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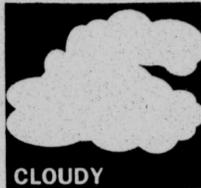
50 CENTS DAILY/\$1.25 WEEKEND

FRIDAY

April 2, 2004

WEATHER

Tonight:



CLOUDY

TONIGHT 53°-55° TOMORROW 67°-68°



Daylight Saving Time begins this weekend. Don't forget to set your clock an hour ahead when you go to bed Saturday night.

THIS WEEKEND

Rock the Block

The Salvation Army Rock the Block Praise Fest slated for Saturday has been postponed due to weather. Capt. Russ Keeney said they are looking at April 24 as a possible make-up date, but nothing solid has been planned at this time.

Spring City Show

The Spring city Arts and Crafts show will be held Saturday and Sunday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on the Howard College campus. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and noon until 5 p.m. Sunday.

There is no admission fee.

Texas Trash-Off

Residents are urged to participate in the Trash-Off this weekend. Bags for trash collection can be picked up until 5 p.m. today at the Chamber of Commerce. The Trash-Off will begin at 9 a.m. with the Heart of the City Park as the collection point.

Participants are asked to separate cans, which will be used by Keep Big Spring Beautiful as a fund-raiser.

Hot dogs, courtesy of H-E-B, will be served at the park beginning at noon, for those who participate. For more information, contact Pat Simmons at 263-4607.

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Wall proves to be moving experience for many

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

The overcast sky seemed to match the sullen mood of those in attendance, as the Vietnam Memorial Committee held closing ceremonies for the Moving Wall and once again prepared to say farewell to what has become a part of each one of them.

"There have been some new friends made here, and old friendships have been strengthened," VMC Vice President Don Boling said to the crowd that had gathered. "For some, they made it to the Wall for the

first time. It's been a time of healing for everyone.

"We didn't realize that when we were putting the Wall up on March 26 that it was the 22nd anniversary of the ground breaking of the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C. Today is our last full day with the Wall, and March 31 was the 31st anniversary of Operation Homecoming, when the last plane load of prisoners of war were allowed to come home. I say

"Men aren't heroes because they are fearless. Men become heroes when they can accept their fear and stand up to face it."

Randy McKinney,
VMC member

allowed because we know men were left behind."

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HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins
Vietnam veteran Joe Garfias Jr. searches the wall for a fallen comrade, Robert L. Oaks, during closing ceremonies for the Moving Wall at the Vietnam Memorial. Garfias and Oaks graduated from Sands High School together in 1967. Garfias was in Vietnam from 1970 until 1972.



Above, Coahoma Kindergartners Aaron Ferguson, left, and Dylan Jetton wait in line for the start of the 26th annual Coahoma Kindergarten Rodeo on Thursday. At right, young bronco rider Peter Duolse hangs on to his bucking stick horse for the entire eight seconds. In addition to having a good time, Coahoma teachers utilize the rodeo to as a teaching tool. This year, the elementary school also participated in Western Heritage Day.

HERALD photos/Lyndel Moody

Youngsters rope up a good time at Coahoma kindergarten rodeo

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

COAHOMA — More than 50 young cowboys and cowgirls rode in 26th annual Coahoma Kindergarten Stick Horse Rodeo grand entry Thursday morning with the same grandeur that has made the event such a long-standing community tradition.

"I've announced from coast to coast and this is my favorite rodeo," said Ben Clements, an eight-year professional rodeo announcer. "They do an awesome job."

The participants pranced



"We want to the kids to learn about the old west — how they did things back then — and maybe it will teach them to appreciate the things we have today."

Patricia Bennett,
Coahoma Elementary principal

with their "horses" in front of a large crowd at the Coahoma Elementary gym for the event, which featured rodeo star Quail Dobbs, a former professional rodeo clown.

Dobbs brought a few friends along for the fun, including Miss Rodeo Texas Lacy Billingsley, professional rodeo clown and barrel man Jim Bob Feller and former professional bull rider Wacey Cathey.

For the past four years, Clements described the action on the floor as the kindergart-

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GRAND JURY

Multiple persons indicted for sexual assault of a child

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

A Howard County grand jury returned indictments against four Big Spring men for the alleged aggravated sexual assault of a 15-year-old girl that took place in November of 2003.

Matthew Shane Franks, 20, of 2209 Cecilia; David Jerome Franks, 27, of 1512 Sycamore; William Jerod Franks, 28, of 2009 Cecilia; and Maurice Edward Franks, 24, of 1425 E. Sixth Street, were all true-billed by the grand jury on charges of aggravated sexual assault of a child, a first-degree felony.

"It looks as though one of the four, Matthew Franks, was an acquaintance of the victim," said Howard County District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson. "The victim, who was under the age of 17, was lured to a location where sexual encounters occurred with those charged in the case."

If convicted as charged, the four defendants could receive five to 99 years or life in prison, along with a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

Wilkerson said a second indictment

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Creative thinking: Students learn via mentorship program

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

Lightning and heavy rains didn't prevent family, friends and fellow students from attending the presentation of four Big Spring High School Independent Study Mentorship students Thursday night.

"I was really nervous at first but after awhile I become more comfortable with everyone," said presenter Kendal Adams, a 17-year-old junior.

In front of a standing-room-only audience, Adams presented a way to replicate the look of limestone for use in interior design.

This process, Adams estimated, would cost the home owner about 21 cents per square foot compared to \$3.50 for cream or hadrian limestone or \$4.10 for coral.

The purpose of the class is to allow

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody
Seventeen-year-old Kendal Adams presents a way to produce the look of limestone for interior design.

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Obituaries

Jimmy Charles Banister

Jimmy Charles Banister, 62, of Big Spring died Wednesday, March 31, 2004, at his residence following a long illness. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. today at Mount Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Walter McCall officiating.

He was born May 10, 1941, in Memphis. He was a mechanic and a truck driver.

He moved to Big Spring two years ago from Midland. He is survived by three daughters, Detra Pugh of Midland, Diane Pike and her husband Tony, Dana Banister and her husband Glen, all from Big Spring; one step-daughter, Tena Parker of Big Spring; one sister, Kay Fleetwood of Midland; sister-in-law, Monetta Faulkner of Midland; brother-in-law, James Faulkner of Midland; and nine grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty Carol Banister.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Ollie Harris Hunter

Ollie Harris Hunter, 90, of Andrews, died Wednesday, March 31, 2004, in Andrews. Services are set for today at 2 p.m. in McKinney Acres Baptist Church with the Rev. Ted Short, pastor of Grace Baptist Church and the Rev. John McQueen, pastor of McKinney Acres Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will follow in the Andrews Old Cemetery.

She was born Dec. 1, 1913, in Knott. She married Revis Chester Harris on Jan. 3, 1935, in Stanton. He preceded her in death on May 28, 1976.

She married Ben Hunter on July 13, 1979, in Andrews. He preceded her in death on Dec. 31, 1988.

She was a homemaker and a member of McKinney Acres Baptist Church. She was a former member of the Permian Regional Medical Center Hospital Pink Ladies.

She is survived by one daughter, Darlene Drennan of Andrews; one son, Harvey Harris of Andrews; two step daughters, Frances Russel of Colorado Springs, Colo., Violet Drake of Yucca Valley, Calif.; two step sons, Glenn Hunter of Clarksville, Ark., Robert Hunter of Seminole; one brother, Jimmy Nichols of Lamesa; one sister Rae Robertson of Lamesa, eight grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, nine great great grandchildren, 18 step grandchildren and 14 step great grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of McNett Funeral Home in Andrews.

Take note

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

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

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

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

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

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

Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected.

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

☐ **THE CLASS OF 1974** is looking for the following classmates. If you know where they are please notify Carol Boyd at 432-263-0486 or e-mail Guy Teague at gntea@ddraytech.net: Kim Adams, Steve Adams, Terry Allison, Albert Arriols, Shirley Atwell, Vicki Axelrod, Blaz Bailon, Diane Baldock, Joyce Bennett, Sherri Bertan, Terry Billingsley, John Bowers, Donna Brewer, Kathy Bull, Sherry Burgess, Greg Burris, Randy Callison, Carla Carter, Cindy Cole, Paula Collins, Michael Conley, Linda Curtis, Cynthia D'Angelo, Pam Daniels, Kay Davis, Jimmy Dean, Donna DeFlitch, Joyce DeFlitch, Rosalinda Deleon, Cynthia Dennis, Wendell Dodson, James Dry, Pam Eisler, Dodie Evans, Cathy Ewing, Martha Eyssen, Steve Ferrell, Sandra Floyd, Ramon Franco, Sheri Fry, Karen Fuller, Mary Gainus, Raul Garza, Belinda Gomez, Anna Maria Gonzales, Garland Green, Janis Gregg, Sarah Haas, Sue Harris, June Hendrick Rhea, Mitzi Hill, Tracy Hill, Babbette Huckaba, Debra Hurrington, Robert Jackson, Phil Johnson, Patricia Jordan, Virginia Keathley, Patricia King, Kathy Kirksey, Ruth Knight, John Kushaney, Jeff Kuykendall, Barbara Landreth, Robert Lang, Karen Lawler, Russell Leggett, Wayne Lister, Richard Loehman, Barry Loyd, Art Mackie, Rebecca Marin, Jerry Martin, Virginia Martinez, Beckie Mason, Susie McGuire, Walter McWhiter, Frances Meade, Steve Meador, Patsy Medina, Bobbie Meeks, Henry Menchaca, Maria Mendoza, William Messenger, Jeff Miller, Barbara Morris, Paula Muskovin, Eva Palacios, Phil Parmenter, Vicki Patterson, Lana Perry Bruntington, Iris Phillips, Randal Phillips, Cindy Phillips, Kenneth Platte, Eunice Ramirez, Libby Reed, Tony Reidy, Robert Renteria, Linda Richardson, Earl Richlart, Daniel Rivera, Bennett Robb, Patti Robertson, Vicki Robertson Martin, James Robinson, Johnny Rodriguez, Jerry Rogers, Martha Rogers, Priscilla Rudd Horn, Irene Saldivar, Patrice Sherrill Fivash, Mike Sieler, Doug Smith, Dennis Stevens, Harlan Stewart, Linda Stewart, Robert Sullivan, Carolyn Toaz, Joyce Turner, Sarah Vigil, Ken Walton, Joe Watson, Debra Way, Debbie Wheeler, Cindy Whitaker Jorgenson, Gary White, Kenneth Wilcox, Jimmy Wiley, Kenneth Williamson.

Police blotter

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

• **LEE JIMENEZ**, 25, of Big Spring, was arrested Thursday on a charge of criminal trespass of a habitation.

• **LORI ANN JUAREZ**, 33, of 1008 NW Second Street, was arrested Thursday on four local traffic warrants.

• **TAMMY FOWLER**, 27, of 1302 Leatherwood, was arrested Thursday on charges of driving while license invalid and failure to identify/intentionally giving false information.

• **POSSESSION/DELIVERY OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA** was reported in the 2600 block of Ent.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 400 block of Bell Street.

• **ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 1600 block of Owens.

• **ASSAULT BY THREAT** was reported: - in the 1600 block of Fifth Street.

- in the 1400 block of Highway 87.

• **FORGERY OF A CHECK/CREDIT CARD** was reported in the 200 block of FM 700.

• **FAILURE TO IDENTIFY** was reported in the 100 block of North Service Road.

• **CRIMINAL TRESPASS OF A HABITATION/SHELTER CENTER** was reported in the 2600 block of Dow.

Sheriff's report

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

• **JOHNNY CORBET COLEY**, 19, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while license suspended.

• **FABIAN AGUILAR**, 26, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while license suspended and a probation violation.

• **EDWARD LEE HURRINGTON**, 49, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a parole violation.

Support groups

FRIDAY

☐ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Noon Open Big Book Study Meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

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

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

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

THURSDAY

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

☐ The Fibromyalgia Autoimmune Disease Support Group will meet only on the second Thursday of the month at noon at the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center. The group will no long meet weekly.

☐ Alzheimers Support Group meets at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at The Texas State Veterans Home, 1809 North Highway 87. For more information call Orand Carroll 268-8387.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night: Winning numbers drawn: 19-23-27-28-32. Number matching five of five: 1. Prize per winner: \$46,681. Winning tickets sold in: Balcones Heights. Next Cash 5 drawing: Saturday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 0-8-5

ACCEPTING NEW PATIENTS

Beverly Couch, RNC, NP

Obstetrics-Gynecology

Women's Health

616 Gregg St.

(432) 638-2053



Beverly Couch RNC, NP Women's Health

Bulletin board

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

TODAY

• Big Spring State Hospital's Denim and Diamonds Gala is set at the Big Spring Country Club beginning at 7 p.m.

• Spring City Senior Citizen's Center Country and Western Dance from 7:30-10:30 p.m. All area seniors are invited.

• AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.

• Greater Big Spring Rotary meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

SATURDAY

• Texas Trash-Off is set for Saturday. Lunch is scheduled for noon at the Heart of the City Park.

• Rock the Block, an outdoor praise concert presented by the Salvation Army, which was set for noon has been postponed.

• Old Sorehead Trade Days in Stanton is open from 8 a.m. until dark.

• Spring City Arts and Crafts Show at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Open from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. No charge for admittance.

• Big Spring Squares. Call 263-6305 for more information.

• Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.

• Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1-5 p.m. Admission fee is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

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

• Hangar 25 Air Museum, located at the McMahan-Wrinkle Airpark, is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday from 1:30-4 p.m.

SUNDAY

• Spring City Arts and Crafts Show at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Open from noon until 5 p.m. No charge for admittance.

• Old Sorehead Trade Days in Stanton is open noon until 5 p.m.

MONDAY

• District Committee Lone Star of Big Spring meets at noon at 610 Scurry.

• 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. in La Posada Restaurant.

• Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third, for weigh-in, and the meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-32-8677 or locally at 263-0391 or 263-1758.

• 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.

• Howard County ARC meets at 806 E. Third in the Bingo Hall. Call 264-0674 for more information.

• Big Spring Chapter and Council RAM meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Masonic building at 221 1/2 Main St.

• 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.

Weather

Tonight...Mostly cloudy. Showers and thunderstorms likely with heavy rainfall...mainly before midnight.

Some thunderstorms may be severe in the evening. Lows in the mid 50s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation 70 percent.

Saturday...Mostly cloudy. A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 60s. Light winds becoming northeast 10 to 20 mph in the late morning and afternoon.

Saturday night...Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 40s. Northeast winds 10 to 20 mph.

Sunday...Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of rain and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 50s. East winds 10 to 15 mph.

Sunday night...Mostly cloudy. A 30 percent chance of rain and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 40s.

Monday...Mostly cloudy. A 60 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 60s.

Monday night...Mostly cloudy. A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 40s.

Tuesday...Mostly cloudy. A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 70s.

Tuesday night...Partly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 50s.

Wednesday and Wednesday night...Mostly cloudy. Highs in the lower 70s. Lows in the lower 50s.

Thursday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 70s.

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MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS: \$12.50 monthly Howard & Martin Counties. \$13.25 elsewhere.

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Boling read a short poem penned by Major Michael Davis O'Donnell, one of the many men whose name has been etched into the Memorial Wall.

"This poem was written by Major Michael Davis O'Donnell," said Boling. "He wrote it in Dak To, Vietnam, on Jan. 1, 1970. Major O'Donnell was a helicopter pilot with the 170th Aviation Company of the 1st Aviation Brigade. On March 24, 1970, he went into Cambodia and was declared missing in action. That was 33 years and eight days ago.

"He writes 'If you are able, save for them a place inside of you and one backward glance when you are leaving, for the places they can no longer go. Be not ashamed to say you loved them, though you may or may not always have. Take what they have left and what they have taught you with their dying and keep it with your own. And in that time when men decide and feel safe to call the war insane, take one moment to embrace those gentle heroes you left behind.'"

While the Wall and its message may seem aimed at Vietnam veterans, one of the ceremony speakers brought a slightly different view to the day. VMC member Randy McKinney never spent a day in uniform, but did a wonderful job of capturing the idea and heart of the Moving Wall, and all it has touched.

"This Moving Wall has been a very moving experience for me over the past week," said McKinney. "It has been a very special time, and we've had some very special people here that I would like to recognize. They are my brothers and sisters of the



Vietnam Memorial Committee members Jerry Groves, right, and Anita Massey share a silent moment during the closing ceremonies for the Moving Wall. The wall will be disassembled today in preparations for its next destination, Johnson City.

Vietnam Memorial Committee.

"The Wall is a time of remembrance, a time of reflection and a time of healing," said McKinney. "What I've learned this week is it is also a time of sharing. My brothers and sisters and I have shared many laughs. We've sang and we've danced... And we've cried."

McKinney said he's heard the Wall referred to as "the wall of heroes" many times during its stay in Big Spring, a title he took

seriously.

"I've hear the Wall referred to as a wall of heroes," said McKinney. "and I've met some heroes this week. There are many heroes on this wall, but something about heroes comes to mind. Men are not born heroes. Men aren't heroes because they are fearless. Men become heroes when they can accept their fear and stand up to face it. I've seen that happen many times today and over the past week.

"I have seen strangers and I've seen close friends face their fears. Those that I know personally that have faced their fear are standing much taller now than I have ever seen them stand."

The Wall will be disassembled today in preparations for its next stop in Johnson City.

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

Benefit to assist CJHS cheerleaders

A barbecue dinner-and auction will be held in the Coahoma Junior High School Gym beginning at 6:30 p.m. today-. Tickets for the meal are \$5 each and include a chopped sandwich, potato salad, beans, dessert and a drink. To-go plates will be available. Orders will be filled until 9 p.m. The auction will begin at 7 p.m.

Proceeds will benefit the junior high cheerleaders.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Douglas Plagens, 47, died Wednesday. Funeral Mass was at 10:00 AM Friday at St. Lawrence Catholic Church with burial at St. Lawrence Cemetery.

James C. Dunlap, Sr., 82, died Tuesday. Funeral Service will be at 4:00 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Jimmy Banister, 62 died Wednesday. Graveside Services will be at 2:00 PM Friday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

RITZ
401 S. Main 263-7480
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For Showtimes For Friday

Admission Adults: \$6.00
Child, Senior & Matinee: \$3.50

*Home On The Range (PG)
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Sat. & Sun. 3:00

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Sat. & Sun. 3:10

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Fri. 7:20 9:30
Sat. & Sun. 4:20 7:10 9:20

DAWN OF THE DEAD (R)
Fri. 7:30 9:40
Sat.-Sun.: 4:30 7:20 9:30

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THURSDAYS: 2 FOR 1 DATE PACK

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3 DRINKS & LARGE CANDY
\$15.00

CINEMA 4

*Hellboy (PG-13)
Daily: 4:30 & 7:00 Fri. & Sat. 9:30
Sat. & Sun. 2:00

*Jersey Girl (PG-13)
Daily: 5:00 & 7:30 Fri. & Sat. 9:50
Sat. & Sun. 2:30

*Scooby Doo 2 (PG)
Daily: 4:50 & 7:20 Fri. & Sat. 9:20
Sat. & Sun. 2:20

*The Prince & Me (PG)
Daily: 4:40 & 7:10 Fri. & Sat. 9:40
Sat. & Sun. 2:10

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Kindergartner Kassi Coker watches the action in the 26th annual Coahoma Kindergarten Rodeo Thursday.

RODEO

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ners "compete" in pole bending, bronco riding, milking, flag racing and bull riding.

"I think this instills in young people what rodeo is all about," Clements said. "This gets them excited about rodeo, and they get hooked for life. There's a lot of misconceptions about the sport, like it abuses animals but that's not just the case."

And it seems kindergartner Abigail Sanchez, who was dressed in her white hat, jeans and commemorative Kindergarten Rodeo T-Shirt, has taken the bait.

"I love rodeos," Sanchez proclaimed with a grin. "I like the milking, the flags and the barrel races."

Competition events weren't the only activities

slated for the hour-and-half rodeo.

Also, lending his voice to the celebration was Coahoma High School graduate and country western singer Jody Nix who provided halftime entertainment with the kindergartners' Best Little Band in Texas. Coahoma sixth-grader Bianca Mancha provided additional musical entertainment.

Square dancing, line dancing and a performance of the Coahoma Kindergarten Choir directed by Sandy Wallace with accompaniment by Velma Ruth were also on tap for the event.

But the celebration didn't end after the last stick bull was ridden.

Following the rodeo, the entire elementary school participated in Western Heritage Day.

"We had about 12 stations set up on the ele-

mentary playground," said Principal Patricia Bennett. "We had someone making butter. We have a wood carver, a chuck wagon set out. The agriculture extension agent brought out some eggs that are about to hatched, and we had someone who was shoeing horses."

*Each demonstration provided a real-life lesson in how people who lived 100 years ago performed their daily tasks to provide food, clothing and transportation.

"We want to the kids to learn about the old west — how they did things back then — and maybe it will teach them to appreciate the things we have today," Bennett said.

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GRAND JURY

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for deadly conduct, a third-degree felony, was also returned for David Franks, who was allegedly involved in a drive-by shooting that occurred in January.



WILKERSON

"It appears the victim was in his car when another vehicle, driven by three males, approached," commented Police Lt. Terry Chamness during the investigation. "Two of the passengers in the vehicle opened fire with what we believe to be rifles."

No injuries were report-

ed as a result of the shooting, which took place in the 1500 block of Wood Street. If convicted, David Franks could face between two and 10 years and a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

Also indicted during grand jury were Tina Louise Tate, 26, of 3304 W. Highway 80, who is charged with sexual assault of a child and injury to a child, both second degree felonies; and her husband, Darrell Dewitt Tate, 38, of 3304 W. Highway 80, who is charged with injury to a child, a second degree felony.

Wilkerson said the charges faced by Tina Tate are for separate instances with two different children.

"The sexual assault

charge comes from contact she allegedly had with a 12-year-old boy within roughly a two year period," said Wilkerson. "The charge of injury to a child came as a result of a broken leg that the couple's three-year-old son suffered."

If convicted, Tina Tate could face between two to 20 years in prison on each count, while Darrell Tate faces the same possible sentence on the single charge of injury to a child.

Other indictments returned include:

- Christopher Loren Belzner, 33, 1002 N. Main Street, burglary of a building (state jail felony).

- Jana Renea Moss, 24, 1002 N. Main Street, burglary of a building (state

jail felony).

- Jim Mason Coker, 24, 208 Moore Road, forgery of a government instrument (third-degree felony).

- Gloria Lopez Cortez, 31, 607 Central in Coahoma, theft (state jail felony).

- Dora Dehoyos, 26, 2910 W. Michigan Apt. 202 in Midland, possession of a controlled substance (second-degree felony).

- Alex Gutierrez, 29, 206 N.E. 10th, credit card abuse (state jail felony).

- Corey Preston Hoffpauir, 27, 1202 Sycamore Street, three indictments for burglary of a building (state jail felony).

- Luis Raul Lozano, 42, 407 Young Street, driving while intoxicated (third-degree felony).

- John Anthony Thurman, 45, address unknown, possession of a controlled substance (second-degree felony).

- Ricky Lin Wallace, 38, currently in the Howard County Jail, burglary of a habitation (second-degree felony).

- Andrew Sebastian Ison, 21, 2627 Fairchild, sexual assault (second-degree felony).

- Orlando Sanchez Jr., 19, 503 Aylesford, two indictments for burglary of a building (state jail felony).

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EDITORIAL

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

• **BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL ONE-ACT PLAY CAST AND CREW**, who advanced to Area competition.

• **THE BIG SPRING MODEL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION**, on its annual Fun Fly-In at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

• **THE BIG SPRING AMERICAN BUSINESS CLUB**, on another successful Rattlesnake Roundup.

• The more than 60 **SCOUTS AND THE ORGANIZERS** of the Boy Scout Pinewood Derby, held last Saturday.

• Always one of our favorite events — **THE COAHOMA KINDERGARTEN STICK HORSE RODEO** — and to all the students, teachers and others who made it wonderful again this year.

• **VICTIM SERVICES AND COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES**, who teamed for the Light of Hope Candle Light Vigil Thursday.

• **THE VIETNAM MEMORIAL COMMITTEE, VOLUNTEERS AND DONORS** who brought the Vietnam Memorial Moving Wall to Big Spring. What a wonderful tribute.

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

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It's a truly weird political year

Strange peaches. All of us out here in the boonies should be aware this is a truly weird political year. For one thing, nobody has ever seen this much money involved. What can \$200 million do in a political race, answered, we presume, by at least \$100 million by the Democrats? No one knows.

And now brace yourselves for the really bad news. All this money, intensity and advertising is not going to be spread out across 50 states. There are only 14 to 19 states considered "in play" in this election, not either solidly red or blue, Republican or Democrat. What that means is that all this money is going to hit relatively few citizens like a tidal wave.

Most of us, in most of the states, will barely be aware there is a presidential election going on — we're out of this loop, team. Nobody will be talking to us. Because we're not "in play," this election is not about us. For reasons established by supposedly skillful polling, none of us even get to be part of this election. We're taken for granted.

Meanwhile, our fellow citizens in these 19 states are about to be subject to brainwashing unlike anything any of us have ever known. Poor honeys, they are going to be subject to a barrage of mind-bending garbage. By the time it's over, nobody will feel much like voting for either candidate. If I were living in any of those states (Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Iowa,

Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Washington, West Virginia and Wisconsin) I'd feel like hibernating for the next seven months. Failing that, y'all will just have to turn into some of the best citizens ever — now is the time for all good men (and women) to come to the aid of their country. It's your responsibility to get your information from several sources, to see past the spin, to doubt everything that comes in ad form — holy cow. For the rest of us, if we want to be involved, the best we can do is call and help to inform folks we know in the 19 states that matter. (Personally, I believe few of us are capable of discussing politics with our blood kin, and it's best to stick to friends.)

The race is already bizarre beyond belief. Richard Clarke is now under ferocious attack for stating both the obvious and the already known. Of course the Bush administration was on automatic pilot before 9-11. Donald Rumsfeld was actually on Capitol Hill on Sept. 9, threatening a veto of a \$600 million diversion from star wars to counter-terrorism. John Ashcroft was trying to slash funding to the Justice Department's anti-terrorism budget.

Important it may have been, but urgent it was not. Nor is it any secret that the administration used 9-11 from the git-go to do what it had always wanted to: go after Saddam Hussein. And again, the understanding that the war in Iraq has actually hurt the war on terrorism does not come as a blinding revelation. We're mired

in an unfolding catastrophe over there, and it has sucked resources out of the efforts to track down terrorists.

Then, penalties for pointing out the obvious in Washington seem to be quite steep. Condoleezza Rice apparently does not know the meaning of the word "scurrilous." Sen. Bill Frist accused Clarke of perjury, and then took it back. Frist also denounced Clarke's apology to the 9-11 families, calling it "theatrical" — meaning, one assumes, fake — and then had the gall to claim it was not Clarke's "place" to apologize on behalf of the government. Since no one else had done so in two and half years, most of us were relieved to find that somebody in the administration had a sense of responsibility.

For those who are bored by "history" like pre-9-11 and would prefer to know what is being done to prevent terrorist attacks now, last week's Time magazine is a must-read. Among other things, it features one of the funniest photographs I've ever seen, of a Wyoming fire department in their haz-mat suits, bought by Homeland Security in case terrorists decide to strike at the vital center of Casper. According to Time, \$61 per citizen is being spent in Wyoming, compared to \$14 per citizen in California; Alaska got \$58 per citizen, and New York got less than \$25.

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YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

As president of Freecom, I would like to clarify some recent rumors about our company and its future here in Big Spring. We are vested in Big Spring and intend to be here for many more years. It is unfortunate that a recent article about the Moore Board published in the Big Spring Herald alluded to our "demise" and "bankruptcy" within a month.

Freecom, like most businesses, did suffer from the effects of the 911 tragedy that altered the economy of the U.S. Fortunately, we are bouncing back from that setback. In fact, this is the first year in the past five that we will be profitable, due in part from fellow businesses that have worked in tandem with us so we can all survive.

We have been in business in Big Spring since 1985, and was once told that the teenage years of a business are the hardest. We're now 19 years strong and heading on 20.

People who know us and our company are aware of how well we are moving forward in our business.

They were appalled with the recent article that made Freecom appear doomed for failure. Several remarked that they thought the Moore Board's purpose was to bring jobs to Big Spring, not to eliminate jobs from Big Spring. We appreciate the support of our friends and business associates who have stood by us.

I just wanted to let the Big Spring community know Freecom is alive and well and will remain in Big Spring, selling our ceramic industrial coatings worldwide, applying these coatings to pipe and providing jobs for Big Spring families.

KEVIN FREEMAN
PRESIDENT
FREECOM INC.

TO THE EDITOR:

The Big Spring Optimist Club sponsored the Junior High Optimist Track Meet on March 25. We dedicated this year's meet to Jessy Looney, long time chairman of this annual event, who passed away March 19.

More than 900 Junior High stu-

dents from seven area schools participated this year.

We would like to thank each of the junior high coaches who gave their time to run the events at the meet—Coaches Karla Kregar, E.C. Roberson, Peggy Calhoun, Pam Beauchamp, Jacob Vasquez, Cris Roberto, Cory Maxwell and Melissa Kinnear. Schools participating were Midland Abell, Andrews, Levelland, Frenship, Big Spring and Lincoln and Graham from San Angelo.

Thanks are also in order to Dwight Butler, athletic director for Big Spring High, who generously gave his time to help announce and time the events.

We would like to give special thanks to John Smith of H-E-B.

Big Spring Optimist club is a non-profit civic organization; our motto is "Friend of Youth." We feel we are very fortunate to give back to the community that has provided so much for us.

KATHRYN G. WISEMAN
PRESIDENT,
BIG SPRING OPTIMIST CLUB

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By THOMAS JENI
Staff Writer

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Sorehead Trade Days sure to produce smiles

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

More than a decade after the first "Old Sorehead" decided to set up a booth and hock his wares, the people of Stanton are gearing up once again for the annual Old Sorehead Trade Days, set for Saturday and Sunday.

Trade Days spokesperson Bud Lindsey said the event, which includes everything from food to oddities from around the world, has come a long way since its "instigation."

"The First Old Sorehead Trade Days was held in the spring of 1989," said Lindsey,

"when the small community played host to 97 vendors. This year we're expecting around 700 vendors to set up shop in the buildings and streets of historic downtown Stanton.

"Everything will get started Saturday morning at 8, and go on until whenever. On Sunday, things will get started at noon and continue until 5 p.m."

Lindsey said the array of vendors and their wares scheduled to attend the trade days will be amazing, with everything from antiques to rides for the children.

"Scattered around the town, a visitor may find just about any-

thing from trash to rare collectibles," he said. "We'll have antiques for sale in the Antiques on Main store and The Factory, extra-large hamburgers at the old fashioned Stanton Drug Store, barbecue sandwiches and homemade ice cream at the seniors' Quonset building — foods of just about every type and variety you can imagine will be there."

Lindsey said there will also be a pancake breakfast at the First Baptist Church fellowship hall on Saturday morning, serving up hot flapjacks from 6:30 a.m. until 11 a.m.

For those that aren't familiar

with the streets of Stanton, trade days volunteers will be on duty to help direct visitors to the different areas, including parking areas for the handicapped and overflow parking. Golf carts will be available to help get shoppers to and from their vehicles.

Lindsey said there are several new vendors planning to attend the trade days, including a jewelry maker from Georgia and a vendor from Mississippi, who makes "unusual decorations" from cotton bolls. A vendor from Montana is also expected to attend, bringing a new line of women's clothes.

Lindsey said the list of new vendors doesn't even scratch the surface of the overall affair, however.

"If you want to see everything at the Old Sorehead Trade Days, you need to plan to come early and stay late," he said. "Admission is free and anyone who needs information on the event can call our trade days hotline at (432) 756-2006, or visit us on the Web at www.stanton-folks.com."

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NATIONAL BRIEFS

Van crash kills seven

FORT PIERCE, Fla. (AP) — A van carrying 19 workers from a Florida orange grove flipped over on an interstate highway Thursday, killing seven men who were ejected from the vehicle, state police said.

Six died at the scene and the seventh died at a hospital, Florida Highway Patrol Lt. Tim Frith said. Twelve others who were injured were taken to area hospitals.

According to police, the men — all workers for the Circle H Citrus Co. — had left an orange grove in the town of Sebastian, 27 miles north of Fort Pierce.

Witnesses said the Ford cargo van was swerving in its lane and then crossed into the grassy median and rolled over four times, Frith said.

"It appeared that the driver was moving in the lane as if he was distracted for some reason," Frith said, describing what witnesses told police.

"It's a very heart-wrenching accident."

Yard fire spawns Colorado blaze

LAPORTE, Colo. (AP) — A wind-whipped wildfire destroyed one home Thursday and forced scores of families to flee the northern Colorado foothills.

The fire, pushed by wind gusting to 35 mph, nearly doubled in size Thursday to 3,500 acres.

Sheriff Jim Alderden said he saw 100-foot flames as the fire raced through heavy timber.

The fire was 15 percent contained Thursday night.

It began Tuesday when a yard fire got out of control, and has been fanned by

gusting wind. Cooler temperatures and higher humidity were forecast for Friday. Evacuations were voluntary.

In central Arizona, a 3,800-acre wildfire was 75 percent contained; full containment was expected Friday evening. The fire, first spotted Monday, was not immediately threatening any homes.

Southwest of Phoenix, a 5,700-acre wildfire burning in the Gila River basin was contained by Thursday night.

No homes or communities were threatened.

Abducted girl is rescued

MERCER ISLAND, Wash. (AP) — A 9-year-old girl who was snatched from a school bus stop was rescued about six hours later following a high-speed chase, and a man was taken into custody, police said.

The child was reunited with her family late Thursday night, Mercer Island Police spokeswoman Jennifer Franklin said.

The girl was grabbed in an upscale Seattle suburb after she returned from school Thursday afternoon. About an hour and a half later, her father got a phone call asking for a ransom. He called police.

A ransom drop-off was arranged at a mall in the suburb of Bellevue, where law enforcement agents were waiting. They followed the abductor's Ford Explorer to Seattle, and eventually realized the girl was in the vehicle.

The Ford Explorer then sped off, leading police on a half-hour chase across Lake Washington and north on Interstate 405 to Monroe, where the chase ended.

Authorities did not identify the man who was arrested.

FBI spokeswoman Robbie Burroughs said the ransom money was recovered.

Sources: Governor Perry ready to call school finance session

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry has told Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Tom Craddick that he will announce this week a special legislative session in mid-April to address school finance, sources told The Associated Press on Thursday.

Spokespeople in Perry's office said he has no plans to call a session this week but would not deny that Perry made those comments to Dewhurst and Craddick.

"I'm not privy to his conversations," said spokesman Robert Black. "The governor speaks with the speaker and lieutenant governor these days on a daily basis."

Two days have been mentioned as possible start dates, April 12 or April 19, said the sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Perry, who was in Dallas on Thursday meeting with business leaders, had set April 1 as a target date for reaching a consensus. He backed away from the date a short time later, saying only that he hoped to have a consensus sometime in April.

The three Republican leaders have not reached an agreement on how to overhaul the share-the-wealth system of funding public education known by the nickname Robin Hood. Perry has said he will call a session once a consensus has emerged.

Perry spokeswoman Kathy Walt said the governor still wants to reach a consensus before announcing a session.

"I think there is a consensus that has emerged at least on the basic principles of educational excellence, of maintaining equity while eliminating Robin Hood, of cutting, capping and controlling property taxes and of maintaining a healthy job creation climate," she said.

But, she noted, "you still have a variety of revenue options out there."

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students a chance to explore a self-selected topic of interest, develop relationships with a mentor in that field and then create an innovative, professional product with real-life value.

"I learned a number of things," Adams said. "I didn't know anything about limestone, and I wanted to research the field of interior design for future reference."

Also presenting where Manoj Thangam, who created a 10 chapter how-to guide for Lincoln-Douglas Debate; Veronica

Villarreal, who developed a book on diabetes awareness; and Brennen Bailey, who wrote an activities book to explain day surgery to children.

Each student gave a 45-minute presentation over their product and was critiqued by judges who are experts in that particular field of study. The presentations will be sent to be judged against other students from across Texas in a similar program.

Professional interior designer Lynda Elrod said Adams' presentation was impressive.

"I think she's gone to an elaborate amount of background study and she's done an excellent job doing it," Elrod said. "She

has presented it well and in a way that a novice could do it without any problems."

Adams said this project was much larger than any she's tackled.

"We learned how to research a project like this in eighth grade, but I've never done that many sources and documented a page-and-half on every one," she said. "I learned organization, keeping up with things. You have to write down everything you learned and it has to follow a process from start to finish."

High School Principal Mike Ritchey said the program's structure and leadership creates an atmosphere to demand

excellence from the students.

"The beauty behind this program — when you're working with mentors in the same line of work — you're going to get their feedback and their experience and that leads to nothing but quality professional work."

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HOLY THURSDAY
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Psalm 33:12 — "Blessed be the nation whose god is the Lord."

Supreme Court given task to decide 'one nation under God'

The Supreme Court has been given the task of deciding if it is legal to keep the statement "one nation under God" in our pledge. It seems there is no end in sight in this matter of church and state in our nation.



THE REV.
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HAVENER

What is referred to today as separation of church and state is in actuality separation of God and state and that is heathen! Nowhere in founding documents such as the Mayflower Compact, New England Constitution, Declaration of Independence, Northwest Ordinance, U.S. Constitution nor Bill of Rights do the words

"separation of church and state" appear.

Instead they are from a personal letter by Thomas Jefferson, who was neither a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1787, or of the first Congress under the Constitution which passed the Bill of Rights.

Although Mr. Jefferson had no part in framing the First Amendment which states "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof," he did give some advice we should all heed —

"On every question of construction carry ourselves back to the time when the Constitution was adopted, recollect the spirit manifested in the debates, and instead of trying to find what meaning may be squeezed out of the text, or invested

"Separation of God and state in our public schools has destroyed the morality of this nation. If there ever was a time we need to help our children and the future of this great nation it's now!"

against it, lets conform to the probable meaning in which it was passed."

The spirit in which the First Amendment was passed is obvious since that Congress declared a national day of prayer and thanksgiving on Sept. 24, 1789, the very day they adopted the First Amendment.

Also, that Congress saw no problem with the wording of the N.W.

Ordinance of 1787 declaring "Religion, morality and knowledge, being essential to good government and the happiness of mankind, schools and the means of education shall forever be encouraged." These 3 are inextricably linked and the time has come when we must realize this or we're no longer "one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all."

Separation of God and state in our public schools has destroyed the morality of this nation. The record speaks for itself. If there ever was a time we need to help our children and the future of this great nation it's now!

Let's not prohibit the free exercise of religion as allowed by the First Amendment and the spirit in which it was constructed, but instead encourage faith in God

which is our only hope as an individual and as a nation.

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Club News

Big Spring Shrine Club

Big Spring Shrine Club had its March meeting on March 29, with about 30 Nobles, Ladies and guests in attendance.

Vice president James Jones conducted the meeting and Treasurer Jack Taylor took the minutes of the meeting.

Progress is being made on the golf tournament, which will be in July. Everyone is working hard to make this a great fundraiser.

The bidding on the car is over and the highest bid was by Ms. Lou Vincent.

Staked Plains 598 will hold an open house on April 4 from 2-5 p.m. at 219 Main for the 120th anniversary.

The next meeting will be on April 17 with fellowship beginning at 6 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m. Visitors are always welcome.

TOPS TX 21

Fourteen members and one visitor attended the Take Off Pounds Sensibly meeting on Monday at 5:30 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third.

Olene Menges opened with prayer followed by the TOPS pledge and fellowship song.

Genay Bertran called the roll and presided over an award ceremony. Cherry Sechelski was presented a statuette, a yellow rose and a \$15

award for reaching her Keep Off Pounds Sensible (KOPS) status during 2003.

Those receiving a certificate from TOPS headquarters were Joyce Chelette, first place in Division I with a loss of 62 pounds for 2003; Jerline Wilson, second place in Division I with a loss of 12 pounds for 2003; and Carol Smith, first place in Division III with a loss of 18 pounds for 2003.

Outgoing officers receiving charms for their service were Hughetta Roberts, Carol Smith, Linda Schmidt, Shirley Jenkins, Olnee Menges and Donna

Menges.

Officer Olnee Menges used the theme, "TOPS Rainbow of Color" as she installed the new president, Donna Menges; Genay Bertran as co-leader; Gladys Russell as secretary, Shirley Jenkins as treasurer and Hughetta Roberts as assistant weight recorder. Mrs. Roberts in turn installed Mrs. Menges as weight recorder.

Following the installation of the new officers, the club enjoyed a salad supper.

Seven members and three guests traveled to Waco this past weekend to the state recognition days where member

Cherry Sechelski graduated from TOPS to KOPS. Gladys Russell, an 11-year KOPS member, and Lynne Criswell, a two-year KOPS member, participated in the KOLS parade.

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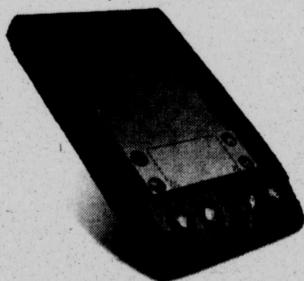
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Who's Who

Coahoma's Leslie Phinney elected West Texas A&M student body vice president

Leslie Phinny, a senior general business major from Coahoma, was elected West Texas A&M student body vice president. She succeeds Ashley Irwin. In her post, Phinny will preside as president of the legislative branch of the Student Senate and will work with Stagner to help coordinate Student government activities. Phinny ran unopposed for her respective position.

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First United Methodist Church

Sunday, April 4, 2004. Dr. David Sermon is titled "Does God Really Love Me?" The Scripture text is from Matthew 5:1-12. Special music by the Chancel Choir. "My Eternal King" by the Chancel Choir. Sunday school 9:45 a.m., and services are at 10:50 a.m. should meet at 11:00 a.m. in front of the church for the Palm Procession.

Holy Week services will feature guest speakers. The meal will be from 11:50 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and the service will be in the Sanctuary at 12:25 p.m. until 1:00 p.m. The speakers for Holy Week include Matt First, Prentice Church, Wayne St. Paul Church, Gene First Christian Church, and Agustin First United Methodist Church. Thursday at 6:00 p.m. the Holy Tenebrae Worship Chancel Choir will perform "Behold the Darkness." "Tenebrae" worship dates begin on Thursday.

"Tenebrae" services will be in almost total darkness. First United Methodist Church is located on Scurry. For more information on any of our programs at First Methodist Church, call the church office at 6394.

First Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Matt will speak on the Lenten series titled "Theology Meets Culture" on Palm Sunday. The service is taken from John 1:1-18. Worship service is at 11 a.m. Sunday, April 4, 2004. Services are at 9:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. On Palm Sunday, April 4, 2004.

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Sunday, April 4, is Palm Sunday. Dr. Dave Ring's sermon is titled "What Does God Really Want?" The Scripture text comes from Matthew 5:21-37. The special music presented by the Chancel Choir is "My Eternal King."

Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m., and worship services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. Children should meet at 10:40 a.m. in front of the church for the Palm Processional.

Holy Week noon services will feature different speakers each day. The meal will be served from 11:50 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. and the service will be in the Sanctuary from 12:25 p.m. until 12:55 p.m. The speakers for the week include Matt Miles of First Presbyterian Church, Wayne Frost of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Gene Cravens of First Christian Church, and Agustin Ypina of First United Methodist Church. Thursday's service will feature the musical ministry of Roy and Carman Velez.

Thursday at 6:45 p.m. is the Holy Thursday Tenebrae Worship. The Chancel Choir along with a chamber orchestra will perform "Behold the Darkness."

"Tenebrae" Christian worship dates back to the fourth century. "Tenebrae" means shadows and the service ends in almost total darkness.

First United Methodist Church is located at 400 Scurry. For more information on any of the programs at First United Methodist Church, call the church office at 267-6394.

First Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Matthew Miles will speak on the sixth of a Lenten series of sermons titled "Where Theology Meets Reality" on Palm Sunday. The text is taken from John 12:1-8. Worship service begins at 11 a.m. Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. and "Take Ten" is at 10:35 a.m.

On Palm Sunday, the

congregation will be given palm branches to place on the cross at the front of the sanctuary. We will have a pot luck after worship. Members are asked to bring a dish to share and a dessert for the dessert auction afterward to benefit Relay For Life.

On Monday at 6 p.m. the Rev. Gene Cravens of First Christian Church will speak after a sandwich supper. On Tuesday, The Rev. Jim Liggett of St. Mary's Episcopal Church will speak following a sandwich supper. On Wednesday, Ernesto Garcia will speak at 6 p.m. following a sandwich supper.

On Maundy Thursday at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary our choir will present their Easter Cantata and we will celebrate Communion. Good Friday at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary, the Tenebrae service will begin with the lights on and end as we leave with the lights off in the sanctuary.

Easter Sunday, April 11, the children and the choir will process in and place their flowers on the cross as we rejoice in Christ's resurrection.

Please join us for any or all of these Holy Week Services. Everyone is always welcome at First Presbyterian Church located on Runnels between Seventh and Eighth.

First Baptist Church

The fellowship of First Baptist Church invites you to worship with us this Sunday. We are located at 705 W. FM 700, across from the VA Medical Center. Our Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m. followed by morning worship at 10:50 a.m. Sunday evening's worship is at 6 p.m.

On Tuesday at 11:45 a.m., our senior adults will meet for Living Longer and Liking it (LLL). This is a covered dish luncheon. All area senior adults are welcome to come and enjoy this great group of people.

Ladies, on Saturday, May 15, First Baptist Church will host a simul-

cast broadcast of Beth Moore who will be coming to us from Colorado Springs, Colo. Tickets are \$15.00 for the simulcast or \$25.00 for the simulcast and lunch. For information concerning this event or any other activity at FBC, call 267-8223.

Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church

Our family-oriented congregation at the Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church, 201 East 24th St., meets for Sunday worship services at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Elder David Machiavello, pastor, will be continuing with a series on "The Beatitudes" with emphasis on Matthew 5:10. Bible Study is held each Wednesday night at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and worship with us as we seek to honor our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Anyone wanting more information may call Elder David Machiavello at 267-6543 or 267-7558.

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Coahoma United Methodist Church

Coahoma United Methodist Church, 401 N. Main, invites you to join us for Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. and Sunday service at 11 a.m.

Join us for Palm Sunday service. A nursery will be available.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

Immaculate Heart of Mary will be celebrating the Triduum (the three days of Easter) April 8-9 at 7 p.m. and April 10 at 8 p.m. April 8 is Holy Thursday, when we re-experience Jesus' preaching, foot washing and his institution of the Holy Eucharist at the last supper. We attempt to enter into, rather than just observe, these mysteries.

On April 9 we will gather for the Good Friday service. This year's observance will include a presentation of a Passion Play re-enacting the final

hour of Jesus Christ. Through an innovation and nontraditional approach, the cast, consisting of parishioners, will portray this most sacred event in Christendom.

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Church welcomes the Big Spring and surrounding communities to join us on Good Friday at 7 p.m.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

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

There will be an All Parish Painting Day on Friday and Saturday. Sprucing up the Deacon's room and the Treasurer's room will begin at 10 a.m. both days.

Maundy Thursday service begins at 6 p.m. in the church. The Good Friday Liturgy will be said at 12:05 p.m. and 6 p.m. The Great Easter Vigil Service is Saturday at 9 p.m.

St. Mary's Easter Day

Eucharist will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. A special reception and Easter Egg hunt will follow the service.

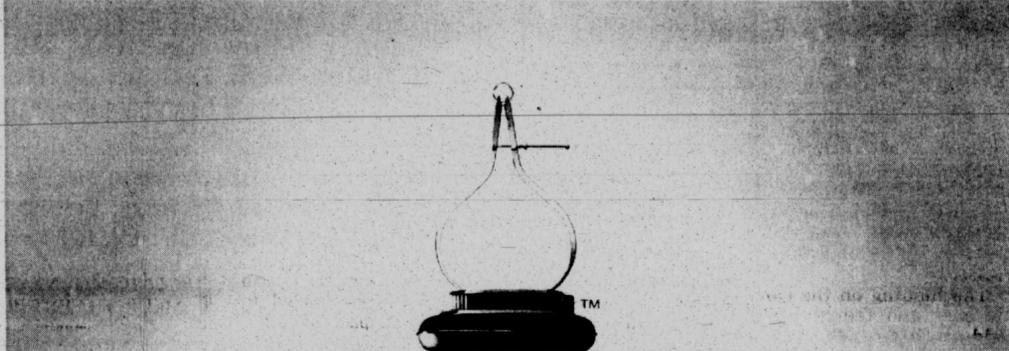
For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal church, call 267-8201 or visit our web site at www.stmarysbt.org. St. Mary's is located at corner of 10th and South Goliad.

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Religion in the news

Pope marks 10th anniversary of Rwanda tragedy

ROME (AP) — Pope John Paul II called for greater international efforts to bring peace to Africa's Great Lakes region as he marked the 10th anniversary of the genocide in Rwanda.

During his weekly appearance last Sunday in St. Peter's Square, the pope recalled that fighting broke out April 7, 1994, between Hutus and Tutsis, in which "barbarically hundreds of thousands of people were killed."

"We pray to the Lord that such a tragedy never repeats itself," he said.

"To you dear people, to you religious and civil leaders, and to all of you in the international community generously committed to bringing peace in the beloved Great Lakes region, I say: Don't get discouraged! Be builders of a civilization of love, filled with the word of the Lord," he said.

More than 500,000 people were killed during Rwanda's 100-day genocide, most of them minority Tutsis and politically moderate members of the Hutu majority.

Africa's Great Lakes region includes Congo, Rwanda, Uganda, Burundi, Kenya and Tanzania. Congo and Burundi are both emerging from years of civil war; fighting continues in eastern Congo despite peace deals.

Former seminary student organizes gay-rights rally

WACO (AP) — Nearly 200 people attended a gay rights rally organized by a former Baylor University seminary student who lost his scholarship to the Baptist university because he is homosexual.

Matt Bass said he dropped out of Baylor's George W. Truett Theological Seminary in December after administrators confronted him about his sexuality and then revoked his financial aid.

Bass and other homosexual students and alumni say they have faced discrimination at the university. They say they don't expect the private school to abandon Baptist belief that gay sex is a sin, but they want an anti-discrimination policy for gay students.

"I believe I am gay and that God made me that way," Bass said last Saturday. "I believe this is a civil rights movement. We're not looking for any special class or treatment but equal protection under the law."

Baylor officials declined to comment. Baylor, founded in 1845, is run by an all-Baptist board of regents and is affiliated with the Southern Baptist General Convention of Texas. It has nearly 14,000 students.

According to the school's "statement on human sexuality" in its policies handbook, Baylor students should not be part of advocacy groups promoting lifestyles that are contrary to biblical teaching.

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Lady Hawks sweep twinbill with Odessa

Howard College's Lady Hawks swept a Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) doubleheader with Odessa College's Lady Wranglers at Foundation Field Thursday afternoon.

After seeing Odessa take a 2-1 win in the opener, the Lady Hawks rebounded for a 2-0 deficit to win in the nightcap.

The Lady Hawks, whose record is now 20-13-2 on the season and 11-11 in WJCAC play, will travel to Snyder Saturday to face Western Texas College's Dusters in a 1 p.m. twinbill.

Coahoma UGSA still offering last chance

The Coahoma United Girls Softball Association will be holding last chance sign-ups for Division I, II and III players with no late fees starting at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Coahoma Softball Complex.

Anyone needing additional information should contact association president Patricia Robinson at 393-5622.

Little Dribblers post win at regional event

The Big Spring Junior Little Dribblers finished third in regional tournament play March 26-27 in Plainview by winning one game and losing twice.

The Big Spring boys beat Andrews in a low-scoring, 10-9 affair on Friday night. Marc Segundo led the way with four points, while Tyler Graves, Michael Lopez and Michael Oliva each had two points.

With the win, the Big Spring team advanced to the championship game against a very talented Plainview team that dealt them a 44-9 drubbing.

Worse still, Segundo, the team's starting point guard, injured his knee and was unable to play the rest of the tournament. Austin Gibson scored seven points in the loss and Corey Lopez had two.

Snyder beat the Big Spring squad 55-7.

Umpires needed for Little League season

Umpires are needed for the Little League baseball season. Anyone interested in working with youth should call Jason Hester at 264-7777 or Don Booth at 263-6597.

Teen League slates registration

The Big Spring Teenage Baseball League is holding registration through April 16 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 ages 13-16.

For more information, contact Stan Parker at 264-2570.

ON THE AIR

Sports Broadcast Schedule Today
Event, Time, Station
Hawks at Western Texas, 2 p.m., 1490
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Wallace has missed victory lane — 104 straight races

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer

FORT WORTH — Rusty Wallace doesn't need to prove to anyone that he can win NASCAR races. It's just that he misses victory lane.

After finishing second behind Kurt Busch last week at Bristol, Wallace has gone 104 races since his last win, at California in April 2001.

"It's a losing streak," said

Wallace, the 1989 NASCAR champion whose 54 career wins match Lee Petty for eighth-best.

"It's obviously something I'm not proud of, and we've got to fix it because we're a lot better team than that," he said.

The streak almost ended at Bristol, where he is a nine-time winner. He led 100 laps and appeared to have the fastest car, but came up just short after a late restart.

Still, that strong performance

gave Wallace plenty of momentum going into Sunday's Samsung/RadioShack 500 at Texas Motor Speedway.

"If I ever get to pick a race track to go to with some momentum, this is one of them because I like running here," he said.

That wasn't always the case.

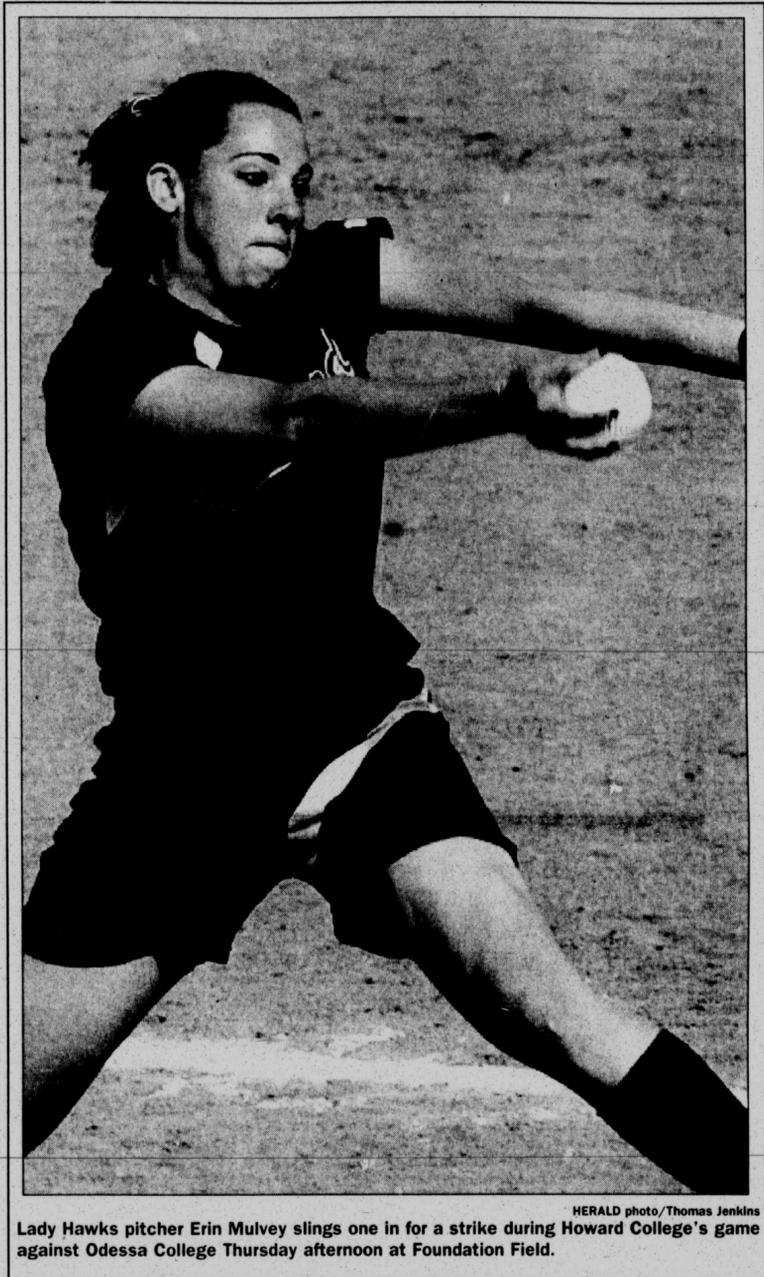
At the first NASCAR race in Texas in 1997, Wallace was among several accident victims in the fourth turn. After crashing, he said the turn needed a

complete reconstruction, "using dynamite if necessary."

There was water seepage in the first turn a year later.

All the problems have been fixed, and the 1 1/2-mile high-banked track has become a driver and fan favorite.

"That first year, I spun out and crashed and was frustrated with all of that, and didn't like the design," said Wallace, who has since had two fourth-place finishes in Texas.



Lady Hawks pitcher Erin Mulvey slings one in for a strike during Howard College's game against Odessa College Thursday afternoon at Foundation Field. HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

Midland Christian, Idalou teams win Coahoma tourney

HERALD Staff Report

Midland Christian's Mustangs and Idalou's Lady Wildcats claimed team titles Tuesday at the Coahoma Invitational Golf Tournament staged at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Midland Christian fashioned a team total of 309 behind the steady play of Matt Phillips, Lee Prucka and Kyle Bowzer to take a 15-stroke victory over runner-up Van Horn in the boys' division. Crane followed in third place with a 330 total, while Coahoma was fourth a 339.

Forsan and Stanton finished fifth and sixth, respectively in the boys' division, while Colorado City was sixth.

Van Horn's Jeff Hensley fired an even-par round of 70 to take the boys' medalist honor, while Midland Christian's Phillips was second with a 76. Prucka and Bowzer finished tied for third at 77, with Prucka taking a sudden death playoff for the No. 3 spot.

Forsan's No. 2 team finished eighth in the boys' standings at 358, while Coahoma's No. 2 team was ninth at 370. Stanton's No. 2 team was 14th in the field of 15 teams with a 438, while Coahoma's No. 3 team rounded out the field at 446.

Darrick Shifflett paced Coahoma No. 1's showing with a round of 79, while Kelby Kemper added an 82, Jake Smith and Trevor Bibb posted rounds of 89 and Pud Bowlin had a 90.

Brandon Burleson led the way for Forsan's No. 1 team with an 80, while Josh Helmstetter had an 85 and Adam Johnson carded an 87. Ben Breyman chipped in a round of 92, while Travis McKiski toured the course with a 121.

Stanton's top team was paced by Ezekiel Bryand's 83 and Dan Harris' 84. Dex Shafer added an 89, while Matt Ruiz carded a 91 and Harry Dohshier finished at 94.

Forsan's No. 2 team was led by Trey Paredez's round of 85, while Clint

Stanley fired an 88, Tye Baker finished with a 90 and Mark McKiski had a 95. Jonathan Moore finished with a 97.

Terrell Bibb and Garrett Walker paced Coahoma's No. 2 team with rounds of 90, while Curt Lang had a 93. Orrin Mansfield and Taylor Earhart both toured the course with rounds of 97.

Stanton's No. 2 team got a 94 from Joe Benny Bryant. Mike Washington and Geovanni Vela added rounds of 107 and 108, respectively, while Eric Ramos posted a 119 and Cody Bedingfield had a 126.

Coahoma's No. 3 team was led by Stephen Ewing's 103. Matt Earhart had a 109, Keith Smith finished at 114 and Ryan Kennedy had a 120.

Idalou's girls literally ran away from the competition in their division, posting a team total of 358 — some 43 strokes better than Midland Christian's runner-up team.

The Idalou duo of Joe Beth Campbell and Dayna Stanton topped the individual medalist standings with rounds of 80 and 84 respectively, while Midland Christian's Courtney Ryburn and Courtney Elder finished third and fourth with rounds of 91 and 92.

Stanton's Lady Buffs finished third with a total of 415, while Forsan's Lady Buffs were fourth at 444. Coahoma's Bulldogettes were seventh in the eight-team field with a 502.

Shelby Harp paced the Stanton girls' squad with a round of 95, while Meagan Cook and Savannah Smith carded rounds of 104 and 106. Danielle Bedingfield had a 110.

Forsan got a 96 from Shiloh Sanders, but the best the Lady Buffs could mount in support was Krystal Hughes' 107. Amber Humphrey added a 115, while Lyndsey Allen and Claire Koenes had rounds of 126 and 127.

Jaci Martinez' 111 led the way for Coahoma, while Callie Paige finished at 122, Tori Paige had a 132 and Kayla Hankins finished the day with a 137.

Mavericks upend Kings, 127-117; Lakers take back lead in West

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer

DALLAS — Sacramento has suddenly lost that winning feeling — and sole possession of the lead in the Western Conference.

With their fourth loss in five games, 127-117 to Dallas on Thursday night, the Kings allowed the surging Los Angeles Lakers to tie them at the top of the conference.

"If we win the rest of our games, they can't do anything about it. We can't worry about the Lakers," Sacramento coach Rick Adelman said.

"We have to worry about ourselves."

There are seven regular-season games left for the Kings and Lakers, both 52-23. They play each other April 11 in Sacramento.

Dallas, which has also already clinched a playoff spot, won its third straight game since going back to a smaller lineup.

Michael Finley scored 29 points, and Steve Nash had 20 points to go with a career-high 19 assists. The Mavericks matched a season high for points with their fourth straight game of at least 118, a

mark they reached just once the previous 26 games.

"We've gotten out of our rut," Nash said, "and we're playing better."

The Kings aren't.

Just a month ago, the two-time defending Pacific Division champion Kings had a six-game lead over Los Angeles. But the Lakers have won 10 straight, including 93-85 at Houston on Thursday night, and are 21-4 since the All-Star break.

Dallas' 127 points were the most allowed by Sacramento this season.

NCAA tournament down to four top-tier teams

By JAIME ARON

AP Sports Writer

Based on pedigree, this should be a great Final Four.

The teams left chasing the NCAA championship include the preseason No. 1, the winner of the top preseason tournament, a perennial power that spent a month at No. 1, and a top conference's regular season and tournament champs.

Further proof that there are no sleepers: The lowest seed left, No. 3 Georgia Tech, already has beat-

en Duke and Connecticut, the teams the Yellow Jackets could play in the finale if they get past Oklahoma State on Saturday night.

"Whoever wins the championship, I think, will really be the true national champ this year," UConn coach Jim Calhoun said Wednesday. "I think most years they are, but this year I can clearly say you have to win two great basketball games."

Seeing the cream rise to the top doesn't always make for a memorable NCAA tournament. Fans

love stories of underdogs' pulling off upset after upset to reach the final weekend, or one star player carrying his school to a string of victories.

Yet there's something to be said about the way it's worked out this season. Especially when players who could dominate in college are instead going to the NBA straight from high school or after one year of school.

These clubs still have their marquee players, but the common denominator is that they earned their way to San Antonio

by becoming well-rounded teams capable of rising to challenges.

"The continuity of college basketball is not what it used to be," said Georgia Tech coach Paul Hewitt. "You no longer have to have guys play together for one or two seasons. Now maybe half a season, three-quarters of a season might be enough to have them become a cohesive unit."

The Yellow Jackets and Cowboys, who meet in the early game Saturday, were long shots six months ago because of uncertainties.

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Golf Insider

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IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR GAME

Oh, my aching back Injuries common in golf

By T.J. TOMASI
Universal Press Syndicate

Bad backs are common among golfers because the game requires players to swing at a ball sitting on the ground while standing to the side of it. This forces the shoulders to swing on one plane (approximately parallel to the shaft angle at address) while the hips swing on another plane (almost parallel to the ground), creating a twisting force that strains the muscles and compresses the vertebrae in the lower back.

But this is not to say that golf automatically ruins your back, because using the proper technique can lessen the chance of injury.

In the top photo (below), my student is demonstrating a common swing error that puts a lot of stress on his back. His upper spine is frozen in place while his arms swing at high speed across his body, squeezing the discs in his lower back.

Basically, his arms and club have gone one way and his upper body the opposite — ouch! No wonder his back hurts when he plays or hits balls.

This error has several distinguishing features. First, he "hangs back" on his right side, with his right heel barely off the ground and his weight concentrated on the ball of his right foot.

Second, he has kept his head "down" — the ball is long gone (short and to the right, I may add) and he is still staring at the ground. Third, he has an awkward curve to his right side with his right shoulder much lower than his left.

With my help in photo 2, he's demonstrating how you should release your body into a full finish: First, he has transferred all his weight to his left side; he's up on his back toes with his weight heavy on his left heel.

Second, he's released his head so he can see the ball in flight (a ball much more likely to be flying long and straight down the middle). Third, he's spiraled up into the so-called "I" position with no side bend. This is a real back-saver.

To help him get there I have my right hand on his upper body center (near his breast bone) to make him aware of how this area must keep rotating through the shot. This has released the pressure on his lower back (where my left hand is located).

One final note: This "full-body release" allows him to finish with his hands over his left shoulder and the club head below his hands. He's allowed momentum to be his friend instead of a back-wrecking enemy.



Notice how the student has spiraled up into the so-called "I" position in the bottom photo. This is a real back-saver.

Cink helped friend Crane to improbable win

By GLENN SHEELEY
Cox News Service

Atlanta

It is a story about healing. How it took longer for Stewart Cink to heal than he had imagined.

How in the process he helped Ben Crane to his first PGA Tour victory.

When Crane arrived at the TPC at Sugarloaf in Duluth, Ga., last year, he had missed the cut at The Players Championship. Eighty-four other guys with great golf swings had done the same thing, but only Crane seriously wondered whether his frayed nerves and building self-doubt might cause him to wig out sometime during BellSouth Classic week.

"He was waking up in the middle of the night," said his friend, Sugarloaf resident Stewart Cink. "And at the height of his bad dreams he was on that island."

That would be the island green par-3 17th at the TPC at Sawgrass, the table-top terror that has pushed more than one player to therapy.

"He called me up after TPC and said, 'I just can't play there,'" Cink recalled. "He said, 'That course freaks me out, man.' ... It's the same thing I was going through, being afraid to mess up, to put yourself out there and expose yourself to the possibility of looking stupid."

Cink, unfortunately, could speak from experience: Two years earlier, Southern Hills Country Club in Tulsa, Okla., he missed a putt on the 72nd hole inside two feet, knocked Cink out of a Monday play-off for the title.

"It wasn't that I was having trouble with the fact I almost won the U.S. Open, but didn't win," said Cink. "It was more that I kind of embarrassed myself in front of the world, and I didn't want to do it again."

Cink has a way of putting things out there, clearly and simply.

"It sounded to me like [Crane] was making golf way too important," Cink said.

The 28-year-old Crane does not deny it. While praising his wife, Heather, for taking care of the travel-related and business needs that cement their lives, the mental preparation for on-course competition can't be delegated.

"When I talked to Stewart Friday of TPC week, I was really struggling with fear on the golf course," Crane said. "And I called him and I wanted



CURTIS COMPTON / Cox News Service

Ben Crane celebrated his first PGA Tour victory last year at the BellSouth Classic at TPC at Sugarloaf in Duluth, Ga.

BEN CRANE 2004 STATISTICS

Winnings: \$385,320	51st
World Golf Rank: 1.58	85th
Scoring average: 71.32	77th
Driving distance: 279.9	114th
Birdie average: 3.90	57th
Top 10 finishes: 2	

to talk to him about what he had to deal with. When he started telling me about what he went through at Southern Hills, I realized he had been through it all."

But neither could imagine how the scenario would play out a few days later: Two days after Crane barely made the BellSouth cut — he nearly shanked his third shot at the 18th hole and was forced to get up and down for par to survive — he had assembled a third-round 64 and was paired on Sunday with Cink.

At crunch time during the round, Cink provided the encouragement, saying, "Keep it going, keep it

going." Pretty amazing in that Cink, who would finish tied for sixth, also was trying in every way to win the tournament.

"After I made the putt at 15 — I just knocked it right in the back of the hole — I walked over next to him," Crane said. "He said, 'That look some kind of [nerves] to knock one in like that.' He was just kind of keeping it light out there. It was perfect the way it happened."

The way it happened at the finish defies logic. Crane, a former Nationwide tour player, caught the slope perfectly at the par-5 18th for a mammoth, 357-yard drive that crossed the cartpath. After his second shot stopped 20 feet from the hole, Crane punctuated his victory by making an eagle putt for a record-tying 29 on the back nine and a 9-under par 63 that beat Bob Tway by four shots.

"I'm not taking any credit," Cink said, "but I think what we talked about really helped him win that tournament."

GOLF BRIEFS

BellSouth course lately mimics Augusta

By GLENN SHEELEY
Cox News Service

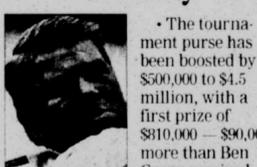
Atlanta

Despite warm, dry spring weather lately, the extended forecast for this week's BellSouth Classic in Duluth, Ga., is for cooler temperatures and possibly some rain.

Hopefully, the meteorologists are wrong and TPC at Sugarloaf will retain its firm and fast playing conditions for the 144-man field and those 20 players heading down the road Sunday for the Masters.

Sugarloaf has been very Augusta-like this spring with bent-grass greens running at least 12 on the stimpmeter and chipping areas area shaved sufficiently to resemble Amen Corner.

"I think if you played this course this past week," BellSouth executive director Dave Kaplan said this past weekend, "you'd probably see 6- to 8-under to win." Other numbers:



DALY

The tournament purse has been boosted by \$500,000 to \$4.5 million, with a first prize of \$810,000 — \$90,000 more than Ben Crane received last year after his amazing 64-63 weekend.

"The field contains four players in the top 10 of the world rankings and seven of the top 20: Mike Weir (5), Padraig Harrington (8), Stuart Appleby (9), Phil Mickelson (10), Adam Scott (12), David Toms (14) and Jonathan Kaye (17)."

"We're not a major; we're not a Tour Championship," Kaplan said. "When you compare our field to tournaments like ours, we feel ours is very competitive."

ASK THE PRO



Dr. T.J. Tomasi is director of instruction at Lyman Orchards Golf Club in Middlefield, Conn. To ask him a question about golf, e-mail him at: TJinsider@aol.com.

Q: I recently read that Ken Venturi wrote in his new book about how Arnold Palmer cheated on the 12th hole in the final round of the 1958 Masters, and how it helped Palmer win the tournament. Do you think this is true? I'm a long-time member of "Arnold's Army" and would be crushed to find out he bent the rules. — A.E. Midland, Texas

A: You don't have to resign from the "Army" because Arnold did not cheat. But it was a confusing situation. To draw attention to a new book, a publicist often emphasizes the most controversial ele-

ment in it. I think that's what going on here. This story has been talked about for years in golf circles. Here's what happened.

At the 1958 Masters, Palmer's ball plugged near the green on the 12th hole. It was Sunday, and Palmer had a one-shot lead over his playing partner, Ken Venturi. Palmer asked the rules official for a free drop, but was denied.

After a long and heated discussion, Palmer played his shot from the embedded lie and made a double bogey. He then returned to the original spot and played another ball. He made par with his second try, a

SCHEDULE

BellSouth Classic
• Site: Duluth, Ga.
• Schedule: Today-Sunday.
• Course: TPC at Sugarloaf (7,293 yards, par 72).
• Purse: \$4.5 million. Winner's share: \$810,000.
• Television: USA (Today-Friday, 3-6 p.m.) and NBC (Saturday-Sunday, 3-6 p.m.).

LPGA TOUR
Office Depot Championship
• Site: Los Angeles.
• Schedule: Friday-Sunday.
• Course: El Caballero Country Club (6,394 yards, par 72).
• Purse: \$1.75 million. Winner's share: \$262,500.
• Television: ESPN2 (Friday, 1-3 p.m.); Saturday-Sunday, 5-7 p.m.).

CHAMPIONS TOUR
• Next event: Blue Angels Classic, April 16-18, The Moors Golf Club, Milton, Fla.

MASTERS FIELD

Here's a list of the 94 players who have qualified for the 68th Masters Tournament, to be played April 8-11 at Augusta National Golf Club. Players listed in only one category. (Does not include players who have withdrawn or former champions not planning to play).

• **Masters champions:** Mike Weir, Tiger Woods, Vijay Singh, Jose Maria Olazabal, Mark O'Meara, Nick Faldo, Ben Crenshaw, Bernhard Langer, Fred Couples, Ian Woosnam, Sandy Lyle, Larry Mize, Jack Nicklaus, Craig Stadler, Tom Watson, Fuzzy Zoeller, Gary Player, Raymond Floyd, Tommy Aaron, Charles Coody, Arnold Palmer.

• **U.S. Open champions (five years):** Retief Goosen.

• **British Open champions (five years):** Ben Curtis, Ernie Els, David Duval, Paul Lawrie.

• **PGA champions (five years):** Shaun Micheal, Rich Beem, David Toms.

• **Players Championship (three years):** Adam Scott, Davis Love III, Craig Perks.

• **U.S. Amateur champion and runner-up:** Nick Flanagan, Casey Wittenberg.

• **British Amateur champion:** Gary Wolstenholme.

• **U.S. Amateur Public Links champion:** Brandt Snedeker.

• **Mid-Amateur champion:** Nathan Smith.

• **Top 16 players and ties from 2003 Masters:** Len Mattiace, Phil Mickelson, Jeff Maggert, Scott Verplank, Jonathan Byrd, Tim Clark, Angel Cabrera, K.J. Choi.

• **Top eight players and ties from 2003 U.S. Open:** Stephen Leaney, Kenny Perry, Justin Rose, Fredrik Jacobson, Nick Price.

• **Top four players and ties from 2003 British Open:** Thomas Bjorn.

• **Top four players and ties from 2003 PGA Championship:** Chad Campbell, Alex Cejka.

• **Top 40 players from the 2003 PGA Tour money list:** Brad Faxon, Stuart Appleby, Bob Tway, Charles Howell III, Jay Haas, Jonathan Kaye, Justin Leonard, Chris DiMarco, Steve Flesch, Briny Baird, Chris Riley, Robert Allenby, Tim Herron, Jerry Kelly, Fred Funk, J.L. Lewis, Kirk Triplett, Rocco Mediate, Bob Estes, Stewart Cink, Tim Petrovic, Shigeki Maruyama, John Rollins, Jeff Sluman.

• **Top 50 players from the final 2003 world ranking:** Padraig Harrington, Darren Clarke, Paul Casey, Sergio Garcia, Michael Campbell, Peter Lonard, Ian Poulter, Colin Montgomerie, Eduardo Romero, Phillip Price, Toshi Izawa.

• **Top 10 players from the 2004 PGA Tour money list after The Players Championship:** John Daly.

• **Top 50 players from world ranking published the week after the '04 Players Championship:** Craig Parry, Todd Hamilton, Trevor Immelman, Brian Davis.

• **Special invitations:** Lian-Wei Zhang.

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For example, if you're looking for distance off the driver, utilizing a launch monitor at a fitting center to measure the spin rate and launch angle of your shots can determine which ball is best. A monitor can find the ideal spin rate (between 2,500 and 3,000 rpms) and the ideal launch angle (between 11 and 13 degrees). If you don't have access to a launch

monitor, but you're concerned about getting more distance, look for a ball that reaches its apex (highest point) early in its flight then levels out. This type of flight gives you more carry and therefore added distance.

What you don't want is a ball that starts low and shoots up like a jet airplane taking off. This indicates too much spin, the result of which is shorter shots and the tendency to hook or slice.

Distance with the driver is only one factor to take into account. How the ball reacts off short irons and around the greens is also important.

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—T.J. Tomasi

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Garage Sales

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PJ'S INSIDE SALE: 2210 Main, Fri. & Sat. 10-4.

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Legals

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF NETTIE B. CREIGHTON

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of NETTIE B. CREIGHTON were issued on March 10, 2004 in Cause No. P-13138 pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to: LUAN CREIGHTON STALLINGS.

The address of such LUAN CREIGHTON STALLINGS is 1501 Stallings Rd., Big Spring, Texas 79720.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 10th day of March, 2004. LUAN CREIGHTON STALLINGS #4173 April 2, 2004

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF HAROLD RAY BROUGHTON

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of HAROLD RAY BROUGHTON were issued on February 26, 2004 in Cause No. P-13139 pending in the County Court of Howard County of Howard County, Texas, to: JUANEZ BROUGHTON.

The address of such JUANEZ BROUGHTON is 10507 Old Colorado City Hwy., Coahoma, Texas, 79511.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 26th day of February, 2004. JUANEZ BROUGHTON #4174 April 2, 2004

Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON
The Virgo moon is like an overbearing stage mother who can at times be critical and even a bit discouraging. But the Virgo moon can also get us working on what truly needs to be improved, ultimately helping to form us into the stars we



Joyce Jillson

know we can be. Try to be gentle with yourself. Life is hard enough, so you should be on your own side!

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Ignore anyone who questions your ability. Small thinkers are disguised as "reasonable" people. You truly are limitless when that's how you choose to see yourself. Wake up, look in the mirror, and wink at your bad self.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're highly persuasive, although not very interested in taking risks with your power today. All the new friends you make now are interesting; some will be quite transitory, but you'll learn something from every new contact.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Changes present a chance for you to advance. Don't hold back for any reason, least of all a cash-flow problem. Never let money problems make you feel trapped. Financial challenges are some of the easiest to remedy.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You want to be acknowledged, publicly if possible. Make it known

to the right people, and it will happen. In business and love, clarify vague issues. The fine details of communication hold the most information.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Innovative alterations in your schedule will be met with some resistance from loved ones. Push through to get your way. It's best for everyone. You have special luck for fulfilling a long-standing need tonight.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It's a winning morning — in fact, you'll feel you can't lose. Tonight is different, though. It's possible that you're being too easily angered or irritated. Get centered in yourself so that nobody else can knock you off balance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It's fun to indulge in silliness and games. Levity has an important function. Highly charged emotions are featured tonight. Pursue healthy choices, and you'll be more balanced and fair about what you focus on.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll feel somewhat at the mercy of powerful people, but you are definitely not! Your position is every bit as important as that of a so-called "higher-up." Take a break from a stressful situation to hone your coping skills.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You don't have to do anything. Keep things on a want-to-do basis. Say goodbye to things you've outgrown! You're establishing new milestones for yourself. Lucky love partners are Scorpio and Pisces.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Spirituality

beckons. You're making breakthroughs and feeling more at peace. There are no secrets — what's true is obvious to everyone. You have a bigger place in the universe than you sometimes think.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Emotional riches are available to you. All you have to do is appreciate the here and now. There is more beauty around you than you can take in! A Capricorn or Taurus can help you achieve what others say is impossible.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It's crucial that you know your own mind because you can be influenced by someone dashing tonight! Sure, it's a part of the teasing, flirting game that spices up your life — just don't make any promises.

WEEKEND LOVE REPORT: Finding love under the Virgo moon can be a daunting process because everyone is so picky! Just remember that what's good on paper isn't necessarily right for real life. Chemistry is a larger part of the equation than you might care to admit!

ARIES: Give new people a chance. Look past their fashion choices. **TAURUS:** You'll find terrific prospects online. **GEMINI:** The better you take care of yourself, the more a loved one wants to take care of you. **CANCER:** A sweetheart might not do what you want, but at least he or she is sincerely trying. **LEO:** Everything is moving forward in your love life, though the progress may seem slow. **VIRGO:** Your appeal is

hottest tonight and tomorrow morning. **LIBRA:** Kindness to those you love includes being thoroughly dependable when the call to duty sounds. **SCORPIO:** Friends have tips for you that can revolutionize your love life. **SAGITTARIUS:** Your sweetheart is innocent. **CAPRICORN:** Your romantic style might be cramped by egomaniacs around you. **AQUARIUS:** Do something to get back in touch with the one that got away. **PISCES:** Any romantic problems you encounter can be overcome with imagination and creativity.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Gemini and Taurus are both getting a lift from the stars, and these two may be inexplicably attracted to one another now. Taurus keeps Gemini honest, and Gemini keeps Taurus fun. These two make wonderful social companions, boosting one another's social status and making each feel special. Sexual attraction ebbs and flows and requires a bit of effort from time to time.

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Annie's Mailbox®: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: I have a problem with my husband, "Earl," and his 60-year-old "Uncle Joe." Joe moved in with us four months ago and has been freeloading ever since. He had a job at the local supermarket but quit after two days. Then he worked briefly for a cab company but claimed it wasn't worth the effort. Joe lives with us for free. He contributes nothing toward rent or food, and believe me, he eats plenty.

Earl has loaned money to Joe several times, and the man hasn't paid back a dime. My husband worships the ground his uncle walks on and will buy Joe whatever he wants, even though we are having terrible financial problems.

I am fed up. I threatened to leave, and Earl didn't care. No one else will take Uncle Joe. Even his own son disowned him. What can I do? — Living with a Leech

Dear Living: Without your husband's support, it will be difficult to motivate Uncle Joe to contribute to the household. Can you at least get him to do the laundry, wash the dishes or cook dinner in exchange for living with you?

Either way, your husband's priorities need rearranging. Ask Earl to go with you to a marriage counselor. As usual, if he won't go, go without him.

Dear Annie: I am a gay man and just recently lost my partner of 16 years. I have been shocked at some of the comments I've heard since "Tom's" death. Here are two examples: "Now that you're not doing anything, will you fix my computer?" and "It must be easier for you since you weren't



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

married."

The only reason we didn't marry was because we could not do so legally. The pain I'm suffering is no less than any other couple that has been together for 16 years. I've tried giving these people cold stares or saying, "Why would you think that?" but these clods don't seem to get the message. Any ideas? — Grieving with Idiots

Dear Grieving: People often make insensitive remarks when someone has died. It can come from nervousness, denial, a desire to move along the grieving process or an attempt to minimize your pain. And, of course, there are those who don't understand the nature of your relationship and the depth of your mourning.

Simply tell these people, "I'm not ready to discuss this right now. I am still mourning the death of my partner, and when I'm up to it, I'll give you a call." Our condolences on your loss.

Dear Annie: In the last six months, I had surgery for lung cancer and went through a colonoscopy in which doctors found precancerous polyps. So far, I have been very lucky and the disease has not spread.

My problem is that I had a falling out with my sisters four years ago. During this medical nightmare, I realized how much I miss them. I sent them cards, hoping we could make peace with one another, although I don't want to give up my whole soul in the process. I only hope they will meet me halfway.

One sister has two children I was once close to, and it broke my heart when I no longer was allowed to see them. I am so afraid to ask if I can visit because they might turn me down. What should I do? — Bridgeport, N.Y.

Dear N.Y.: You need to make a leap of faith. Phone your sisters, and tell them you are sorry for the part you played in what went wrong and you want to start over.

We are carrying on the tradition that April 2 be set aside as Reconciliation Day, a time to make the first move toward mending the broken relationships. It also would be the day on which we all agree to accept the olive branch extended by a former friend or family member. If your sisters are reading this, we hope they will give you another chance to be part of their lives.

Dear Annie: For more than 10 years, my 71-year-old father has been battling depression, and he absolutely refuses to see a doctor. Ever since Dad's depression began, he has gone through cycles of good times and bad. During his bad times, he becomes paranoid, angry, irrational. Recently, however, the bad times have become dramatically worse. It has reached the point where Mom has asked me not to bring my 2-year-old son to their

home anymore. At no point has my father become violent, but I know the potential is there. His latest trick is to yell at Mom for days on end, not allowing her to sleep, and accusing her of all manner of bizarre behavior.

Last week, Dad asked Mom to have him arrested because he was afraid of what he might do. My mother did call the police but was told that unless Dad actually harms himself or someone else, they can't do anything. My mother is traditional "old country" and won't stay at my house, because she fears it will make things worse.

I adore both of my parents, but I'm terrified that Dad is going to hurt my mother. What can I do? — Worried Sick in California

Dear Worried: We spoke to Dr. David Dunner, director of the Center for Anxiety and Depression at the University of Washington in Seattle. Dr. Dunner said dramatic behavior changes in the elderly require immediate attention, and your father's history of depression may not be the problem.

Your father may be reacting to medication, or he could have a metabolic, endocrinological or neurological problem. He could have a form of cancer, a serious infection or Alzheimer's, or he may have suffered a stroke or head injury. If you cannot get Dad to see his doctor for one of the above reasons, call the doctor yourself. Explain the problem, and ask what you can do. Also contact the Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance (dbsalliance.org) at 1-800-826-3632 and ask for help. Good luck.

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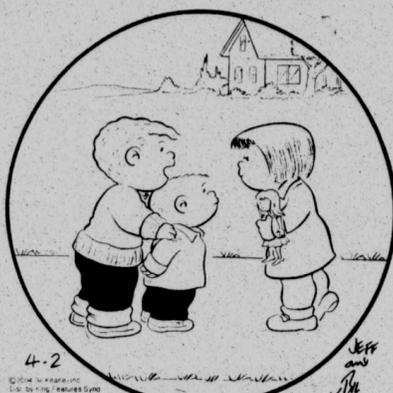
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, April 2, the 93rd day of 2004. There are 273 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 2, 1917, President Wilson asked Congress to declare war against Germany, saying, "The world must be made safe for democracy."

On this date:

- In 1513, Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de Leon landed in Florida.
- In 1792, Congress passed the Coinage Act, which authorized establishment of the U.S. Mint.
- In 1805, storyteller Hans Christian Andersen was born in Odense, Denmark.
- In 1860, the first Italian Parliament met at Turin.
- In 1865, Confederate President Davis and most of his Cabinet fled the

Confederate capital of Richmond, Va.

In 1872, Samuel F.B. Morse, developer of the electric telegraph, died in New York.

In 1932, aviator Charles A. Lindbergh and Dr. John F. Condon turned over \$50,000 in ransom to an unidentified man in a New York City cemetery in exchange for Lindbergh's kidnapped son. (The child, however, was not returned, and was found dead the following month.)

In 1974, French president Georges Pompidou died in Paris.

In 1982, several thousand troops from Argentina seized the disputed Falkland Islands, located in the south Atlantic, from Britain. (Britain seized the islands back the following June.)

In 1992, mob boss John Gotti was convicted in New York of murder and racketeering; he was later sentenced to life in prison.

Ten years ago: President Clinton warned Americans against "demagogues of

division" in his weekly radio address, while calling for greater personal responsibility and cooperation to overcome the nation's problems. Consumer reporter Betty Furness died in Hartsdale, N.Y., at age 78.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Dabbs Greer is 87. Actress Rita Gam is 76. Actress Sharon Acker is 69. Singer Leon Russell is 63. Jazz musician Larry Coryell is 61. Actress Linda Hunt is 59. Singer Emmylou Harris is 57. Actress Pamela Reed is 55. Actress Debralee Scott is 51. Country singer Buddy Jewell is 43. Country singer Billy Dean is 42.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

A LITTLE VACATION by Merle Baker

Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS**
- 1 Smelting waste
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- 15 Get a new tenant for
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- 58 Blow one's stack
- 64 Co. bosses
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- 70 Greek letter
- 71 WWII gun
- 72 Informal language
- 73 Weena's people
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- 35 Roulette bet
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- 38 Dagwood neighbor
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- 42 Predominant
- 45 Bambi, for one
- 47 During
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- 52 Jazz phrases
- 53 Pieces of
- 54 Become tangled
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