker run

By LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

Area horse enthusiasts will be riding for toys Saturday morning in the West Texas Range Riders Toys for Tots Poker Run.

'It's like any poker run except we'll be riding horses,' said T.J. Walker, a Howard County Sheriff's Posse member. 'We'll have several stops along the way and at each stop you draw a card out of a paper sack.'

According to Walker, how many

hands participants collect depends on the amount of toys they donate.

'For every \$10 worth of children's gifts, you get to have one poker hand,' Walker said. 'Then at the end, they'll have prizes and everybody has a chance for the grand prize, no matter how bad your hand was.'

The poker run is set to begin at 8 a.m. at Clear Springs Cafe located on Highway 191 and Loop 250 near Sam's

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55-Alive driver safety classes planned now for Martin County

Special to the Herald

Fifty-five Alive driver safety program classes will be held from 8 a.m. until noon Dec. 11-12 at the Martin County Senior Citizen's Center in Stanton.

This class is taught by a state-certified instructor and is a two-day course of four hours each session. You must attend both

days to receive a certificate, which will be accepted by most insurance companies for a deduction in premiums for a three-year period.

The cost is \$10 per person. To register, call 432-756-2791, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

This class is not a defensive driving class and cannot 'forgive' traffic violations.

Obituaries

Leon H. Schroeder

Leon H. Schroeder, 93, of Big Spring died Thursday, Nov. 20, 2003, in a local hospital. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Michael Lloyd Matthews



Michael Lloyd Matthews, 35, of Big Spring died on Thursday, Nov. 20, 2003, at his residence following a year long illness.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, 2003, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on Feb. 27, 1968, in Dallas and married Brandi Bluhm on Aug. 22, 1997 in Big Spring.

Michael came to Big Spring in 1975 with his family and attended schools at Coahoma. He had been employed at Cornell Corrections for 11 years. He was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Brandi Matthews of Big Spring; his daughter, Breana Matthews of Big Spring; his father and step mother, Carl and Nell Matthews of Simms; two sisters, Carla Kistler of Big Spring and Sandy Posey of Weatherford; two brothers, Gary Matthews of Big Spring and Ricky Matthews of Bronte; and one step brother, Mike Rush of Plano.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Vivian Rush.

The family suggests memorials to the Michael Lloyd Matthews Benefit account at the Big Spring Government Employees Federal Credit Union, 2204 Gregg St., Big Spring 79720.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

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

Francisca Cortez

Francisca Cortez, 87, of Andrews, formerly of Lamesa, died on Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2003, at an Odessa hospital.

Rosary service was held on Thursday, Nov. 20, 2003, at McNett Funeral Home Chapel in Andrews. Funeral mass will be held at 2 p.m. today, Nov. 21, 2003, at St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church in Lamesa with Father Rudolf Crasta officiating. Burial will be held in Dawson County Cemetery in Lamesa under the direction of McNett Funeral Home in Andrews.

She was born on Oct. 10, 1916, in Gonzales. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Cortez was preceded in death by her husband, Jose Cortez in 1982.

She is survived by three sons, Pablo Cortez of Midland, Antonio Cortez of Seguin and Rudy Cortez of Lamesa; one daughter, Maria Estrada of Andrews; one brother, Julian Arispe of Waco; two sisters, Iancia Rodriguez and Teodora Rodriguez of Big Spring; 11 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services are under the direction of McNett Funeral Home of Andrews.

Support groups

FRIDAY

AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 605 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.

TUESDAY

Area Agency on Aging of the Permian Basin will hold a self-help support group for care givers in Howard County on Tuesday.

The meeting will be held at Canterbury Retirement Homes Inc., 1700 Lancaster, from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. For more information, call Raynetta Williams, caregiver coordinator, at (432) 563-1061 or (800) 491-4636 or locally call Debbie Read at Home Hospice at (432) 264-7599.

This group is open to the public and funded by the Texas Department on Aging.

Police blotter

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

- JANA RENE MOSS, 23, of 1002 N. Main Street, was arrested Thursday on a charge of burglary of a building and three local warrants.
- CHRISTOPHER BELZNER, 33, of 1002 N. Main Street, was arrested Thursday on a charge of burglary of a building.
- BRYAN DUNAHOO, 45, of Woodrow, was arrested Thursday on charges of driving while intoxicated and open container.
- ASHLEY JOHNSON, 20, of Lamesa, was arrested Friday on charges of possession of marijuana less than two ounces, possession of drug paraphernalia and a Dawson County warrant for theft.
- THEFT was reported:
 - in the 900 block of Willia.
 - in the 300 block of Gregg.
 - in the 1600 block of Donley.
- THEFT OF SERVICES was reported in the 1700 block of Third Street.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 2500 block of Gunter.
- INTERFERING WITH AN EMERGENCY PHONE CALL was reported in the 2500 block of Gunter.
- CRIMINAL TRESPASS OF A HABITATION/SHELTER CENTER was reported in the 400 block of Armstrong.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1000 block of Howell.
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 3300 block of Cornell.

Sheriff's report

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

- JOANN BALDWIN, 33, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of issuance of a bad check.
- OSCAR HERNANDEZ, 43, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a parole violation for possession of a controlled substance.
- IRENE HINOJOSA, 38, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces.
- DAVID R. GONZALES, 32, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a parole violation for possession of a controlled substance less than one gram.
- JON RAY HERNANDEZ, 31, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for possession of a controlled substance and possession of marijuana.
- INDECENCY WITH A CHILD was reported in the 4100 block of Muir. HCSO was notified in reference to subjects requesting deputy for information on indecency with a child. Deputies were dispatched to the location, report was taken.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported near Rural Road 33. Deputies responded, wrecker was called out, report taken by DPS.
- SPARKS COMING FROM POWER LINES was reported on W. County Road 48. Deputies responded, contacted Cap Rock Electric. No report.
- OIL SPILL was reported on FM 461. Deputies and Sheriff responded, advised to contact TxDOT. No report.
- SHOTS FIRED was reported in the 1300 block of Todd Road. Deputy responded, met with complainant. A close-patrol was requested.

Weather

Tonight...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 50s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday...Breezy. Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 70s. Southwest winds 15 to 25 mph..Saturday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 50s.

Sunday...Cooler...Breezy. Mostly clear. Highs in the mid 50s

Monday...Clear. Lows in the upper 20s. Highs in the lower 50s.

Tuesday...Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s. Highs in the upper 60s.

Wednesday...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 40s. Highs in the lower 60s.

Thanksgiving day...Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s. Highs in the mid 60s.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 1-11-25-26-34.
Number matching five of five: 2.
Prize per winner: \$23,930.
Winning tickets sold in: Pinehurst and Rendon.
Matching four of five: 136. Prize: \$158.
Matching three of five: 4,248. Prize: \$12.
Matching two of five: 46,652. Prize: \$2.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Friday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-2-7

Bulletin board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald news room at 263-7331 or email editor@bigspringherald.com

TODAY

Spring City Sr. Citizens Country and Western Dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All area seniors invited.

AMBUCS, noon at La Posada.

Greater B.S. Rotary, noon, HC Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Signal Mt. Quilting Guild at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 267-7281. Bring lunch. Does not meet the last Friday of November and December.

Eagles Lodge, enchilada supper, 6:00-8:00 p.m. \$6.00 per plate, 703 W. Third.

SATURDAY

Eagles Lodge Dance, 8:30 p.m., 703 W. Third. Members and guests welcome.

Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historical home is open from 1 to 5 p.m. A one time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Hangar 25 Air Museum, McMahan-Wrinkle Airpark, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

The Key Club, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., selling chopped beef sandwiches and a drink for \$3.50 a meal at Wal-Mart. It is a fund-raiser for the Ronald McDonald House.

SUNDAY

Hangar 25 Air Museum, McMahan-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, 1601 W. 11th Place. People age 50 and older are invited to participate, 268-4721.

Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., La Posada, 206 NW Fourth Street.

TUESDAY

Intermediate Line Dance classes, 9 a.m., Spring City Senior Center, 1901 Simler, 267-1628.

Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus

Take note

A FUND HAS BEEN set at State National Bank to help defray medical costs for Elsie Hinojosa of Stanton, a cancer patient. She is a relative of Patsy Padilla of Big Spring.

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, you are needed.

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.

ROAD TO RECOVERY DRIVERS WANTED.

Volunteer drivers are needed to transport cancer patients to and from treatments. If you can spare a few hours each month, please consider volunteering to drive somebody along the Road to Recovery. For more information about volunteering or if you are a cancer patient in need of the service, call La Wanda Hamm, 263-7827.

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

Distribution is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING counties are in critical need of foster families.

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For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody
Winners of the Veteran's of Foreign Wars Post 2013 "Patriot's Pen" contest receive savings bonds from contest chairman Leo Welch. Pictured are, left, Suraj Patel, first place, and James Bowen, second place. Both are Big Spring Junior High School students. Also pictured is the boy's English teacher, Tabitha Barbee.

Simmons to autograph books at mall

Special to the Herald

Roy Simmons will be autographing his books, "The Ancient Muleskinner" and "Bloody Footprints" from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Big Spring Mall.

The local author also hopes to have his third book, "Dynamite," returned from the printer in time for the book-signing.

In "Bloody Footprints," Ryan Masters and his good friend, Sheriff Gasteel, a full-blood Navajo Chief, work to

Where: Big Spring Mall.
When: 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday.

keep their small town safe. But the calm is shattered by a killer on the loose. He must be found soon and tried by his neighbors in this courtroom drama.

"The Ancient Muleskinner," a late 19th Century documentary, chronicles a 12- to 14-year-old boy who becomes a man overnight, gets shot on one of his freighting trips and saves a runaway

team from endangering a young lady. The trials and tribulations of newly freed slaves and their quest for freedom is interspersed in this fast-moving documentary.

"Dynamite!" targets a group of terrorists who want to disrupt all electrical power, therefore, cutting off life-giving water. A former Marine sergeant suggests a device to warn the community in advance. But does it work enough to stop the terrorists? The answer comes from the pen of Simmons in this intriguing dilemma.

MISSING

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"We're still following up leads as we get them," said Sweatt. "The family has also been receiving calls and tips, which they inform us of and we follow them up as well.

"The tip about the area near Barcelona Apartments has come to us several times in the past, but once again there was nothing to it. We still haven't located Mr. Bynum, and the search of that area didn't turn up any new leads."

As the case moves into its third month, Sweatt said there's still room for optimistic thinking.

"There have been cases where people were miss-

ing for several years," he said. "Then one day they just walk right in. You never really know how these things are going to turn out. I certainly wouldn't say there's no hope. There's always the chance that Mr. Bynum, or any other missing person who's body hasn't been found, will turn up."

Bynum was last seen on Aug. 14, in the vicinity of the San Franciscan Bar and Grill, located in downtown Big Spring. According to police reports, witnesses claim he left the establishment late in the evening, supposedly leaving with another man who has yet to be identified. Bynum's truck was later found near the bar.

Bynum is described as a white male with short,

bleached-blond hair, approximately 165 pounds with blue eyes. He has multiple tattoos and was last seen wearing a white Harley-Davidson tank-top, blue shorts and sandals.

Bynum's description and information has been released nationwide in hopes of locating him. Anyone having information about the disappearance can contact the investigating detective, Jim Rider, at 264-2556, or contact Big Spring Area Crimestoppers at 263-TIPS (8477). When contacting Crimestoppers you may remain anonymous.

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at newsdesk@crcom.net

PARADE

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man will be leading as many as 75 entries, and be one of more than 1,000 people participating. Annually, thousands of spectators line the streets along the parade route, some selecting a "spot" an hour or more in advance.

The parade will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the corner of the north frontage road of FM 700 and Gregg Street and will roll north to Sixth Street, east to

Scurry, north again to Third Street and into the downtown area for a celebration at Heart of the City Park. Judges this year will be members of the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial Committee.

The parade, which was first held in 1986, is in its 18th year of providing fun and pageantry for the Crossroads area.

"It's become quite a tradition, one that our com-

munity seems to really enjoy and look forward to each year," said Flores.

Parade entry forms are available at the paper's office, 710 Scurry. There is no entry fee.

For additional information concerning the parade, contact Flores at 263-7331, ext. 246.

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Ratliff to step down from Senate seat

AUSTIN (AP) — State Sen. Bill Ratliff, the former acting lieutenant governor who defied his Republican colleagues by opposing congressional redistricting, said Thursday he is resigning from his Senate seat.

Quoting from the Bible, Ratliff said "to every thing there is a season." After 15 years in the Texas Senate, he said, this is his "time for going out."

Ratliff, 67, made the announcement in his district in Mount Pleasant. He scheduled another

news conference later in Austin.

Previously Ratliff had said he was almost certain he would not run for re-election when his term expires in 2006.

Ratliff said he was notifying the governor's office Thursday that he plans to retire effective Jan. 10. He said he will ask the governor to call an election to fill the seat at the earliest possible date so that the district doesn't go without representation for long.

A retired civil engineer, Ratliff joined the Senate

in 1989. He served as chairman of the Senate education and finance committees before his colleagues elected him in 2000 to become acting lieutenant governor. He filled the job left open when then-Lt. Gov. Rick Perry became governor, after George W. Bush was elected president.

Ratliff bowed out of a short-lived campaign for a full term to the state's second-in-command post and instead won re-election to his East Texas Senate seat.

TOYS FOR TOTS

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Wholesale Club in Midland. Following the event, participants will be treated to a free meal at Clear Springs Cafe.

Those who don't have a horse to ride can still participate, Walker said.

"They'll have a wagon for people who can't bring

a horse, but you can't participate without bringing a toy," Walker said.

According to Bill Stone, organizer of the event, traffic along the roads should not prove to be a problem.

"We are not riding on the pavement," Stone said. "The areas out there have wide dirt areas outside of the curb. We'll ride away from the traf-

fic. At that time of day, there's not much traffic going on."

For more information about the event, call Stone at 432-631-2724.

VOICE

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savings bond with his first-place essay on the theme "My Dream for America."

Fellow junior high student James Bowen placed second in the contest, earning a \$75 savings bond.

Borel's and Patel's essays were judged at the district level Saturday for a chance to compete in the state-wide contest.

National qualifiers in both contests earn an all-expense-paid trip to

Washington, D.C. The national first-place winner in the "Voice of Democracy" will receive a \$25,000 scholarship and the winner in the "The Patriot's Pen's" winner will receive a \$10,000 savings bond.

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

Each week, the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play

This week we salute:

• **MARIE HALL**, longtime Big Spring resident, and **BOB DEAVENPORT**, former Martin County judge, were named Outstanding Philanthropist of the Year and Outstanding Volunteer of the Year, respectively, by the Permian Basin Chapter of the Association of Fund-raising Professionals.

• **THE BIG SPRING REFINERY**, on the unveiling of its newly painted one of the facility's storage tanks. The refinery is preparing for its 75th anniversary next year.

• **SAMI WOMACK** of Lamesa, who has taken over the reins as membership executive of the Big Spring chapter of the Girl Scouts.

• **BIG SPRING OPTIMIST CLUB** honorees **CRYSTAL WINGERT** and **RYAN BEALL** of Big Spring High School, **KAY KELLAR** and **GARRET CORNETT** of Coahoma High School, **LACY EGGLESTON** and **JOSH HELMSTETLER** of Forsan High School and **T'AUNA REED** and **STEVEN BARRAZA** of Sands High School.

• All of the **BUSINESSES, JUDGES** and **"CHEFS"** who participated in the *Big Spring Herald* Holiday Cookbook Contest. They included **MAXINE HINSLEY**, who received the grand prize from **ALLAN'S FURNITURE**; **MELISSA HALFMANN**, who received the *Herald's* Choice award by **VISION MAKERS**; and **LOU KNIGHT**, who accepted the Heart Healthy award from **SCENIC MOUNTAIN MEDICAL CENTER**.

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

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- By mail at P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721

A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we share all our feelings with your, Lord.

Amen

Crazy Joe and the jet ski saga

Went to see Uncle Elber the other day. I got out of the car and for a moment couldn't find anyone around. Elber's pickup was nowhere to be seen.

"Elber?" I yelled.

"Elber? You here?"

Off in the distance, I heard someone call.

"That you, Bill?" I recognized the voice.

It was Crazy Joe Wardwell.

"Yeah, Joe. Where are you?"

"The hog pen. Come on over here."

The old hog pen is in back of the barn, and a good 30 yards or so from the house. I figured Joe was back there to look into buying one of Elber's hogs. Elber's been planning on getting rid of them for some time.

When I rounded the corner, though, I could see very plainly that Joe was taking this hog shopping a little too seriously. He was in the pen with the hogs. In fact, he was in mud up to his armpits. His face and the cap that was pulled down over his ears were splattered with the stuff. He was facing due east; that is, his nose was pointing away from the barn.

"What's going on, Bill?" he said.

"Not much," I said, ignoring the obvious. "Have you seen Uncle Elber?"

"Yep. He and Smitty went to the lake."

"And you didn't go, Joe?"

"Nope, I'm right here."

"I can see that, Joe. You look like you're settled in real good there. Are you comfortable?"

"Yep. I don't think nothin's broke. I'm lucky this slop was here," said Joe. With gooey hands, he patted his muddied face, as if to reassure me, or himself, that everything was there.

"Uh, Joe," I hated to ask. "Joe, how'd you get in the hog pen?"

"It was sorta' by accident," he said. "I came over the barn there."

And he tilted his head back, nod-



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ding in that general direction.

"You fell off the barn?"

"No, I came over it," he said. And he made a little swimming motion with his left hand. "Kinda' sailed over it. Like that."

Elber's barn is no little shed. Nobody could jump over the thing.

And I knew that Crazy Joe, a man in his 60s, sure wasn't going to.

"Course, I also know they don't call him Crazy Joe for nothing."

"Sailing from where, Joe?"

"From the front tank back there," said Joe, and he nodded his head back again.

The front tank is at least 50 yards from the barn.

"Want to tell me about it, Joe?"

"Well," he began, "it was this'a way..."

Elber, Crazy Joe and Smitty Thompson go fishing a lot. And they complain a lot, especially about people on jet skis. But watching those tanned bodies zig back and forth across the lake apparently got to them. And so they decided they'd like to rent a jet ski, just to see what all the hullaballo was about.

But they were reluctant because they were afraid folks would laugh at old men ripping around the lake on one of the things. They finally agreed to rent one and bring it out to Elber's place, where they could test it without feeling embarrassed.

Elber's place has three tanks, ponds or pools — whatever you want to call them — with the "front" tank being the largest.

Being a little afraid of the jet ski, or maybe showing more sense, Elber and Smitty offered to let Joe go first.

And to hear Elber and Smitty tell it, Joe caught on real quick.

"Pretty soon, he was as annoyin' as those people at the lake," Smitty recalled later.

Joe was going to try one last loop around the tank before turning the jet ski over to Smitty. But he never quite completed it.

"Things was all right," said Elber, "until he go'd when he

should'a stopped."

Smitty and Elber figure that the jet ski was at full throttle when it struck the bank like a dart connecting on a bullseye. Joe kept on going, his knees still up and his hands holding handlebars that were no longer there. Joe made one comment as he flew overhead.

"Mommaaaaaaaa!" was all he said," Elber related. "At least that's what it sounded like."

Joe and his mother were always close.

Joe flew right over the barn and made a Mary Lou Retton landing right in the middle of the hog pen.

Elber and Smitty couldn't see where Joe hit so they figured he was probably dead, or at least in a mangled heap.

They were relieved to find him not only alive, but seemingly in one piece. But when they tried to pull him out of the mud, Joe wouldn't budge. He was stuck good.

It was sometime later, as they were trying to figure how to extract Joe from the mud, that Smitty looked at his watch. It was 5:20 and they had been on the rental clock more than four hours at \$75 an hour.

Since Joe wasn't going anywhere, and he and the hogs seemed to be getting along fine, and time literally was money, they decided to pull the jet ski out of the tank first, and return it. Amazingly, the jet ski had taken almost as well to the bank as Joe had to the mud, and wasn't damaged much.

Elber and Smitty got back a while after I arrived. It took a little engineering, but we finally managed to get Joe out of the mud. Doc Thortenberry said the rope burns will heal in about a week.

Meantime, Elber, Smitty and Crazy Joe are out at the lake, fishing again, and generally complaining about the jet ski crowd.

Bill McClellan is news director for the Big Spring Herald. He can be reached at newsdesk@crcom.net

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I write this letter in hopes that it will reach or touch someone who may have knowledge of the whereabouts of a man, my best friend, William Arlin Bynum, who was last seen at the San Franciscan Restaurant and Pub on Thursday, Aug. 14.

Arlin is so dear to me that when I speak of him to friends and acquaintances, I refer to him as "not just my friend, but family." Arlin and I have spent some of the best times of our lives together and with each other's families. In fact, the care and love I hold for Arlin extends to his entire family who I am now watching endure the most tragic and horrific times of their lives. Because Arlin's fate is unknown, we can't even begin the grieving process; we want to maintain some sense of hope. Whatever the reality, we deserve to have him either home with us, or put him to rest.

I've perused "missing person's" websites only to become more desperate when seeing the many people who have been missing 10, 15, even 20 years. Surely this can't be happening to people I love. Arlin is one of the most loving and "easy-going" people I've ever met. He lit up the room when he entered. It torments and sickens me to imagine what may have happened to him and what repulsive monsters may live among us. However, I am fully confident that someone out there has information which could solve this horrible mystery and put an end to the anguish of Arlin's loved ones. I ask the good citizens of the Big Spring area to contin-

ue to keep your eyes and ears open. Do not be reticent or afraid to report information. Anything may help.

In addition, I want to ensure that those involved in Arlin's disappearance, directly or indirectly, or those possessing any information about him, know that his family and friends will not rest until he is found.

Remember that you will be judged by a power higher than man. What you do now may determine your eternal fate. Be forthcoming and relieve yourself of this horrible burden. If anyone can provide information resulting in Arlin's return to his family, I plead with you to do so. If necessary, this can be done completely anonymously. Imagine your own mom, dad, sister or brother going through this horrible crisis. Have some sense of morality and conscience, and do what you know is right.

Writing this letter has been difficult in several respects, but the most striking is that I've been unsure whether to use the present or past tense in describing my dear friend as I, along with his family, have no knowledge of his fate. Out of hope, I chose the present. I thank those Big Spring citizens who have been proactive in the search for Arlin and I thank you for your prayers. To report any information contact Det. Ryder at 264-2556.

MELODY D. PHILLIPS,
PH.D.
STILLWATER, OKLA.

TO THE EDITOR:

My name is Corbin Brown. I want to "thank you" for all the articles you have published about me and my racing. I have

gained a lot of exposure from the *Big Spring Herald*. There are other people in Big Spring I would like to thank for their support, because I could not have done it without them. These people are: Jimmy Johnson, Clay Harris, Russ Rutledge, Jimmy Taylor, Gaylon Knowlton and Cory Beavers.

I also want to thank the numerous businesses that have supported me.

CORBIN BROWN
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

It was an extreme pleasure for me to read the article "Graduating at 82" on page four of the special supplement to the Friday edition of the *Herald*.

I personally know Weldon Bigony, and through our limited association, I also found him to be an extraordinary senior citizen, one that anyone would be happy to emulate. The fact that he, as a senior citizen, went on to receive his bachelor's degree after so long a time from being in any college should entice other people that are just now entering the senior citizens category to stop and smell the roses as well.

Weldon impressed me with the biography of his earlier school days which were not very unusual for the time. As many other Americans did, he also served a stint in the military aiding other service men in protecting his homeland.

His continuance in keeping himself physically fit and winning two gold medals, his qualifying for the National Senior games the following year is exemplary for one his age. His grades were also exemplary for

an aged person that returned to studying for a business degree; he received a standing ovation when he went on the stage to receive his diploma.

All senior citizens should at least consider going on with our education and keeping our body fit. Personally, I have lapsed in exercising since changing occupation from carpenter to author, (three books now published and more on the word processor), but I will go back to exercising to try my best to keep this aging old body in decent shape.

ROY SIMMONS
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

The local school administrators recently asked for suggestions for improving our school system. I would like to share my response to this request.

1. Discontinue all sports programs.
2. Dismiss all coaches.
3. Require all students to exercise.
4. Stop sales of all candy and soft drinks on campus.
5. Initiate a weight control program.
6. Make our teachers the best paid teachers in Texas. Demand first class teaching, award excellence.
7. Trim administration costs to the bone.
8. Use the sports facilities for after school programs to be run by volunteers.
9. Install cameras in all class rooms and halls. Enforce discipline by monitoring. Also monitor teaching skills, etc.

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Church news

First Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Matt Miles will speak on the text from John 18:33-37 on Sunday. Worship service is held at 11 a.m. Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. and "Take Ten" is at 10:30.

This week the hand bells will be played during Sunday morning worship. Another opportunity for Sunday is the "Hanging of the Greens" to be held at 3 p.m. Church members will be decorating the church for the holidays. Upon completion of the decorating members will enjoy a chili supper. Choir practice is held on Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Please join us for any of the previously mentioned activities. Everyone is always welcome at First Presbyterian Church. The church is located on Runnels between Seventh and Eighth.

First Christian Church

Come and join us this Sunday morning as we worship the living God. You are welcome here. The morning sermon will be taken from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians, 5:16-18, entitled, "Circumstances Under God's Control".

Join us as we gather together and begin to prepare our hearts and minds for the upcoming holiday.

People prepare, not just for a holiday of friends, family and food, but for giving thanks to God for what he has done for us through Christ, and for what he continues to do for us in our lives every day.

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad. Sunday School begins at 9:45 and worship at 10:50. A staffed nursery is available.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Everyone is invited to attend worship services at St. Mary's this Sunday. Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages begins at 9:30.

Our Second Annual St. Andrew's Day Celebration will be held at 7 p.m.

Thomas Campbell and Colin Chalmers, guest bagpipers, will be returning along with the Lone Star Brass Quintet and Stephen Cameron and David MacDonald on drums; Darryl Knapp, the organist, choirmaster at Holy Trinity Church in Midland will serve as organist; Keith Graumann, conductor of the Big Spring Symphony, will be our guest conductor; and special guest singers will join with our Parish Choir in presenting three choral anthems.

A spectacular Scottish reception will follow the service. Everyone is invited to attend.

The next Inquirers' class is meeting on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. The class for those interested in learning more about the ways and teachings of the Episcopal church and for Episcopalians who want a refresher course.

The St. Mary's Thanksgiving service will be held Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the church.

Evening prayer is said Monday through Friday at 5:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel.

For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-8201 or visit our Web site at www.stmarysbt.org. St. Mary's is located at 1001 South Goliad.

City-Wide Fellowship

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City-Wide Fellowship is different from traditional churches, because we are modern and up-to-date with the world we live in;

the message doesn't change, but the methods do.

They are a group of people who have discovered the joy of Christian living, walking in freedom, using the latest technologies in computer graphics, videos, compact discs and musical instruments.

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• Upbeat music with a contemporary flavor, where you can truly worship God.

• A message that is positive, practical, encouraging and challenging.

• Meeting new friends and finding a place of acceptance in the family of God.

• Finding your purpose in the Kingdom of God.

• A place where you are not embarrassed to bring visitors.

Our fellowship also provides a place for personal ministry in intimate home settings. Call Cell Groups.

Our purpose is to give opportunity for the unchurched to find Jesus through fellowship, discipleship, worship and ministry. We will accomplish this by giving freedom, excellence and simplicity. Come and celebrate with the congregation

this Sunday at 10 a.m. We are located behind the car at 1307 E Third.

Friends of Unity

"How Does God Speak Today?" is the title for the talk at 2 p.m. Sunday at Unity Church Center in the east boxcar at 1000 A S. Main.

A discussion time will follow, ending with quiet meditation. All are welcome.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

"Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And in peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:5-7

"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-17

Join us at St. Paul, Ninth and Scurry for a Thanksgiving Celebration service on Thanksgiving day at 10 a.m.

The mission of St. Paul

Lutheran Church is "to serve Jesus Christ in word and deed, through the power of the Holy spirit, proclaiming the love of God so that everyone may have eternal life."

Living Hope Church

Happy Thanksgiving from our family at Living Hope Church to your family throughout our city. In many, many places the Bible tells us to be thankful.

"Always give thanks." Ephesians 3:20, Col. 3:15; "Give thanks forever." Psalm 30:12; "No matter what, be thankful." 1 Thes. 5:18 and many, many other places. Giving thanks raises us above any problems we may be having and it lifts our spirits to God.

"So it is a joyful and pleasant thing to be thankful. We give thanks to God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you." Col. 1:3

God bless you. If you need salvation, fellowship or just simply want to hear some good uncompromising gospel preaching, come where we tell it like it is. Sunday school begins at 10 a.m.

Praise and worship is held at 11 a.m. Living Hope Church is located at 1203 Frazier, on the west side of the city.

College Baptist Church

The College Baptist Church (CBC) body will gather in a time of thanksgiving and fellowship at the church-wide Thanksgiving Dinner at 6:30 on Tuesday, Nov. 25, in the Fellowship hall.

On the same evening, an offering will be taken for the Southern Baptist Convention World Hunger Fund, which is used to help meet the needs of hungry people around the world.

CBC members are reminded to bring their recipes for the cookbook being assembled by the Puppet Team Ministry. Deadline for the recipe collection has been extended to Nov. 30. Call 263-3643 for more

information.

Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church

Our family oriented congregation at the Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church, 201 East 201 St., meets for worship each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday. Pastor Elder David Machiavello will speak on the timely subject of "A Biblical Thanksgiving." In the evening service the highly important topic of "Sanctification" will be addressed. Everyone is always warmly invited to come and share with us in honoring our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. You will find a sincere welcome! Bible Study is held each Wednesday night at 7 p.m. in which we are currently studying the effects of perseverance in the life of each and every Christian, and the study is open to all who are seeking Biblical truth.

Members are in the process of signing up for appointments with the Photography Team from Olan Mills Church Directories Department. They are scheduled to set up for the photos on Wednesday, Dec. 3 from 3 p.m. to 9:20 p.m. in the church Fellowship Hall. This will be our first pictorial directory to be published through Olan Mills. Each participating church family will receive a free 8 X 10 portrait and a copy of the church directory.

Visitors also are welcome to participate and will receive the free photo. All members or visitors desiring the free 8 X 10 photo who have not registered should do so as soon as conveniently possible by calling 263-6217. Completed photos will be delivered on or before Dec. 21. Anyone having Biblical questions or needing more information concerning our worship services may call the pastor Elder David Machiavello at 267-7558.

Read us online at bigspringherald.com

Andersons to appear in concert at East Side Baptist

The Anderson family, Mike, Karen and Austin, will appear in concert at East Side Baptist Church Sunday Nov. 23 at the 9:45 and 10 a.m. services.

The church is located at 1108 E. 6th Street. For more information call 267-1915.

The Andersons have been in ministry service since January 1997. Based in Brownwood they have traveled extensively state and nationwide.

Their home church is Faith Baptist Church in Brownwood, where they serve on the church's staff as evangelists.



Mike, Karen and Austin Anderson

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Tribute to 'Rosie the Riveter'

She was as proud as she could be. There's something true about, Red, white, and blue about, Rosie the Riveter. From song by Redd Evans and John Jacob Loeb,

(NAPSI)-Ford Motor Company recently paid tribute to "Rosie the Riveter," a nickname given to the women who turned in their aprons for hard hats and entered the U.S. labor force during World War II. Select real-life "Rosies" and their descendants gathered at the site of the new Rosie the Riveter National Park in Richmond, Calif. on Nov. 11.

"We Can Do It!" That was the caption on the famous World War II poster of "Rosie the Riveter."

The ceremony announced a nationwide effort to collect stories, authentic artifacts and personal histories from living "Rosies" and the families of "Rosies" who joined the World War II Home Front effort. Material collected will be archived and used to create exhibits in the park's visitor center to commemorate this significant period in American history.

Among the descendants taking part in the celebration was the daughter of Rose Will Monroe, who was hired to work at Ford's Willow Run Aircraft Factory in 1942. She was chosen to appear in a promotional film encouraging women to join the country's workforce.

"Rosie" became the nickname given to all women who entered the U.S. labor effort during WWII. A stern-faced, muscle-flexing woman depicted in the poster became a symbol of those who worked on domestic soil to keep American industry moving forward.

Ford is asking all "Rosies," Rosie direct descendants and others who helped win the war on the Home Front to log on the web site www.ford.com/go/rosie and share their personal stories.

Ford Motor Company was the first industrial corporation to hire women at its factories, beginning a long legacy of women pioneers at the company.

At the Heritage Coming soon... Star Studded Christmas

A Star Studded Christmas gala will held at the Heritage Museum Dec. 6. The exhibit will open with a wine and cheese reception from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Special guests will be Big Spring native Helon Blount and Betty Bob Buckley, mother of entertainer Betty Buckley, a Big Spring native.

Exhibit themes depict former Big Spring residents who went on to experience successful theater and film careers.

Heritage Museum is located at 510 Scurry St. Phone 267-8255 for more information.

See Sunday's Life page 1B for more.



Helon Blount in her early theater career.



HERALD photo/Marsha Allen

Make a Difference Day was observed this week when "Snow Sacks" were assembled by volunteers of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). The project was a collaborative effort of Big Spring schools, Howard College students, RSVP advisory council and Mobile Meals. Volunteers organized the project, purchased sacks, helped fill the sacks and delivered the decorated bags. Hillcrest Daycare Center children helped with the decorating project. Students from BS High School, BS Junior High School, Goliad Intermediate, Bauer, Kentwood, Marcy, Moss and Washington Elementary schools brought food items for the sacks and the Howard College Diplomats picked up the food and helped sort the food to fill the sacks. Top, Prissy Stanley, Hollis McCright, Sherry Hodnett, Tom Ferguson, Rose Stukel were among volunteers. Not pictured but helping stuff sacks were Clara Hernandez, Billie Christie and Raford Dunagan. Below, members of the Howard College Diplomats helped assemble sack contents.

Club news

TOPS TX 21, Big Spring

Fourteen member of TOPS TX 21 met on Monday, Nov. 17 at 6 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center.

Leader Hughetta Roberts opened the meeting with prayer, followed by the TOPS pledge and fellowship song.

Two readings were given. Donna Menges presented "Torrential Rain" and "What is a Grandmother?" was given by Olnee Menges.

Secretary Linda Schmidt read the minutes, followed by roll call by weight recorder Genay Bertran.

Of the three KOPS (Keep Off Pounds Sensibly) present there were two small gains and one turtle (remaining the same weight).

There were 11 TOPS weighing in with Joyce Chelette being best loser for the night. She was given a certificate and best loser award. Mrs. Roberts informed members that beginning on Dec. 1 the new weigh in time will be from 5 to 5:30 p.m. with the meeting beginning at 5:30. The new closing hour for Dora Roberts is 6:30 p.m.

Olnee Menges presented the program "Laugh Your Way To Better Health". Several reasons listed are: 1) reduces anger 2) boosts immune system 3) gives heart and lungs a workout.

Anyone interested in TOPS can call 1-800-932-

8677 or locally at 263-0391 or 263 1758 or just drop in on any Monday night at Dora Roberts Rehab, 306 W. Third.

American Legion Post 506

A fish fry will be held Saturday from noon until. Delivery will begin at 11 a.m. and end at 1 p.m. Cost is \$7 per plate. Carry outs are available. Everyone is welcome. The Post is located at 3203 W. Hwy. 80. Call 263-2084 for more information.

Alzheimer's Support Group

An Alzheimer's Support group meets from 2 to 3 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at the Texas State Veterans Home. For more information call 268-8387 for more information.

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A big bang from bingo

Back before I retired, several years before, I was asked by Gail Earls if I might be able to help her with a problem. She wanted to burn some old bingo cards, pull tabs and such. I told her we would have to get the Fire Chief's ok but I thought at the time that it would be fine and, of course, it was ok as long as I had taken the proper precautions.



BURR LEA SETTLES

I decided that it would be ok to burn all this old stuff if I could get permission for someone to drop off a large dumpster. I don't quite remember who the city manager was at the time but he ok'd it and made the calls necessary to have a dumpster brought to the old Cosden Building.

I called for the Northside Fire Department pumper truck to meet me at the Cosden Building and at the appointed time they came and stood by.

We also helped in taking the items to be burned to the dumpster. By the time we were through we had it fairly well filled.

Now, you need to remember we are firemen we put fires out not start fires. When it came time to ignite the card board and papers inside the dumpster we were ill prepared.

Just throwing a piece of

paper on fire into the dumpster is not going to do it at all.

Finally, we used a little of the fuel designated for the Rescue Tool and doused it all inside the dumpster onto the card board and trash.

Like I said, we put fires out not start them. A few minutes after the dousing I looked at my friend, Cecil Cevallos, and acting Lt at the time, like well lets get this on the road. He walked over to me and said since everyone quit smoking no one had a light. I could not believe how unprepared we were to start a simple, little fire!

I don't recall where the lighter came from but the Cecil came walking back to the dumpster smiling and holding up the lighter.

I got a piece of paper and we lit it. I had everyone move back before putting the torch into the dumpster.

And just as I put the torch into the dumpster it dawned on me, as it fell from my hand, you cant do this!

And to this day, anyone that was there will remember what had happened afterwards. I had to call the Police Dept., dispatcher and let them know that the phone calls they were getting was a result of my 'goof-up'!

I want to tell you we still laugh about that day when, because of the delay of igniting the fuel we put into the dumpster the fumes had built up and when the fire ignited the vapors, the dumpster "blew up"!

It made the most awful

sound you have ever heard. Much like a cannon going off. The folks that I moved back from the dumpster were now running! Card board, of all sizes went sailing into the air and some were on fire!

People from offices all around the immediate area came out and were looking our way. We reassured them that everything was ok. We put the burning card board out, mostly by just stomping on them. We had to cross the street to retrieve some of them.

Finally, it was all cleared up.

A few minutes later Thomas Jenkins, who was working at the Herald then, came by and said he had heard an explosion and listened to the scanner and wanted to know what was going on.

Gail and I looked at him and said "oh we are just burning some old bingo pull tabs, etc. Gail and I looked at each other with a twinkle in our "mischievous eyes" and then we noticed that a piece of card board was high up in the tree just a few feet from us and we hoped that Tom would not look up and see our "secret"!

A few weeks ago I saw Gail and we talked about that event and had a good laugh.

I don't think she has anymore bingo cards to burn or at least she has never contacted me again.

Burr Lea Settles is a retired Big Spring fire marshal who contributes a monthly column for the Herald.

A Ranger comes to town



Courtesy photo

Howard Co. Sheriffs Deputy Rachel Horton and Texas Ranger Don Williams pose with the winners of the DARE essay contest. Left to right, first place Shelby Clark, third place Summer Petty, and second place Natty Sorenson.

By Brandon Halford
Special to the Herald

Fifth graders at Elbow Elementary got the chance to meet a Texas Ranger last week.

Instead of kicking bad guys all over the place however, Ranger Don Williams carried the message of DARE to 57 students who graduated with honors — forcing Howard County Sheriff Deputy Rachel Horton, who instructed the children over the length of the program, to bely her tough exterior and shed a few tears.

"Well, since this is my experience with the DARE program, just the knowledge that I made a difference in the students' life is important to me," Horton said, when asked what she will take away from the time spent with the children.

According to teacher Glenda McDonald, it is easy to see why Horton was such a hit with the children.

"She would play characters all the time. The kids really could relate. It

was funny to watch sometimes," McDonald said, following the ceremony. "One time she played a little old lady. They all got a kick out of that. Then another time she just acted like she was mad at the world and had a attitude. That's on the kids' level and it got the point across."

"Playing the games with deputy Horton was the funniest part," student Shelby Clark said, when asked about her fondest memory. Clark earned first place in the DARE essay program.

"It's just a great program because it teaches kids about drugs and violence and how to make smart decisions," Clark added.

"We had a workbook and we got to work with the decision-making models," she went on to say.

Ranger Williams knows the urgency in programs like the one at Elbow.

"I have four boys of my own so I know how much this means to them," said Williams, explaining that he jumped at the opportunity to talk to the stu-

dents. "Also, I went through DARE training while I worked with the Midland Police Department so I know the program and am more than happy to come and speak for them. It shows the kids that police officers are their friends. A lot of times the only way they see us is if something bad happens to them or their families."

"Define, Assess, Respond and Evaluate" is what DARE means, responded Lindsey Mince, when asked what the letters stood for.

The point of the program is for the students to learn how to handle situations that will arise presenting them to have a choice to use drugs or respond to something with violence.

"The DARE program has been here as long as I can remember," said McDonald, who has taught at the school for the last eight years, "The city had it for a while but because of funding problems the sheriff's department took it over three years ago."



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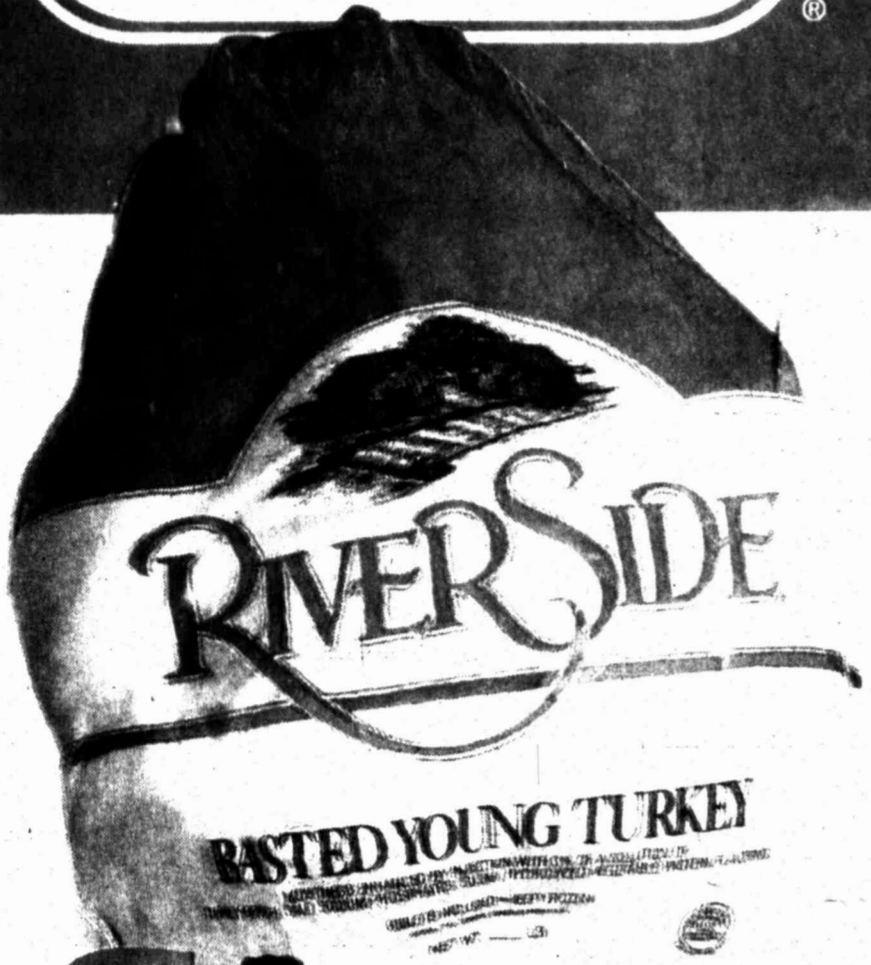
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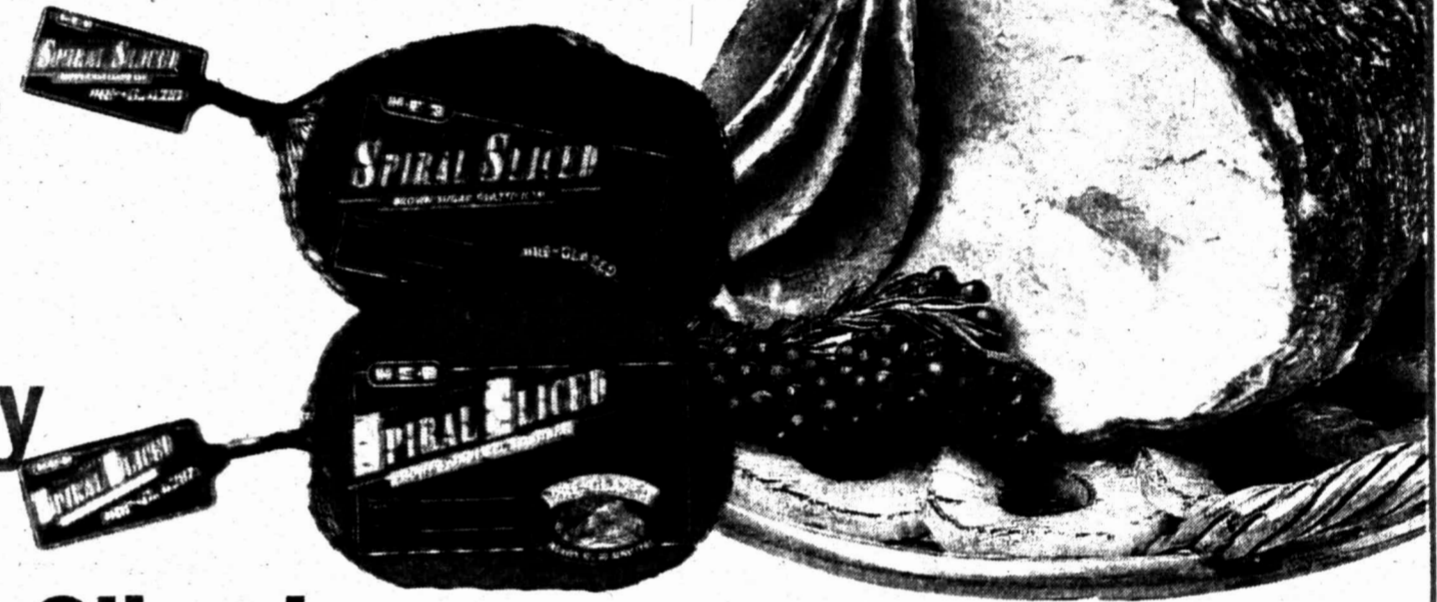
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IN BRIEF

HSU netters to hold camp in Big Spring

Hardin-Simmons University tennis coaches and players will be in Big Spring to conduct a clinic on Nov. 22. Stroke production, live ball drills, competition drill as well as singles and doubles strategies will be stressed.

T-shirts and other prizes will be given away.

Area athletes in grades 5-8 will be instructed from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Athletes in Grades 9 and above will attend from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m.

For more information contact BSHS tennis coach Sarah Corse at 263-2275.

BSYBA sets meeting for board, adults

The Big Spring Youth Basketball Association will be holding an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. on Nov. 24 at the YMCA.

BSYBA board members and other adults interested in taking a leadership role as an age group coordinator for the league are urged to attend.

New classes now forming at YMCA

Registration for classes in gymnastics, swimming, martial arts and women's weights is now being held at the Big Spring Family YMCA.

Gymnastics classes include Kidnastics for preschoolers, ages 5 and younger, and regular gymnastics and tumbling classes for boys and girls 6 and older.

For more information contact the YMCA at 267-8234.

Basketball officials needed for season

Basketball officials are needed for the upcoming season.

Persons interested in officiating local games this fall should contact Adam Rodriguez at 263-8731 (home) or 517-0300 (cell).

Crossroads league to hold board elections

The Crossroads Little Football League will hold elections to fill three positions on its board of directors Saturday.

Ballots will be available at Memorial Stadium during the championship games.

YMCA swim team spots available

The Big Spring YMCA swim team has positions open for interested athletes.

For more information call Dolline Budke at 264-8252 or 263-4505.

BSJHS hoops team to begin play Nov. 24

The Big Spring Junior High School seventh and eighth grade basketball teams will tip off their 2003-04 season on Monday when they host the Snyder Tigers in the BSJHS gym.

The seventh grade team will lead off the action at 5 p.m. The eighth graders will begin at 6:15 p.m.

No. 9 Midland survive Lady Hawks' scare

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The Howard College Lady Hawks may have come out on the short end of a showdown with the No. 9-ranked Midland College Lady Chaparrals, but they may have won something better.

Confidence. Lots of it. The Lady Hawks, behind a solid effort from Ciara Tidwell and LaTasha Davis, held their own against the Lady Chaparrals despite playing their second straight game without head coach Lorin Miller. Midland

used a 41-34 run in the second half to take a 75-60 win over Howard in the opening round of the Western Junior College Athletic Conference Pre-Season Tournament at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Miller missed the team's last two games attending a funeral in his home state of Kansas. He is expected to rejoin the team Saturday.

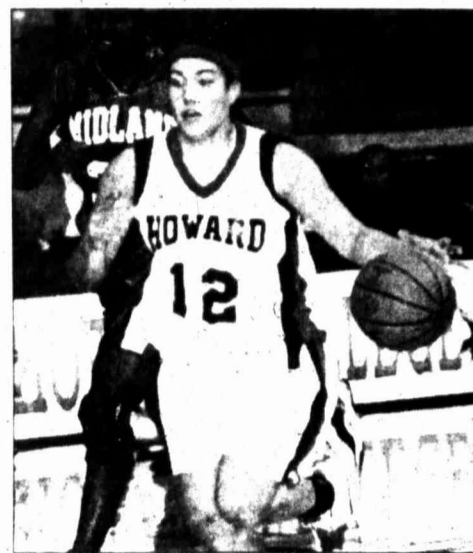
With the loss, the Lady Hawks fall into a second-round matchup against the South Plains Lady Texans today at 3 p.m. Midland College will face Frank Phillips

tonight beginning at 7 p.m. in the semifinals.

Midland, the defending WJCAW women's champion, got off to a quick start in the contest by pouncing out a 9-2 advantage in the first four minutes of play.

The Lady Chaps' luck didn't hold out, however. Tidwell brought the Lady Hawks back. The freshman guard highlighted an 11-0 run by Howard College by pushing in seven of her team-high 20 points in a two-minute stretch that saw HC rally to take an 11-9 lead.

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HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler
Ciara Tidwell led all HC scorers Thursday with 20 points.

Bulldogs hoping to collect 'Grande' win against Lions

By BRANDON HALLFORD
Special to the Herald

The Coahoma Bulldogs and Ozona Lions know what the stakes are coming into Saturday's area playoff matchup at Grande Communications Stadium in Midland. A win and life on the football field goes on. A loss, and the mourning begins.

Both also know the game could very well turn into the mother of all dog and cat fights.

Coahoma and Ozona, which are meeting for the third time in the past two years, are scheduled to face off in the second round of the Class 2A state playoffs Saturday beginning at 8 p.m. The winner will advance to play either Cisco or Panhandle in the regional showcase

next week. Both teams head into the game with a ton of momentum. Coahoma has reeled off a pair of impressive wins in the past two weeks, downing state-ranked Crane in their regular season finale and shelling Post last Friday, 52-20, in bi-district play.

Is there an advantage one way or another? Can Ozona do what Post couldn't and use its run-oriented offense to keep the Bulldogs' high-octane spread attack on the sideline. Or will Coahoma light up the scoreboard like a pinball machine again.

Then again, maybe Coahoma's familiarity — and success — with Grande Communication's will be a factor. Remember, if you will, Coahoma is 1-0 in games played at the new stadium, downing McCamey last year.

Make no mistake about it, Ozona and Coahoma are not strangers. Each team holds a victory over the other in their previous two meetings. The Lions claimed a 21-14 come-from-behind win last season in Ozona. Coahoma returned the favor this year coming from behind on a late Clay Grant touchdown to win, 13-12.

So, if head-to-head is a tie, can there be another factor to show which team may have an edge? Not really. The only common opponent between the two teams is Reagan County. Coahoma defeated the Owls by a 36-26 clip in Week 1, while Ozona defeated the Owls in Week 6, 26-13.

Things have changed a little bit in Ozona since their last meeting with the Bulldogs. For one, the Lions scrapped their I-formation offense in favor of an "Air Force" wishbone.

"We changed that after the game with Coahoma," said Ozona head coach Steve Taylor. "It just suits us better."

The Lions have been on somewhat of a roll lately, winning their last five games by an average clip of 41-10. In that span, the Ozona defense recorded two shutouts.

The Lions' offense is led by running backs Jarryd Taylor and Aaron Garza. The two helped Ozona grind out almost 400 yards in rushing last week in their 49-0

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HERALD photo/Tommy Wells
Sam Tindol has starred in Robert Wood's new spread offense this season. He is ranked among the nation's top passers with 3,224 yards.

1-2 Punch

Coahoma QB, WR ranked among top passers, receivers in nation

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

As a youngster Sam Tindol grew up hoping he could match the numbers his older brother, Adam, put up while quarterbacking the Coahoma Bulldogs. All he wanted to do was reach 2,000 — and keep the tradition alive.

For Kelby Kemper, he just wanted to prove a hip injury that forced him to miss half of the 2002 season couldn't stop him from being the same dominating player he had been since he helped lead Coahoma to the pee wee football championship in 1995.

Both have more than exceeded those goals this season. In fact, they could well be on their way to posting astronomical numbers that might astound even the most astute high school football fan in the Crossroads. Just how good are Tindol and Kemper?

Would you believe they're among the nation's top statistical performers? You better believe it. Heading into the Coahoma Bulldogs' area playoff showdown with the Ozona Lions, the two CHS seniors rank at or near the top of every passing list in the United States.

For the record, Tindol has shred-

Best of the Best?

Coahoma seniors Sam Tindol and Kelby Kemper currently rank among the nation's top players, according to a search of various football sites. Below is a look at how the two compare to other state leaders.

SAM TINDOL			
Player, School	Yards	TDs	
Graham Harrell, Ennis, TX	4,040	60	
Sam Tindol, Coahoma, TX	3,224	33	
T.J. Siple, Tri-West, IN	3,165	37	
Coit McCoy, Jim Ned, TX	3,038	43	
Joe Mauer, Cretin, MN	3,030	41	
Chandler Dane, Decatur, TX	2,953	na	
Rodney Rippe, Herndon, KS	2,928	29	
Nick Finley, Caddo, OK	2,520	32	

KELBY KEMPER			
Player, School	Yards	TDs	
Nick Proctor, Westland Christ., CO	3,677	na	
Kelby Kemper, Coahoma, TX	1,603	23	
Lee Clintman, Hill Murray, MN	1,439	13	
Chance Hodge, Caddo, OK	1,202	14	

KELBY KEMPER/LANCE ROBERTS			
Player, School	Rec.	Yds	TD
Kemper/Roberts, Coahoma	133	2,441	27
Hodge/Nickles, Caddo, OK	113	2,169	29



KEMPER

ded opposing defenses at an astounding rate this fall, averaging nearly 400 yards a game this fall. Sparked by a record-tying 451-yard, 7-touchdown effort last week, the Coahoma standout has thrown for 3,224 yards and 33 touchdowns. That total is higher than almost every total in the Southwestern U.S. according to a search on high school association statistical leaders.

Only Ennis quarterback — and recent Texas Tech recruit — Graham Harrell has thrown for more yards than Tindol this fall.

Tindol's seven touchdowns in a game tied him with former Spring

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So. Miss dashes TCU's dreams

HATTIESBURG, Miss. (AP) — TCU in the BCS? Southern Mississippi put an end to any debate by fighting off a frantic comeback attempt by the Horned Frogs.

Dustin Almond threw for 227 yards and three touchdowns — and the Golden Eagles capitalized on four turnovers to hand the 10th-ranked Horned Frogs their first loss of the season, 40-28 on Thursday night.

Southern Mississippi (8-3, 7-0) clinched at least a share of the Conference USA title and can win it outright with a victory over East Carolina.

TCU (10-1, 7-1) trailed by 31-6 early in the fourth quarter before scoring three touchdowns in a span of 4:30 with the aid of two straight recovered onside kicks.

Brandon Hassell led the comeback attempt with his passing and running.

He swept around right end for a 1-yard TD with 6:55 left and then threw for the 2-point conversion to cut the lead to 31-28.

Hassell finished 18-for-31 for 260 yards.

Southern Miss kicked a field goal to make it 34-28, then put the game away by forcing TCU's final turnover of the game.

Greg Brooks got free on a corner blitz and knocked the ball from Hassell. Rod Davis recovered inside the TCU 20 with less than three minutes left and moments later Anthony Harris bulled into the end zone from 2 yards out to make it 40-28 with 1:30 left.

TCU was eighth in the Bowl Championship Series standings this week and needed to stay unbeaten to have any shot of becoming the first school from a non-BCS league to receive an invite to one of the four

Lady Steers to square off with SA Central

The Big Spring Lady Steers will return to the hardwood tonight when they face the San Angelo Central Lady Cats.








Big Spring, which suffered a 63-36 setback to Odessa Permian in its season opener on Tuesday, is scheduled to begin play at 6:30 p.m. in San Angelo.

The Big Spring junior varsity and freshman team will also be returning to action today. The Lady Steers' sub-varsity squads will compete in the Midland Lee Basketball Tournament this weekend.

FRIDAY NIGHT FORECASTERS

This Week's Games

Sanderson (10-1) vs. Aspermont (9-2)
Fort Davis (10-1) vs. Ira (10-1)
Anton (11-0) vs. McCamey (5-4)
Crosbyton (10-1) vs. Wink (9-1)
Sonora (5-6) vs. Crane (10-1)
Ozona (8-3) vs. Coahoma (9-2)
Brownfield (4-7) vs. Snyder (7-4)
Perryton (8-3) vs. Sweetwater (8-2)
Denton Ryan (10-1) vs. Brownwood (11-0)
Midland Lee (7-3) vs. San Angelo Central (8-3)
EP Adress (10-1) vs. Abilene (7-4)
TCU at So. Mississippi
(4) Ohio State at (5) Michigan
(24) Oklahoma State at Baylor
Iowa State at Kansas
New Mexico at Wyoming
Houston at Louisville
(1) Oklahoma at Texas Tech
UCLA at (2) USC
(3) LSU at (15) Ole Miss
Missouri at (19) Kansas State
Clemson at So. Carolina
Alabama at Auburn
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Last week: 22-8, .733	22-8, .733	20-10, .667	19-11, .633	23-7, .766	19-11, .633	22-8, .733
Season Record: 250-91, .733	224-117, .656	245-96, .718	241-100, .706	251-90, .736	236-105, .692	237-104, .695

HAWKS

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Sophomore Dana Davis and freshman Leslee Boswell added baskets in the run.

Like Midland, however, the HC run fizzled out. Midland's Tashia Combs led a 22-13 run over the final 10 minutes of the first half by pouring in 10 of her game-high 23 points.

The Lady Chaps, now 6-1 for the year, took a 34-26 lead into the half.

Howard College managed to hold its own against Midland in the opening minutes of the second half. Tidwell, Dana Davis and Alison Lopez all threw in key shots that enabled the Lady Hawks to match Midland point-for-point over the first 10 minutes of the half.

The Lady Chaps pulled away in the final minutes, outscoring the HC women by a 21-14 margin in the closing minutes.

LaTasha Davis and Desire' Bostice joined Tidwell in double-digits offensively. Both tallied 10 points.

Melissa Jacob was Midland's second-leading scorer with 12. Lacey Blau added 10.

With the loss, the Lady Hawks slipped to 6-4 for the year.

In other WJCAC Pre-Season Tournament action:

Frank Phillips 58, South Plains 50
Danielle Murphy pitched in 15 points and Nikita Hubbard added 14 more Thursday and led the Frank Phillips College Lady Plainsmen to a 58-50

win over the South Plains Lady Texans.

Murphy spurred the Lady Plainsmen to a big lead in the first half of their first-round matchup by pushing in 13 points — nine via three clutch three-pointers.

Frank Phillips' Priscila Alves also reached double figures in the game, notching 13.

Danielle Wilson paced South Plains offensively, scoring 16 points. Danielle Wilhelm hit on 8-of-12 attempts from the free throw line and finished with 12.

New Mexico JC 76, Clarendon 45

The New Mexico Junior College Lady Thunderbirds found the perfect cure for Clarendon College's high-octane offense — a stifling defense.

The Thunderbirds held the nation's No. 2-ranked scoring team to just one point in the first 10 minutes and rolled to an easy 76-45 win.

New Mexico had five players score into double figures, including Toni Atherley with 14 and Miranda Swearengen with 13. Catherine Coley, Haley Dunlap and Angel Sparks all added 11.

Clarendon's Tesla Morris and Ashley Williams both finished with eight.

Eastern Okla. 79, Odessa 62

Amanda Stone and the Eastern Oklahoma Lady Mountaineers survived a slow start Thursday to claim a 79-62 come-from-behind win over the Odessa College Lady Wranglers.

Eastern Oklahoma man-



Howard College's LaTasha Davis drives the ball up the court Plains today at 3 p.m.

aged just 10 points from the field in the first 11 minutes of the game and trailed by a 17-10 clip with just over 10 minutes to play in the half.

The Mountaineers hit stride from there, however. The outscored OC by a 25-15 margin in the final 10 minutes and never looked back.

Tonya Morris led Eastern Oklahoma's late run by pitching in seven of her 14 points. Stone, the game's top scorer, added four.

The Lady Mountaineers sealed the win with a commanding 45-30 run in the second half.

Stone finished the game with 17 points.

Odessa, which is scheduled to face Clarendon in the consolation semifinals today at 1 p.m., was led offensively by Rashida Wilson's 15 points.

Kanani Marshal added 10. Eastern Oklahoma will face New Mexico Junior College in the winner's semifinals, beginning at 5 p.m.

Hughey, Golleher lead Lady Buffs to OT win

By BRANDON HALLFORD
Special to the Herald

FORSAN — Basketball is on the minds of the people in Forsan as the Forsan Junior High Basketball Tournament tips off.

Things got started on a good note for the Forsan Lady Buffs as they claimed a 25-23 win over the Grape Creek Lady Eagles in double overtime.

Neither team opened up more than a four point lead in the contest as the two teams slugged it out like heavyweight prize fighters.

Grape Creek needed a miracle to force OT. The Lady Eagles trailed much of the game but scored a basket as time expired to tie the score at 19-19.

The two teams traded baskets in the first overtime frame and remained tied at 22-22. Jade Hughey hit from the right side to pull the Lady Buffs in a tie in the first OT stanza.

Sandy Golleher took over in the second OT, hitting a basket from inside the paint to give Forsan the lead for good, at 25-21.

Hughey paced the Lady Buffs with nine points,

while Golleher and Tori Gowler poured in six and four points each.

The second game of the seventh grade girls' bracket proved to be a little less exciting as the Coahoma Lady Bulldogs rolled to a 38-29 win over Stanton.

Paige Jackson led the way for Coahoma, tallying 11 points while teammates Lacy Sterling and Berkley Iden combined to score 15.

In the eighth grade division, the Lady Bulldogs got 10 points apiece from Jessica Gonzales and Christie Rich and cruised to a 45-27 victory over the Stanton Lady Buffaloes.

Coahoma rode the strength of a 13-6 scoring advantage in the third to come away with the victory.

The Grape Creek Lady Eagles made sure they advanced to meet the Lady Bulldogs in the finals by downing the Forsan Lady Buffs, 41-13.

The Lady Eagles opened the game with a 15-1 run and never looked back.

Keisha Yarbar led the way for Forsan with four points, while Carrisa Jensen added another three.

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Sanderson, 10-1, and Aspermont, 9-2, are scheduled to begin play at 7:30 p.m.

In Thursday playoff action, the Strawn Greyhounds ousted Lohn in six-man play by a 62-16 margin.

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LEADERS

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High School star Kyle York and five other Texas signal-callers for fifth on the state's all-time list for TDs in a single game. York accomplished the feat in 2000 against Pasadena Dobie.

Tindol's passing yardage — which is the equivalent to almost two miles — is more than 50 yards higher than his nearest competitor, T.J. Siple of Tri-West High School in suburban Indianapolis. Siple threw for 3,165 yards and 37 TDs this year.

Another 3,000-yard passer is Minnesota schoolboy Joe Mauer of Cretin High School in Cretin, Minn. He has thrown for 3,030 yards and 41 scores.

Tindol's passing numbers are almost 1,000 yards higher than Oklahoma's top signal-caller. Caddo High School's Nick Finley has thrown for 2,520 yards and 32 touchdowns.

In Colorado, three quarterbacks have surpassed the 2,000-yard plateau.

Kemper, too, ranks high among the nation's top receivers. A converted running back, he has caught 74 passes this season for 1,603 yards and 23 touchdowns.

Kemper's receiving yards currently place him second among Southwestern U.S. receivers behind Colorado standout Nick Proctor of Westland Christian High School.

Proctor recorded 81 receptions for 1,677 yards.

Lee Clintsman, according to statistics available online through various Web sites, is third among all receivers with 1,439 yards. Clintsman is a senior at Hill-Murray High School in Minnesota.

Kemper and teammate Lance Roberts appear to be the best 1-2 receiving punch in the U.S. The two have combined for 133 receptions for 2,431 yards and 27 touchdowns in 11 games. The closest receiving tandem to them is Caddo's Chance Hodge and Tyler Nickles, who have combined for 113 receptions for 2,169 yards and 29 TDs.

Hodge has 72 receptions for 1,202 yards and 14 scores. Nickles has 41 catches — 15 for touchdowns — for 967 yards.

Roberts, Coahoma's second-leading receiver, enters this weekend's action against Ozona just 162 yards away from becoming the team's second 1,000-yard receiver. He has 59 receptions this year for 838 yards.

FROGS

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high-dollar major bowls. Now, the best the Horned Frogs can hope for is a piece of the league title and a spot in one of five bowls with C-USA ties.

Southern Miss, which has won five straight games, can earn a bid to the Liberty Bowl by beating one-win East Carolina next week.

Almond, who has thrown 12 TD passes since regaining the starting job five games ago, was 14-for-23 with an interception.

Southern Miss jumped out to a 24-6 lead in the first half with the help of three big plays — one by the offense, one by the defense and one by special teams.

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COAHOMA

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white-washing of Anthony. Taylor paced the Lions with 98 yards. Garza finished with 91 yards — 58 of which came on the first play of the second half.

Garza was also responsible for a 86-yard punt return that set up a Lions score.

The Ozona defense should be a good test for the Bulldogs' offense. The Lions surrender a scant 185 yards to Anthony.

"We run out of the base 50. We will probably use a variation of that (against Coahoma)," said Taylor. "We are going to rush (Coahoma quarterback Sam) Tindol with 11 guys and cover their receivers with 11 guys. That's really about all you can do with them."

On the other side of the field the Lions will find a Coahoma team that coach Robert Woods has running like a well-oiled machine.

"We just clicked on all cylinders," said Tindol after throwing for 451 yards and a record-tying seven touchdowns against Post.

Tindol has been nothing short of inspiring this fall. The CHS senior has racked up an impressive 3,224 yards passing this year.

Leading Coahoma's talented receiving corp is senior Kelby Kemper, who caught 13 passes for a staggering 249 yards and five touchdowns against Post.

Don't for one minute think Kemper is the only target Tindol has in his holster. No less than five Coahoma receivers pulled in passes against Post. At

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least 10 different Dawgs have snagged passes this season from Tindol. Juniors Lance Roberts and Adrian Abrego had three catches for 104 yards against the Antelopes. On the ground Clay Grant comes out of the running back position. He

and Tindol keep the Bulldogs balanced offensively, helping keep defensive backs honest by providing a deceptive rushing attack. Defensively for Coahoma, you need to know just one thing: They hit hard and often. Despite showing a ten-

dency to give up a lot of yards via the run, Coahoma has managed to make a stand where it matters most — in the Red Zone. In their last three games, the CHS defense has successfully halted five drives within their own 20. In that span, the Bulldogs have also forced 13 turnovers. Andrew Brown always seems to be around the football causing mischief. He came away with several key plays last week. Jessie Metcalf, Terrel Bibb and Rocky Salazar provide for the first line of defense for the

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON
The magic of romance is alive and well on this, the last day of the Scorpio sun. What starts out on a friendly note quickly turns into something more basic - it's hard to ignore the chemistry. A lovely mix of the wild and the intellectual is featured tonight. The better you can embrace all parts of human nature, the more relaxed you'll be in your skin.



Joyce Jillson

Jan. 19). Your perspective is off. If you could see this problem from the top of the Empire State Building, you'd realize it's a lot smaller than you think. Go have so much fun that you totally forget about the plaguing issue. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Focus more on getting it right than doing it in a hurry. Taking advice is a lot more challenging than giving it, but you've got that selfless approach that keeps you eager to try.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). What causes discomfort also teaches you something very valuable. Talk about what's bothering you - a Cancer or Leo might come up with the very insight that breaks you of a bad habit. Consider taking a trip alone. WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: Love lives are going through transition as the sun moves out of Scorpio and into Sagittarius. Don't fall prey to the "grass is always greener" syndrome. If it's true, maybe you should water your own lawn. ARIES: Friends could indeed fall for one another but then go right back to being friends. TAURUS: You'll find someone who thinks like you - the two of you can build a solid life together. GEMINI: Be quiet! The urge to talk too much could repel someone who would otherwise be interested. CANCER: Devote yourself to making the one you love feel powerful. LEO: Someone makes you feel shy - how weird. Maybe he or she is not for you. VIRGO: Let your love be the star, and you'll get the attention when you need it the most. LIBRA: You're so sexy that you'll have to deal with a jealous partner. SCORPIO: You can finally relax now that you only have to be yourself in a relationship. SAGITTARIUS: Too much of everything is a danger - stick with temperate mates. CAPRICORN: Give in to your affectionate feelings for someone who's not normally cuddly. AQUARIUS: You share your best ideas and get admirers. PISCES: You may expect more of romance than is reasonable now.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Leos and Librans are well matched when they agree to turn over the bookkeeping to a third party! Fights over money could plague the relationship, but it doesn't mean they don't trust one another. Agreeing on a neutral party to help create a budget each can stick to will help immensely. Tonight, Libra looks wonderful and helps fashionable Leo make a big splash at the social events they love. If you would like to write to Joyce Jillson, please go to www.creators.com and click on "Write the Author" on the Joyce Jillson page, or you may send her a postcard in the mail. To find out more about Joyce Jillson and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com. COPYRIGHT 2003 JOYCE JILLSON DISTRIBUTED BY CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It's the most productive day. You are action oriented, focused on the future and getting there as soon as possible. If you can dream it, you can do it, as long as you're willing to break everything down into tiny steps. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll be filled with chutzpah. Make bids, go for new positions, or ask someone special out for the first time. People skills make you a most desirable partner - someone has a crush on you. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You make headway when you practice, so stop expecting magic, and get to work! An Aries needs to hear your voice of reason. This afternoon, be moderate, especially with credit cards. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-

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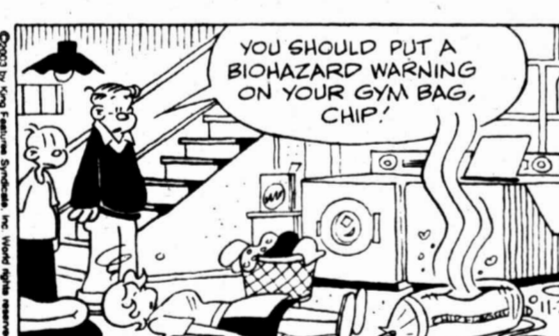
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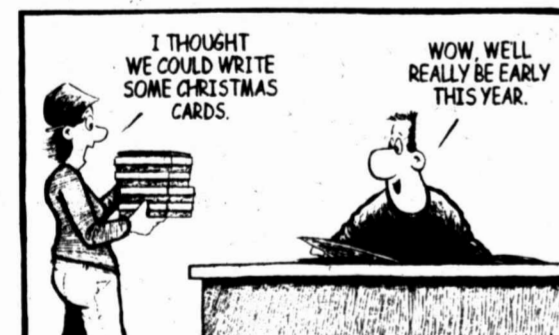
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Nov. 21, the 325th day of 2003. There are 40 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 21, 1973, President Nixon's attorney, J. Fred Buzhardt, revealed the existence of an 18 1/2-minute gap in one of the White House tape recordings related to Watergate. On this date: In 1789, North Carolina became the 12th state to ratify the U.S. Constitution. In 1877, Thomas A. Edison announced he had invented the phonograph. In 1899, Vice President Garret A. Hobart, serving under President McKinley, died in Paterson, N.J., at age 55. In 1942, the Alaska highway across Canada was formally opened. In 1963, President Kennedy and his wife, Jacqueline, began a two-day tour of Texas. In 1964, New York's Verrazano Narrows Bridge opened. In 1969, the Senate voted down the Supreme Court nomination of Clement F. Haynsworth, the first such rejection since 1930. In 1979, a mob attacked the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad, Pakistan, killing two Americans. In 1980, 87 people died in a fire at the MGM Grand Hotel-Casino in Las Vegas. In 1991, the U.N. Security Council chose Boutros Boutros-Ghali of Egypt to be the new Secretary-General. Ten years ago: The U.S. House of Representatives voted 277-153 against making the District of Columbia the 51st state. Actor Bill Bixby died in Century City, Calif., at age 59. Birthdays: Baseball Hall-of-Famer Stan Musial is 83. Country singer Jean Shepard is 70.

Actor Laurence Luckinbill is 69. Actress Marlo Thomas is 66. Actor Rick Lenz is 64. Ballet dancer Natalia Makarova is 63. Singer Dr. John is 63. Actress Juliet Mills is 62. Comedian-director Harold Ramis is 59. Television producer Marcy Carsey is 59. Actress Goldie Hawn is 58. Rock musician Lonnie Jordan (War) is 55. Singer Livingston Taylor is 53. Actress-singer Lorna Luft is 51. Journalist Tina Brown is 50. Actress Cherry Jones is 47. Rock musician Brian Ritchie (The Violent Femmes) is 43. Gospel singer Steven Curtis Chapman is 41.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

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 - 15 Ring out
 - 16 Construction beam
 - 17 Rock bottom
 - 18 ___-mutuel
 - 19 Out of the ballpark
 - 20 Military garb
 - 22 Humongous
 - 23 Knuckleballer Wilhelm
 - 24 Sporting a topper
 - 26 Inauguration, e.g.
 - 30 Deliver a diatribe
 - 31 Temptation scene
 - 32 Snack in a shell
 - 35 Sine curve, e.g.
 - 39 Give a little
 - 40 Pizza order
 - 42 Onetime Time film critic
 - 43 Fall bloomer
 - 45 Canoeing spot
 - 46 Greek vowel
 - 47 Somewhat improper
 - 49 Like a raccoon's tail
 - 51 Foe of Athens
 - 54 Eve's eldest
 - 56 In ___ land (spacey)
 - 57 Chophouse order
 - 63 Leave off
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 - 4 Israeli arms
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 - 8 Not decorated
 - 9 Otis of elevators
 - 10 Football great Lane
 - 11 Give or take
 - 12 Target-practice spot
 - 13 Doctrine of faith
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 - 26 McEntire's sitcom
 - 27 "Et tu" time
 - 28 Circus covering
 - 29 Thought too little of
 - 30 Led Zeppelin's music
 - 33 Comrade in arms
 - 34 Spies' org.
 - 36 Bug-eyed
 - 37 "Our Gang" pooch
 - 38 Lettuce unit
 - 41 Spine-tingling
 - 44 Wharf pest
 - 48 Racket-string material
 - 50 Shoe part
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 - 52 Argentine plain
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 - 61 Nick and Nora's dog
 - 62 Boat's backbone

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Annie's Mailbox: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: My daughter recently transferred to a new middle school. It was a hard transition for a shy girl, but even so, what goes on in this school is appalling. Boys began grabbing at her blouse and pants the very first day. It took three weeks before she told me about it, and even then, she did not want anyone else to know.



ANNIE'S MAILBOX

I went to the principal twice without my daughter's knowledge, and each time he asked for the names of the boys involved. The school has over 2,000 students, and my daughter does not know the names of her harassers. It also was obvious that the principal did not believe me.

I called other girls in my daughter's class to see if they were having similar problems. While they confirmed the situation, they said the harassment

happens mostly in the hallways, and they have learned to accept it as "one of those things."

I want to suggest to the principal that all the eighth-grade girls be called into the counselor's office, with each girl being asked individually if she knows the names of these bullying boys. They should be assured that no one will know who said what. This can be fol-

lowed up with an assembly for all students. We have to do more than tell our girls to be brave. — Mother of Not So Brave Daughter, Yet

Dear Mother: The situation you have described is outrageous, and the fact that the principal wants to avoid dealing with it is utterly disgraceful.

Your suggestion, while good, may not work. The girls might not give up the names of these boys, fearing retribution, and the administration does not sound supportive. These girls need some muscle. The parents should get together and confront the principal to demand that the hallways be better supervised and that teachers be told to keep a watchful eye so they can report bullying and be available to help.

All students should be told that such behavior will no longer be tolerated

and there will be serious consequences for any boy harassing the girls in this manner. Warn them that this kind of situation also can lead to lawsuits. Go get 'em, Mom.

Dear Annie: My husband and I have a year-old child. We always are invited to both parents' homes for every holiday. They live two hours apart, and we visit one family during the day and the other in the evening. Now that we have a small child, this arrangement is beginning to take its toll.

We realize everyone wishes to see us on holidays, but there has to be a happy medium. The current set-up means non-stop travel, and we no longer enjoy the visits. We are afraid bringing this topic up will offend one side or the other. How can we make the holidays pleasant for everyone? — Torn Between

Two Families

Dear Torn: You can, of course, invite both sides to YOUR home. Or, it is perfectly reasonable to alternate holidays, so that his folks get Thanksgiving and yours get Christmas, and next year you switch. It also is OK for you to start your own traditions and simply stay home. Whatever you decide, be sure your husband backs you up. Then inform both sides of the family, and don't let them badger you into a two-hour guilt-trip. They'll gripe, but they'll get over it.

Dear Readers: If you, or someone you know, is an Ann Landers fan, we'd like to recommend "A Life in Letters: Ann Landers' Letters to Her Only Child," by Margo Howard. This warm and loving book provides a peek at the correspondence between mother

and daughter that went on for over 40 years. Margo had an extremely close and unique relationship with her mother, and she is sharing these moments with the world. We hope you enjoy it as much as we did. Publisher: Warner Books. Price: \$22 (in Canada \$33).

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Dear Prudence answers readers' questions

Dear Prudie: A few weeks ago, after a few too many cocktails, I had sex with my best friend's boyfriend while she was away on business. When I woke up the next morning, I expected to feel horrible about what I had done. But to my surprise, I felt fine — even a little happy about it!



Dear Prudence

We are all very close, and I hear both sides of their relationship. When something is wrong, I stand by her but tend to agree with him because

she is so unreasonable and moody with him. I think she treats him badly.

I have always prided myself on being a GREAT friend and never thought I was capable of doing something like this. I don't understand why I don't feel any remorse. Shouldn't I be feeling like a horrible friend and want to confess what I did? — Unfaithful Friend

Dear Un: Well, Prudie thinks you may not be THAT great a friend. We will just gloss over the alcohol-fueled roll in the hay and move on to what perhaps is really going on here.

Although you declare this girl to be your best friend, you don't like the

way she treats her boyfriend, and you also find her "unreasonable" and "moody." You are, at best, ambivalent about her. You probably feel no remorse because you've either had your eye on the guy or it seemed like a nice way to punish your "friend" for her ill treatment of the bf.

As for confessing, the wish to tell her of the intimacy may have subconsciously preceded the deed. Think about these possibilities a little bit, and your questions may be answered. — Prudie, clarifyingly

Dear Prudie: I have recently acquired a fiance who lives overseas now but will be immigrating to be with me. Due to the

haste of our engagement, we chose a high-quality cubic zirconia "diamond" to represent our fidelity until the "real" ring can be purchased. It is only a 1-carat representation in a classic, 14-karat gold Tiffany setting.

I am a successful professional female in a traditionally male-dominated industry. My intended is blue-collar. I have had male customers, friends and colleagues alike grab my hand, put on their glasses and inspect my "diamond," some of them even turning my hand sideways. They all comment on my "rock." One of them actually asked, "Is it real or fake?" I said, "You tell me," and he professed that if it were a

fake, it was a good one.

I expected admiration from my female friends, but not scrutiny from the men. I would like to know if the average human being can tell the difference between a diamond and a CZ. Furthermore, I would like to know how to respond to these presumptuous men who feel it is appropriate to editorialize on the symbol my fiance and I have selected to represent our love and respect for each other. — Faker in Love

Dear Fake: As far as "regular people" looking at a stone and knowing whether or not it's genuine, that can go either way — depending on the quality of the CZ, the setting and the viewer's eye.

To know for certain, one would need the thermal gizmo that jewelers use to test diamonds.

As for a retort to people gauche enough to ask if your ring is real, why don't you sweetly answer with something like this: "I'll see if I can rustle up the bill of sale for you." Anybody who doesn't know they've just been told "It's none of your business" isn't worth having a conversation with. — Prudie, privately

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