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## BRIEFLY

## Neugebauer opens campaign today

Congressman Randy Neugebauer will formally launch his bid for the new 19th District Congressional seat today at 5:30 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Community Center Lake Room, 100 Whipkey Road.

## Jury selection under way here

Jury selection in the sexual assault trial of Lorenzo Ontiveros was set to begin this morning in 118th District Court. The case is expected to begin Tuesday morning. Howard County Assistant District Attorney Robin Orr will be prosecuting the case, and said he expects to finish his presentation of evidence before the close of court Tuesday.

## 'Night of Iguana' takes stage Tuesday

"The Night of the Iguana," Big Spring High School's One-Act Play, will take the stage for the public at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the high school auditorium, 707 11th Place. Admission is \$2.

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## Council to consider lake activities, rezoning

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

The possible rezoning of an area on the west side of Martin Luther King Boulevard and final reading on new activities at Moss Creek Lake top the bill for Tuesday's Big Spring City Council meeting.

Among the items scheduled to be discussed during the meeting, which is set to get under way at 5:30 p.m., is a public hearing concerning a five-acre tract of land out of the southwest quarter of Section 32, Block 33. The land's owner has requested a zone change from single family designation to "light commercial," for the use of a multi-

**Tuesday's meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. in council chambers, 307 E. Fourth**

family complex.

The area is approximately one block east of FM 700 on Martin Luther King Boulevard, on the north side of the street.

Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen said he hopes members of the community and especially land owners with concerns about the zoning change will attend the hearing and make their voice heard.

"That's what these hearings are for," said McEwen. "We want to encourage anyone who has concerns about the zoning change or the land in that area to come to the hearing."

Also on the agenda will be the final reading of an ordinance amending fees for Moss Creek Lake, which would also allow several new activities to be added to the facility. They include motocross racing, paintball and the operation of jet skis.

City Public Works Director Todd Darden said the nearly four-year struggle with gold-

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HERALD photos/Thomas Jenkins

Vietnam Memorial Committee members Gerry Grimes, left, Gary Osburn and Jerry Groves work Saturday morning to center a platform to support the Moving Wall, which will be at the Memorial Saturday through April 2. At left, Howard County Master Gardeners Jeanine Huskey and Martha Simmering plant an array of pansies near the tank located on the Vietnam Memorial grounds. The Master Gardeners, along with Keep Big Spring Beautiful, were at the Memorial Saturday morning, preparing the facility for the Moving Wall.

## LIGHT OF HOPE

Victim Services, CASA to hold vigil in city park

HERALD Staff Report

The community is invited to shine a light of hope for victims of child abuse and all crimes Thursday, April 1, during the Light of Hope Ceremony.

A candle light vigil sponsored by Victim Services of Big Spring and Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of West Texas will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Heart of the City Park located behind the Howard County Courthouse.

The community is encouraged to attend the event which is meant to send a powerful message of hope to members of the community who have suffered as a victim of crime.

H-E-B of Big Spring is underwriting the expense of the vigil.

## Mel Prather, civic leader, craft show organizer dies at 56

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Features Editor

Mel Prather, 56, a local entrepreneur and community servant, died Saturday in Abilene.



PRATHER

"We had been friends a long time. He was always volunteering. He was the type of person who worked diligently behind the scenes," said long-time community resident Wade Choate.

Prather was named the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Man of the Year

in 1997.

Owner of the Arts and Crafts Shows Inc., Prather celebrated 27 years with the Big Spring Arts and Crafts Festival

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## Young problem solvers

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Utilizing local resources and attracting an outlet mall to the city were a few solutions Big Spring youths developed Saturday during the Gifted and Talented Creative Problem Solving Day to try improve their community.

"The purpose for this event is to teach them to become a life-long problem solver," explained Beverly Jeffcoat, Big Spring Independent School District gifted and talented coordinator.

Thirty-six fourth, fifth and sixth graders volunteered to give up much of



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Goliad Intermediate School fifth grader Emily Hicks and sixth grader Courtney Boyd display their group's banner during the Big Spring Independent School District Gifted and Talented Creative Problem Solving Day Saturday.

their Saturday to research, analyze and develop solutions for a prepared problem about the community.

"They were considering in what way we, the Big Spring community, can retain current business, industry and service organizations and promote new opportunities, so our community can experience economic growth," said BSISD

Curriculum Director Richard Light.

The program began at 9:30 in the morning as students were placed in three groups to meet and ask questions of a panel of community experts.

"We already had the problem defined, now the students needed to find out the data, information from many perspectives

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## International evangelist bringing crusade here

Thursday-Sunday, Pentecostals of Big Spring Church

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Features Editor

International evangelist the Rev. Charles Mahaney will present a four-day Final Hour Prophecy Crusade in Big Spring Thursday through Sunday at the Pentecostals of Big Spring Church, 1004 Locust.

"This is the first time he's been to Big Spring, and we're inviting everyone in our area to come to the crusade and hear his very powerful message," said Michael Mahaney, pastor of the church and son of the evangelist.

The elder Mahaney, who has ministered to death row inmates Susan Atkins and Tex Watkins of the Charles Manson infamy, and James Earl Ray, the man convicted

for killing Dr. Martin Luther King, is director of a prison ministry with more than 1,000 employees.

"I've been to the West Texas area several times, and I've never seen an

area so interested in their Jewish roots. One thing the church must do is be more like Jesus. Jesus wanted people so badly he took them in any

condition. The church needs to get back to that place and minister to families and children," Mahaney said in a telephone interview from his home in Arkansas.

Mahaney has visited Israel 35 times, and is director of the Jewish Ministry of the United Pentecostal Church. He

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Obituaries

R.G. (Glenn) Click



R.G. (Glenn) Click, 77, passed away on Saturday, March 20, 2004, at Odessa Hospice House following a long illness.

Services will be 3 p.m. Tuesday, March 23, 2004, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home with Mr. Donnie Click and Mr. Jeff Miller officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday. Visitors are welcome to come to Lena Heard's home at 505 E. 16th Street until service time.

Mr. Click was born in Grayson County on June 3, 1926; and was raised in Collinsville. He was the fourth child of six siblings.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving during World War II and in 1949 went to work for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. In the early 1950's he transferred to Big Spring with the phone company and stayed with them until his retirement in 1986, after 37 years of service, marrying his wife, Cheryl, that same year.

Next to his family, "Click's" love was horses. For more than 30 years he broke and trained horses for the public and showed championship halter horses throughout the country.

He helped countless youth in Howard county to learn to ride and show horses correctly. He was one of the founders of the Howard County Youth Horseman and volunteer 4H adult leader in the county for many years. He was honored by the 4H Clubs several years ago as their "Friend of 4H" recipients, the highest award the 4H organization can bestow upon an individual or business.

He was recognized for his work in helping with 4H horse judging teams and support and assistance with their annual junior rodeo. "Click" also provided support to the annual Howard College Collegiate Rodeo in Big Spring and other horse related activities with the Howard County Fair and other events. In 1990 "Click" retired from training horse but still enjoyed "riding a good horse" at every opportunity.

He has served as a director of the Howard County Fair for more than 20 years and has been a director of the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo board of Directors for more than 15 years. The Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo was extremely proud to dedicate 2003 year's rodeo and events to our long time friend and supporter R.G. Click.

He is survived by his wife, Cheryl Click of Coahoma; two sisters, Lena Heard of Big Spring and Mary Lou Cooper of Missouri City, Texas; a brother, George Henry Click of Porter.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Rollis and Louella Click; one son, Dusty Preas; two brothers, Charles Eugene Click and John Raymond Click.

Pallbearers will be Harry Middleton, Jody Nix, Skipper Driver, Jack Buchanan, Richard Atkins and Carey Burchett. All other board members of the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo Association are honorary pallbearers.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com.

Paid Obituary

Jesse Murray Looney

Jesse Murray Looney, 78, of Big Spring, passed away on March 19, 2004, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 23, 2004, at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Dave Ring, pastor of First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Monday from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Jesse was born on March 28, 1925 in Pottsboro. He married Anne Powell on Sept. 4, 1949, in Denton and had been a resident of Big Spring since 1959. Mr. Lopney had worked for Cosden Refinery for 36 years, retiring in 1991 as a supervisor of the laboratory.

Mr. Looney was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force during World War II serving for four years.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Morning Optimist Club. He was active in the American Little League and had served as the president.

He is survived by his wife, Anne Looney of Big Spring; a daughter, Betty Anne Taylor and husband, David, of Richmond; a son, James D. Looney and wife, Christine, of Armada, Colo.; a sister, Fanny Thornton of Wellston, Okla.; a brother, Early Looney of Wellston, Okla.; five grandchildren, James, Brian, Phillip and Erin Looney and Stephanie and Daniel Taylor.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Issac and Myrtle Looney and two brothers, Ruyal Eugene and Harry Looney.

Pallbearers will be: Richard Wright, Roger Goertz, Bruce Griffith, Mark Heinis, Bill Myers and Steve Waggoner.

Arrangements by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects on line at www.myersandsmith.com.

Paid Obituary

Mel Prather

Mel Prather, 56, of Big Spring, died Saturday, March 20, 2004, in Abilene. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Floyd Dean Newsom

Floyd Dean Newsom, of Chandler, died Monday, March 22, 2004, at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home &

Support groups

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 noon Saturday until 8 a.m. today:

- JANET DARLENE LUJAN, 46, of 637 Manor Lane was arrested Saturday on a Midland County warrant.
- HERMAN HERNANDEZ, 18, of 1002 N. Main was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while licenses invalid.
- ERICA MORENO OCHOA, 24, of 1300 Mesquite was arrested Sunday on traffic warrants and county warrants.
- PATTY SERRANO PANTOJA, 29, of 538 Westover was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while license suspended and on traffic warrants.
- STACY ANN CONNAWAY, 26, of Weatherford was being held at the city jail Sunday for the Howard County Sheriff's Office.
- TIFFANY DAWN BURKE, 17, of 3202 Cornell was arrested Sunday on traffic warrants.
- RICKY LIN WALLACE, 38, of 3202 Cornell was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while license suspended.
- JONETTA FASTORIA TATE, 45, of 3202 Cornell was arrested today on a charge of theft by appropriation.
- SALLY DAWN SCHUMPERT, 45, of 207 Circle was arrested today on a charge of hindering a police officer.
- STACY DAWN SPEER, 19, of 1313 Mulberry was arrested Friday on traffic warrants.
- ANTHONY JOSEPH PRIMIANO, 35, of 4219 Calvin was arrested Saturday on a charge of possession of marijuana, two ounces or less.
- DAVID EUGENE MANRIQUEZ, 43, of 637 Manor Lane was arrested Saturday on parole warrants, Ector County warrants and on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- MARK STEVEN ROMINE, 30, was arrested Saturday on charges of public intoxication and evading arrest.
- VICTOR A. HILARIO III, 20, of Midland was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- RICHARD MARTINEZ JR., 19, was arrested Sunday on a charge of minor in consumption, third

offense or more.

- LUIS MARTINEZ III, 28, of 1425 E. Sixth St. was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- JIMMY RAY MELCHOR, 41, of 111 E. 19th St. was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1600 block of Runnels, the 3200 block of Auburn Street, the 1100 block of East Sixth Street and at Howard College.
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported at Barcelona Apartments.
- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 1900 block of East FM 700 and the 1100 block of Lamesa.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson, the 4200 block of Calvin, the 3200 block of Cornell, the 600 block of Sixth Street and at Barcelona Apartment.
- THEFT was reported in the 1200 block of 11th Place, the 900 block of Willa, the 1800 block of Gregg, the 1100 block of Lamesa, the 2300 block of Wasson, the 1500 block of Scurry, the 1600 block of Phillips and the 1100 block of Sycamore.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1300 block of Harding

Weather

Tonight...Lows mid 50's. Wind 8-16 mph.  
Tuesday...Highs in the lower 70 s. Possible thunderstorms. Lows mid 50's Wind 12-20 mph.  
Wednesday...Lows upper 50's. Partly sunny. High's lower 70's. Winds 15-25 mph  
Thursday...Lows upper 50's. Partly sunny. High's lower 80's. Winds 3-16 mph.  
Friday...Lows lower 50's. Partly sunny. Highs upper 70's. Winds 15-30 mph.

Bulletin board

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

TODAY

- Take Pounds Off Sensible (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets Monday night at 5:30 p.m. in the Eleventh and Birdwell Lane Church of Christ. A different program is offered every week, and anyone 7 years old or older is welcome to attend. Please enter through the northwest door. Call 263-2786 for more information.
- Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend.
- Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at La Posada restaurant.
- Hangar 25 Air Museum is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Saturday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., and on Sunday from 1:30-4 p.m.

TUESDAY

- Intermediate Line dance classes begin at 9 a.m. in the Senior Citizens Center. 267-1628.
- Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.
- A Stitchin' Time Club meets at 3:30 p.m. at Primitive Baptist Church, 201 E. 24th St. Everyone is invited to learn and share sewing skills, and portable sewing machines are welcome. Call Kay Sikes at 394-4835 for more information.

WEDNESDAY

- Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

Sheriff's report

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

- RICHARD ELLISON, 29, was arrested Friday on a warrant for theft by check.
- ROBERT KLINENBERG, 55, was arrested Friday on a county warrant.
- JARED STEVEN PRESLEY, 28, was arrested Friday on a warrant for driving while license invalid and on a charge of possession of marijuana, two ounces or less.
- CHRIS NIXSON, 18, was transferred to the county Saturday after being arrested by Big Spring police on a charge of possession of marijuana, less than two ounces.
- MEAGAN DESIREE, 21, was transferred to the county jail Saturday after being arrested by Big Spring police on a charge of evading arrest, detention.
- JESSE AGUILAR, 27, was transferred to the county jail Saturday after being arrested by Big Spring police on a charge of possession of marijuana, two ounces or less.
- ANTONIO MARTINEZ, 20, was transferred to the county jail Saturday after being arrested by Big Spring police on a charge of failure to identify giving false, fictitious information.
- TAMMY KAY COKER, 27, was transferred to the county jail Saturday after being arrested by Big Spring police on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid.
- MARK STEVEN ROMINE, 30, was transferred to the county jail Sunday after being arrested by Big Spring police on a charge of evading arrest, detention.
- ANTHONY JOSEPH PRIMIANO JR., 35, was transferred to the county jail Sunday after being arrested by Big Spring police on a charge of possession of marijuana, two ounces or less.
- TELASFORD JUAREZ ZAPATA, 48, was transferred to the county jail Sunday after being arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety troopers on a charge of driving while license suspended.
- VICTOR A HILARIO III, 20, was transferred to the county jail Sunday after being arrested by Big Spring police on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- DAVID EUGENE MANRIQUEZ, 43, was arrested Sunday on warrants for issuance of a bad check and theft.
- STACEY ANN CONNAWAY, 26, was arrested Sunday on charges of possession of marijuana, two ounces or less; and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- RICHARD DALE THOMPSON, 31, was arrested Sunday on charges of possession of marijuana, two ounces or less and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- RICHARD MARTINEZ JR., 19, was transferred to the county jail Sunday after being arrested by Big Spring police on a warrant for consumption of alcoholic beverage by a minor.
- ROAD HAZARD was reported on Interstate 20.
- RECKLESS DRIVER was reported eastbound on Interstate 20 and near mile marker 173

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was part of a group that met with Israeli leaders and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to pray for peace in the Middle East. He has also written 11 books.

With 29 years experience as an evangelist, Mahaney has appeared on the 700 Club with Pat Robertson discussing satanism, on Entertainment Tonight with the rock group KISS discussing the adverse effects of heavy metal music, and appeared in the cult classic movie "Detroit Rock City," where he was featured as a minister against the music.

His message stems from personal experience, he said.

"I was a hippie in the 60s, and wore a beard and rode a motorcycle and wore black patches on my clothes. I was busted on drug charges, and I found God in prison," he said.

Even more poignant to Mahaney's story and the power of his message is the fact that his only brother died from a drug overdose in the 1960s, he said.

"I created the ACTS program for prison, which means Alcohol and Chemical Treatment Series. It's a Bible-based program with different phases and steps compared to traditional treatment," he said.

Thursday through Saturday, the crusade begins at 7:30 p.m. In Thursday's message Mahaney will talk about rebuilding the Temple in Israel and the building of Zion. Friday's focus will be on our world today and

the Middle East, and how today's occurrences compare to Bible prophecy. Saturday's message will

on Sunday. "I believe people are listening to the mob in that movie, and not the



Courtesy photo  
International evangelist the Rev. Charles Mahaney met with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to pray for peace in the Middle East. Mahaney will present the Final Hour Prophecy Crusade Thursday through Sunday at the Pentecostals of Big Spring Church, 1004 Locust St.

focus on the resurgence of Satanism, and Sunday at 2 p.m. Mahaney will speak about things that effect the family today.

"These are topics every family should know. I can promise no one will get bored," he said.

Mahaney marvels at the public controversy surrounding Mel Gibson's movie "The Passion of the Christ." He recalls a Martin Scorsese film, "The Last Temptation of Christ" that received little public outcry. He will address these questions

Messiah. Jesus forgave all of us, and Jesus was a Jew. Because Jesus was a Jew, there's no way a Christian should be anti-Semitic. I don't see how anyone who loves Jesus can be anti-Semitic," Mahaney said.

The crusade is free and open to the public. Child care will be provided.

"I am looking forward to the carrying of the crusade to Big Spring," he added.

For more information, contact Michael Mahaney at 263-0050.

PRATHER

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in October of 2003, and the Spring City Arts and Crafts Show celebrated 14 years in April 2003.

He was a long-time participant in the Wednesday Morning Roundtable at Herman's Restaurant where community members gathered to discuss important community issues.

He was a chamber vice-president for several years, a founding member of the Friends of the Settles and the Ambassador's Club, and also served on the board that revived the Howard-Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion.

"Mel was a wonderful, great guy and he did incredible things for our community," said Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen.

He produced more than 40 shows in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma, and was known for the quality of his shows and for his devotion to non-

profit community organizations, which were allowed free booth space during his shows.

"He was a gentleman and cared passionately for our community. He will be missed," McEwen said.

Prather was also instrumental in making the Convention and Visitors Bureau successful when it was overseen by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

"He put the CVB on the map. He made it possible for the CVB to continue on, as he was instrumental in the formatting stages of that area of the chamber," McEwen said.

He also served on the governmental affairs committee and the transportation committee for the chamber.

Debbie ValVerde, executive director of the chamber of commerce, agreed that Prather will be missed.

"He was involved with the Ambassadors for many years, and was instrumental in bringing that organization back together. He also served

on the chamber board of directors and was chairman of the CVB when it was part of the chamber," ValVerde said.

In 1999 Prather organized a coat drive for the Big Spring community that brought in nearly 900 coats to be distributed to the area's needy children.

Prather came to Big Spring in 1975 as director of marketing and public relations for Webb Federal Credit Union at Webb Air Force Base.

Choate said he chose to make Big Spring his home.

"We hired him after he graduated from the University of Texas at Austin," Choate said.

Prather earned a degree in journalism/mass communications from UT. He had written several children's books.

"Big Spring is a better community because Mel chose to call it home, and all who came in contact with him are richer for the experience," Choate said.

Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

COUNCIL

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en algae that killed off virtually all of the fish has taken its toll on the lake, driving the number of visitors "through the floor." Darden said he hopes these new activities will breath new life into the city-owned property.

"What the Parks Board is asking for consideration on is some activities at the lake that would enhance our ability to attract people to use it for things other than just fishing," said Darden. "With the golden algae problem it experienced in the last four years and not seeing something we can correct quickly through the Texas Department of Wildlife or city funding, we're trying to create these other activities that promote our lake for other uses."

If approved, admission to the facility will remain at \$3 per vehicle and 50 cents per additional person, not to exceed \$5, according to the ordinance. An annual permit is also available for \$100, and includes all boat launching and camping fees. Full service RV hookups are listed at \$15 per night, with limited service hookups set at

\$12. Overnight camping permits dropped in price to \$9 per night. For the proposed motocross course, there would be a \$5 charge per motorcycle.

McEwen said he believes the addition of these activities to Moss Creek Lake would represent a major accomplishment for the city, in addition to a major increase in the quality of life for people in the Big Spring area.

"I think it's a great thing," said McEwen. "It's what I've tried to engender everywhere, and that's the idea that by improving your parks and improving the quality of life and allowing people to do more and more things, it draws more people to our community. What we heard tonight is there are people from Midland and Odessa that stop by the lake and want to jet ski here, but have to keep going. We can capture that here in Big Spring."

"It gives you the ability to say if you play paintball, ride motocross or jet ski, come to Big Spring and we're going to have a place for you. If you have something that naturally lends itself to that type of activity, I encourage the staff to take it a step further. I think it's a very

positive step. We have a great natural asset, so let's use it."

Also on the meeting agenda:

- Proclamation declaring April as "Big Spring Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month."

- Proclamation declaring April as "Mental Health and Retardation Month."

- Final reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 15 of the city of Big Spring Code by adopting a new subdivision regulations ordinance.

- Final reading of an ordinance adopting subdivision fees.

- Final reading of a resolution amending Chapter IV, Section 1 of the city personnel policies and procedures regarding probation.

- Discussion regarding allowance of board appointees to serve on more than one board at a time.

- Presentation regarding Living Memorial Tree Program.

The meeting will be held in city council chambers, 307 E. Fourth Street.

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GIFTED

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and come up with a solution," Jeffcoat said. "That's where our panel of experts came in, to answer those questions and provide information from a variety of perspectives."

The cross-section of community representatives included professionals from the petroleum industry, business, education, utility industry and governmental fields.

Serving as a source of information were Jimmy Crosby of ALON USA, Municipal Court Judge Timothy Green, businessman Mike Abusaab, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Debbye ValVerde and Moore Development for Big Spring Executive Director Kent Sharp.

Also participating were Ralph Truskowski of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen, Big Spring State Hospital CEO Ed Moughon, Jan Forsyth of Howard College and local Realtor Joe Hughes.

"The students will then take the data they learn from our panel of experts and begin to analyze it," Jeffcoat said. "They're looking for trends or patterns and once those trends or patterns are recognized, then it begins time to set up for solution ideas."

Before brainstorming for ideas, the students implement a set of criteria they will eventually use to judge how practical their ideas are in actually solving the problem.

"The solution process begins with divergent thinking — any idea goes," Jeffcoat said. "They'll be brainstorming for many different ideas. Once that is done, their job is to take those ideas and begin to convergent thinking — coming up

with the best solution."

And that's where their established criteria comes into play, Jeffcoat said, to help refine, combine and pull together the best possible solution.

Third phase of the process is to developing a way to market the idea.

"You can have the best solution in the world, but if it is not accepted then it hasn't done anything," Jeffcoat explained.

The students accomplish this last part by presenting their findings with three different media — Powerpoint, banners and skits.

"The Powerpoint presentation gives the background details, the criteria used and the solution," Jeffcoat said. "The banner is like the slogan and the skits is like a public service announcement."

Overall, Jeffcoat called the event successful.

"My group had trouble finding any limitations in Big Spring," said Gail Berringer, Goliad Intermediate sixth-grade teacher who led one of the

groups. "They didn't think we had anything and that's great."

"Like the old saying goes, 'and the child shall lead them,'" Jeffcoat added.

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Jesse Murray Looney, 78, died Friday. Services will be 10:00 AM Tuesday, March 23, 2004 at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Monday from 6:00 to 7:00 PM.

R.G. (Glenn) Click, 77, died Saturday. Services will be 3:00 PM Tuesday, March 23, 2004 at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 5:00 to 7:00 PM Monday.

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HERALD Staff Report

Volunteers are still needed to help with "The Moving Wall," which will be in Big Spring Saturday through April 2.

People are needed to read names of MIAs, POWs and KIAs from Texas.

To volunteer to read should call Vickie Osburn or Katy McKinney at 267-7828 beginning Monday.

As always, anyone who cannot volunteer but who would like to donate funds to help with the upkeep of the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial can send contributions to

VMC, P.O. Box 2854, Big Spring, 79721.

"Every time we ask for help, the public always responds and we appreciate that so much. This time, we are needing volunteers to help with 'The Moving Wall,'" said Jerry Groves of the VMC. "Please help if you can."

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## OTHER VIEWS

## Drug brouhaha is just starting as new info revealed

The brouhaha over the newly-passed federal Medicare prescription-drug bill is starting to bubble up to the verbal surface in news stories, talk radio and news broadcasts.

And the initial verdict is not good for the Bush Administration.

Touting the Medicaid co-pay plan as a great benefit to senior citizens in general, and those who don't have any medical coverage in particular, Bush put his reputation on the line in pushing and signing the \$540 million plan.

\$535 million? At the time of the debate the cost was reported to be less than \$400 million! That's true, but the cost of the plan has been re-evaluated and now is expected to cost about 30 percent more than government officials first estimated.

That little tidbit of information has dissenting members of Congress, and more than a couple of key members of the Republican Party, upset; some outspoken members of Congress are saying the Bush Administration deliberately misled them about the plan's benefits and costs.

There is evidence (in the form of an email) that an administration official purposely deflated the true cost of the program to help ensure passage. Most Democrats are irate about this revelation, which is really no surprise since it's prime political season and Democrats are supposed to be irate at anything Republicans do and vice versa.

The fact that Congress did something, anything, about prescription drugs on a national scale was seen by many as a positive step. But that "something" does not look so good when the levels of the controversial bill are peeled back.

For example, the bill specifically forbids the government from negotiating the cost of drugs with manufacturers, even though with millions of Americans opting for the program the negotiating power to lower drug costs would be tremendous.

The bill also does nothing to make it easier for U.S. citizens to buy low-cost drugs from foreign countries, nor does it address the question of why U.S. companies can sell drugs overseas and to Canada and Mexico more cheaply than here in the U.S. — and still turn a profit.

The relationship between the Bush Administration, in fact, a majority of Republican congressmen, and drug companies is being seriously questioned over this issue.

It is an issue that will not go away between now and the November elections. In fact, the volume on this debate will be cranked up considerably since it is an issue that Bush will have trouble running away from.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Let us open our eyes to another persons problems,  
Lord, that we may pray for them and know you will  
betheer for them. Amen

## Tookie's definition of 'redemption'

The folks who made the Fox TV movie "Redemption: The Stan 'Tookie' Williams Story," clearly didn't care if the San Quentin Death-Row inmate killed 26-year-old Albert Owens in a 1979 robbery and then murdered motel proprietors Yen-I Yang and Tsai-Shai Yang and their daughter, Ye Chen Lin, two weeks later.

"It's a nice movie if you don't know who it is or what they've done," said Lora Owens. To her deep sorrow, Owens does know who Williams is and what he did to land on Death Row. Williams killed her son.

She's angry that Owens was so inconsequential to the makers of "Redemption" that the one time his name is mentioned, the writers got it wrong and referred to Albert as Alvin.

"They never refer to him by name," Owens said of the Tookie-defense machine. "He's an 'it' to them."

While the bio-pic's title, "Redemption," implies that Williams has owned up to his crimes, in the real world, Williams' actions would merit a movie titled "Amnesia."

"Redemption" devotes a measly minute to the four murders, trial and guilty verdict for which Williams is facing execution. Viewers don't get a sense of the brutality of the crimes in the flashback montage.

The story line instead focuses on Williams' role as co-founder of the notorious Crips gang in South Central Los Angeles — that is, the actions that didn't land the Took on Death Row.

The message — from Tookie's Web site ([www.tookie.com](http://www.tookie.com)) to

Tookie the Movie — is that Williams rightly repents for starting the Crips, because it ignited black-on-black violence. The movie barely acknowledges victims who are not black.

"How can you possibly justify shooting someone who looks just like you?" the character of Barbara Becnel, Tookie's collaborator, asks Williams early in their visiting-room relationship.

The Took's answer to her question, by the way, was: "an embedded sense of self-hate" he experienced as a black man.

In the bio-pic, Williams changes after an inmate gives him a dictionary. He starts reading on philosophy. He writes the definition of "redemption" on a paper he sticks to the wall: "to extricate, to be released from debt, to make good." The transformed TV-movie Tookie then collaborates with Becnel on a series of children's books. To redeem himself for co-founding the Crips, he now warns children about gangs and prison. He publicly renounces violence.

True atonement would demand an apology, and Tookie's real-life Web site includes one. Except "The Apology" excludes Albert Owens and the Yang family. Instead, Williams apologizes for his gang's ill effects on "young black men." Owens' daughter Becki takes Tookie's statements to mean: "I'm sorry I killed black people; I'm not sorry I killed those who weren't."

Nonetheless, three years ago, the books and half-apology earned Williams a nomination for the Nobel Peace Prize. The Swiss legislator who nominated Tookie didn't particularly care if Williams was guilty of four murders. At the time, he told me, Williams "might not even have killed those four people. I don't know what he did 20 years ago." What was important, he said, was that Williams showed that people can change.

Some people do change. They're tough guys outside and then soft-spoken sages behind bars. They can be brain-damaged due to drug abuse — as Williams' lawyers claim Williams was during the murders and trial — and then they can be published authors and great thinkers. They can renounce violence one day, under the guise of taking responsibility, and then quickly be baffled at why they are imprisoned.

You would think, if Williams were not guilty of these four murders, that would be the focus of the TV movie. Or that Williams might have mentioned as much — as in: I didn't do it — in the 90-plus-minute script.

By skirting the question of guilt, the moviemakers establish that they don't care about the killings. Then, the epilogue tells viewers that Williams' lawyers argue "their client is innocent and his constitutional rights have been violated."

Otherwise, the bio-pic is cryptic on the guilt question. The most Williams says is, "I don't care if I'm here a hundred years. I'm not going to get used to this. Because every morning I wake up, I know that I'm not supposed to be here."

Does Williams think he should be able to get away with murder? Or that a few books can cancel out four deaths?

Then, Tookie continued, "Why do we do good, Barbara?"

My guess is that Williams' answer comes from his definition of "redemption." It is not "to atone" but "to extricate."

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## 'Let's get ready to rumble'

The Republican National Committee will hold a big-ticket, exclusive fundraiser

March 26 at the palatial mansion of boxing promoter Don King in Manalapan, Fla. The price: \$25,000 per couple, with admission limited to the first 25 couples.

King, who occasionally has been prosecuted but not convicted in connection with the operation of his boxing empire, has been a political switch-hitter contributing to both parties. In the current election cycle, he has given not only to George W. Bush but also to Democratic presidential hopefuls Richard Gephardt and Carol Moseley Braun.

"Let's Get Ready to Rumble!" begins the dinner invitation. Continuing the sports theme, it says "warm-ups" (reception) start at 6 p.m. with the "main event" (dinner) at 7. Those who pay the \$25,000 are guaranteed reservations at the nearby Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Palm Beach.

Veteran Democratic politicians feel Sen. John Kerry made his first serious mistake as presumptive presidential nominee when he claimed foreign leaders privately said they wanted him to defeat President Bush.

Kerry's basic error was making a claim that, true or false, he never could substantiate. He also is criticized inside his party for compounding the mistake in two ways: he modified what he first

said and then blundered by getting into a shouting match with a Republican heckler.

That performance may make Kerry look un-presidential. But the Democratic old pros say this is mitigated by new campaign laws that make George W. Bush take responsibility for the barrage of anti-Kerry ads.

Commerce Department officials who vetted Nebraska industrialist Tony Raimondo as President Bush's new manufacturing czar were aware that he operated a factory in China. They believed that experience would benefit Raimondo in a new assistant secretary of commerce post intended to promote manufacturing jobs in America.

Democratic senators went on an anti-China rampage when Sen. John Kerry leaked word of Raimondo's selection. Raimondo withdrew his name after Senate Republican leaders informed the White House that the confirmation process would be long, bitter and doubtful.

Commerce officials also mistakenly believed Raimondo's way with Senate Democrats would be eased by his business relationship with and approval by Democratic Sen. Ben Nelson of Nebraska. Actually, Nelson's occasional votes for Bush administration policies have not made him popular in the Senate Democratic caucus.

Democratic Rep. Tim Bishop, who represents the eastern tip of Long Island, N.Y., became a choice election target for Republican strategists March 11 when he presided over a gay marriage in East Hampton, N.Y.

The New York Sunday Times

society page listing of weddings reported that Bishop "led the commitment ceremony" between Dr. Charles Guy Hitchcock and David Wilt. Hitchcock is dean of Southampton College on Long Island, where Bishop was provost before being elected to Congress in 2002.

Bishop's district is one of the nation's most volatile politically, switching back and forth between Republican and Democratic House members. Republican Felix Grucci lost the last election after running an ad alleging that Bishop was soft on rape.

Sen. Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania, one of the Republican Party's rising conservative stars, is alienating allies nationwide with his support for his liberal Republican colleague from Pennsylvania, Sen. Arlen Specter.

Santorum's latest boost for Specter in the April 27 Pennsylvania primary is a television ad in which Santorum says: "Arlen is with us on votes that matter." That infuriated conservatives who note that Specter voted against the Supreme Court confirmation of Robert Bork and removal from office of Bill Clinton, and for shrinking the 2001 Bush tax cut. Of Sen. John Kerry's 26 key votes listed by the Republican National Committee, Specter voted with him 10 times.

Polls show the primary challenge to Specter by Rep. Pat Toomey getting closer. Toomey has backing from conservatives across the country, who are upset by Santorum's stand. Santorum is a strong contender to be the next Senate majority leader.



ROBERT NOVAK

# Getting beyond that long-ago slight

By **LESLIE GARCIA**

The Dallas Morning News

As adults, we know we can't always win. We won't always get the girl, or the job we want, or the house we have our eye on.

And though it hurts, life does go on.

But when you're a kid, sometimes you get stuck in the moment. You feel paralyzed, frozen in time while everybody stares. Like when you're in a piano recital and forget the piece you spent hours memorizing. Or when you slip in the cafeteria at lunch and your bowl of chili ends up all over your yellow shirt.

Or when you try out for the sport you love, the one you live and breathe. But then you look at the list of those who made it and you can't find your name on it — no matter how many times you check to make sure it's not spelled wrong, or listed by your middle name.

You're sad. You're mad. You're crushed and a bit embarrassed. Life could hardly look bleaker.

Well, at this point, though it feels otherwise, the ball is in your court. What you do with this setback is up to you. You can play for a recreational team that doesn't require tryouts. You can switch sports. You can quit. You can pretend it doesn't matter.

Whatever choice you make, though, could well take your life down one path or the other. And sometimes, you don't really know the effect of your decision until you glance over your shoulder.

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"As I look back, I know a lot of kids this happened to," says Jim Hitzelberger. "You can turn left or turn right. I turned right."

Hitzelberger grew up shooting hoops in his driveway, playing on teams in junior high and his freshman year of high school. But in spring of the ninth grade, he tried out for the varsity team and didn't make the cut.

"It was such a disappointment," says Hitzelberger, now an attorney practicing in



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**Mary DeMuth, from Rowlett, tried out for the tennis team in ninth grade and was cut. Today she is a cyclist and has competed in a triathlon.**

Garland. "I ... remember thinking, 'I should be out there.'"

So he took a deep breath and became team manager. He played in church leagues, all the while thinking he'd try out again for his school team. He did, but again he didn't make it.

"That was more disappointing the second time," he says. "I'd been manager with those guys and I'd shoot around after practice. I thought, 'I can hold my own now.' I was a little ticked ... it probably gave me the motivation to prove I could do it."

The summer after graduation, he played in various leagues. Then he tried out for the basketball team at Richland College. He made it.

After two years, Hitzelberger joined the basketball team at the University of San Diego.

He graduated and played basketball in France for a year, coming home with visions of playing in the National Basketball Association. But that summer, he injured his knee.

During rehab, a friend who played for the Harlem Globetrotters told him he could probably play on the team that plays against them. So for a year, Hitzelberger traveled around the world, earning \$500

a month and loving it. Now, married and a father, he limits his basketball to after-work games with his three sons.

"Funny to say, I don't know what would have happened if I had made the team ..." he says. "People always think you must have been upset with the coach. But looking back, it was probably the best thing that happened to me as far as basketball goes."

"I took it to say, 'Let me show you!'"

Had you been in a hotel bar in Wethersfield, Conn., in 2000, you might have seen a first: A sixtiesomething woman doing the splits ... and surprising her former classmates even more by being able to stand up afterward.

"I practiced the splits trying to get on the stupid cheerleading squad," says Bonnie Bassett, now 66. "I still do them."

They're her version of "nyah-nyah-nyah." In high school, Bassett's main goal was to be on the squad. Back then, "it meant you were in," she recalls.

So she tried out. Her friends made it; she didn't.

"Oh, Bonnie," they told her.

"You'll make it next year!"

So she tried out again. Again, she searched in vain for her name on The List. Ditto for the following year.

"It was humiliating, humiliating!" says Bassett. "I don't think I cried. I was just heartbroken, embarrassed. They were the cutest and I wasn't ... it would make my life if I could be one of those girls and wear one of those cute little outfits! All the boys liked the cheerleaders the best."

You can't help but laugh listening to Bassett. Oh, not at being cut, but in delight at her spunk, her attitude, her determination. And determined she became, eventually becoming a college cheerleader.

"I always felt bad, all through high school," Bassett says. "I guess I was popular, but it stuck in my craw that I couldn't make the team. That's why I tried out in college, to prove myself."

But that's not the only way she chose to show 'em.

"I was so mad, I thought, 'That's how I'm going to get my revenge! Staying healthy,'" she says.

Which she has. A vegetarian, she calls herself "a screwball about health." She lifts weights three times a week, exercises for usually an hour every day. She wins trophies in 5K races; mainly, she says, "because nobody else is in my age group."

One final thing: Those other cheerleaders — the ones who did make the team — how did they look at the high-school reunion in which Mrs. Bassett did the splits?

"F-A-T," she says. "I'm sorry they're fat, but I'm glad I'm not."

When Mary DeMuth tried out for the tennis team in ninth grade, she harbored a dream: that she'd end up playing varsity and wow everybody, even though she'd never played ten-

nis. Delusions of grandeur, she calls that now. After a week of her learning the game, the inevitable list was posted. Two, actually. Her name was on the undesirable second.

"I don't know why I tried out," she says. "I guess I was tired of being non-athletic and wanted to see if I could do something athletic."

But instead, the defeat seemed to solidify what she thought of herself.

"I felt like there was a moniker on me that said 'un-athletic' or 'non-athletic,'" DeMuth says. "It really inhibited me from trying anything new."

Being cut also contributed to her poor body image, she says. She felt gangly, too skinny, not good enough. That feeling continued into adulthood.

"It wasn't until lately when I started doing triathlon stuff that I realized having a tall, thin body is a useful thing," says DeMuth, 37.

Yes, she said triathlon.

She paced off the distance of her housing development's swimming pool, figuring that 55 lengths would equal a half-mile. If she could do that, she figured, she could ride a bike and run.

"I wanted to prove I could, to reverse what I had placed on myself," says the author and mother of three, who lives in Rowlett.

"It really did help. I really feel I can accomplish things in the sports realm that I didn't before."

"But I also found since I did the triathlon that I'm much more interested in trying new things: playing ball with my kids and not feeling dumb, or putting on Rollerblades to see if I can do that."

Her children play on teams whose goals are mainly to have fun, not to win. Maybe that was intentional, she says.

"If they did get cut, I'd just hug them and encourage them to do something different, to not be stubborn like me and give up," DeMuth says. "We can't all be perfect in the first thing we try."

## West Texas Centers provides help for the mentally retarded

Special to the HERALD

West Texas Centers for MHMR serves people with mental retardation in 23 counties in West Texas through providing assistance ranging from daily care in residential group homes to job training.

More than 2,200 people are served each month by more than 350 employees in the 23-county area in rural West Texas, according to West Texas Centers CEO Shelley Smith, LMSW.

Their work is being celebrated during Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, which is held each March to increase public awareness of mental retardation and educate the public on the causes and services available to consumers. Approximately 7 million Americans are born with mental retardation, affecting one in 10 American families.

West Texas Centers for MHMR is a non-profit organization governed by a nine-member Board of Trustees and given input by a local planning and advisory council made up of consumers, family members, advocates and other interested community members.

The Center began operation in 1997 as part of the state's plan to privatize

and consolidate the community services divisions of all state hospitals and schools.

West Texas Centers — based in Big Spring but with satellite offices throughout the catchment area — entered into a contractual relationship with the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation took over the provision of services in March 1997.

Counties served by West Texas Centers are Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Fisher, Gaines, Garza, Glasscock, Howard, Kent, Loving, Martin, Mitchell, Nolan, Reeves, Runnel, Scurry, Terry, Upton, Ward, Winkler and Yoakum.

Mental retardation is based on three criteria, according to the Association for Retarded Citizens or ARC: an IQ below 70-75; significant limitations in two or more adaptive skill areas; and the condition must be present from childhood. It can be caused by any condition, which impairs development of the brain before birth, during birth or in the childhood years.

West Texas Centers provides Vocational Services

in Big Spring, Ballinger, Sweetwater, Snyder, Seminole, Monahans and Pecos, said Rodney Jones, Director of Mental Retardation Services. These services provide consumers with job training, supported employment, individual competitive employment, work crews, and sheltered workshops.

Four ICF-MR homes or Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded, are structured homes located in Monahans, Big Spring and Sweetwater. These homes provide around-the-clock care for consumers.

Some consumers live in their own homes or with their families and receive assistance from Community Support Services, Jones said. Trained specialists assist consumers in acquiring, retaining or improving their adaptive skills. Some of the services include psychology, nursing, dietary consultation, supported home living and social/recreational supports.

Home and Community Based Services or HCS, provides services, includ-

ing residential group homes, supported home living, foster care residential options, specialized therapies, respite care, independent living skills training, day habilitation, and vocational/day training services.

The Foster Care Program matches providers to people with mental retardation who desire a foster care living environment, said Minnie Gonzales, West Texas Centers Foster Care Coordinator. The provider provides care in their home on a continual basis.

Each provider is allowed to have up to 3

consumers in their home and is reimbursed a daily rate plus room and board. Training is provided and the program's oversight is directed by West Texas Centers for MHMR to assure the highest quality of service is offered, Gonzales said.

In addition to services for people with mental illness and mental retardation, the Center is host to an Early Childhood Intervention program that is known as Little Lives ECI Program. This program serves children ages 0-3 years old.

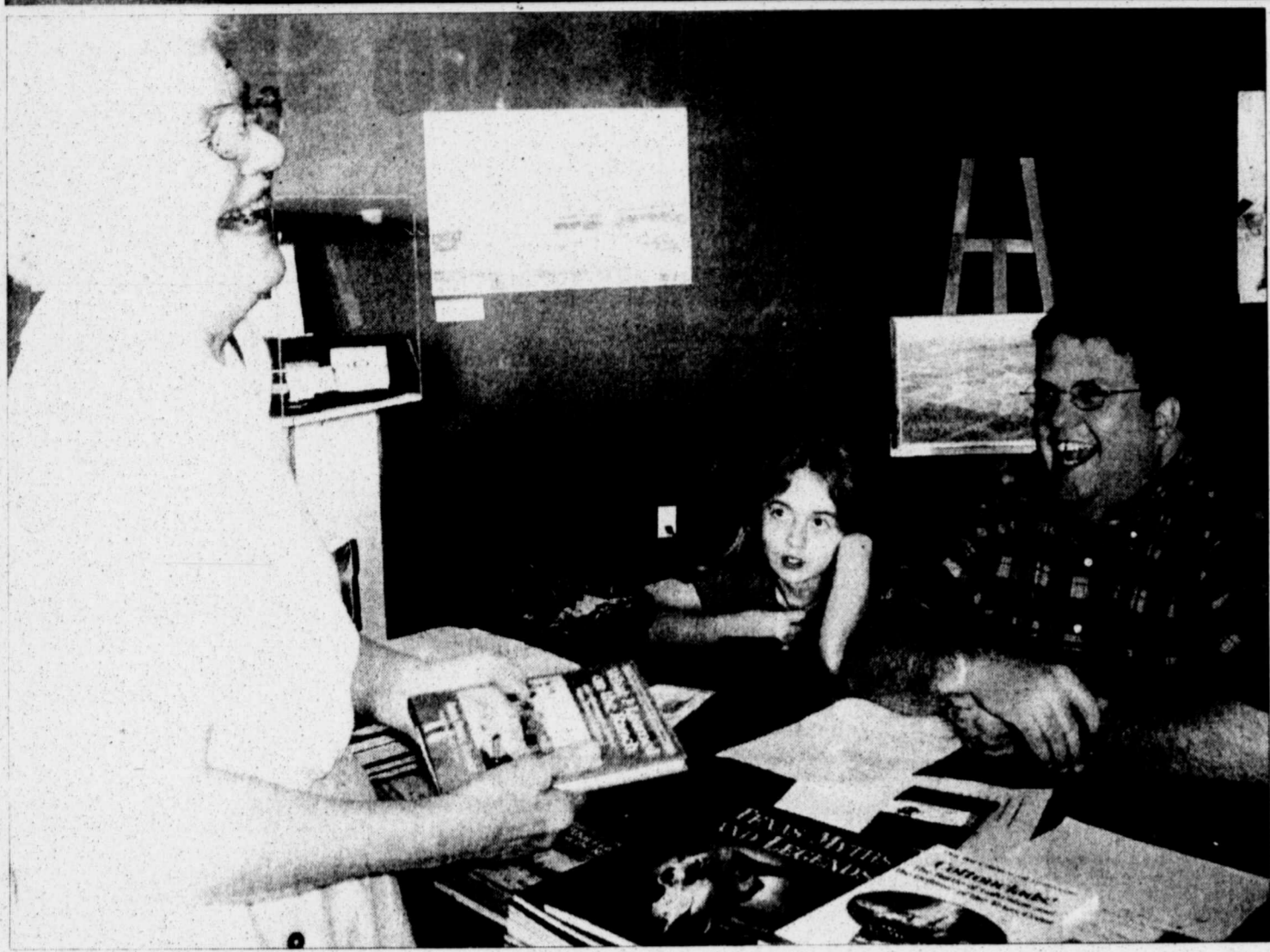
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Above left, Don Frazier, the son of Big Spring's Bruce Frazier, visits with Mattie Andrews of Big Spring at a book signing at the Heritage Museum. Frazier was signing copies of his father's book "What I Learned on the Ranch and Other Stories from a West Texas Childhood." Also pictured is Don Frazier's daughter, Kay. Above right, Angie Williams and her daughter, 14-month-old Hannah Kate Williams, wait in line to enter the Beautiful Baby Contest during Scenic Mountain Medical Center's Health Fest 2004.



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Middle, Anita Green tests the age-old fishing traditions of patience and silence, armed only with her trusty rod and reel, as she attempts to coax some fish from the waters of Comanche Trail Lake. Green travels from Midland just to fish at the local lake. Above,

Big Spring High School student Mark Lozano sets up for an annual talent show.

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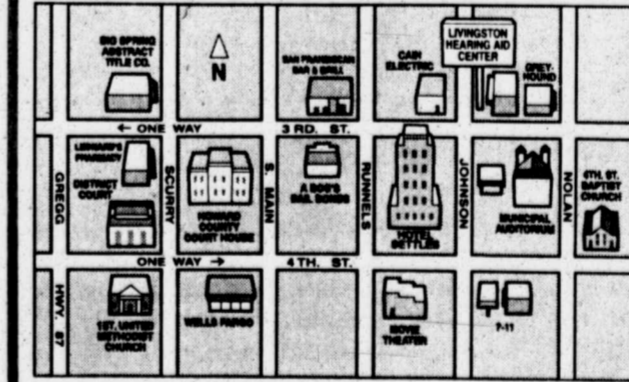
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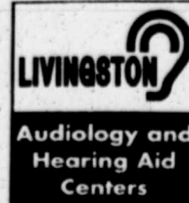
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CGA to event on

The Comanche Golf Association is sponsoring its 4-P event on Saturday, March 27, at Comanche Trail Lake. The event starts at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 4:00 p.m. Contact Frantz at (432) 267-7052.

Teen League slates

The Big Spring Teenage League is sponsoring its 4-P event on Saturday, March 27, at Comanche Trail Lake. The event starts at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 4:00 p.m. Contact Frantz at (432) 267-7052.

Girls softball try-outs

The Big Spring Girls Softball League is currently accepting try-outs for its 4-P event on Saturday, March 27, at Comanche Trail Lake. The event starts at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 4:00 p.m. Contact Frantz at (432) 267-7052.

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### IN BRIEF

#### Umpires needed for upcoming season

The Big Spring Girls' Softball Association is currently seeking individuals interested in umpiring games.

Parties interested in umpiring should contact Francisco Ramirez at (432) 466-3670.

#### CGA to hold 4-person event on Sunday

The Chicano Gold Association will hold its 4-Person Select Drive event on Sunday at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

#### Teen League slates registration

The Big Spring Teenage Baseball League is holding registration at All District Screen Printing, 1005 E. 11th Place, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. The league is open to all area youth ages 13-16, with sign-up continuing through April 16. The signing fee is \$65 and includes a team cap and shirt. For more information, contact Stan Parker at 264-2570.

#### Girls softball try-outs slated

Big Spring Girls Softball Association try-outs will be held on Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Roy Anderson Complex.

#### Sharpe says Lady Raiders fortunate

MISSOULA, Mont. (AP) — Texas Tech coach Marsha Sharpe and Louisiana Tech coach Kent Budke said Sunday their teams are fortunate to have advanced to the second round of the NCAA women's tournament.

But that's not in the "we're just happy to be here," sort of way.

Both teams practiced Sunday afternoon in preparation for today's matchup between fourth-seeded Texas Tech (25-7) and fifth-seeded Louisiana Tech (28-2) in a Midwest Regional.

"I think we realize just how fortunate we are to sit up here," said Budke during a news conference before his team's workout. He said his team overcame playing on the opponent's home floor, a boisterous crowd, foul trouble and sickness in rallying from an 11-point deficit to beat 12th-seeded Montana 81-77 Saturday night.

Monday's matchup features an athletic Louisiana Tech team that boasts four players averaging in double figures.

The Lady Raiders prefer a half-court game and have just one player averaging in double figures — freshman guard Alesha Robertson at 12.4 points per game.

"I think if we can make it a half-court game and get some shots, we have a chance," said Sharpe, who's teams are 3-0 at Dahlberg Arena, including two wins en route to the 1993 national title.

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## Bulldogs take 7-2 win in final round of Wall tourney

Special to the Herald

WALL — Coahoma's Bulldogs claimed the consolation championship of the Wall Interstate Baseball Tournament on Saturday with a 7-2 win over Binger, Okla.

The Bulldogs, who opened the tournament with a close loss to Wall's host Hawks, rebounded with a convincing win over Ballinger in their second game of the tournament.

Those wins over Ballinger and Binger left Bulldogs head coach Brad Harman pleased with Coahoma's overall showing for the weekend.

"This was a great tournament," he said following Saturday's win.

"As far as how we played, I think we let one get away from us. We had some mental errors that killed us against Wall. We eliminated a lot of those the last two days and we're turning the corner to where we want to be going into district play.

"We should have won that first game," Harman said in his final assessment, "but I think we did pretty well."

Like many coaches, Harman was looking for consistency from his team and he got it on Friday and Saturday.

"We've been stressing the need to be consistent," he explained following the win over Binger. "I finally felt like we showed that today."

All told the Bulldogs pounded out 10 hits and, despite committing a couple of errors, played solid defense.

Although Binger got on the scoreboard first with a single tally, Coahoma took a 2-1 lead into the fifth inning and proceeded to put the game on ice with five runs on four hits.

Lance Roberts got things started with a double, the game's only extra-base hit, and scored later on a fielder's choice by Adrian Abrego. Gene Corse added an RBI single and Josh Noble chipped in a two-run single. Roberts capped the rally when he returned to the plate and drew a bases-loaded walk. The Bulldogs benefited from

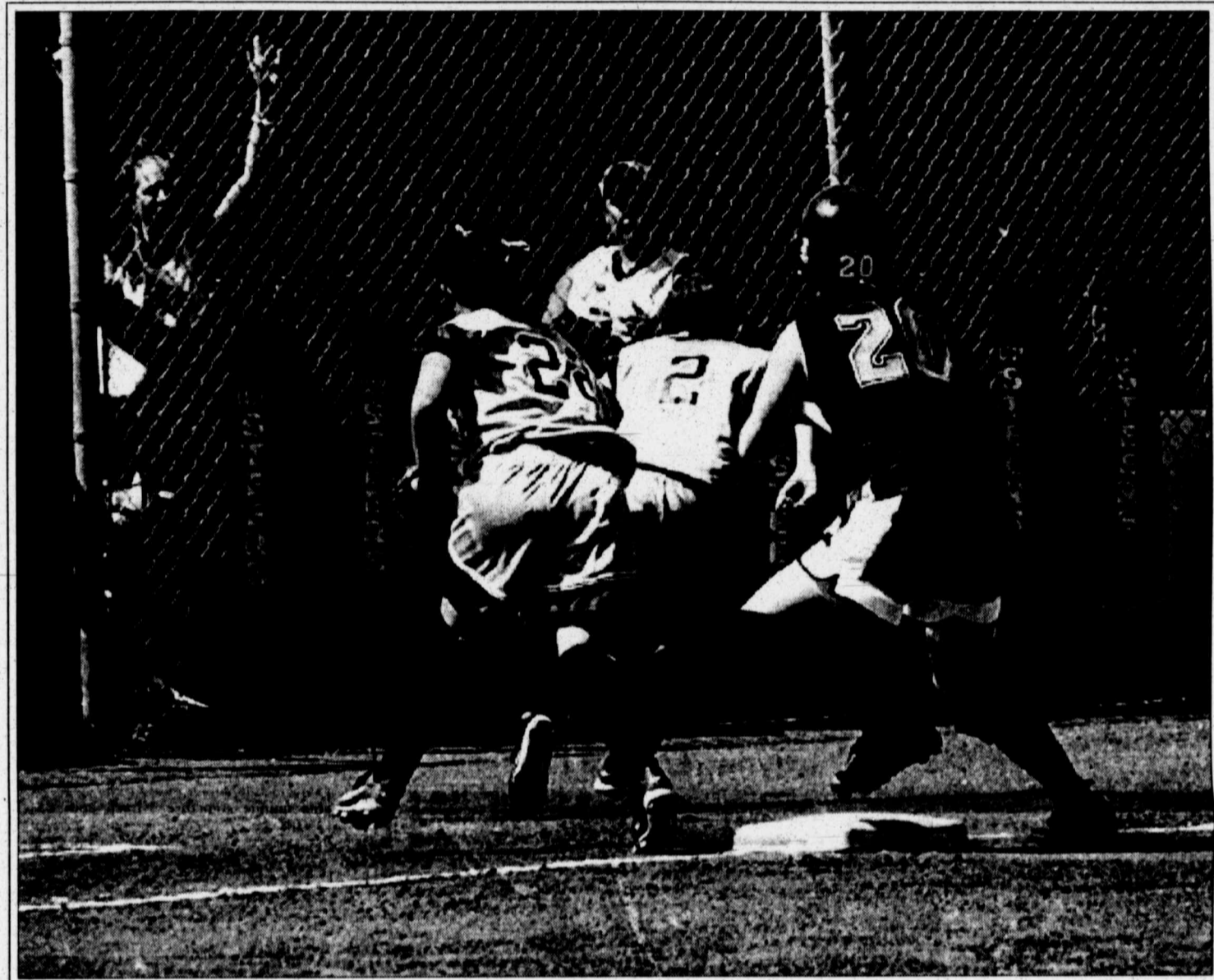
two Binger walks and a hit batsman in the pivotal run.

That was all the edge Roberts needed, as he went the distance, allowing six hits and the two Binger runs in chalking up the win. He struck out four.

The Bulldogs didn't get on the scoreboard until the bottom of the third inning when Chad Born singled home Kelby Kemper, who'd singled with two out.

Coahoma then took the lead in the fourth frame when Orrin Mansfield drew a walk and later scored on a groundout by Noble.

Binger managed a run off Roberts in the sixth inning, but was never able to mount a real challenge following Coahoma's big fifth inning.



A wild throw that went over the head of two Greenwood players let the Lady Steers' Heather Vassar make the turn towards home, scoring the first point of the matchup in the fifth inning. The Lady Steers travel to Lakeview to take on the Maidens on Tuesday.

HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

## Lady 'Horns roll in NCAA tournament's first round

AUSTIN (AP) — It has been 16 years since Texas was a No. 1 seed in the NCAA tournament. The Longhorns figured to have some fun with it.

Tiffany Jackson scored 21 points and the Longhorns, the top seed in the West Regional, rolled over Southern 92-57 Sunday night, putting on a show for a home crowd that didn't get to see any of Texas' run to the Final Four last season.

"It helped us a lot," coach Jody Conradt said of playing in the Frank Erwin Center before a crowd that charged up the arena with chants before tipoff.

"They were anxious and ready to play," Conradt added. "We got out of the gate with a lot of energy."

Jamie Carey scored 18 points and Heather Schreiber added 15 for Texas (29-4), combining for a flurry of first-half 3-pointers that buried the Jaguars early with a 55-22 halftime lead.

The Longhorns ran the nation's longest home winning streak to 35 and advanced to the second round Tuesday against the Michigan State-Arizona winner.

Rolanda Monroe and Ashley Blake each scored 16 points to lead Southern (17-13), which earned the dubious honor of playing the top seed on its home court by winning the Southwestern Athletic Conference tournament.

## Lady Steers nip Greenwood, 2-1

Special to the HERALD

After a 10-0 pasting of Lubbock Monterey on Friday, the Big Spring Lady Steers found the going a whole lot tougher on Saturday. It's still another win in the record books, though.

With the game tied at 1-1 in the bottom of the seventh inning, Heather Vassar rapped a two-out, run-scoring double that lifted the

Lady Steers past Midland Greenwood, 2-1.

Interestingly, it was another "Vassar moment." She got Big Spring on the scoreboard in the fifth inning when she raced home after a Greenwood throw to third base sailed too high.

Greenwood scored its only run in the top of the seventh. Savannah Neely beat out a bun to get on board and raced to second base on a

sacrifice bunt from Emily Burgess. Neely overran the bag and found herself in a rundown, but managed to escape and reach third. A squeeze bunt by Veronica Carruth allowed her to tied the game moments later.

Alex Watkins went the distance in chalking up the win.

The Lady Steers, now 20-2-1, will open District 4-4A play Tuesday at San Angelo Lake View.

## Coahoma thinclads finish third in own Invitational

Special to the HERALD

Sarah Bartlett raced away from the competition in the distance events Saturday to help pace the Bulldogettes to a third place team finish in the Coahoma Invitational.

Bartlett won the 800 meters in 2:28.49 and the 1600 meters with a 6:18.97 — almost eight seconds ahead of the rest of the pack. Coahoma also got solid points in the distance events from Monica Morelina, who was third in the 1600 and in the 3200. Sterling Gee placed second in the 110 hurdles with a time of 17.56 seconds and in the triple jump with a leap of 32-1.25. She also teamed with Mendy Morgan, Miranda Hester and Sarah Collom for a second place finish in the 4x400 relay.

Crane won the meet with 247 points. Colorado City took second with 192. Coahoma's boys also placed third. The Bulldogs got 64 points to

finish behind Colorado City, 224 points, and Crane, 148 points. Permian placed fourth with 56 points and Forsan had 34.

Ten of the Bulldogs' points came from Andrew Brown, who took first place on a discus throw of 129-foot, 2 inches. Joe Holguin placed second in the high jump with a leap of 5-4 and had fourth place finishes in the 110 and 300 hurdles.

Garret Cornett finished second in the triple jump with a leap of 40-10 while Tyler Fowler was third in the 400 meters with a time of 56.51.

Forsan got most of its points from Branden Burlinson, who won the 400 dash in 53.43, was second in the 100 dash at 11.31 and third in the 200 with a time of 24.4.

Forsan dominated the junior varsity category, tallying 218 points. The Buffs had nine first-place finishes.

### COAHOME INVITATIONAL

Varsity Girls

Team Totals — 1. Crane, 257; 2. Colorado City, 192; 3. Coahoma, 118; 4. Forsan, 3; 5. Greenwood, 1.

100 dash — 1. Henderson, Crane, 13:10; 2. Reynolds, Crane, 13:53; 3. Frymie, Crane, 13:60.

200 dash — 1. Schul, Crane, 27:5; 2. Newby, Colorado City, 27:8; 3. Jackson, Colorado City, 27:99; 5. Morgan, Coahoma, 28:61; 6. Hise, Forsan, 28:8.

400 dash — 1. Renosa, Crane, 1:03:2; 2. McCombs, Colorado City, 1:06:69; 3. Collom, Coahoma, 1:08:27.

800 run — 1. Bartlett, Coahoma, 2:28:49; 2. McCombs, Colorado City, 2:32:24; 3. Foy, Crane, 2:43:4; 5. Reid, Coahoma, 2:53:41.

1600 run — 1. Bartlett, Coahoma, 6:18:97; 2. Tovar, Colorado City, 6:26:53; 3. Morelina, Coahoma, 6:39:21; 4. Reid, Coahoma, 4:7:06.

3200 run — 1. McCombs, Colorado City, 13:17:0; 2. Tovar, Colorado City, 13:52:0; 3. Morelina, Coahoma, 14:58:0; 5. Wash, Forsan, 15:36:0.

110 hurdles — 1. Gonzales, Crane, 17:07; 2. Gee, Coahoma, 17:56; 3. Fish, Crane, 19:52.

300 hurdles — 1. Fox, Crane, 53:02; 2. Gonzales, Crane, 53:3; 3. Guerra, Colorado City, 55:01; 4. Gee, Coahoma, 55:43.

4x100 relay — 1. Colorado City A, 50:97; 2. Crane A, 53:01; 3. Coahoma A (McCre, Cortez, Conley, Hester), 55:8.

4x200 relay — 1. Crane A, 1:49:92; 2. Colorado City A, 1:53:4; 3. Coahoma A (Collom, Hester, Cortez, Morgan), 1:57:07.

4x400 relay — 1. Crane A, 4:18:2; 2. Coahoma A (Morgan, Hester, Gee, Collom), 4:34:26; 3. Colorado City A, 4:42:47.

High Jump — 1. Jones, Colorado City, 4-10; 2. Baker, Crane, 4-10; 3. Henderson, Crane, 4-10; 4. Hutchison, Coahoma, 4-10; 5. Morgan, Coahoma, 4-8; 6. Gee, Coahoma, 4-6.

Pole Vault — 1. Villa, Crane, 7-6; 2. Guerra, Colorado City, 6-6; 3. Gonzales, Crane, 6-6.

Long Jump — 1. Schul, Crane, 17-7; 2. Jackson, Colorado City, 15-2; 3. Frymie, Crane, 15-8; 5. Collom, Coahoma, 13-10:25; 6. Conley, Coahoma, 13-3:75.

Triple Jump — 1. Jackson, Colorado City, 33-1; 2. Gee, Coahoma, 32-1:25; 3. Shoal, Colorado City, 31-1; 6. McCre, Coahoma, 29-9:25.

Shot Put — 1. Woodall, Crane, 38-10; 2. Baker, Crane, 35-5.3; 3. Chisum, Crane, 32-0:25; 6. Wood, Coahoma, 25-7:25.

Discus — 1. Newby, Colorado City, 129-8; 2. Baker, Crane, 120-6; 3. Chisum, Crane, 108-5.

Varsity Boys

Team Totals — 1. Colorado City, 224; 2. Crane, 148; 3. Coahoma, 64; 4. Permian, 56; 5. Forsan, 34.

100 dash — 1. Russell, C-City, 11:2; 2. Burlinson, Forsan, 11:31; 3. Rivera, C-City, 11:72; 4. Cornett, Coahoma, 12:13.

200 dash — 1. Ollison, C-City, 22:93; 2. Cruz, Crane, 24:1; 3. Burlinson, Forsan, 24:40; 6. Cornett, Coahoma, 25:32.

400 dash — 1. Burlinson, Forsan, 53:43; 2. Avalo, C-City, 53:8; 3. Fowler, Coahoma, 56:51; Wilson, Coahoma, 57:27.

800 run — 1. Arguio, C-City, 2:08:6; 2. Gonzales, C-City, 2:12:31; 3. Harvey, Crane, 2:13:06.

1600 run — 1. Perez, Crane, 5:04:14; 2. Harvey, Crane, 5:11:66; 3. Gonzales, C-City, 5:13:46.

3200 run — 1. Perez, Crane, 11:22; 2. Martinez, C-City, 11:27.

110 hurdles — 1. Spear, C-City, 15:76; 2. Spear, P-City, 15:0; 3. Aguilera, Crane, 16:17; 4. Holguin, Coahoma, 19:1.

300 hurdles — 1. Aguilera, Crane, 41:91; 2. Crockett, C-City, 44:31; 3. C. Spear, C-City, 44:38; 4. Holguin, Coahoma, 45:21.

4x100 relay — 1. Colorado City, 43:44; 2. Crane, 45:25; Permian, 46:67.

4x200 relay — 1. Colorado City, 1:33:08; 2. Crane, 1:34:65.

4x400 relay — 1. Colorado City, 3:27:19; 2. Crane, 3:31:37; 3. Permian, 3:43:97; 4. Coahoma (Cornett, Fowler, Holguin, Wilson), 3:55:67.

High Jump — 1. Justin, Permian, 5-4; 2. Holguin, Coahoma, 5-4.

Pole vault — 1. Aguilera, Crane, 11-0.

Long jump — 1. Russell, C-City, 22-0:5; 2. Ollison, C-City, 20-11; 3. Golina, Crane, 19-10; 4. Burlinson, Forsan, 19-0.

Triple jump — 1. Franco, C-City, 40-10:25; 2. Cornett, Coahoma, 40-10; 3. Burlinson, Forsan, 39-6; 5. Holguin, Coahoma, 37-7:5.

Shot put — 1. Herdin, Crane, 45-5:2; 2. Davila, C-City, 43-9:5; 3. Boyd, C-City, 43-2:5.

4. Brown, Coahoma, 41-8:75.

Discus — 1. Brown, Coahoma, 129-2; 2. Garcia, Crane, 120-10; 3. Boyd, C-City, 119-1; 4. Burlinson, Forsan, 117-1.

JV Boys

Team Totals — 1. Forsan, 218; 2. Crane, 122; 3. Colorado City, 106; 4. Coahoma, 97; 5. Greenwood, 34; 6. Permian, 34.

100 dash — 1. Jerigan, Coahoma, 11:74;

2. Murray, Forsan, 12:35; 3. Ventura, Colorado City, 12:61; 6. Matthews, Forsan, 13:3.

200 dash — 1. Forache, Forsan, 25:01; 2. Murray, Forsan, 25:84; 3. Johnson, Forsan, 26:63; 4. Rodriguez, Coahoma, 26:66.

400 dash — 1. Forache, Forsan, 55:42; 2. Johnson, Forsan, 56:72; 3. Farmer, Crane, 59:54; 4. Juarez, Coahoma, 59:66; 5. Gomez, Forsan, 1:12:24.

800 run — 1. Parades, Forsan, 2:12:55; 2. Cedillo, Crane, 2:29:89; 3. Ewing, Coahoma, 2:30:70; 4. Kuykendall, Forsan, 2:33:76; 5. Gomez, Forsan, 2:59:74.

1600 run — 1. Juarez, Forsan, 5:08:11; 2. Ewing, Coahoma, 5:41:27; 3. Cervantes, Crane, 5:42:81; 4. Ochoa, Forsan, 5:45:01; 5. Barbee, Forsan, 6:10:94.

3200 run — 1. Ochoa, Forsan, nta; 2. Kuykendall, Forsan, nta; 3. Cervantes, Crane, nta; 4. Barbee, Forsan, nta.

110 hurdles — 1. Sutton, Forsan, 18:97; 2. Gonzales, Coahoma, 19:04; 3. Price, Forsan, 19:15; 4. Johnson, Forsan, 21:28.

300 hurdles — 1. Tarpley, Crane, 46:36; Sutton, Forsan, 47:39; 3. Price, Forsan, 49:52; Johnson, Forsan, 53:96.

4x100 relay — 1. Crane A, 48:28; 2. Coahoma A (Juarez, Rodriguez, Gonzales, Jerrigan), 48:87; 3. Colorado City A, 49:69; 4. Forsan A (Matthews, Acosta, Frietag, Gressett), 52:15.

4x200 relay — 1. Coahoma A (Juarez, Gonzales, Rodriguez, Jerrigan), 1:42:63; 2. Crane A, 1:42:91; 4. Forsan A (Johnson, Acosta, Frietag, Gressett), 1:50:46.

4x400 relay — 1. Forsan A (Forache, Frietag, Sutton, Murray), 3:57:42; 2. Crane A, 3:58:57.

High Jump — 1. Frizzell, Colorado City, 5-2; 2. Parades, Forsan, 5-0; Farmer, Michael, Crane, 4-10.

Pole vault — 1. Tarpley, Crane, 10-0.

Long jump — 1. Forsan, Forache, 17-2:75; 2. Frizzell, Colorado City, 17:3:75; 3. Murray, Forsan, 17-1:50; 4. Sutton, Forsan, 16-4:5.

Triple jump — 1. Frizzell, Colorado City, 36-0; 2. Farmer, Crane, 34-5; 3. Ewing, Coahoma, 31-6; 4. Barbee, Forsan, 31-5; Gomez, Forsan, 28-2.

Shot put — 1. Derisen, Colorado City, 39-6; 2. Ryan, Colorado City, 38-5:25; 3. Mundel, Coahoma, 36-0; 6. Cline, Coahoma, 31-0.

Discus — 1. Roman, Colorado City, 106-11; 2. Mundel, Coahoma, 96-11; 3. Avellano, Colorado City, 97-02; 4. Johnson, Forsan, 93-11.

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Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$23.03, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by-law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by Howard County, et al as Plaintiffs, against Susan F. Myers, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on the 21st day of July, 2003, in a certain suit styled Howard County, et al vs. Susan F. Myers, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-03-06-4617 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 19 day of April, 2004 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 1st day of March, A.D. 2004.

Priscilla Ginnett/ Deputy Clerk of the District Court Howard County, Texas, 118th Judicial District. #4143 March 22 & 29, 2004

CITATION BY PUBLICATION IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS:

TO: James T. Marlow and any and all other unknown owners or persons, including adverse claimants, owing or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property delinquent to Plaintiffs herein, for taxes, to-wit: Lot Seven, Block Five, Monticello Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$4,425.05, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by Howard County, et al as Plaintiffs, against James T. Marlow, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on the 21st day of July, 2003, in a certain suit styled Howard County,

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et al vs. James T. Marlow, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-03-06-4615 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 19 day of April, 2004 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 1st day of March, A.D. 2004.

Priscilla Ginnett/ Deputy Clerk of the District Court Howard County, Texas, 118th Judicial District. #4144 March 22 & 29, 2004

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IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS:

TO: Emma McNew and any and all other unknown owners or persons, including adverse claimants, owing or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property delinquent to Plaintiffs herein, for taxes, to-wit: The South half of Lot Eight, Block Five, Cedar Crest Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$422.19, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by Howard County, et al as Plaintiffs, against Emma McNew, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on the 21st day of July, 2003, in a certain suit styled Howard County, et al vs. Emma McNew, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-03-06-4618 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

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be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

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Priscilla Ginnett/ Deputy Clerk of the District Court Howard County, Texas, 118th Judicial District. #4145 March 22 & 29, 2004

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IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS:

TO: Albino Alblar and any and all other unknown owners or persons, including adverse claimants, owing or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property delinquent to Plaintiffs herein, for taxes, to-wit:

The East Forty (40) feet of Lot Seven (7), Block Nine (9), Earles Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$500.23, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by Howard County, et al as Plaintiffs, against Albino Alblar, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on the 11st day of March, 2003, in a certain suit styled Howard County, et al vs. Albino Alblar, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-03-03-4570 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON

The first few days of spring this year are characterized by rather frenetic energy. The moon is void of course, heading toward seasonal Taurus. Getting centered is a challenge when there are so many possibilities to be explored. Taurus carries out orders, once they are decided. Choose one path, commit to it, and the day is highly productive.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's like nothing can stop you. You're moving down the fast lane of life with police escorts. Physical activities are favored. Once you get sweating, you'll feel you've a right to certain indulgences.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). So many people want you to be happy that they could actually make you mad instead with their



Joyce Jillson

incessant opinions. Even good ideas still need revising. You're smart and capable. Don't get defensive.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Others look to you to solve a delicate situation. Your political savvy can turn setbacks into springboards. Committed Geminis add some sparkle by getting out in the world on a solo mission.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). At work and at home, your role is the same: leader. There is no room for self-doubt, as many are counting on you. The fact that you're worry-free tonight means you handled matters beautifully last week. Pat yourself on the back.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A brave but calculated risk pays off. Some aspects of a new romance are far from ideal. Many problems will magically disappear when you focus on what's right and good about the situation. Cooking is favored tonight.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). As if to drive the point home, history

repeats itself. Of course, you react differently this time around. Avoid a brewing conflict among your friends altogether, even if it means being temporarily unavailable to any of them!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Usually, you weed out unrealistic goals right away, but this time, you don't bother — miracles are not only possible; they happen all the time! Getting through to difficult people is your special talent. Maybe you can get paid for it!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Autonomy is important to you. Why should you be judged by what your friend or colleague does? Make a move to separate yourself from the pack. Tonight, you'll rethink how you've spent your hard-earned money.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Put your mental and physical health first. If you think there is not enough time to exercise or to cook for yourself, you're wrong. What wastes time is getting sick. So make sure you get lots of rest tonight.

CAPRICORN (Dec.

22-Jan. 19). It feels like you're walking a tightrope between what's good for you and what benefits others. When you're on the right path, these two are one and the same. Consider making a radical change. Tonight, be merciful.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). A crisis is averted. Spending money won't solve the situation without a solid plan. Though loved ones are confused, you are certain. Lead the way! You're so sure of the truth that other misinformation doesn't even slow you down.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Unconscious whims and wishes now come to the surface — you may be surprised by what you really wanted all along. After you do a private walk, dinner or shopping trip, you'll be back in the mood for companionship.

WHY YOU ARE EXTRAORDINARY (PART ONE OF THREE): Liz Phair has a current radio hit in which she cries out, "I am extraordinary," which is what I believe every sign can be in its own special

way. ARIES is extraordinary because they are first. They are early birds who get the worm, and they've cornered the market on beginner's luck. Things come easy to Aries because they've got the courage to dive in. Aries can sustain success by honing an incredible work ethic. TAURUS people hold extraordinary powers of attraction, based on both inner and outer beauty. Remember the Greek goddess who was the embodiment of beauty, Venus? Well, Taurus claims the planet Venus as its ruler and aligns with qualities of both natural exquisiteness and designer labels — because great beauties deserve to be spoiled! GEMINI is extraordinarily fabulous, like a walking, talking style magazine. As if knowing the best places to go, people to know, books to read, food to eat weren't enough, they're also the wittiest at the party. CANCER is extraordinarily perceptive. They are sensitized to what is going on in the now moment, which gives them information they

can use to make wiser choices.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Former "Felicity" star Keri Russell took a brief break after the extremely popular show. This year, she appears in "The Upside of Anger" along with Joan Allen and Kevin Costner, and in "Cabbages & Queens" with Nathan Lane. Aries like to be at the forefront; it's often all or nothing with them. Russell was right to step aside and gather steam after "Felicity." And in 2004, she's really making a movie mark.

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Annie's Mailbox®: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: One of my husband's friends recently became engaged, and I am already dreading the bachelor party, which will no doubt include a strip club. I have been staying awake at night, knowing my husband, "Ben," will be attending.

It bothers me that Ben will be seeing live, naked women. I think since he is married, he doesn't need to go to a strip club. I've told Ben how I feel, but he doesn't seem to



KATHY MITCHELL  
MARCY SUGAR

care. I've told him if he goes, I won't be able to look at him or be physical with him for a while because I will be so disgusted. He knows I mean it, too, because it happened once before.

I am seriously considering going to a bar that night, all dressed up, hoping to meet a man. I don't intend to cheat on my husband, but I want him to go through the same anguish I will be going through. I know this is

petty, but what's a wife to do? -- Disgusted in California

Dear Disgusted: A wife needs to decide if she trusts her husband or not. One night spent looking at naked women is not going to hurt a healthy marriage. We understand why you find it objectionable, but your response determines the damage level. Picking up strange men in retaliation is destructive and certainly isn't going to help. You

can turn this into a major battle or forget about it. It's up to you.

Dear Annie: My husband's niece, "Greta," always asks us to baby-sit for her two kids. She says she will pay us, but we rarely see the green stuff. The last time Greta paid, she gave me \$5, and we had the kids for 12 hours over two days.

Sometimes she doesn't always come for the children right away, and we have them for two or three hours past the pick-up time.

Lately, I've told Greta that I'm busy when I'm really not. My husband and I have been out of work for the last five months and don't have much income. Is it wrong to come right out and ask her for the money? -- Tired of Being Used

Dear Used: Go right ahead. Greta is taking advantage of you. Insist that she pay you for your services or you will no longer be available. Plenty of people are looking for reliable baby sitters and would be more than willing to pay a fair price. If you are looking

for a way to make some money, start there.

Dear Annie: You printed a letter from "Frustrated and Outmaneuvered," whose mother-in-law gives the grandchildren nice gifts but insists on keeping them at her house. I also do this, not to bribe the children to come over, but to give them something to do when they visit. Of course, I also buy toys that they can take home.

I think this mom is jealous that her kids want to go to Grandma's house. When I was a child, my grandma had a swing set, but I didn't go to her house because of that. I went because I loved her. -- Grandmother Out West

Dear Grandmother: There's nothing wrong with keeping toys at your home for the children to play with. "Frustrated's" mother-in-law, however, would not allow the children to take any gift home.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar

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9 :PM	20/20 Special Edition	20/20 Special Edition	Christina	70s Show	News	Mujeres Acapionadas	Average Joe	Super Chef	Great Campaign of 1960	American Chopper	Movie: Chopper	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Nightly News	NIT Second Round	Basketball: NCAA	Basketball: NCAA	Novocaine (CC)	
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## This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, March 22, the 82nd day of 2004. There are 284 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**

On March 22, 1765, Britain enacted the Stamp Act to raise money from the American colonies. (The Act was repealed the following year.)

On this date:

In 1820, U.S. naval hero Stephen Decatur was killed in a duel with Commodore James Barron near Washington, D.C.

In 1882, Congress outlawed polygamy.

In 1895, Auguste and Louis Lumiere showed their first movie to an invited audience in Paris.

In 1933, during Prohibition, President Franklin Roosevelt signed a

measure to make wine and beer containing up to 3.2 percent alcohol legal.

In 1941, the Grand Coulee Dam in Washington state went into operation.

In 1945, the Arab League was formed with the adoption of a charter in Cairo, Egypt.

In 1946, the British mandate in Transjordan came to an end.

In 1972, Congress sent the proposed Equal Rights Amendment to the states for ratification. (It fell three states short of the 38 needed for approval.)

In 1978, Karl Wallenda, the 73-year-old patriarch of The Flying Wallendas high-wire act, fell to his death while attempting to walk a cable strung between two hotels in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

In 1988, both houses of Congress overrode President Reagan's veto of a sweeping civil rights bill.

**Today's Birthdays:** Actor Karl Malden is 92. Pantomimist Marcel Marceau is 81. USA Today

founder Allen H. Neuharth is 80. Composer-lyricist Stephen Sondheim is 74. Actor William Shatner is 73. Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, is 70. Actor M. Emmet Walsh is 69. Singer-guitarist George Benson is 61. Singer Jeremy Clyde (Chad and Jeremy) is 60. Composer Andrew Lloyd Webber is 56. Actress Fanny Ardant is 55. Sportscaster Bob Costas is 52. Country singer James House is 49. Actress Lena Olin is 49. Singer-actress Stephanie Mills is 47. Actor Matthew Modine is 45. Actor Cole Hauser is 29. Actress Kellie Williams is 28.

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### AGNES

"I WAS BAD AT BEING A MONK SO I'M STARTING MY OWN CHURCH" "YOU'RE STARTING A CHURCH" "WELL, I ONLY CALL IT A CHURCH BECAUSE I LACK A BETTER WORD. I AM GOING TO UNITE A BUNCH OF REBELS AND FREE THINKERS INTO A LOOSELY KNIT CONFEDERACY" "WHY CALL IT A CHURCH AT ALL?" "IT'S THE ONLY WAY I CAN GET THEM TO TITHE."

### HI AND LOIS

"I CAN'T BELIEVE HOW MUCH SPAM WE GET THESE DAYS!" "AT LEAST THE JUNK MAIL AND PHONE SOLICITATIONS ARE DOWN!" "THERE'S ALWAYS A SILVER LINING IN EVERY CLOUD OF COMMERCIALISM!"

### THE OTHER COAST

"SO SAD THE GIANT GOPHER IS NOW ON THE ENDANGERED LIST. I WONDER WHY."

### SNUFFY SMITH

"PAW!! BREAKFAST IN BED?!!" "YEP!!" "HOPE I DON'T WAKE YA MAKIN' NOISE IN TH' KITCHEN!!"

### BEEBLE BAILEY

"WHY DO THESE GUYS ALL WANT SO BADLY TO BE PRESIDENT?" "IF THEY MAKE IT, IT'LL LOOK GOOD ON THEIR RESUME"

### Newsday Crossword

**ACROSS**

1 Lucifer  
6 Madison Avenue workers  
11 Retired airplane  
14 Stage whisper  
15 Capital of Egypt  
16 Your, in the Bible  
17 Committee leader  
19 Acorn source  
20 Zsa Zsa's sister  
21 Danson and Koppel  
22 Use credit  
23 Author Hugo  
26 Narrates again  
28 Altar words  
29 Prod  
32 Minestrone, e.g.  
33 Letters after R  
34 More vexed  
36 Spectrum-showing device  
39 Diplomacy  
41 Gets weary  
43 Make eyes at  
44 Turkish titles  
46 Emulated Marceau  
48 Long time  
49 Land map  
51 Morales of *NYPD Blue*  
52 Photo events, for short  
53 Seek  
56 Part of the eye  
58 Industrious insect  
59 Whitney and Wallach  
61 Miner's find

**DOWN**

1 Possum's pouch  
2 Fireplace residue  
3 Spanish aunt  
4 Go on (try to reduce)  
5 On edge  
6 Expert  
7 Move abruptly  
8 Tightwad  
9 Wears away  
10 Endless  
11 Detective's tipster  
12 Shoulder covering  
13 Youngsters  
18 Cockatoo cousin  
23 Scenic look  
24 Pet pendant  
25 Obsessive TV viewer  
27 Currency in Paris  
30 Not optimistic  
31 Spooky  
35 Units of radiation  
37 Skiing surface  
38 Intellectual group  
40 Ramble on  
42 Manatee  
45 Sure thing  
47 Grade schooler's project  
50 Ohio port  
53 Coffeehouse request  
54 Tatum of *Paper Moon*  
55 Fab Four member  
57 Printed once more  
60 Quick look  
64 Multiple mins.  
65 Office conference: Abbr.  
66 Electrified swimmer  
67 Type of bread

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