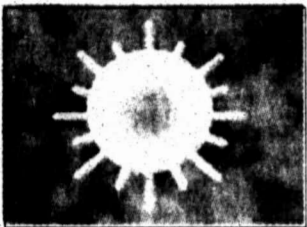


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Kidnap victim's body found near Stanton

Suspect arrested in Wilcox, Ariz., after entering hospital for treatment of gunshot wound.

By STEVE REAGAN Staff Writer

The body of a woman kidnapped earlier this week in Tyler was found Friday morning just west of Stanton.

The body of Megan

Leann Holden, a 19-year-old college student from Henderson, was discovered just before 9 a.m. Friday by an oilfield crew about three miles west of Stanton on the south service road of Interstate 20, a Martin County sheriff's office spokesperson said.

Sheriff's deputies, along with FBI agents and Texas Rangers, were at the scene Friday, the spokesperson said.

Authorities said that Holden died of a gunshot

wound to the head. Evidence suggested that she was killed at the scene, they added.

Although it appears Holden's murder occurred in Martin County, Hardy Wilkerson, 118th District Attorney, said jurisdiction for the case likely will be ceded to Tyler authorities.

Wilkerson said he consulted with Smith County DA Matt Bingham Friday and both men came to the

conclusion that it would be more appropriate for Smith County officials to handle the prosecution.

Several factors led to the joint conclusion, Wilkerson said.

"First, the victim was abducted in Tyler," he said. "Any witnesses to the abduction ... are there." Other factors noted by Wilkerson included the proximity to Tyler of Holden's family,

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19-year-old Megan Holden was abducted from a Tyler Wal-Mart. Her body was found in Martin County along Interstate 20. A suspect, Johnny Lee Williams, has been arrested in Arizona.



April Turner, left, reaches for a rebound during a Big Spring YMCA Youth Basketball League game between Turner's Lady Raiders and the Hotshots Saturday morning.

TASER inquiry

Autopsy: Baby died in-utero; drugs may have played a role

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

Autopsy results on an infant that was stillborn after her mother was stunned by a Big Spring Police Department TASER show the cause of death to be intrauterine death, possibly compounded by drug use.

According to an opinion released by Sridhar Natarajan M.D., medical examiner for Lubbock County, as well as several deputy medical examiners and forensic pathologists, the infant died in-utero.

"At autopsy there was skin maceration and regional epidermal sloughing," the autopsy report, which was released Friday, read. "The internal organs were

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Grand jury hands down indictments

Use of pocket knife could cost Howard County man his freedom

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

A Big Spring man could face life in prison after being indicted this week on charges of aggravated robbery, a first degree felony.

Christopher Bennett Wooten, 44, currently in county jail, was indicted by a Howard County grand jury Thursday for the Nov. 21 crime that began as nothing more than a misdemeanor, but quickly took a more serious turn.

"The suspect entered H-E-B

grocery store at approximately 11:30 p.m.," explained Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer for the Big Spring Police Department. "He was caught trying to steal several personal grooming items, such as lip balm and razors. The personnel at the

store were detaining him until an officer could arrive when he pulled out a pocket knife."

Everett said at that point the crime went from a misdemeanor to a first-degree felony, which is

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Lower costs?

Medicare issues final rules for latest RX drug benefit

By JIM ABRAMS Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Medicare issued final rules Friday for its new drug benefit, laying the foundation for a program that could cover the drug expenses of some 11 million low-income older and disabled Americans.

The government contends the program also could cut drug costs in half for most seniors.

The regulations also outline various approaches aimed at encouraging employers and unions to continue prescription

"All people with Medicare are now one huge step closer to having a new drug benefit and new health plan options."

—Mark McClellan

drug coverage for retirees, including a sub-

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Grammy Award winner to appear on twin-bill at Stampede Jan. 29

By BILL MCCLELLAN News Editor

Grammy Award winner Bobby Flores will bring his many talents to Howard County later this month as he joins local band Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys at the legendary Stampede dance hall.

"He's top notch. We're going to have a lot of fun and we want to invite everyone out," said Nix of the Jan. 29 play date. "I'm real excited about him playing here. He plays great music. Great

dance music."

Flores has performed with such artists as Ray Price, Willie Nelson, Johnny Bush and Doug Sahm, showcasing his talents on the guitar, fiddle and voice.

He began performing at age 7 and formed his first band at 13, opening for Tanya Tucker, Conway Twitty, Marty Robbins, Bobby Ware, Lee Ann Rimes and Tracy Lawrence, among others.

Since then, he has performed with a number of different groups, including Angel Fire, which includes his brother Greg and sister Sandra. They've opened for Steve Wariner, Vince Gill, Shenandoah, George



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## Obituaries

## Beverly Carter Yarbar

Beverly Carter Yarbar, 61, of Big Spring, passed away Friday, Jan. 21, 2005, at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24, 2005, at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Beverly was born April 27, 1943, in Big Spring to Robert Cleo Carter and Marcella Adams Carter. During the early 1950s, Beverly was baptized at the Salem Baptist Church in Coahoma. She was a long-time resident of Big Spring. On Sept. 22, 1978, Beverly married Richard Yarbar. She was employed by the Howard County Auditor's Office for 19 years, retiring in April 2000.

A beloved mother, grandmother and wife, Beverly loved spending time with her grandchildren and took pride in being a homemaker. Beverly also loved spending time with her husband, Richard, and taking pictures of their ranch country. In 1984, Beverly decided that their growing ranching operation needed a name and a brand. After much consideration, she decided that the Y-bar brand would best represent their name. Thus, the Y-bar Hay & Livestock Co. originated, and is now known as the Y-Bar Ranch Co.

In Loving Memory: You were the foundation of our family. We will dearly miss your love and strength. Although we lost a perfect mother, wife and Me-Maw, we gained a beautiful guardian angel. In Heaven, as in life, please continue to watch over us. We love you. Always and Forever, Your Loving Family.

Beverly is survived by her husband, Richard of Big Spring; two daughters, Penny Phelan of San Angelo and Lisa Tatum and her soul-mate, Scott Allard of Plano; three granddaughters, ChasID' and Cassandra Phelan of San Angelo and Alexis Feezel of Houston; three stepsons, Dwain Yarbar and his wife Trisha, Ritchie Yarbar and his wife Angie, Luke Yarbar and his fiancée Mique Snelgroves, all of Big Spring; seven step-grandchildren, Porsha, Chelsey, Keisha, Linzee, Seth, Logan and Leksey Yarbar; two brothers, Ronnie and Roger Carter, both of Big Spring; and one sister, Cheryl Click of Coahoma.

Pallbearers will be Gene Adams, Jerry Ulmer, Steve James, Denny Romine, Bud Nichols and Gary Romine. Honorary Pallbearers will be Gregg Ulmer, Konn Ulmer, Gene Bryant and Fern Cox.

The family suggests memorials to the American Heart Association, Howard County Division, 11 E. Campbell Rd, Suite 100, Richardson, 75081.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com).

*Paid obituary*

## Margaret Cody

Margaret Elizabeth Hill Cody of Big Spring, beloved mother, grandma and sister, passed from this life Saturday, Jan. 15, 2005.

She was born Sept. 14, 1918, to Art and Annie Laurie Garrett in Midland.

She was preceded in death by her parents, four brothers and a special daughter, Mary Angela Huffman.

Margaret is survived by her daughter, Vicki Maly of El Paso; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; brother and sister-in-law, Paul and Rosemary Garrett of Big Spring; sisters, Louise Dunlap of Big Spring, Annie Mae Harris of El Paso and Geraldine Jessup of New York.

Margaret was a very caring person and she will be greatly missed.

Memorial services have been scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 24, 2005, at the East Fourth Street Baptist Church in Big Spring. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home, 801 Andrews Highway Midland (432) 683-5555

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## VICTIM

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likelihood of a more sympathetic jury pool, and simple economics.

"This is going to be a capital case, whether it was tried in Stanton or Tyler ... and it's going to be quite expensive," Wilkerson said. "Martin County just doesn't have the economic resources that Smith County does ... that factor came into play."

A suspect in Holden's kidnapping is in custody in Willcox, Ariz.

U.S. Marine veteran Johnny Lee Williams, 24, of Tyler, is being held for investigation in the Holden case, a spokeswoman for the Cochise County (Ariz.) Sheriff's Department said.

He was treated at a Willcox-area hospital Friday for a gunshot wound, apparently inflicted in a robbery attempt, the spokeswoman said. He was later released to FBI custody.

Williams is believed to have been shot during an attempted robbery at an RV park northeast of Willcox. A man at the RV park told authorities he had shot a man who had pulled a gun on him and demanded money.

Williams also is a suspect in an armed robbery of a convenience store that occurred Thursday in Midland County, authorities said.

Holden, who was described by an acquaintance as "someone you just instantly liked," was leaving the Tyler Wal-Mart where she worked just before midnight Wednesday when surveillance videotape showed a man running up and pushing her into her pickup. The vehicle then drove off.

Authorities said there was no evidence to suggest that Holden or Williams knew each other.

*The Associated Press contributed to this report.*

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## Dorothy Porter



Dorothy Porter, 61, of Big Spring, died at 2:55 a.m. Friday, Jan. 21, 2005, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Funeral Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Michael Chase, pastor of College Park Church of God, officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Nov. 16, 1943, in Marinette, Wis., to Charles Edward Goodenow and Remelda June Florence O'Clair Goodenow. She moved to Big Spring in 1983 from Fort Hood. She was a Catholic and a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, John Porter of Big Spring; one daughter, Tina Rawls of Big Spring; two sons, Ronald Porter and Donald Porter, both of Las Cruces, N.M.; one granddaughter; four brothers; and nine sisters.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com).

## Ruthie Calhoun



Ruthie Calhoun, 68, of Midland, died Thursday, Jan. 20, 2005, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24, 2005, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home Chapel in Midland with the Rev. Danny Rhoden officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland.

Ruthie was born March 21, 1936, in Big Spring. She married Fred Calhoun Dec. 27, 1957 in Lovington, N.M., and spent 20 years moving between Air Force assignments with her husband who was a career military man. She had resided in Midland since 1973. Fred preceded her in death on Oct. 15, 2002.

She was a member of the Church of God. Survivors include four children, Karl Calhoun of University Place, Wash., Patrick Calhoun and Tony Calhoun of Midland and Frieda and husband Gordon Balch of Big Bear Lake, Calif.; and two brothers, Eugene Hall of Midland and Raymond Hall of Big Spring.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Fred Calhoun, a son, Fred Calhoun Jr., and a granddaughter.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences can be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

## Mae Masters

Mae Masters, 89, died Friday, Jan. 21, 2005, at an Abilene nursing center.

Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 24, 2005, in Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring, directed by Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home, 542 Hickory, Abilene.

## T.D. Peacock

T. D. Peacock, 86, of Big Spring, died Friday, Jan. 21, 2005, at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

## Police blotter

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

• JAMIE RAE SMITH, 28, 406 E. 10th, was arrested on Midland County warrants.

• LASANDRA JACKSON, 39, 900 N.W. Second St., was arrested on Howard County warrants.

• KENNETH FLOYD YOCKERS, 22, 907 N. Interstate 20, was arrested on local warrants.

• ROBERT ALLEN GARZA, 23, Pampa, was arrested on local warrants.

• JESSE COLGROVE, 36, 5102 Wasson Rd., was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and evading arrest.

• WILLIAM TROY HOGAN, 38, 2616 Ent St., was arrested on local warrants.

• ANTONIO MARTINEZ, 21, 3914 Parkway Dr., was arrested on local warrants.

• JASON MICHAEL MUNDELL, 27, 1505 E. Sixth St., was arrested on local warrants.

• ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported on the 600 block of 12th Street.

• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported on the 100 block of 19th Street.

## Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Friday and 8 a.m. Saturday:

• THEFT was reported on Guffree Road.



All announcements to the Sunday Life! section are free of charge. Call the Herald office for more details, 263-7331

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## Bulletin board

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

## MONDAY

• 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. Call 268-4721.

• Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third, for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.

• Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets at 5:30 p.m. Monday in the 11th 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.

• Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in La Posada Restaurant.

• Concerned Citizens Council meets at 7 p.m. at 500 S. Main St., in the Dorothy Lamb Meeting Room of the Howard County Library. The public is welcome.

• Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

## TUESDAY

• Intermediate Line dance classes begin at 9 a.m. in the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center. Call 267-1628.

• Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

• A Stitchin' Time Club meets at 3:30 p.m. at Primitive Baptist Church, 201 E. 24th St. Everyone is invited to learn and share sewing skills, and portable sewing machines are welcome. Call Kay Sikes at 394-4835 for more information.

• The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets at 7 p.m. in the College Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1105 Birdwell Lane. For more information, call Tracey Pounds at 268-4948.

## WEDNESDAY

• Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room.

• Senior Circle meets at 11 a.m. in the Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom for Stretch and Tone. Call 268-4721.

• Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

• Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. in the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 or 267-1628.

• Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.

• A wrap-up festival of Lights meeting is set for 5:30 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Community Center. All Adopt-A-Spot participants as well as committee members are asked to attend. A discussion on the next event will take place. Call Pat Simmons at 263-4607 or 213-5444.

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

## THURSDAY

• Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.

• Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. in Gale's Sweet Shoppe.

• Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room. Call 267-6479.

• Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main.

## Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 12-13-14-22-31.

Number matching five of five: 0.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Saturday night.

## Weather

Sunday - Partly cloudy. Highs near 50. Winds becoming southeast near 10 mph.

Sunday night - Mostly clear. Lows near 30. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Monday - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 60s.

Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph.

Monday night - Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s.

Tuesday - Mostly sunny. Highs near 70.

Tuesday night - Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s.

Wednesday - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 60s.

Wednesday night - Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s.

Thursday - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 60s.

Thursday night - Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s.

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# Entities combine to help citizens test water

By THOMAS JENKINS  
Staff Writer

How safe is your well water? That's the question several area agencies are teaming up to help local well water consumers answer with a three-day screening process set to begin at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Howard County Fair Barn. "We'll provide people who are interested in testing their water with a test kit and give them instructions on how to pull a sample without contaminating it," said Eddy Spurgin, district conservationist with the Natural Resource Conservation Office. Sample kits for the screening are \$5 and include everything

you need to collect a sample and make it through the testing process, according to Spurgin. "The next day, everyone that picked up a kit will have until noon to return their sample to the same place at the fair barn," said Spurgin. "The day after that, on Thursday at 5:30 p.m., everyone that submitted a sample will be able to meet and get the results. "Also part of the final day, we'll provide information on what could be causing certain types of contaminants, as well as information on how to correct the problem. It's going to be very informative." Spurgin said two of the most common water-culprits in West

Texas are bacteria and nitrates. "The most common problem we found with well water in 2000 was bacteria," said Spurgin. "Things like E-coli and other harmful bacteria. "Bacteria can get into your well water in a number of different ways. The most common way we see here is from septic systems. Your water can also get contaminated if there's a water runoff near an area where cattle or hogs are fed." The screening will also check for nitrates and salt, said Spurgin. "This is offered as a service for the public," he said. "Anyone that would like to have their well water tested is welcome. We ran

the same program in 2000 and it was pretty successful." The screenings are being supported by the Howard County Extension Office, Howard County Soil and Water Conservation District, Howard County Commissioners Court, Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Big Country Resource Conservation and Development Area. For more information, contact Spurgin at 267-1871 ext. 3 or the Big Country RC&D Area Office at 325-235-4300.

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

## MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288  
Steve Harvell, 52, died Wednesday. Funeral services will be at 2:30 PM Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home with burial at Coahoma Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6:00 until 8:00 PM Saturday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.  
Arthur D. Barton, 87, died Thursday. Funeral Services were at 2:30 PM Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel.  
Floyd Christian Benson, 78, died Thursday. Graveside services were at 4:00 PM Saturday at Trinity Memorial Park.  
Dorothy Porter, 61, died Friday. Funeral Services will be at 10:00 AM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.  
Beverly Carter Yarbar, 61, died Friday. Funeral Services will be at 2:00 PM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 4:00 until 6:00 PM Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

# Commissioners set to study jail info again

By THOMAS JENKINS  
Staff Writer

It appears the effort to design and build a new county jail will take center stage once again, as the Howard County commissioners prepare for their bi-weekly meeting Monday morning. During their last meeting, commissioners voted to retain Phil Furqueron's architectural firm, along with HOK (Hellmuth, Obata and Kassabaum) Justice of Dallas and Park-Hill-Smith and Cooper of Lubbock and Midland, to begin a five-step process to construct

a new jail. "Although there are several different companies involved, Phil will be our local contact person," said Commissioner Jerry Kilgore. "And that's good because you don't have to fly someone out here every time you want to meet like you would with a lot of out of town firms." Listed on the agenda for Monday's meeting as well, Furqueron is expected to be present to answer any questions the commissioners have on the subject. Commissioners are expected to tackle the

design and construction of the jail, which is expected to carry a price tag of more than \$5 million, in a five-step plan. The first stage, which will actually begin with the retaining of Furqueron, is pre-design. "This is where we'll gather the information we'll need," Furqueron told commissioners. "We've got to look at the area and the demand on the facility, which will involve studies collected by the sheriff's office and the state, as well as information gathered by my firm and the other compa-

nies involved. We need to look at demographics and trends and take the information from the sheriff's office and the state jail commission and analyze it further." Also on the agenda, County Auditor Jackie Olson is expected to present commissioners with invoices and purchase requests, as well as discuss bids for county vehicles and office supplies. Teresa Thomas, County Treasurer, is slated to present personnel considerations, while Bobbie Leonard, director of the Spring City Senior

Citizen's Center, is also expected to discuss personnel matters. County Road and Bridge Administrator Eddy Jameson is also on Monday's agenda, expected to discuss any pipeline crossings or road maintenance in the county. The meeting is expected to get under way at 10 a.m. in the commissioners' courtroom, located on the second floor of the county courthouse. Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

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intact and partially autolyzed. A complete autopsy and microscopic was performed and disclosed petechiae of the heart, lungs and thymus. The autopsy findings are consistent with intrauterine death occurring within approximately one week.

The report goes on to suggest suspected drug use by the infant's mother, 34-year-old Lea Terrell, may have played a role. "Toxicology testing of both the stillborn autopsy blood and maternal admission blood obtained Nov. 18 were positive for

cocaine metabolites," the report read. "Cocaine has been documented to result in increased risk of fetal morbidity and mortality." Kathryn Wiseman, justice of the peace for Precinct 1, Place 2, ordered the autopsy in November as part of a deal between the infant's mother and the Big Spring Police Department.

"The family wanted an autopsy performed but didn't have the money to pay for it," said Wiseman. "The police department said they would be willing to pay for it, but it still has to be ordered by a justice of the peace." When asked if the order

for the autopsy was related to the mother having been stunned by a TASER and possible complications caused by the incident, Wiseman said. "No, it's not standard procedure to order an autopsy on a stillborn infant. The mother being stunned by a TASER definitely played a role in that decision, but there are other considerations as well." Wiseman declined to go into detail about the "other considerations."

Terrell was stunned by a TASER during an incident that took place Oct. 11 in which her mother, 51-year-old Melini Turner, was arrested on a charge of hindering and resisting arrest.

According to police reports, an officer was investigating an attack by several children on a sanitation truck driver who had suffered a wound to the head from a rock that had been thrown at his truck. While detaining three children near the scene of the attack, police say the officer was attacked by Terrell,

Turner and a 16-year-old juvenile. During the attack, the officer reportedly used a TASER to stun Terrell, who was more than eight months pregnant. Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

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## FLORES

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Garth Brooks and others. All the while, Flores as remained a "first-call" studio musician, as well as performing at the Grand Ole Opry, Six Flags Over Texas, the Alamodome and Austin City Limits.

In 2002, he received a Grammy Award for his string and brass arrangements and violin performances on Freddy Fender's CD "La Musica de Baldeamar Huerta."

While he's learned from the best artists on the road, he's also been taught formally, studying music theory and classical violin at Trinity University under the late Domenick Saltarelli, jazz guitar with Jackie King and classical guitar with David Underwood.

He's been named the Academy of Western Artist's Western Swing Instrumentalist of the Year and has earned numerous awards. Among the most recent: Fiddle Player of the Year as the 2004 Terry Award winner; Male Artist of the Year 2004 by 3rd Coast Music; and his album, "Just For The Record" was named 2004 Album of the Year by Swingin' West.

In addition, he teaches guitar and violin and is owner and instructor of Blanco Tae Kwon Do in Blanco.

The doors will open at 8 p.m. at the Stampede, located south of FM 700 on Texas Highway 350. The twin-bill will begin at 9 p.m. and is expected to last until 1 a.m. Price for

tickets, which will be available at the door, are \$15. For more information, contact Nix at (432) 267-2060.

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OUR VIEWS

Forfeited CHIP funding seems a woeful waste

Sometimes fiscal conservation can be a bad thing. For an example, one only has to look the State of Texas' decision to forfeit some \$104 million in federal funding back in 2002 from the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

What's worse, according to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services statistics, Texas has forfeited more than \$700 million in CHIP funding since 2000.

At a time when it seems federal funding sources become more scarce by the year, even well-known Republicans on Capitol Hill are wondering why Texas would squander such resources. Among them is U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, who currently sits on the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services.

It seems difficult to disagree with Hutchison's assessment.

"The health care system in Texas, and particularly our county hospital network, is under enormous pressure because of the large number of uninsured patients that require treatment. As a result, our property tax payers are bearing a heavy burden," Hutchison noted. "I regret that another significant allotment of Texas taxpayer dollars, that could have helped local governments pay for their health care bills, has again been voluntarily forfeited. As a simple matter of fiscal conservatism, this does not make sense."

This year, for every dollar the state puts into CHIP, the federal government will provide \$2.65 in matching funds. That is particularly beneficial to state health systems, because the match is greater than Medicaid. For every state Medicaid dollar, the federal government supplies \$1.56.

But states have three years to take advantage of CHIP dollars before they are redistributed to other states. And, according to Health and Human Services officials, that means five states — Arizona, Minnesota, Mississippi, New Jersey and Rhode Island — will be the primary beneficiaries redistribution this year, because they received and have already spent their allocations.

Given the fiscal challenges our state has faced during the last biennium, not to mention those it must meet during the current legislative session, Texas has to do better.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Our attitude toward life is powerful, Lord, may it be an attitude filled with Your love.

Amen

Giving thanks to family, God and Big Spring

As I get ready to move on, I have to stop and examine that which I have to be thankful for. There are many things I can list but here are just a few that are very important to me.

1. I am thankful for my wife. The lady that God gave as my partner and helpmate for life.

2. I am thankful of course, for my family, my children. The Word of God tells me they are a gift from God.

3. I am thankful for the blessings God has bestowed upon me; My home, my church, and my dear friends just to name a few.

4. I am thankful for the Body of Christ that is here in Big Spring. They are an awesome bunch of people that love the Lord.

5. I am thankful for the Kingdom Leadership Group. My brothers in the Lord that have God's compassion and mercy for the people and our city. They are faithful to God's Word.

6. I am also thankful for the people of this community. You are the ones God has put into my life who loved and cared for us.

But I am most thankful for the ability to recognize and honor a God who loves me so much that He gave His life for me while I was still in my sins.

The Psalmist said it best (Psalm 100:3, NIV) "Know that the Lord is God. It is he, who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture."

"Know that the Lord is God." He is worthy to be recognized daily because He is God. We need to give thanks to God because of who He is. Not because of what He has given but because He is God. We need to lift our voices and celebrate Him as God of the universe. He is worthy of our praise just because of who He is and no other reason.

"It is He, who makes us." God is worthy of thanks because He is our Creator. Many may believe theories of men of how we were created, but that is all they are, theories. I choose to believe what the Word of God says, that God created us in His image. Because we were created in His image we have a purpose. Everything God does He does with purpose.

The prophet Jeremiah wrote (Jer. 29:11, NIV) "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Wow! Big Spring, that verse is for everyone of you today. So if my belief and faith is in God as my creator, I must come to grips with whatever happens in my life is in God's hands.

"That in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." If He created me, if He has a plan and purpose for me, then He has the sovereign right to guide and direct me because He alone knows why I am here.

Big Spring, give yourselves over to the One who created you. It is Christ Jesus who can bring into your life that which is missing. Recognize Him as the Lord of our city and He alone will open the windows of blessings.

I don't like "good-byes," so until we meet again, love God and love one another always and keep Him No. 1 in your personal lives and in the life of our community.

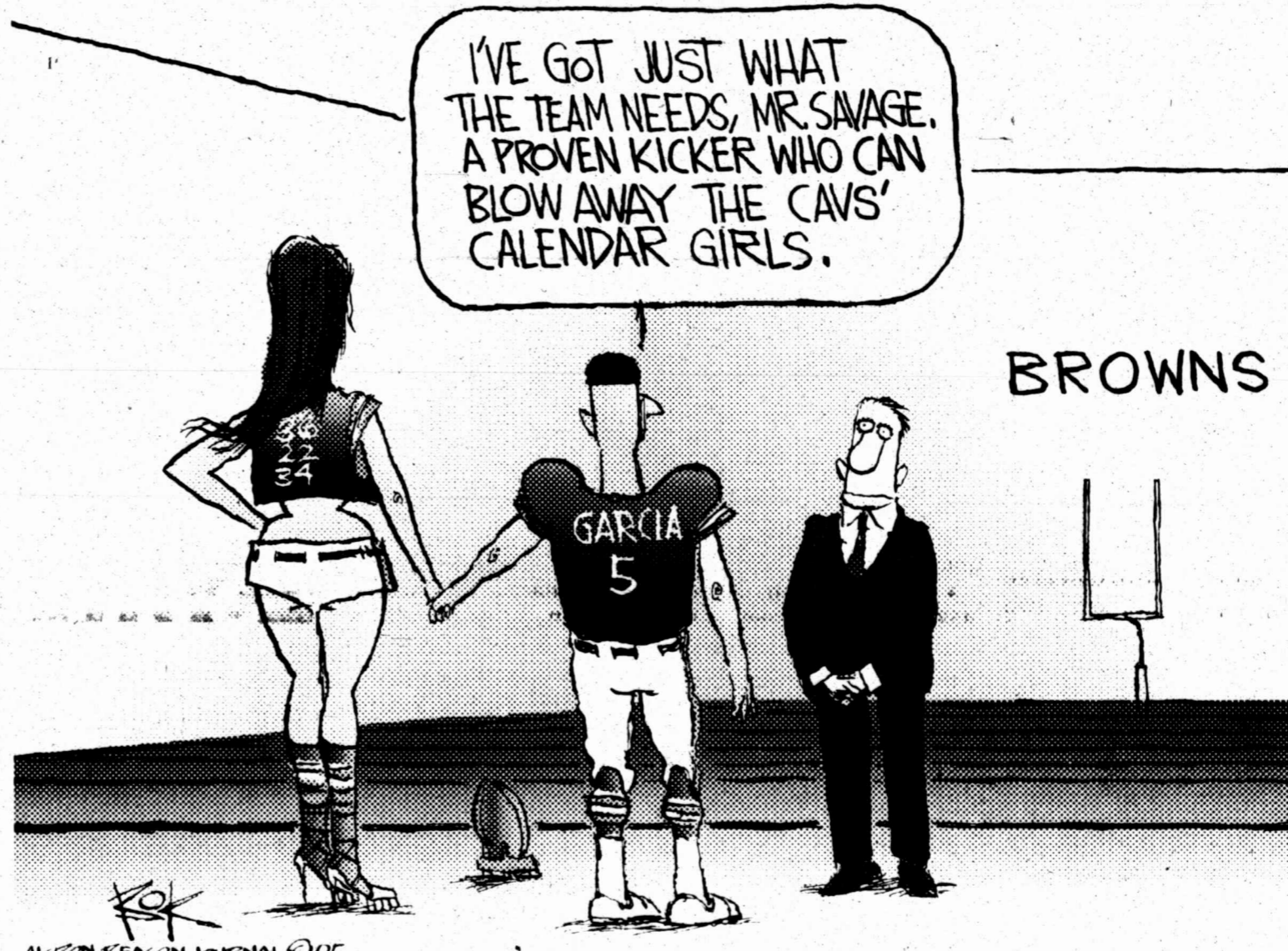
Psalm 107:1, NIV, "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever."

Until we meet again,  
Chaplain Ken

Ken Childress, senior chaplain for the Big Spring Chaplaincy Program, wrote this column for the Big Spring Herald.



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Looking for goods answers to tough questions

Leave it to a Republican to ask the "Question That None Dare Ask" of incoming Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

At Rice's confirmation hearing before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee this week, Sen. Chuck Hagel (R-Neb.), asked her: "Would you explain to this committee what you and the president see as an exit strategy for America from Iraq?"



ROGER SIMON

It is a very important question but one many have been reluctant to ask because they fear the answer might be: "We don't have one."

The question is such a potent one because it summons forth echoes of Vietnam, where we had no realistic exit strategy. (Our unrealistic exit strategy was to kill everyone fighting against us.) Today, however, we are assured that the United States does not send troops into combat without a realistic, achievable exit strategy for them. And, at the beginning of the Iraq war, our exit strategy was so obvious that nobody mentioned it: Our victorious troops would have flowers strewn in their path by grateful Iraqis, who would immediately set about constituting a new army — we disbanded Saddam's old one — holding elections, and embracing democratic reforms.

And very soon, U.S. troops would simply not be needed because there would be nobody for

them to fight. Insurgents? What insurgents? Terrorists? What terrorists? The people would love us!

Why, after all, would they not? Had we not liberated them from their evil tyrant? And would they not be grateful?

Well, as it turned out, no. Some of them are not grateful at all. And even though many in the administration would like to believe that the insurgents are all coming from outside Iraq and that, deep down, the Iraqi people really do love us, the insurgents could not operate at the scale they are now operating without the cooperation of at least some of the Iraqi people.

In Iraq, the insurgents are obviously being housed, fed, armed and protected by at least some of the Iraqi people. So are the Iraqis for us or against us? Well, some are for us, and some are for the guys trying to kill us.

And the real question is whether we can find enough Iraqis to fight for their own country so we can go home.

Rice responded to Hagel's questions about an exit strategy by saying, "I think the goal is to get the mission accomplished, and that means that the Iraqis have to be capable of some things before we lessen our own responsibility."

But the Iraqis being "capable" of fighting the insurgents on their own is only part of the problem. They also have to want to do it.

Because if they don't want to do it, apparently we are going to have to stay. Which means our "exit" strategy may not contain an exit.

How big a problem do we face in

Iraq? One small example: Even though it generated only a few stories, U.S. forces in Iraq announced a few weeks ago that our State Department personnel could no longer travel on the road from central Baghdad to the airport because it was too dangerous. (They would have to take helicopters to and from the airport instead.)

The airport road is only 10 miles long, and we have 1,000 troops guarding it, and yet our troops — the finest in the world and armed with the best weapons — still can't keep it safe from the insurgents.

But the Iraqi army, which does not yet actually exist in any sizeable numbers, is going to do the job for us? When? In what decade? Condoleezza Rice tells us we have to "get the mission accomplished," and that means the "Iraqis have to be capable" of defending themselves.

But when, realistically, will that happen? If you were an Iraqi, would you want to risk death by joining the army?

Or would you say, "As long as the Americans are willing to risk their lives, why should I risk mine?"

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The new voluntary drug benefit, cornerstone of the Medicare overhaul measure that President Bush signed into law in December 2003, is to go into effect on Jan. 1, 2006. Enrollment for low-income people is to begin this June and for other Medicare recipients in November.

"All people with Medicare are now one huge step closer to having a new drug benefit and new health plan options," Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Administrator Mark

McClellan said at a news conference.

McClellan said the government plans to spend \$300 million this year in an information program to advise people about the various options available, including drug benefits through the traditional fee-for-service Medicare system or through managed care plans.

The goal was to make enrollment as easy as possible, McClellan said, "using everything we've learned from the process of the drug card." The temporary discount drug card program has gotten off to a slow start, in part because many eligible people consider the selection of available options and the enrollment process too complicated.

The agency also outlined several changes

made in the regulations since a preliminary version was announced in July. They now assure that beneficiaries have access to convenient pharmacies, and charity payments have been added that can count toward true out-of-pocket spending needed before catastrophic coverage kicks in.

Rules also are being put in place to ensure that beneficiaries will be able to get drugs that might not be on the plan's list and to ensure that decisions whether medications would be covered under the plan are made within 72 hours or faster for expedited requests, McClellan said.

The plan guarantees that beneficiaries living in nursing homes will be able to enroll in a drug

plan and provides automatic enrollment for people eligible for both full Medicaid and Medicare benefits to avoid gaps in coverage.

McClellan said states will save about \$8 billion over the next five years, because they will have to pay only a portion of the drug costs for dual eligible Medicaid-Medicare beneficiaries. States administer the Medicaid programs.

The rules create a new regional Medicare Advantage program for preferred provider organizations, with 26 regions. All regional PPO plans are required to offer benefits identical to those of traditional fee-for-service Medicare.

Under the new program, participants will pay \$35 monthly premiums and

the first \$250 in drug costs. Medicare will pick up 75 percent of the next \$2,000 in prescription expenses. After that, a gap is built into coverage during which participants are responsible for the entire drug bills until costs top \$5,100, after which the government pays 95 percent.

McClellan said a person with no coverage today who spends about \$2,400 a year would save 53 percent under the new program.

While many say that still leaves seniors with unacceptable financial burdens, others have

complained that the new benefit program is too expensive. Originally priced at about \$395 billion, the administration now says it will cost more than \$500 billion over 10 years.

In 2006, about 9.8 million beneficiaries will receive drug coverage from employer or union-sponsored retiree plans that are eligible for the new drug subsidy. Medicare said an expected 2.4 million additional people would be covered by 2010 under plans in which companies or unions supplement the Medicare drug benefit.

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punishable by five to 99 years, or life in prison.

"Theft under \$50 is a misdemeanor," said Everett. "When you injure someone in the course of the theft or in the course of leaving the scene, it becomes robbery, which is also a more serious charge. However, when you use a weapon in the commission of the theft, it becomes aggravated robbery."

Everett said Wooten was arrested several blocks from the store, possibly headed to his home on Hillside.

Also indicted was a Big Spring man accused of posing as a police officer in an effort to expose himself to several young girls in June of 2004.

Greg Lynn Freeman, 45, of 1401 Highway 87, was indicted on a charge of impersonating a public servant, a third-degree felony punishable by two to 10 years in prison and a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

According to BSPD Sgt. Roger Sweatt, the incident began when a man identified himself as a police officer to several teenage girls at a residence in the 1400 block of Highway 87.

"The man told the children that he was a police officer," said Sweatt. "He never showed them a badge or any other type of identification, however. The suspect was not known to the children and was at the residence with a friend."

Sweatt said moments after telling the children "at he was a police officer, he allegedly exposed himself to them through a window at the home.

"He was allegedly standing in front of a window that had the blinds drawn with no clothes on," said Sweatt. "According to witnesses he was readily visible through the window and made no attempt to hide himself."

The four female teens, ages 12, 13 and 14 told a family member, who then contacted the police.

"By the time officers contacted the victims the suspect had already left the residence," said Sweatt.

Also indicted were: Jeremy Oliver Acuff, 28, of 2501 W. Highway 80, burglary of a habitation (second-degree felony) and evading arrest (state jail felony).

Nuge Alexander, 45, currently in county jail, driving while intoxicated (third-degree felony).

Hector Ruben Castaneda, 20, of 2000 Runnels, burglary of a habitation with intent to commit assault (second-degree felony).

Christopher Ryan Castanuela, 20, of 3212 Cornell, debit card abuse (state jail felony).

Keith Darsell Conner, 46, of 1504 Bluebird, possession of a controlled substance (state jail felony).

Alberto Contreras, 46, of 1203 College, unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon (third-degree felony).

Jerry Don Currie, 47, of 2805 Crestline, driving while intoxicated with a child passenger (state jail felony).

Gerald Wayne Darnell, 34, of 609 Ninth Street, evading arrest (third-degree felony enhanced).

Aaron Paul DeLeon, 28, of 4117 Muir, burglary of a habitation (second-degree felony).

Anna Marie Godina, 21, of 1009 S. Nolan, two counts of injury to a child (state jail felony).

Lonnie Green, 49, currently in county jail, forgery (second-degree felony enhanced).

Cassie Lynn Johnson, 41, of 205 Providence Street, forgery (state jail felony).

Leon Kitchen, 50, of 453 19th Street in Richmond, Calif., tampering with governmental records (third-degree felony).

Vanessa Martinez, 20, 2900 W. Highway 80 apt. 119, credit card abuse (state jail felony).

Joshua Allen Noble, 20, of 3716 Hatch Street, possession of a controlled substance (state jail felony).

Steven Pena, 19, of 102 Cotter in Alvarado, theft (state jail felony).

Chance Allen Perryman, 20, of 225 Brooks Road, theft (state jail felony).

Robert Allen Ramirez, 23, of 2900 W. Highway 80 apt. 119, credit card abuse (state jail felony).

Judy Diane Reed, 50, of 1310 Ridgeroad, injury to an elderly person (third-degree felony).

Raul Ojinaga Reyes, 48, of 1407 E. 15th Street, evading arrest (state jail felony).

Brandon Lee Rushin, 35, of 538 Westover Road apt. 110, driving while intoxicated with a child passenger (state jail felony).

Michael Angel Sarmiento, 41, of 807 Goliad, theft (state jail felony).

Benita Kay Padron Salazar, 31, of 1300 Princeton, two counts of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle (state jail felony).

Leanne Cherice Simpson, 31, of 1411 15th Street, theft (state jail felony).

John Andrew Sowell, 23, of 2912 Cherokee, two counts of indecency with a child (second-degree felony).

Terry D. Spears, age not provided, of 407 W. Seventh Street, two counts of possession of a controlled substance (state jail felony).

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# Musician, author Kinky Friedman eyes Texas governor's job

By MICHAEL GRACZYK  
Associated Press Writer

MEDINA — A 3-inch statue of an armored Don Quixote rides on the dashboard of Kinky Friedman's well-worn Nissan SUV.

Like the 17th-century Spanish literary hero, the 60-year-old musician, mystery writer and operator of an animal rescue ranch intends to defend the helpless and destroy those he considers wicked.

Friedman is poised to surrender at least a good chunk of his comfortable life in search of glory and adventure. The field of battle is politics.

On Feb. 3 in San Antonio, in front of the Alamo, the politically independent Friedman formally begins what he calls a quest to get himself elected governor of Texas in 2006.

Friedman — whose books include "Kill Two Birds and Get Stoned" and "Kinky Friedman's Guide to Texas Etiquette" — downplays suggestions this is all just a quixotic fantasy or stunt by an irreverent joker-minstrel interested in hawking books, music CDs and bottles of olive oil and salsa.

He says his candidacy is born out of a passion for Texas, a disgust with political correctness and what he considers a pathetic dearth of inspiration from Austin.

### Friedman on...

— President George W. Bush: "I don't think he considers himself a career politician. I don't think he likes career political people. I don't either."

"This is not so much a political campaign as it is a spiritual one," Friedman said, gripping his cigar under the shadow of his black cowboy hat — both signature items. The hat covers the wiry hair that gave Richard Friedman his nickname back in the 1960s at the University of Texas.

"You can say it's a joke if you want. I would say the most recent joke was the last gubernatorial election — \$100 million to destroy each other, to make us vote for the lesser evil," he said.

Friedman makes an unlikely candidate, a fact in which he revels. "I'm the unpolitician," he said.

"Yes, there is some humor involved," said Friedman, whose campaign slogans include "He's Not Kinky, He's My Governor" and "Kinky for Governor — Why the Hell Not?" "I talk to power with truth and humor. And I'm not afraid to."

Amid one-liners that often play on his Jewish background, he talks



Photo courtesy of the University of Alabama at Birmingham  
Kinky Friedman, well-known author and humorist, will announce Feb. 3 that he will run for Texas governor.

about Jesus Christ, quotes Tolstoy, Dylan — as in Bob — and Nelson — as in Willie. He counts the latter two as friends.

Before his writing career took off in the mid-1980s, Friedman toured with his band, The Texas Jewboys. Before that, he hitchhiked around the world after a two-year stint with the Peace Corps where, as he tells it, he earned 11 cents an hour teaching folks who have farmed successfully in Borneo for 2,000 years how to grow their own food.

Born in Chicago, his family moved to Texas while he was still in diapers. He grew up in Houston and then in the where he was sports editor on his high school paper and once wrote a football game story in Latin.

At the foundation of his beliefs is a battle against what he calls "wussification" — political correctness that's weakened spiritual and cultural fibers and has strangled free thought and independence.

People are afraid now to say "Merry Christmas," afraid to light up a cigar, afraid to say it's OK to pray in schools, he said. "It's been going on for a long time," he lamented. "We didn't get to be the Lone Star State by being politically correct."

It also chafes him that the term Texas cowboy is now often used as an insult.

"Cowboy and Texas are being used derisively and derogatorily by people these days," Friedman said. "Cowboys are real important and I'm going to defend them to the death, and get his image back."

Among dozens of framed pictures crammed on the walls of his tiny work office in an idyllic Hill Country ranch house are those of Gandhi and Freud, a handwritten note from Bill Clinton and a snapshot of Friedman with George W. Bush. At the invitation of both presidents, he's spent nights at the White

House. He shares his 500 acres with Echo Hill Ranch, a summer camp for kids that's been in his family for about 50 years, with the Utopia Animal Rescue Ranch, a home for dozens

### Friedman on...

— School prayer: "We should have non-denominational prayer back in public schools. What's wrong with having a kid believing in something?"

of dogs and several horses, pigs and chickens. In the past three years, about 750 animals have found new homes through the efforts of the small staff.

"He's not a politician and I think he would be the best thing for Texas," said Nancy Parker Simons, who lives at the animal shelter and manages the daily operation. "We've got such a reputation out there and it's not so hot."

"We need someone who can crack jokes. He's honest. I don't know what you'll do as governor, but as Kinky says: How hard can it be?"

Also in Friedman's office, where he cranks out a column for Texas Monthly magazine on an old portable electric typewriter in a space lit by one lamp with a Tiffany shade and another lamp with no shade at all, there's a poster left over from his first run for political office.

He lost in a race for justice of the peace in nearby Kerrville in 1986, a distinction he compares to Bush's initial defeat in a Texas congressional race.

"He was a failed politician like I was," he joked.

His 17th mystery book, where private investigator Kinky Friedman is the main character, is set for a March release. He's guaranteed fans — who include Clinton and Bush — this will be the last book. He will kill himself off in the final adventure.

"Killing yourself is literary suicide," Friedman said. "But I'm tired of it."

And it gives him time to move on and take his populist message to an electorate he believes is fed up with professional politicians and ready to embrace him as the Texas version of Arnold Schwarzenegger and Jesse Ventura.

"Jesse ran for governor because he believed many people shared the American dream, that it existed in their hearts like it did in his," Friedman said. "He believed that if you stood up on your own two feet and said what was true that you'd still have a chance. And that's the kind of way I see it."

Schwarzenegger was equally important, he says, for opening people's minds to the fact "an outsider, such a joke, a Hollywood-heavy movie-star type, could actually win."

Friedman's big on concepts and short on details. It's the goal that matters.

"My three good qualities I have are knowing how to ride, shoot straight and tell the truth," he said. "That's very different from the politician when asked a question automatically thinks: 'Insert lie here.'"

He'd legalize casino gambling to solve the state's education finance dilemma, push for life without parole to provide an alternative to the death penalty and create a Texas version of the Peace Corps, enlisting friends in the entertainment industry to volunteer their services.

"I've been able to achieve many of my dreams in my life and I'd like to help many others, especially young Texans, be able to achieve theirs," he said.

He hasn't yet staked out positions on other issues.

"You've got to take a leap of faith," he said he would tell curious voters. "Can this guy move the

state forward?" For now, Friedman no extensive campaign organization, no bulging bag

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of campaign cash, no spot on the ballot and deliberately no party affiliation.

"I don't like the baggage of either party," he said.

Daron Robert Shaw, a University of Texas associate professor of government who's studied campaigns and has worked in them, said anyone "who is a kook or oddjob now could be Mr. Governor next time around."

"I certainly don't want to discount that possibility," Shaw said. "But, man, it's a tough road."

Friedman faces ballot regulations and fundraising realities and needs economic or policy unrest among voters, which is something that generally fuels alternate candidates, Shaw said.

Friedman will have up to two months in 2006, following the March primary, to collect 45,000 signatures on petitions to get him on the November ballot as an independent. Between now and the petition drive, he's using free media to get his message out, which is why he's starting so early.

"When we get on the ballot, my feeling is the people who now call the campaign a joke, they will take it more seriously," he said.

"I have one advantage. I'm in Texas. This is a maverick state. This state loves an underdog, and this is a very independent thinking state."

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# Local band looks to make good in Dallas

## Alternative metal band Rustic Circle sees music festival as a 'dream come true'

### Herald Staff Report

Big Spring alternative metal band Rustic Circle will be taking its sound on the road in February, as the group gets ready to play the 2005 Dallas Music Festival.

Slated for Feb. 10 through 13 in Dallas' Deep Ellum art district, the festival is expected to draw more than 10,000 music fans from all over and hundreds of bands from an array of different musical genres.

"This is really a dream come true for us," said Thomas Jenkins, rhythm guitarist and spokesperson for the band. "West Texas isn't the easiest place in the world to keep a band going, especially when you play a modern style of metal like we do. To be asked to play this festival means a lot to us."

Jenkins said the news that the band would be part of the Dallas festival came as a shock.

"I was on my way back from Odessa when Rick (Boiles, Rustic Circle vocalist) called me," said Jenkins. "I could tell by the sound of his voice something was up. At first I thought something was wrong, but when he told me we had been invited to play, I nearly had a heart attack. I actually had to pull over on the side of the road and get out of my Jeep I was so excited."

"We've worked really hard for a long time and managed to survive some serious adversities. We've wanted to play the Dallas show since we first heard about it, so when it finally happened it was such an incredible boost for us."

Boiles said the band has played plenty of shows in West Texas since 2001, but the invitation to the Dallas Music Festival felt different — it felt right.

"We've played all over Odessa and Midland — even a few shows here in Big Spring," said Boiles. "And a lot of time we were playing to crowds that weren't necessarily into our kind of music. That's a hard thing to do sometime. People don't really know how to react because they've never been exposed to it."

"The festival is being held in multiple venues, and a lot of them are venues we've only dreamed about playing. Just having the opportu-



Courtesy photo/Tommy Wells

Vocalist Rick Boiles, left, drummer T.J. Brown, rhythm guitarist Thomas Jenkins, lead guitarist Dominick Boiles and bassist Ron Meek, who make up the Big Spring alternative metal band Rustic Circle, will be performing at the 2005 Dallas Music Festival Feb. 12 in the Deep Ellum art district.

nity to play to a crowd that's into our style of music is huge for us. Our show depends a lot on the crowd and how they get into the music, so this is a huge chance for us to reach our target audience."

While the band, which includes lead guitarist Dominick Boiles, bassist Ron Meek and drummer T.J. Brown, is still practicing at a fierce pace to prepare for the festival, Jenkins said groups invited to perform are being asked to wear more than one "hat."

"We've been given a number of advance tickets to sell for the show," said Jenkins. "How many tickets a band sells is going to determine their time slot — the bands that sell the most tickets are going to get the best showtimes. We know we're already at a disadvantage because the Dallas-based bands are going to be able to sell a lot more, but we're not giving up. We're selling them to our friends and

family — we've even put some up on eBay.

"We have to have the tickets sold and turned in to the production company handling the festival by Feb. 2, so we're selling them as fast as we can. They're \$10 each, and they're good for all four days of the festival at all of the participating venues. Regardless of how many we sell, however, we're going to have fun. We're going to enjoy playing the show no matter what time slot we get."

Boiles said Rustic Circle will play Feb. 12, with the time slot expected to be between 6 p.m. and 2 a.m.

"We don't know which venue we're going to be playing at or what time, just that it will be between those hours," said Boiles. "We should find out the exact time and place after the tickets are turned in on Feb. 2."

The 2005 Dallas Music Festival isn't just about shows. According to Jenkins, there's going to be a lot more at stake while the sun is up.

"Most musicians are sort of vampires — we don't do very well in the sunlight," said Jenkins

For more information on the 2005 Dallas Music Festival, visit [www.dallasmusicfest2005.com](http://www.dallasmusicfest2005.com). For ticket information, contact Boiles at 816-1027 or visit [www.rustic-circle.com](http://www.rustic-circle.com)

with a laugh. "Especially after playing until 2 a.m. The festival is going to be holding seminars during the afternoon hours however, featuring some really big artists and record executives. They're going to talk about how to get your band signed and other things guys like us really want to know."

"Those same experts are

also expected to be sneaking around while the bands are playing, so there's a pretty good chance some record deals could come as a result. It's a lot of pressure, especially for bands like us who are traveling pretty good lengths to play, but we're ready for it. We're ready for a shot at proving ourselves."

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Weekly charts for the nation's best-selling recorded music as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. (Platinum signifies more than 1 million copies sold; Gold signifies more than 500,000 copies sold.)

### Billboard Hot 100: Top 10

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan; radio playlists; and monitored radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Let Me Love You," Mario. 3rd Street.
2. "1, 2 Step," Ciara (feat. Missy Elliott). Sho'nuff-MusicLine.
3. "Lovers and Friends," Lil Jon & the East Side Boyz (feat. Usher & Ludacris). BME.
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6. "How We Do," The Game (feat. 50 Cent). Aftermath/G-Unit/Interscope.
7. "Disco Inferno," 50 Cent. Shady.
8. "Boulevard of Broken Dreams," Green Day. Reprise.
9. "My Boo," Usher & Alicia Keys. J.
10. "Over and Over," Nelly (feat. Tim McGraw). Curb.

### The Billboard 200 Top Albums: Top 10

- (Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)
1. "American Idiot," Green Day. Reprise. (Platinum — certified sales of 1 million units)
  2. "Encore," Eminem. Shady. (Platinum)
  3. "Greatest Hits," Shania Twain. Mercury. (Platinum)
  4. "Get Lifted," John Legend. Good Music.
  5. "Crunk Juice," Lil Jon & the East Side Boyz. BME. (Platinum)
  6. "Breakaway," Kelly Clarkson. RCA.
  7. "Confessions," Usher. LaFace. (Platinum)
  8. "MTV Ultimate Mash-Ups Presents: Collision Course," Jay-Z/Linkin Park. Roc-A-Fella.
  9. "The Red Light District," Ludacris. Disturbing the Peace. (Platinum)
  10. "Now 17," Various Artists. Sony BMG/Universal/EMI/Zomba/Capitol. (Platinum)
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### Hot Adult Contemporary

- (Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)
1. "Heaven," Los Lonely Boys. Or.
  2. "You'll Think of Me," Keith Urban. Capitol.
  3. "In My Daughter's Eyes," Martina McBride. RCA Nashville.
  4. "Breakaway," Kelly

- Clarkson. Walt Disney.
5. "Don't Let Him Steal Your Heart Away," Phil Collins. Face Value.
  6. "This Love," Maroon5. Octone.
  7. "Like You Were Dying," Tim McGraw. Curb.
  8. "I'll Be Around," Daryl Hall John Oates. dke.
  9. "She Will Be Loved," Maroon5. Octone.
  10. "Daughters," John Mayer. Aware.

### Top Gospel Albums

- (Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)
1. "I Need an Angel," Ruben Studdard. J.
  2. "One Voice," Gladys Knight and the Saints Unified Voices. Many Roads.
  3. "Nothing Without You," Smokie Norful. EMI Gospel.
  4. "Gotta Have Gospel Vol. 2," Various Artists. Integrity.
  5. "Live," Shekinah Glory Ministry. Kingdom.
  6. "The J Moss Project," J Moss. Gospo Centric.
  7. "There Will Be a Light," Ben Harper and the Blind Boys of Alabama. Virgin.
  8. "I Speak Life," Donald Lawrence & Co. Verity.
  9. "Live From Another Level," Israel and New Breed. Integrity Gospel.
  10. "Somethin' Bout Love," Fred Hammond. Verity.

### Mainstream Rock Tracks

- (Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)
1. "Boulevard of Broken Dreams," Green Day. Reprise.
  2. "Home," Three Days Grace. Jive.
  3. "Burning Bright," Shinedown. Atlantic.
  4. "Fall to Pieces," Velvet Revolver. RA.
  5. "Scars," Papa Roach. el Tonal/Geffen.
  6. "Getting Away With Murder," Papa Roach. el Tonal.
  7. "If I Die Tomorrow," Motley Crue. Island/DJMG.
  8. "So Cold," Breaking Benjamin. Hollywood.
  9. "Let Me Go," 3 Doors Down. Republic.
  10. "Vitamin R (Leading Us Along)," Chevelle. Epic.

### Modern Rock Tracks

- (Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)
1. "Boulevard of Broken Dreams," Green Day. Reprise.
  2. "Scars," Papa Roach. el Tonal.
  3. "Cold," Crossfade. FG.
  4. "Look What You've Done," Jet. Elektra.
  5. "Mr. Brightside," The Killers. Island.
  6. "All Because of You," U2. Interscope.
  7. "Pain," Jimmy Eat World. Interscope.
  8. "I'm Not OK (I Promise)," My Chemical Romance. Reprise.
  9. "Home," Three Days Grace. Jive.
  10. "Save Me," Unwritten Law. Lava.

### Hot Country Singles and Tracks

- (Compiled from a national sample of monitored country radio by Broadcast Data Systems)
1. "Awful, Beautiful Life," Darryle Worley. Dreamworks.
  2. "You're My Better Half," Keith Urban. Capitol.
  3. "Mud on the Tires," Brad Paisley. Arista Nashville.
  4. "Bless the Broken Road," Rascal Flatts. Lyric Street.
  5. "When I Think About Cheatin'," Gretchen Wilson. Epic/EMN.
  6. "Some Beach," Blake Shelton. Warner Bros.
  7. "Back When," Tim McGraw. Curb.
  8. "Nothin' Bout Love Makes Sense," LeAnn Rimes. Asylum-Curb.
  9. "Monday Morning Church," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville.
  10. "He Gets That From Me," Reba McEntire. MCA Nashville.
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### Top Country Albums

- (Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)
1. "Greatest Hits," Shania Twain. Mercury. (Platinum)
  2. "Greatest Hits 2," Toby Keith. DreamWorks. (Platinum)
  3. "Feels Like Today," Rascal Flatts. Lyric Street. (Platinum)
  4. "50 Number Ones," George Strait. MCA Nashville. (Platinum)
  5. "Here for the Party," Gretchen Wilson. Epic (Nashville). (Platinum)
  6. "Live Like You Were Dying," Tim McGraw. Curb. (Platinum)
  7. "Horse of a Different Color," Big & Rich. Warner Bros. (Platinum)
  8. "Lonely Runs Both Ways," Alison Krauss + Union Station. Rounder. (Gold — certified sales of more than 500,000)
  9. "Mud on the Tires," Brad Paisley. Arista Nashville. (Platinum)
  10. "When the Sun Goes Down," Kenny Chesney. BNA. (Platinum)
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### Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Singles and Tracks

- (Compiled from a national sample of sales reports and radio playlists)
1. "Let Me Love You," Mario.

2. "Lovers and Friends," Lil Jon & the East Side Boyz (feat. Usher & Ludacris). BME.
3. "Soldier," Destiny's Child (feat. T.I. & Lil Wayne). Columbia.
4. "1, 2 Step," Ciara (feat. Missy Elliott). Sho'nuff-MusicLine.
5. "How We Do," The Game (feat. 50 Cent). Aftermath/G-Unit/Interscope.
6. "Drop It Like It's Hot," Snoop Dogg (feat. Pharrell). Doggystyle.
7. "Bring Em Out," T.I. Grand Hustle/Atlantic.
8. "Disco Inferno," 50 Cent. Shady/Aftermath/Interscope.
9. "Karma," Lloyd Banks (feat. Avant). G-Unit.
10. "Get Back," Ludacris. DTP. Copyright 2005, VNU Business Media and Nielsen SoundScan, Inc.

### Hot Dance Music — Club Play

- (Compiled from a national sample of dance club playlists)
1. "Silence 2004," Delerium (feat. Sarah McLachlan). Nettwerk.
  2. "Da Ya Think I'm Sexy? (Remixes)," Rod Stewart. Warner Bros.
  3. "The Wonder of It All (Escape/Gomi/Trendroid/I. Pavlin/O. Nissim Mixes)," Kristine W. Tommy Boy Silver Label.
  4. "Killer 2005 (P. Rauhofer/Moré/DJ Monk/J. Albert Mixes)," Seal. Warner Bros.
  5. "The Joint Is Jumpin'," D1 (feat. Lisa Hunt). D1.
  6. "How Could I Lie (Ralph & E. Baez Mixes)," Angel. Midas.
  7. "Feel You," Alyson. Alysongrooves.com.
  8. "Lose My Breath (P. Johnson & M. Joshua Mixes)," Destiny's Child. Columbia.
  9. "Back to Love," Rachel Panay. Act 2.
  10. "Home (Remixes)," Simply Red. simplyred.com.
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### Top R&B/Hip-Hop Albums

- (Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)
1. "Get Lifted," John Legend. Good Music.
  2. "Crunk Juice," Lil Jon & the East Side Boyz. BME. (Platinum)
  3. "The Red Light District," Ludacris. Disturbing the Peace. (Platinum)
  4. "Encore," Eminem. Shady. (Platinum)
  5. "Urban Legend," T.I. Grand Hustle.
  6. "Free Yourself," Fantasia. J. (Platinum)
  7. "Destiny Fulfilled," Destiny's Child. Columbia. (Platinum)
  8. "Loyal to the Game," 2Pac. Amaru/Interscope.
  9. "Confessions," Usher. LaFace. (Platinum)
  10. "Turning Point," Mario. 3rd Street.
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### Hot Rap Tracks

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1. "Lovers and Friends," Lil Jon & the East Side Boyz (feat. Usher & Ludacris). BME.
  2. "Drop It Like It's Hot," Snoop Dogg (feat. Pharrell). Doggystyle.
  3. "How We Do," The Game (feat. 50 Cent). Aftermath/G-Unit/Interscope.
  4. "Disco Inferno," 50 Cent. Shady.
  5. "Bring Em Out," T.I. Grand

6. "Get Back," Ludacris. Disturbing the Peace.
  7. "Karma," Lloyd Banks (feat. Avant). G-Unit/Interscope.
  8. "Wonderful," Ja Rule (feat. R. Kelly & Ashanti). The Inc.
  9. "What U Gon' Do," Lil Jon & the East Side Boyz (feat. Lil Scrappy). BME.
  10. "U Make Me Wanna," Jadakiss (feat. Mariah Carey). Ruff Ryders.
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### Hot Latin Tracks

- (Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)
1. "Todo el Ano," Obie Bermudez. EMI Latin.
  2. "Volverte a Ver," Juanes. Surco.
  3. "Porque Es Tan Cruel el Amor," Ricardo Arjona. Sony Discos.
  4. "Te Buscaria," Christian Castro. Ariola/BMG Latin.
  5. "El Virus del Amor," Los Tucanes de Tijuana. Universal Latino.
  6. "Dame Otro Tequila," Paulina Rubio. Universal Latino.
  7. "Nada Valgo Sin Tu Amor," Juanes. Surco/Universal Latino.
  8. "Esta Llorando Mi Corazon,"

9. "Perdidos," Monchy & Alexandra. J&N.
  10. "Me Dedique a Perderte," Alejandro Fernandez. Sony Discos.
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### Top Latin Albums

- (Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)
1. "Barrio Fino," Daddy Yankee. El Caribe.
  2. "15 Duranguenses de Corazon," Various Artists. Disa.
  3. "Chosen Few: El Documental," Various Artists. Chosen Few.
  4. "Mexico en la Piel," Luis Miguel. Warner Latina.
  5. "Parranda Tequilera 2005," Various Artists. Univision.
  6. "Mi Sangre," Juanes. Surco.
  7. "Razon de Sobra," Marco Antonio Solis. Fonovisa.
  8. "Za Za Za," Grupo Climax. Musart.
  9. "Fuego," A.B. Quintanilla III Presents Kumbia Kings. EMI Latin.
  10. "Solo," Ricardo Arjona. Sony Discos.
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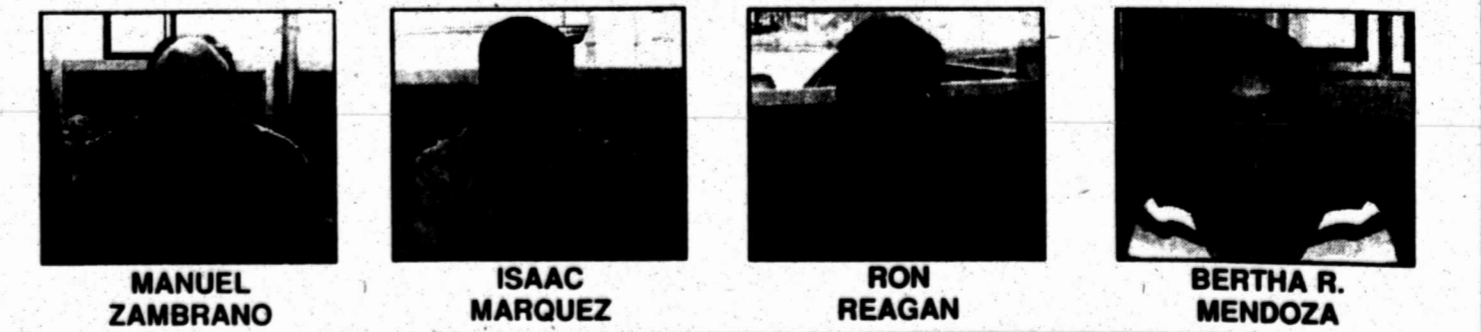
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**Sloan stepping down, becoming Baylor chancellor**

WACO (AP) — Baylor University's embattled president announced Friday that he will step down and become the school's chancellor, a post with no administrative responsibilities.

President Robert B. Sloan Jr. said the latter part of his 10-year term had been a "lightning rod" for controversy stemming from his vision for the future of the world's largest Baptist university.

"Though I have worked hard to cultivate mutual understanding with those who disagree with various decisions or even my management style, the reality is that my role as president has become a distraction from the main goal of fulfilling the vision," Sloan said.

"The vision is more important than any one person. No one is indispensable," he said. "Changing situations often require new leaders with different gifts and the benefit of a clean slate."

Sloan, who has been blamed for rising tuition costs and rifts among professors, will leave the presidency at the end of May and become chancellor, focusing on fund-raising and related activities. His salary and length of term have not been set, but Sloan will serve at the regents' pleasure and report to the new president. Baylor currently has no chancellor.

The job change was part of a mutual agreement between Sloan and regents, who are expected to approve it at next month's meeting and will name an interim president in April. Regents did not force Sloan to step aside, said Will D. Davis, regents' chairman.

**Mother of Texas octuplets becomes U.S. citizen**

HOUSTON (AP) — The only woman known to have delivered eight living babies from one pregnancy is now a U.S. citizen.

Nkem Chukwu and more than 2,500 other Houston area residents became American citizens during a naturalization ceremony this week.

Chukwu, a native of Nigeria, gained worldwide attention after giving birth to eight babies in December 1998. The smallest baby died after one week, but the other five girls and two boys have grown up without complications and are now 6 years old.

All of them, as well as their 2-year-old sister, were at Chukwu's side for her special day.

"I'm excited. I thank God for today," Chukwu said after she became an American citizen on Thursday.

She was the last person in her immediate family to become a U.S. citizen.

**Perry's political destiny likely linked to legislative session**

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry's future might be the talk of Texas politics, but the governor isn't joining in the public chatter.

"Ask me in June," Perry said, referring to the month after the state legislative session ends.

That's when Perry plans to freely discuss his 2006 re-election bid that might pit him against one or two Republican challengers: U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison and Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn. Perry's success against any opponent could depend on what the Texas Legislature accomplishes.

"The stakes are, of course, quite high since he's up for re-election," said Jerry Polinard, a political science professor at the University of Texas-Pan American. "For better or worse, he'll be given credit or blame for the success of the legislative session."

Lawmakers are under a court order to change the state's education funding system by Oct. 1 or risk having money for schools cut off. Hundreds of poor and wealthy school districts sued the state, alleging that Texas' \$30 billion funding system doesn't provide the money needed to give all students an ade-

**Menus**

**SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER**

MONDAY-Chicken fried steak, rice, squash, salad, milk, rolls, fruit.

TUESDAY-Ham and cheese sandwich, potato soup, lettuce and tomatoes, milk, pie.

WEDNESDAY-Stew, salad, cornbread, milk, cobbler.

THURSDAY-Liver/steak and onions, potatoes, carrots, salad, milk, rolls, cake.

FRIDAY-Turkey and dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, milk, rolls, fruit salad.

**WESTBROOK ISD**

BREAKFAST

MONDAY-Oatmeal, toast, cereal, juice, milk.

TUESDAY-Sausage, bacon, biscuits, cereal, juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Assorted cereal, toast, jelly, juice, milk.

THURSDAY-Scrambled eggs, Texas toast, cereal, juice, milk.

FRIDAY-Sausage-n-blanket, cereal, juice, milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY-Chicken strips, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, rice, biscuits, honey, milk.

TUESDAY-Pepperoni pizza, salad, corn, chocolate pudding, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Homemade hot dogs w/cheese, French fries, pear halves, milk.

THURSDAY-Tacos w/cheese, salsa, tossed salad, Spanish rice, peaches, milk.

FRIDAY-Beef stew w/vegetables, peanut butter or pimento cheese sandwiches, crackers, banana pudding, milk.

**STANTON ISD**

BREAKFAST

MONDAY-Pancakes, syrup, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk.

TUESDAY-Oatmeal, cinnamon toast, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Blueberry muffin, bacon, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk.

THURSDAY-English muffin, scrambled egg patty, bacon, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk.

FRIDAY-Breakfast burrito, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY-Hamburger or cheeseburger, French fries, hamburger salad, pears.

TUESDAY-Bar-b-q wieners or grill cheese

sandwich, corn on cob, vegetable sticks, fruit cocktail.

WEDNESDAY-Pepperoni pizza, green beans, garden salad, fruit cocktail, milk.

THURSDAY-Baked fish or corn dog, macaroni and cheese, peas/carrots, peaches.

FRIDAY-Sloppy Joes or ham and cheese sandwich, Cheetos, baked beans, pineapple.

**COAHOMA ISD**

BREAKFAST

MONDAY-French toast, sausage, syrup, apple juice, milk.

TUESDAY-Sweetened rice ham, grape juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Eggs, sausage burritos, orange juice, milk.

THURSDAY-Waffles, sausage, syrup, grape juice, milk.

FRIDAY-Oatmeal, ham, juice, milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY-Nacho Grande, pinto beans, strawberries with topping, milk.

TUESDAY-Pizza, tater tots, oranges, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Soft taco, salad, pinto beans, cookies, milk.

THURSDAY-Spaghetti or BBQ been on bun w/pickle, corn, peaches, bread, milk.

FRIDAY-Homemade burritos or corn dogs, salad, apples, milk.

**FORSAN ISD**

BREAKFAST

MONDAY-Cereal yogurt, juice, milk.

TUESDAY-Eggs, toast, juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Muffins, juice, milk.

THURSDAY-Biscuit, sausage, juice, milk.

FRIDAY-Breakfast pocket, juice, milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY-Corndogs, baked beans, pears, milk.

TUESDAY-Baked potato, broccoli w/cheese, garden salad, peaches, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Ham sandwich, chips, carrot sticks, apple wedges, milk.

THURSDAY-Chicken taco casserole, garden salad, orange smiles, milk.

FRIDAY-Fish nuggets, mac and cheese, peas, mixed fruit, milk.

**BIG SPRING ISD**

BREAKFAST

MONDAY-Breakfast pizza, mixed fruit, milk.

TUESDAY-Cereal,

sausage patty, juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Cinnamon pastry, sliced pineapple, milk.

THURSDAY-Grilled cheese, sliced apples, milk.

FRIDAY-Cereal, waffle stick, syrup, juice, milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY-Corn chip pie, ranch style beans, pineapple tidbits, pickle spears, milk.

TUESDAY-Chicken fajita, corn on cob, juice, Spanish rice, tortilla, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, English peas, Jello, wheat roll, milk.

THURSDAY-Chicken stir fry, mandarin oranges, spinach salad, milk.

FRIDAY-Hamburger, salad, French fries, border beans, rosy apple sauce, milk.

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\* Senior Appreciation Day - 11:30 am

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\* Mall Walking - 8:00 am  
\* Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 am  
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**January 25 • Tuesday**  
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\* Supper Club "Cowboys" - 5:30 pm

**January 26 • Wednesday**  
\* Senior Appreciation Day - 11:30 am

**January 27 • Thursday**  
\* Mall Walking - 8:00 am  
\* Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 am

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**January 29 • Saturday**  
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**Directed by TOM WASHBURN**

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## IN BRIEF

### Howard rodeo team sets fund-raiser

The Howard College rodeo team has set up a third-annual fund-raiser for Thursday, Feb. 3, and Friday, Feb. 4.

The event will start at 7 p.m. and take place on the campus of Howard College and throughout the community.

The college rodeo team needs goats for its upcoming hometown rodeo in April. The college will give \$10 to anyone willing to send their goat to Howard College.

### Clemens comes back for another season

NEW YORK (AP) — Roger Clemens decided to pitch for the Houston Astros once again.

Clemens put off retirement for the second straight season, agreeing to an \$18 million, one-year contract with the Astros that gives him the highest salary for a pitcher in baseball history.

A seven-time Cy Young Award winner and 10-time All-Star, the 42-year-old right-hander helped the Astros come within one win of their first World Series appearance. He got the largest one-year contract in major league history, topping Greg Maddux's \$14.75 million deal with Atlanta in 2003, and became the highest paid pitcher for the fifth time. Pedro Martinez earned \$17.5 million with Boston last season.

Also, outfielder Casey Blake agreed to a \$5.4 million, two-year contract with Cleveland, leaving 34 players in salary arbitration. Among free agents, reliever Steve Reed agreed to a \$1.6 million, one-year contract with Baltimore and knuckleballer Steve Sparks agreed to a minor league contract with San Diego.

### Spurs rally behind Ginobili's career-high

PHOENIX (AP) — Manu Ginobili scored a career-high 48 points and San Antonio rallied from a 17-point fourth-quarter deficit to hand the Suns their sixth consecutive loss.

Tim Duncan had 30 points and 19 rebounds for the Spurs, who became the first team to beat Phoenix twice this season.

Nash had 16 points and 13 assists in 46 minutes after missing the last 3 1/2 games with injuries.

Shawn Marion scored 37 points and grabbed 15 rebounds for the Suns. His 3-pointer at the fourth-quarter buzzer sent the game into overtime. Amare Stoudemire, coming off a season-low eight-point game Wednesday, scored 21. Joe Johnson scored 21.

Ginobili, whose previous career best was 38, made 16 of 22 shots, 5 of 7 3-pointers, and 11 of 12 free throws. His 3-pointer with 58.7 seconds left in overtime sealed the victory.

The victory kept the Spurs' record at 1-1 for the season.

## Bulldogettes rip apart arch rival Colorado City

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
COAHOMA — Colorado City was no match for its biggest rival Friday night even though the Bulldogettes didn't have their leading scorer for much of the game.

The Coahoma girl's basketball team held Colorado City to five first

half points, which included a scoreless second quarter, and cruised from that point on to defeat the Lady Wolves, 47-20, in Coahoma.

Senior Mendy Morgan saw very limited action due to a strained achilles tendon. Drew Wells sustained a deep thigh bruise in the game and also saw



limited time on the court. Senior Sterling Gee picked up the slack for Morgan and finished with 14 points, 10 rebounds,

three assists and four steals to lead Coahoma, which improves to 8-18 overall and 3-2 in District 4-2A. Colorado City drops to 2-22 on the season.

Seniors Liz Conley and Sarah Collom also contributed well for the Bulldogettes. Conley finished with 10 points and seven rebounds, while

Collom ended up with eight points and six rebounds.

Whitney Merket led the Lady Wolves with six points.

Coahoma will travel to rival Hawley Tuesday with hopes of staying on the winning track. The game will start at 6:30 p.m.



Big Spring senior Nathan Teeters gets his shot blocked by a Plainview defender Friday at the Steer Gym. The Steers lost to the Bulldogs 74-30 and dropped to 0-3 in District 4-4A action.

## OFF TRACK

Steers continue slide with loss to Plainview

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
BIG SPRING — The turnover bug followed Big Spring into the Steer Gym Friday night and a fast, athletic Plainview team took full advantage.

The Steers committed 23 turnovers in the first half and trailed 38-7 at halftime and the Bulldogs never looked back as they

Newton routed Big Spring on the road, 74-30, dropping the Steers' overall record to 6-19. They are also 0-3 in District 4-4A action.

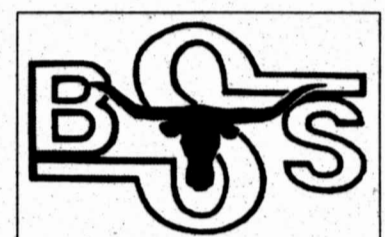
"They are extremely athletic and quick and they were able to keep the tempo up because of their press," said Big Spring coach Jim Kinnear. "We had another one of those games where we had more turnovers than points and you just can't do that against a good team like this."

Big Spring finished with 38 turnovers and 30 points.

The biggest play of the game came in the fourth quarter when Plainview's Jamar Wall jumped into the air, got fouled and threw down a nasty dunk.

That solidified the game for Plainview, which at one point led by 50 at 68-18.

The Steers fought hard all the way through the game and never gave up, but Plainview was just



too good on this day. "We don't give up no matter what the situation is," said Kinnear. "Our guys give 100 percent desire and never quit and that has become a trademark in my years at Big Spring."

"The kid have great character."

The Steers were outscored 44-10 in the second and third quarters after getting outscored 17-5 in the opening eight minutes. Big Spring took the fourth quarter, 15-13.

Big Spring finished the game 10-for-32 from the field, while Plainview shot above 50 percent, going 26-for-49.

Freshman Jordan Kinnear led the Steers with nine points, 11 rebounds (five offensive), four blocks and two steals. Junior Kyle Piercefield added five points, while senior Bobby Newton pulled down three rebounds.

Rashaud Ellis and Dave Smith led the Bulldogs with 14 and 11 points, respectively. Smith also connected on two 3-pointers. Senior Jamar Wall added nine points for the winners, as well.

The Steers played this game without sophomore Ryan Tannehill and freshman Scott Fankhauser as

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## Second half rout

Thiel shoots Lady Bulldogs past Big Spring at Steer Gym

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
BIG SPRING — The Lady Steers played well against state-ranked Plainview Friday for a half and then the Lady Bulldogs sped up to 65 miles per hour and hit the cruise control.

Plainview outscored the Lady Steers 53-7 in the second half and won going away at the Steer Gym, 81-28, dropping Big Spring's District 4-4A record to 0-5.

Big Spring (4-16) scored just five points in the third quarter and turned the ball over 12 different times. And they had to deal with the offensive talents of Plainview Jackie Thiel, who had one of those nights shooting the basketball.

After Big Spring junior Carmen Lewis scored on a nice pass from Raegan Ritchey off a Plainview turnover to cut the deficit to five points, the Lady Bulldogs rolled off 18 unanswered points to go up 46-23.

Ritchey's three free

throws ended the Plainview run, but the Lady Bulldogs put together a string of 12 straight points to end the third quarter.

Plainview's two big runs were in large part due to easy uncontested fastbreak layups and the hot shooting of Thiel, who finished with 33 points and six 3-pointers.

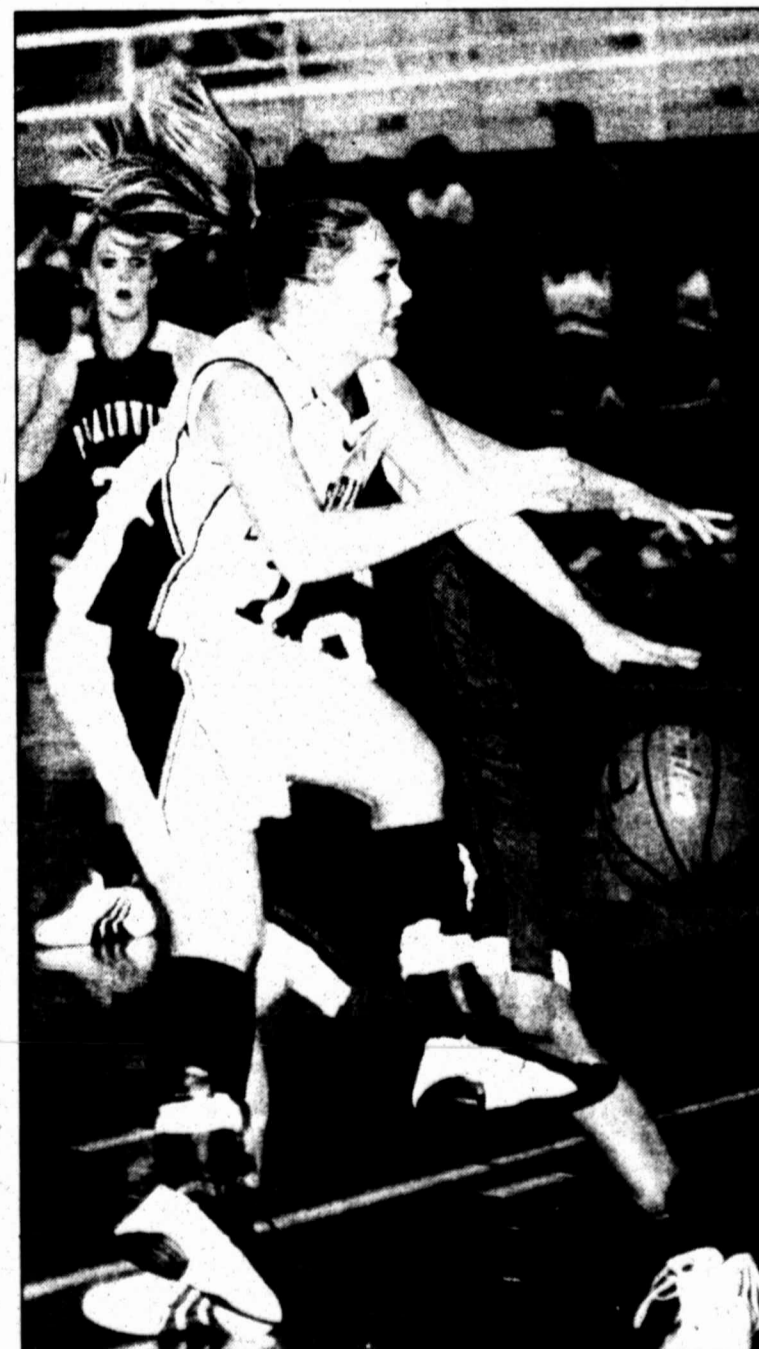
Big Spring led the first three and a half minutes of the game and only trailed by six after the first quarter.

Plainview then scored 13 straight points to start the second period and went up 21-8, but Ritchey stepped up her game and kept the Lady Steers in it.

Ritchey's putback with 3:51 to go until halftime ended the 13-0 Plainview run. She added two straight buckets thereafter and the Plainview lead was trimmed to 25-14.

Ritchey added a 3-pointer and a jumper inside of two minutes and Big Spring trailed 28-21 at halftime, despite turning the ball over nine times in the second quarter.

Unfortunately for the Lady Steers, it was all



Big Spring sophomore Mallory Dunn loses the ball after being fouled Friday during the Lady Steers' loss to rival Plainview at the Steer Gym.

## Bearkats' offensive fire power brings win

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
KLONDIKE — An offensive explosion erupted Friday night in Klondike. And for the first time this season, the Garden City boy's basketball team reached 70 points.

Cory Multer and Chais Goodwin scored 19 and 18 points, respectively, and helped the Bearkats remain undefeated in District 7-A action as Garden City pasted rival Klondike, 72-28.

Garden City jumped out to a 20-9 first quarter advantage as Goodwin scored 12 of his 18 points in the opening quarter. The big man also hit two shots from behind the 3-point line.

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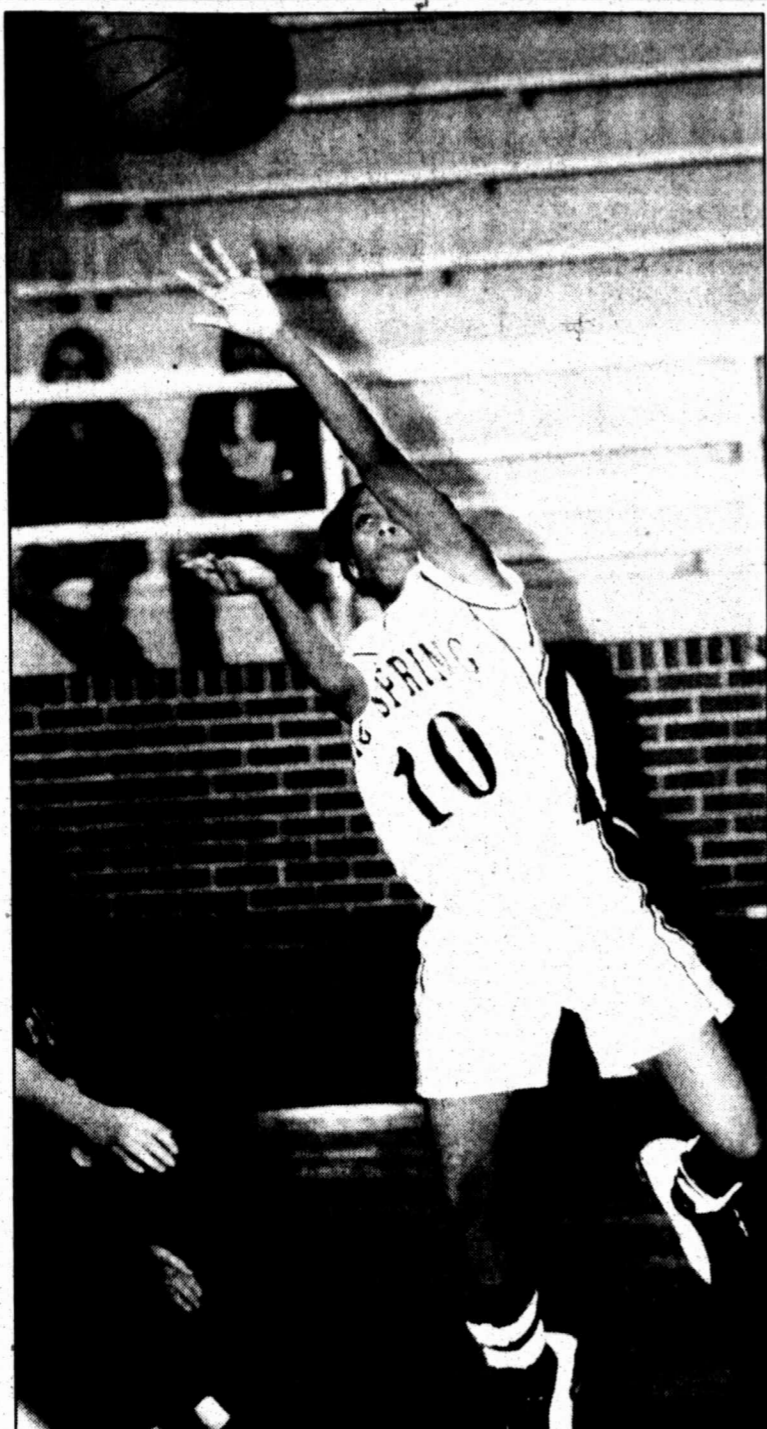
Plainview after that. Ritchey finished with a team-high 16 points, while junior Carmen Lewis turned in six points, four of which were scored in the first two minutes of the game.

Freshman Taniqua Ards pitched in with 12 points for Plainview, which improved to 21-8 overall and 4-1 in District 4-4A.

Senior Rachel Gee saw her first action of the season after recovering from an ankle injury which sidelined her the entire first half of the season.

Big Spring also played this game without the services of senior Alex Watkins and sophomore Codye Burt, who both went on a school-located trip to Washington D.C. to see the Presidential Inauguration.

The Lady Steers head to San Angelo Tuesday to take on rival Lake View with hopes of getting that first district victory. The two teams met earlier this season at the Steer Gym and Lake View pulled out a close game that went down to the wire. Big Spring led late in the game, but could not hang on for the win.



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde  
Big Spring junior Carmen Lewis soars high for the jump shot during the Lady Steers' loss to rival Plainview Friday.

**Coahoma survives late rally**

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
COAHOMA — Tyler Fowler scored all seven of his points in the final quarter and helped the Coahoma boys' basketball team survive a late rally from rival Colorado City Friday as the Bulldogs came away with the victory, 46-43, and improved to 2-1 in District 4-2A.



Coahoma jumped out to a 13-8 advantage after the first quarter and held on

to claim the win. The Bulldogs led by seven at halftime, but were outscored by four points in the second half by the Wolves, who are Coahoma's biggest rival.

Isaac Brewer led Coahoma (15-8, 2-1) with 12 points and 14 rebounds, while Darrick Shifflett added nine points and 12 rebounds. Terrell Bibb had nine points and 10 rebounds off the bench. Colorado City (11-10, 2-1) was led by Cyrus

Goodman's 14 points. Han Ollison added 13 points.

The Bulldogs travel to Hawley Tuesday to take on the rival Bearcats at 8 p.m.

Hawley lost to Anson Friday and has begun the district 0-3. They have an 8-14 overall record.

**District 4-2A boys standings**

Team	District	Overall
Anson	3-0	15-7
Coahoma	2-1	15-8
Colorado City	2-1	11-10
Stanton	1-2	10-10
Stamford	1-2	11-11
Hawley	0-3	8-14

**Washington leads Stanton to home win over Stamford**

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
STANTON — Stanton's big first quarter was enough to claim the win Friday at home as the Buffaloes used a 19-9 first quarter advantage to beat rival Stamford, 45-38. Stanton jumped out early and then hung on for dear life as they were outscored 29-26 in the remaining three quarters.

Stanton was sparked by eight 3-pointers, including four from sophomore forward Washington Michael Washington, who finished with a game-high 20 points. Jeremy Esparza added



WASHINGTON Michael Washington, who finished with a game-high 20 points. Jeremy Esparza added

11 points as Stanton improved to 10-10 overall and 1-2 in District 4-2A.

Stamford dropped to 11-11 overall and 1-2 in district play.

The Buffaloes will travel to district leading Anson Tuesday as tip-off takes place at around 8 p.m.

Anson (15-7) defeated Hawley Friday to improve to 3-0 in district action.

**Stanton girls shake up district after upset win**

Lady Buffaloes' win over Stamford creates tie in district

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
STANTON — The Stamford girls' basketball team traveled to Stanton Friday and didn't expect to come home with their first loss in district play, but the Lady Buffaloes of Stanton outscored Stamford 36-29 in the final three quarters and recorded a big district upset.

The third quarter was the difference in the game as Stanton outscored the Lady Bulldogs by five

points and then eventually claimed a five-point win, 42-37.

Stormie Dugan led the Lady Buffaloes with 14 points as Stanton improved to 11-12 overall and 2-3 in the district. Bonnie Kendall added 11 points and hit a 3-pointer.

The loss drops Stamford to 15-11 overall and 4-1 in the district.

They are now tied with Anson atop the District 4-2A standings, but Coahoma (3-2) inches closer after its win over Colorado City Friday.

Stanton's next game will take place at home Tuesday against rival Anson at 6:30 p.m.

Anson is 16-8 overall and they defeated Hawley Friday.

**District 4-2A girls standings**

Team	District	Overall
Anson	4-1	16-8
Stamford	4-1	15-11
Coahoma	3-2	8-18
Stanton	2-3	11-12
Hawley	2-3	8-19
Colorado City	0-5	2-24

**Tubb, Villa lead Grady in blowout**

• First and third quarter domination key for Wildcats

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
LENORAH — Grady's boy's basketball team dominated the first and third quarters Friday at home and defeated rival Dawson, 72-55, improving its District 7-A record to 4-1.

The Wildcats jumped out to a 20-11 first quarter lead before taking a six-

point advantage into the locker room at halftime. They outscored the Dragons 24-13 in the third quarter, which was enough to seal another district victory.

Both teams scored 18 points in the final frame. Freshman Justin Tubb led Grady (15-8, 4-1) with



23 points and senior Andrew Villa got out of his slump with a 21-point effort.

Clay Mitchell added 10 points, including two 3-pointers as Grady hit five 3-pointers on the night.

Dawson dropped to 11-10 overall and 2-3 in the district.

The Wildcats will travel to Borden County Tuesday as tip-off against the Coyotes will be around 8 p.m.

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The Bearkats never looked back after that and won the game going away to improve to 5-0 in the district for the first time under head coach Cory Richardson.

Colton Schwartz and Taylor Niehues pitched in with nine and eight points, respectively.

Niehues hit two 3-pointers, as well.

Garden City is now one game away from a .500 record as they improved to 11-12.

Klondike falls to 6-15 overall and 2-3 in District 7-A.

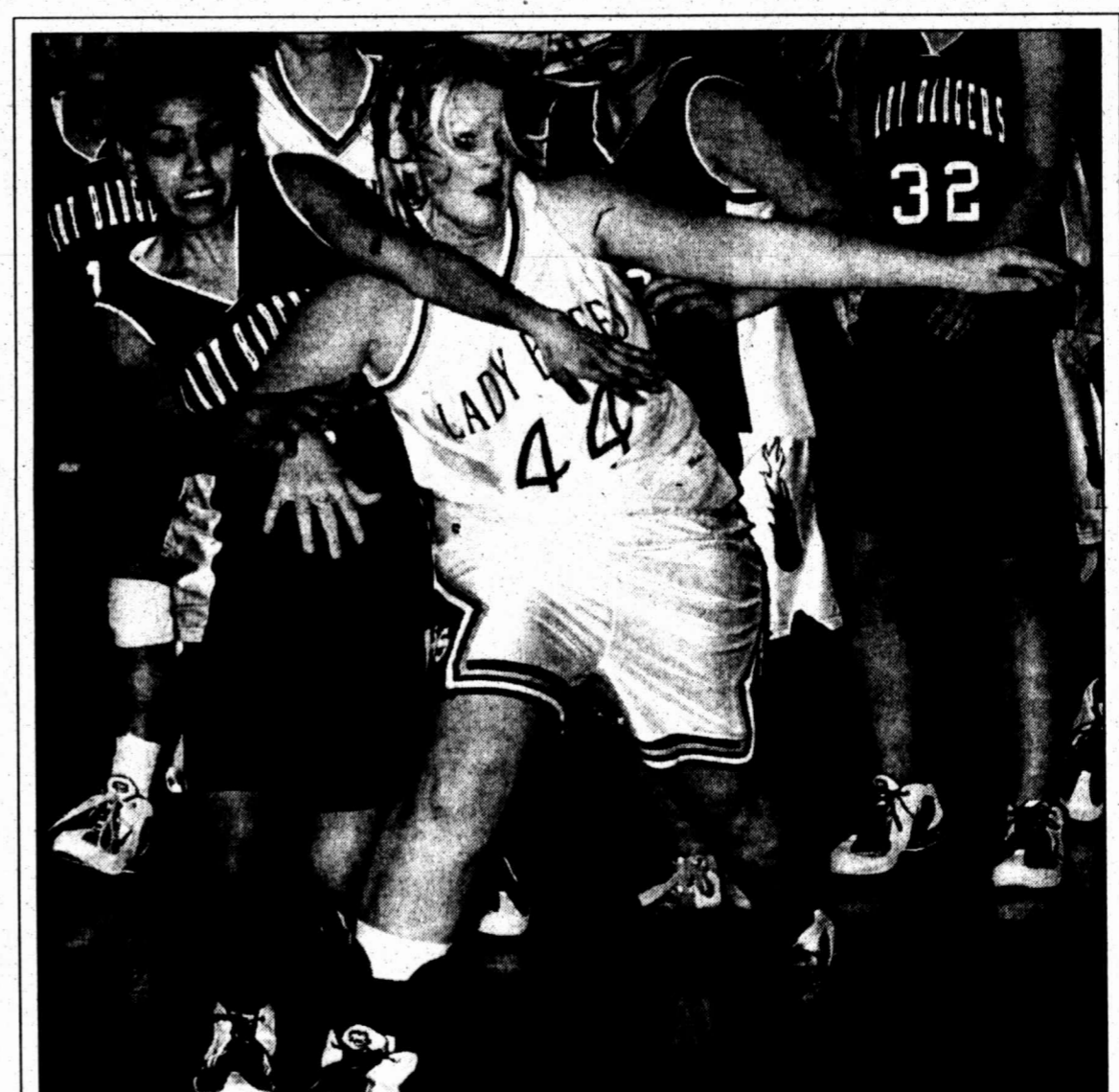
The Bearkats will travel to rival Dawson Tuesday. The Dragons lost to Grady in Lenorah by 17 points Friday. The Bearkats defeated Dawson earlier this season, as well.



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Forsan's Tessa Montgomery battles for a loose ball during the Lady Buffaloes' near upset victory over McCamey Friday in Forsan. Montgomery finished with three points.

**Forsan falls just short of upset**

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
FORSAN — A balanced offensive attack wasn't enough for the Forsan girls' basketball team as the Lady Buffaloes fell

short of a huge upset Friday and lost to McCamey, which is currently undefeated in District 8-A action.

Forsan jumped out to a 12-4 first quarter lead, but a 29-18 second half

advantage for McCamey was too much for the Lady Buffaloes to handle as they fell at home, 49-44.

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## Roddick uses serve to get to fourth round at Aussie Open

• Next up for American is 102nd-ranked German, Kohlschreiber

By PAUL ALEXANDER

Associated Press Writer  
MELBOURNE, Australia — Andy Roddick's aces had the crowd buzzing as he rode his big serve into the fourth round of the Australian Open.

Hitting the ball better as the match went on, Roddick dropped only seven points in his last 10 service games Saturday and finished with 22 aces to beat Austrian Jurgen Melzer 6-2, 6-2, 7-5. Roddick also made one of the shots of the day — a between-the-legs winner with his back to the net while chasing down a lob.

After beating three consecutive left-handers, next up for Roddick is 102nd-ranked Philipp Kohlschreiber, a German with a 10-18 career record who won only one Grand Slam match before this tournament.

On a warm, sunny day perfect for dozing, Roddick quickly woke up the crowd, starting his first service game with a pair of aces. He soon was cracking serves at up to 139 mph. Melzer, seeded 32nd, had three break points in Roddick's next service game, then never got another chance.

"I thought I moved really well. I got up two sets, the third one got a little tight, but I was able to get through," said Roddick. "I'm holding serve though, that's the most important thing."

In the third game, Melzer drew him to the net with a drop shot, then sent up a lob that landed just inside the line. Roddick raced back and flicked the ball back between his legs and down the line as Melzer barely moved at the net.

Roddick repeated the technique later in the match but missed.

"I got greedy. The first one felt good, so I needed more," he said.



HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler  
Forsan's Adam Bailey goes up high for the lay in against district foe McCamey Friday night in Forsan. The Buffaloes won the game in overtime, 47-45.

## Forsan finalizes comeback with overtime win over rival

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
FORSAN — Tye Baker's 21 points and five 3-pointers was just enough for the Forsan boys' basketball team Friday as the Buffaloes got by district rival McCamey at home in overtime, 47-



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45. McCamey led 15-11 at halftime, but a strong fourth quarter allowed the Buffaloes to send the game into the extra session. The Buffaloes

outscored McCamey (5-12, 1-3) in the fourth quarter 11-7 and won the overtime period, 10-8.

Jeremy Johnson added 13 points for Forsan, which improved to 10-12 overall and 2-2 in District 8-A. The Buffaloes hit six 3-pointers in the game and won despite going

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### District 8-A boys standings

Team	District	Overall
Wink	4-0	13-10
Forsan	2-2	10-12
McCamey	1-3	5-12
Iraan	1-3	4-14



HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler  
Forsan's Jeremy Johnson just misses the block against McCamey Friday.

## STEERS

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both were apart of the group that took a school-sponsored trip to Washington D.C. to see the Presidential Inauguration.

Tannehill is not 100 percent healthy after severely spraining his ankle earlier this season.

However, he is now cleared to play and Coach Kinnear said he would have tried to use him against Plainview.

The good news for Big Spring is the best teams in the district are out of the way for now in the first run through of district play.

The Steers will travel to San Angelo Tuesday for a matchup with another struggling team in Lake View.

"They are kind of like us in that they are struggling," said Coach Kinnear. "We are two very similar teams, but we feel good about going there and competing."



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde  
Big Spring senior Brandon Gross looks for an opening against a defender from Plainview during the Steers' loss Friday night at the Steer Gym.

"We must cut down on turnovers and handle their press and if we do that then I feel like we have a good chance to get out of there with a victory." The game will start around 8 p.m.

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## Madison sparks Grady off bench in 7-A victory

Lady 'Cats win with defense against Dragons

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
LENORAH — Freshman Kenzie Madison came off the bench Friday against Dawson and scored 12 points to lead her Grady girl's basketball team to its 19th win of the season as the Lady Wildcats defeated their rivals with defense, 48-21.

The game started slow as Grady led 9-6 after the first quarter, but a 14-5 second quarter advantage pushed the Wildcats lead to 23-11 at halftime.

The third quarter was pretty much even, but the

game was put out reach in the fourth as Grady outscored Dawson 15-2 to claim the victory. The Wildcats' defense held Dawson (10-12, 1-4) to single digits in each quarter.

Brianna Pribyla scored nine points and Brittany Rivas added eight for Grady (19-6, 4-1). Senior Kelsey Tubb, Grady's leading scorer, was held to six points.

The Lady Cats will travel to rival Borden County Tuesday as action on the hardwood begins at 6:30 p.m. Grady defeated Borden County at home earlier this season.

### Tuesday's boys, girls district matchups

Big Spring @Lake View (District 4-A)  
girls: 6 p.m./boys: 7:30 p.m.

Forsan @Iraan (District 8-A)  
girls: 6:30 p.m./boys: 8 p.m.

Coahoma @Hawley (District 4-2A)  
girls: 6:30 p.m./boys: 8 p.m.

Anson @Stanton (District 4-2A)  
girls: 6:30 p.m./boys 8 p.m.

Garden City @Dawson (District 7-A)  
girls: 6:30 p.m./boys: 8 p.m.

Grady @Borden County (District 7-A)  
girls: 6:30 p.m./boys 8 p.m.

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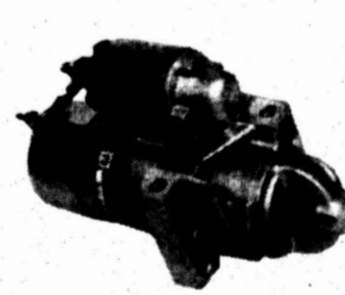
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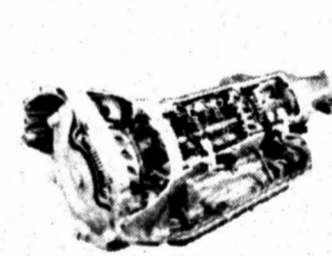
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26-20 at halftime. They were plagued by free throws as the connected on just 15-of-33 shots from the charity stripe.

Cynthia Becerra led a balanced Forsan attack with nine points, while Casi Graves added eight. Haylea Belew and Shiloh Sanders scored seven and six, respectively.

McCamey's JV was also victorious as they defeated the Lady Buffaloes 32-31.

Forsan, which dropped to 0-4 in district play, travels to rival Iraan Tuesday as the game begins at 6:30 p.m. Iraan defeated Wink Friday to improve to 21-4 overall and 3-1 in district play.

Team	District	Overall
McCamey	4-0	18-4
Iraan	3-1	21-4
Wink	1-3	11-12
Forsan	0-4	9-14

**BUFFALOES**

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seven-for-21 from the foul line.

The Buffaloes will travel to rival Iraan Tuesday as the game should begin around 8 p.m.

Iraan lost to district leading Wink Friday and dropped its season record to 4-15.

They are 1-3 in the district and the one win came against the Buffaloes in Forsan earlier this month.

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**Contest Rules**

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- The contestant will have 30 seconds and must make a (1) layup, (2) free throw, (3) 3-point shot and (4) half-court shot all while racing the clock.
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• The Hawk women's basketball team dropped its first two conference games of the season this week and is 12-9 overall. Howard takes on New Mexico Junior College Monday in Big Spring at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum before traveling to Odessa to take on OC Monday, Jan. 31. Both games will start at 6 p.m.

• The Hawk men's basketball team knocked off No. 16 Frank Phillips last Monday before falling on the road to rival Clarendon Thursday. The team is currently 15-3 this season and 1-1 in the WJAC. Howard takes on New Mexico Junior College Monday in Big Spring at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum before hosting the New Mexico Military Institute next Thursday. They also travel to Odessa to challenge OC Monday, Jan. 31. These three games start at 8, 7:30 and 8 p.m., respectively.

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- 2004 Nissan Quest 3.5 S - Tan, cloth, dual air, local one owner w/17,000 miles. **Was \$23,995** **Now \$22,995**
- 2003 Yamaha R6 YZF - Silver/black, only 3,000 miles. **Was \$6,995** **Now \$5,995**
- 2003 Chevrolet Avalanche Z-66 - Charcoal metallic, cloth, XM radio, OnStar, local one owner w/36,000 miles. **Was \$25,995** **Now \$24,995**
- 2002 Chevrolet Suburban LT - Pewter w/leather, loaded, one owner w/45,000 miles. **Was \$24,995** **Now \$23,995**
- 2002 Jeep Wrangler X 4X4 - Black, 4.0 6 cyl., manual shift, soft top, only 15,000 miles. Great Buy!!! **Was \$15,995** **Now \$14,995**
- 2002 Cadillac Escalade AWD - Sandstone w/sandstone leather, fully loaded, local one owner w/40,000 miles. **Was \$34,995** **Now \$32,995**
- 2002 Chrysler PT Cruiser - Red w/leather, moonroof, all power, local one owner w/34,000 miles. **Was \$14,995** **Now \$13,995**
- 2002 Mercury Mountaineer 4X4 - Blue w/leather, all power, local one owner w/40,500 miles. **Was \$20,995** **Now \$19,995**
- 2002 Mercury Mountaineer - All power, local one owner, w/54,000 miles. **Was \$19,995** **Now \$18,995**
- 2002 Ford Explorer XLT 4-DR. - White/beige tune, all power, local one owner w/51,000 miles. **Was \$18,995** **Now \$17,995**
- 2002 Ford Expedition XLT - Silver, cloth, dual air, 3rd seat, local one owner w/58,000 miles. **Was \$19,995** **Now \$18,995**
- 2002 Ford Expedition XLT - Silver, cloth, all power, one owner w/31,000 miles. **Was \$22,995** **Now \$18,995**
- 2002 Ford Explorer Sport - All power, one owner w/28,000 miles. **Was \$19,995** **Now \$18,995**
- 2002 Toyota 4 Runner SR5 - Pewter, loaded, local one owner w/37,000 miles. **Was \$23,995** **Now \$22,995**
- 2002 Chevrolet Suburban L.S. - Blue w/cloth, all power, dual air, local one owner w/18,000 miles. **Was \$24,995** **Now \$23,995**
- 2001 Nissan Pathfinder SE - Green, GPS, DVD, very nice, one owner w/53,000 miles. **Was \$17,995** **Now \$16,995**
- 2001 Ford Expedition Eddie Bauer - White/tan, leather, fully loaded, dual air, 3rd seat, local one owner. **Was \$19,995** **Now \$18,995**
- 2001 Ford Expedition Eddie Bauer - White/tan, leather, one owner. **Was \$19,995** **Now \$18,995**
- 2001 Lincoln Navigator - White/tan leather, loaded, we sold it new - talk to the customer. **Was \$20,995** **Now \$19,995**
- 2000 Ford Expedition Eddie Bauer - Slate green/beige, leather, dual air, 3rd seat, all power, local one owner w/59,000 miles. **Was \$19,995** **Now \$18,995**

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### Bilbrey Tours Traveling made easy



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In the top photo, Lena Bilbrey and her office manager Valarie Dean answer questions and hand out brochures outlining upcoming trips available through Bilbrey Tours. Below, Erma Dunn and June Waters discuss which tours they will take this year.



Courtesy photo

An Amish woman who allowed her photo to be taken by Bilbrey Tour traveler Steve Marie Haynes.



Herald photo/Marsha Sturdivant  
Steve Marie Haynes tries out the new tour bus during the Bilbrey Tours 2005 Escorted Tours Show.

Herald photo/Marsha Sturdivant  
Helen Worthan, left and Betty Cain aboard the 2005 tour bus recently purchased by Bilbrey Tours. The women discussed which of the 2005 escorted tours they intend to take.

Combining her hobby with sharp and savvy business sense allows Lena Bilbrey, owner of Bilbrey Tours of Abilene, a chance to spend almost every minute of every day indulging her passion.

"When I started this 16 years ago it was on a small scale and I worked out of my home. This year we have a new, 2005 motor coach and we're adding Estonia, Finland, Poland and Russia to the other 28 countries where we have traveled," Bilbrey said recently, after a tour show in Dora Robert Community Center.

Bilbrey became a tour guide and owner of Bilbrey Tours through her association with the Retired Senior Volunteer Program in Abilene.

"They knew I had done this before, and when one of their tours was canceled, they called to ask me if I could do it," she said.

That opportunity has grown into a vocation, and today Bilbrey employs nine others who work to make the dream vacation trip for hundreds of people a reality each year.

"I choose the locations carefully and we always stay in nice places. We're friends and family with our travelers, and three-quarters of our bookings are repeat travelers," she said.

Bilbrey works closely with RSVP director Nancy Jones to bring the best opportunity to Howard County residents. And Jones appreciates the time and care local travelers receive.

"A portion of our funding comes from Bilbrey Tours, and she goes out of her way to make our people feel welcome and to see that everyone has a good time," Jones said.

Bilbrey spends at least one-third of each year traveling, and the rest of the year is spent securing contracts for the next set of tours. Her office manager, Valarie Dean, oversees the daily operations of the company, based in Abilene.

For Helen Worthan and Betty Cain, both of Big Spring, Bilbrey Tours offers a convenience as well as an opportunity for companionship.

"We make lifelong friends on these trips, and this is definitely the way to go if you're alone. This the only way my son and I could travel together," Cain said.

Not handling luggage, as well as the convenience of having sight seeing trips and meals planned are just some of the attractions to traveling with Bilbrey, the women said.

And Worthan added that the hours spend together on the tour bus are other opportunities for fun.

"We play bingo on the bus and Trivia. We travel about one and half hours before stopping to take a break, and we bring snacks to share," Worthan said. She and Cain have taken between 10 and 15 trips with Bilbrey.

To learn more information about the tour schedule or to make a reservation, contact Jones at 264-2397.

Marsha Sturdivant is the features editor for the Big Spring Herald. Contact her at 263-7331 or e-mail life@bigspringherald.com.

#### Spring Mystery Tour

April 5-8

#### Fall Mystery Tour

Sept. 21-24

Four days - three nights

\$575 per person (two people per room)

\$699 per person (one person per room)

Mystery Tours, popular with travelers, are trips that go to a different, undisclosed location each time.

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#### Westward Ho!

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Sept. 6-18

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- Golden Gate Bridge
- Napa Valley Winery Tour
- Salt Lake City
- Mormon Tabernacle Choir Rehearsal
- Great Salt Lake
- Lake Tahoe Cruise
- Yosemite National Park
- Monterey Peninsula
- Solvang (Danish Community)
- Ronald Reagan Presidential Library
- Gen. George Patton Museum
- Trail Dust Town
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Fall foliage in dramatic color may be seen during the Colors of the Northeast Niagra Falls Foliage Tour with Bilbrey Tours.

#### Springtime in the Carolinas

April 19-19

(11 days - 10 nights)

Departing Abilene, Big Spring and San Angelo

- Charleston Carriage Tour
- Charleston Harbor Cruise
- Historic Savannah Tour
- Magnolia Plantation and Gardens
- Beaufort
- Parris Island Marine Museum
- Jekyll Island
- Callaway Gardens
- Little White House (FDR)
- Biltmore Mansion
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#### RiverBarge Cruise Ohio River

Aug. 16-24

Nine days, eight nights

- Round-trip to DFW
- Cincinnati, Ohio
- Marietta, Ohio
- Sistersville, W.V.
- Wheeling, W.V.
- Portsmouth, Ohio
- Ohio River Museum
- Fenton Art Glass Factory Museum
- Oglebay Mansion
- Moundsville State Prison
- \$2,399 - \$3,259 per person depending on stateroom selected and number of occupants.

#### Palo Duro Canyon

July 7-8

Two days, one night

- Texas Legacies Musical, "The Adventure of a Lifetime"
- Barbecue dinner served buffet style
- Panhandle Plains Museum
- Chuckwagon breakfast in the canyon
- \$249 per person (two people per room)
- \$289 per person (one person per room)

#### Yellowstone/Mount Rushmore, Wyoming and South Dakota

July 14-25

12 days, 11 nights

- Rapid City
- Cody
- Jackson Hole
- Yellowstone National Park
- Old Faithful
- The Grand Tetons
- Mount Rushmore
- Crazy Horse Memorial
- Badlands National Park
- Buffalo Bill Historical Center
- Wall Drug
- Black Hills
- Big Horn Mountains
- Denver Museum of National History
- \$1,699 per person (two people per room)
- \$2,289 per person (one person per room)

# Anniversary

## Webbs celebrate 50 years of marriage

John and Melba Webb of Stanton celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Jan. 2, 2005, with a reception hosted by their children and grandchildren in the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Debbie and Johnny Moore.

Following the reception, they went to dinner with their children and grandchildren.

John was born in Flowergrove and graduated from Flowergrove High School in 1952. The former Melba West was born in Ackerly and graduated from Ackerly High School in 1954.

They were set up on a blind date by John's cousin who was also Melba's classmate. Their first date was at the Jet Drive-In in Big Spring.

They were married Dec. 27, 1954, in the First Baptist Church in Ackerly. Their attendants were Nelda Tarbet, Melba's best friend and Wayne Webb, John's brother.

The couple has two children, Steve Webb and his wife, Sherion of Midland and Debbie Moore and husband, Johnny of Big Spring.

They have five grandchildren, Stephanie Clark and husband, Chris of Odessa, Le Ann Webb of Midland, Shelly Webb of Midland, Laura Moore of San Angelo and Jonathan Moore of Big Spring. They have one great-granddaughter, Madelyn Christine Clark of Odessa.

The couple has lived in Flowergrove, Lamesa, Midland, Big Spring and Stanton during their marriage. John is a retired parts manager for the John Deere Co. He retired in 1989 after 30 years in the trac-



Mr. and Mrs. John and Melba Webb and in 1954.



tor business. Melba is a full time wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

They are affiliated with First Baptist Church in Stanton. Melba is a member of the E.E. Club of Martin County, where she has served as president and vice-president. John is a member of the Martin County Chamber of Commerce, where he has served as president. He is also a 10-year member of the Stanton Trade Days Committee.

Their comments on their 50 years of marriage, "It hasn't seemed that long; especially the last 25 years have gone by fast."

## Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Guerrero

## Hutchison, Guerrero exchange vows

Brandi Michelle Hutchison of Big Spring and Leonard Guerrero of Amarillo exchanged wedding vows Dec. 30, 2004, at 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Coahoma with the Rev. Elwin Collom presiding.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Evans of Big Spring and Mr. and Mrs. Terry Hutchison of Dilley. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Stroud of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Nunn of Springtown, Mr. and Mrs. Don Evans of Big Spring and Mr. and Mrs. J.V. Hutchison of Dilley.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Keese of Georgetown and Leonard Guerrero Sr.

of Amarillo. The bride was given in marriage by her parents, Randy and Karri Evans and Terry and Shanda Hutchison.

She chose a satin, A-line gown with metallic beaded embroidery and a low, split back adorned with three rosettes. She carried an elongated cluster of deep red roses.

The vocalists/instrumentalists were Susan Yeater and Arlene White.

The bride's sisters, Kristi and Kassi Hutchison served as maids of honor.

Macey and Rylee Evans served as flower girls.

The best man was Jimmy Woodring and groomsmen was Jason Rodriguez.

## Partosa, Stevens marry

Two hearts... two minds... two souls... were joined together for eternity at 3 p.m. Saturday, July 24, 2004, when Rowena Elna Partosa and Gary Don Stevens were married in St. Aloysius Catholic Church in Kitchener, Ontario, Canada.

The bride is the daughter of George and Dolores Partosa of Manila, Philippines. She has lived in Toronto more than 10 years, after several years in Athens and is a nurse.

The groom is the son of Howard and Karen Stevens of Big Spring. After earning a master's degree in inorganic chemistry from Texas Tech University in 1984, Gary spent more than 13 years at Texas Instruments in Dallas as a product engineer and then a research scientist. He is now chief technology officer for Spheral Solar Power Inc. in Cambridge and holds

seven U.S. and multiple international patents.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore an ivory, satin, Victorian-style gown with a beaded bodice and full train. The gown was complemented with a tiara and ivory veil and the bride's bouquet was mixed colors of roses. The bridesmaids wore midnight blue gowns and the groomsmen wore black tuxedos with silver vests.

The traditional Catholic Mass included the Philippine tradition of the cord and veil ceremony. Cord sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. Henry and Donna Partosa and veil sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. Vince and Olivia Cocuzzoli.

Scripture readers were Mrs. Helen San Diego, Mrs. Karen Stevens and Mr. Vince Cocuzzoli.

Flower girls were Victoria Partosa and Rianna Respicio and the



Mr. and Mrs. Gary Don Stevens

ring bearer was Shawna San Diego.

A reception followed at Club Willowells in Waterloo, catered by Cafe au bon Choix.

The crisp, clear summer day was perfect for a service of cold and hot hors d'oeuvres on the patio overlooking the willow-framed lake. A buffet-style service was used for the hot dinner, as the reception was a cocktail-style event.

After enjoying four different types of gourmet

cakes, the guests danced the rest of the night in celebration of the event. The evening closed with a service of petits fours, much to the delight of the guests.

The couple honeymooned in Paris in June and then in Costa Rica in August.

They will reside in Kitchener during the start-up of the first solar factory, but likely will bid Canada farewell in a few years as the technology spreads to other regions.

## Births



Jay Micheal Morales

Jay Micheal Morales, a boy, was born Jan. 12, 2005, at 2:47 p.m. weighing 6 pounds, 12 ounces and was 20 inches long. His parents are Alicia and Joel Morales Jr.

His grandparents are Gloria and Ricardo Morales, Ruben and Henrietta Salinas and Joel and Elizabeth Morales.

He was welcomed home by Destani and Anthony Ledesma.

Ted Tony Diaz, a boy, was born Jan. 13, 2005, at 6:47 p.m. weighing 7 pounds, 14 ounces and was 21 inches long.

His parents are Brittany Escanuela and Ted Martinez.

His grandparents are Alex and Linda Franco, Alex Escanuela Jr., Abram and Barbara Zuniga and Tololo Diaz.

Kaitlyn Grace McCall, a girl, was born Jan. 24, 2005, at 10:22 p.m. weighing 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. Her parents are Eric and Sara McCall.

Her grandparents are Larry Quillen of Big Spring and Veronica Long of Lamar, Mo.

She was welcome home by Gaven, Summer and Caden Quillen.

Mateo Guadalupe Villa, a boy, was born Jan. 13,

2005, at 10:43 a.m. weighing 8 pounds, 6 ounces and was 21 inches long. His parents are Manuel and Jessica Villa.

His grandparents are Martin and Linda Ortiz and Manuel and Guadalupe Villa.

He was welcome home by Manuel Villa III and Mirella Alexis Villa.

Kenan Michael Kimberly, a boy, was born Dec. 30, 2004, at 8:12 p.m. weighing 7 pounds, 2 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long.

His parents are John and Gina Kimberly. His grandparents are Ken



Kenan Michael Kimberly

and Mary Ann Ficke and David and Dorothy Kimberly.

## Newcomers

• Jerry Shrum, wife, Darla and son, Homer, formerly of Midland. He is employed by O'Reilly Auto Parts.

• Thomas Cartwright and wife, Linda, formerly of Snyder. He is retired from the oil field.

• Angela Dorland, formerly of Olmsted, Ill. She is employed by Life Church.

• William Bibb and wife, Diana, formerly of Bloomfield, Iowa. He is a

retired veteran.

• Yuanita S. Garcia and daughter, Patti Acuna, formerly of Mesa, Ariz. She does housekeeping work.

• Gary Bryant and wife, Janet, formerly of Lubbock. He is self employed at Bryant's Septic Tank Service.

• Ken Hill, formerly of Colorado City. He is employed by Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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## Lindsay Shay Wilks, W

Lindsay Shay Brandon Phil Woods, both Spring, will wedding vows March 19, Hillcrest Baptist

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Tisha Shaw

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The bride is daughter of Nancy Ful Nadine and Doy Long, Spring.

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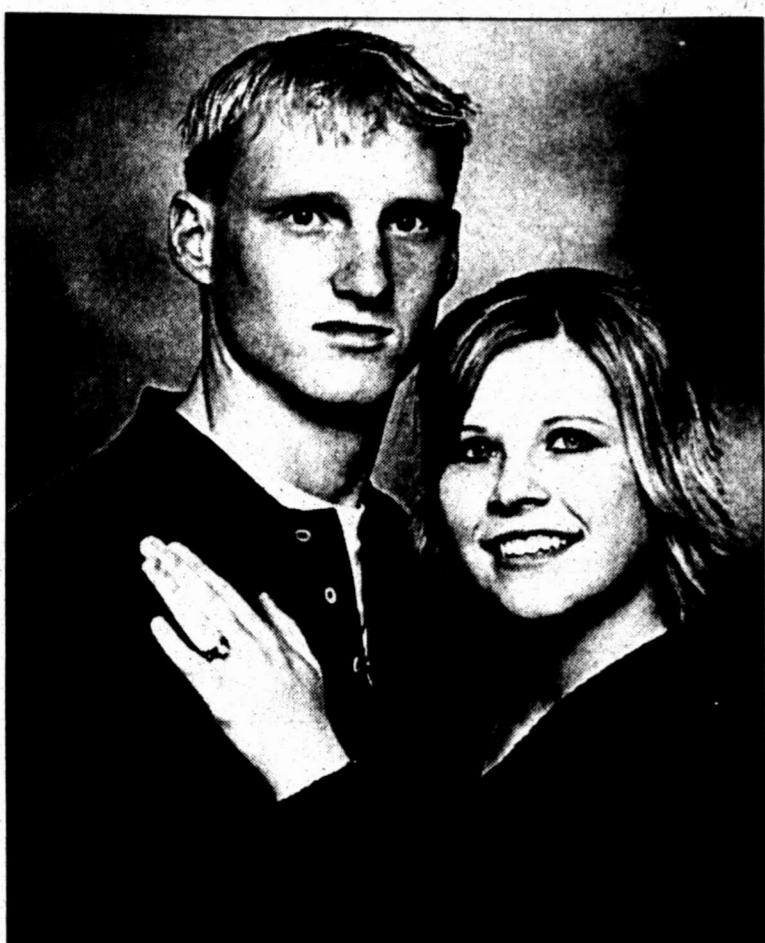
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# Engagement

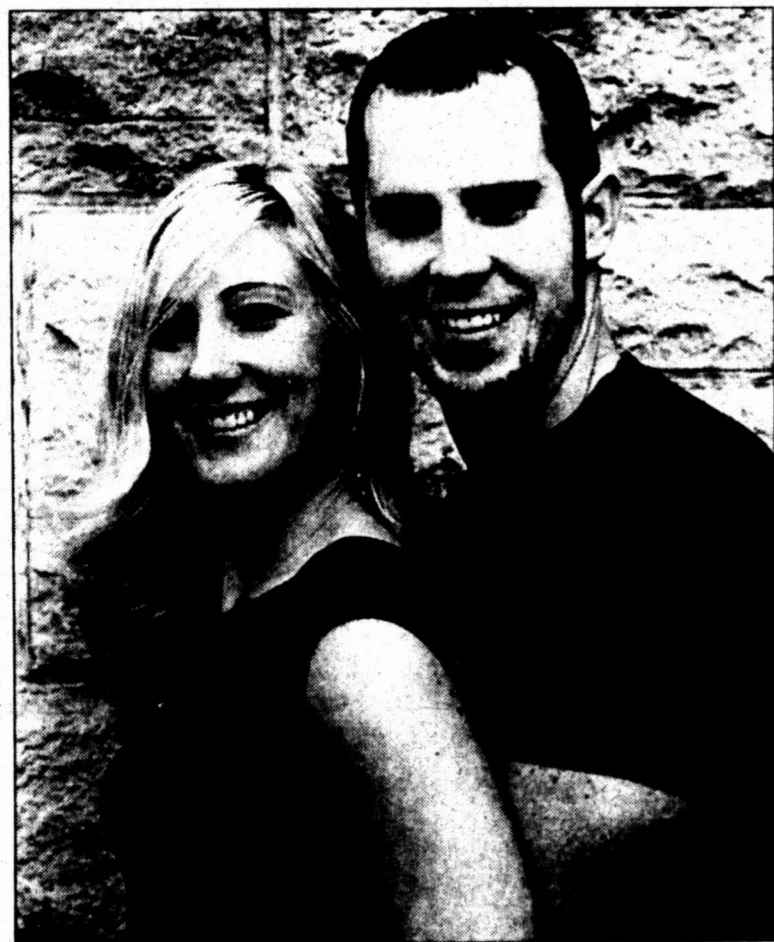


Lindsay Shay Wilks and Brandon Phillip Neal Woods

## Wilks, Woods to wed

Lindsay Shay Wilks and Brandon Phillip Neal Woods, both of Big Spring, will exchange wedding vows at 5 p.m. March 19, 2005, in Hillcrest Baptist Church. She is the daughter of Jackie and Tammy Wilks of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Waland and Nell Powell of Big Spring and Charlie and Brenda Wilks of Brownfield. She is the great-granddaughter of Ila Mae and Grover McKnight of Big Spring. A graduate of Forsan High School, she received

a degree in cosmetology from Howard College and is employed at Smart Styles in Wal-Mart. The groom-elect is the son of Phil and Karen Woods of Ackerly and the grandson of Joy and Sam Holcomb of Waco and Bonnie McKelvie of Ackerly. He is the great-grandson of Mildred Douglas. A graduate of Sands High School, he is currently attending Howard College, seeking a degree in business. He is employed at Elrod's Furniture.



Tisha Shawnta Fulgham and Jeffery Allan York

## Fulgham, York engaged

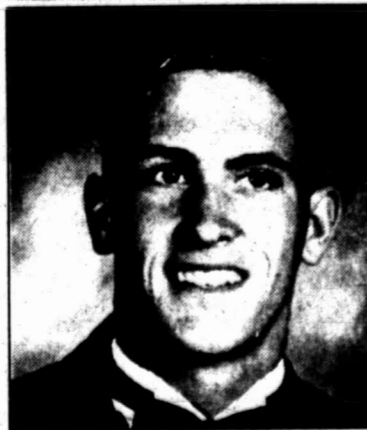
Tisha Shawnta Fulgham and Jeffery Allan York, both of Ponca City, Okla., will exchange wedding vows at 5 p.m. April 23, 2005, in Baden Square in Winfield, Kan. The bride is the daughter of Kenneth and Jarry Fulgham and the granddaughter of Roe K. and Nancy Fulgham and Nadine and the late Len Doy Long, all of Big Spring. She is an emergency medical technician with an associate's degree in

science from Howard College. She is employed by Ponca City Independent School District. The groom is the son of Rick and Kathy York of Arkansas City, Kan. He is the grandson of John and Doris York of Arkansas City, Kan., and Vincent L. and the late Eva Downs of Jacksonville, Fla. He has an associate's degree in art and applied science in non-destructive testing and is employed by FTS Inspection.

### Who's Who

#### Lance Brock

Lance Brock graduated with honors from Texas Tech University Dec. 18, 2004. He majored in psychology with a minor in biology. He has applied to the Texas Tech Physicians Assistant School in Midland to further his education. His parents are Rondel and Sherry Brock of Big Spring.



Lance Brock



Jacob Ahman Lemus and Kristin Adele Lysaght

## Lysaght, Lemus engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry A. Lysaght Jr. of Newberry, S.C., announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristin Adele Lysaght of Charleston, S.C., formerly of Big Spring and Jacob Ahman Lemus of Charleston, S.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Lemus Garcia of Newberry, S.C. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Jeremiah and Adele Lysaght of Charleston and the late Agnar and Kristin Juliusson of Iceland. She earned a bachelor of science degree in comput-

er science from the College of Charleston and is a junior software engineer at RCI, Charleston, S.C. The groom-elect is the grandson of Maria Luisa Chavez of Newberry and the late Paulino Chavez of Mexico and the late Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Lemus Marroquin of Mexico. He is attending Trident College in Charleston, S.C. and is a survey technician at Trico Engineering of Charleston, S.C. The wedding is planned for July 2005 in Newberry.



Amanda Schrader and Tanner Griffin

## Schrader, Griffin to wed

Amanda Schrader of The Woodlands and Tanner Griffin of Irving will exchange wedding vows at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 25, 2005, at the No. 1 tee box on the Tapatio Springs Golf Course. She is the daughter of Gordon and Jayne Schrader of The Woodlands and the granddaughter of Georgie Russie of Houston. He is the son of Donna Griffin and the late Teddy Griffin, formerly of Big Spring now residing in

Irving and the grandson of C.G. and Norma Griffin of Big Spring and Beaty and Wylene Howard of Lubbock. Both are 2004 graduates of Texas State University. Amanda received a bachelor of business degree in marketing. She is employed as an event marketer for Eventa in Dallas. Tanner received a bachelor of business degree with a major in finance. He is employed as an accountant with Centex in Dallas.

### Who's Who



Kristen Newton

#### Kristen Newton

Kristen Newton, daughter of Lonnie and Diana Newton and granddaughter of Chloe Newton, graduated from Texas A&M with a degree in finance. She graduated cum laude with 3.5 grade average. Newton is a 2002 graduate of Forsan High School is employed by Wal-Mart in Carrollton as an internal auditor.



Cole Furqueron

#### Cole Furqueron

An Eagle Court of Honor by Boy Scout Troop 5 Dec. 4, 2004, for Cole Furqueron who completed the requirements for his Eagle Scout rank in April 2004. In conjunction with the ceremony, Mayor Russ McEwen read a proclamation making Dec. 4, 2004, Eagle Scout Cole Furqueron Day in Big Spring. A United States flag was flown over the Texas State Capital on the day of the ceremony and it will be sent to Furqueron in honor of the occasion. Furqueron began scouting in the first grade by participating in Pack 305 as a Tiger Cub and Cub Scout. He currently

serves troop 5 as an assistant scout master and works with the Webelos in Pack 305. He is a graduate of Big Spring High School and currently attends Howard College. He is the son of Phil and Cherry Furqueron and the grandson of Clay and Beth Ingram of Big

Spring and John and Charlotte Furqueron of Arkadelphia, Ark. Wesley Hudgins Hardin-Simmons University announces that Big Spring resident Wesley Hudgins was among approximately 215

students who received degrees during commencement exercises Dec. 11, 2004. He received a bachelor of behavioral science degree in corrections with a minor in psychology. He completed his course requirements in August.



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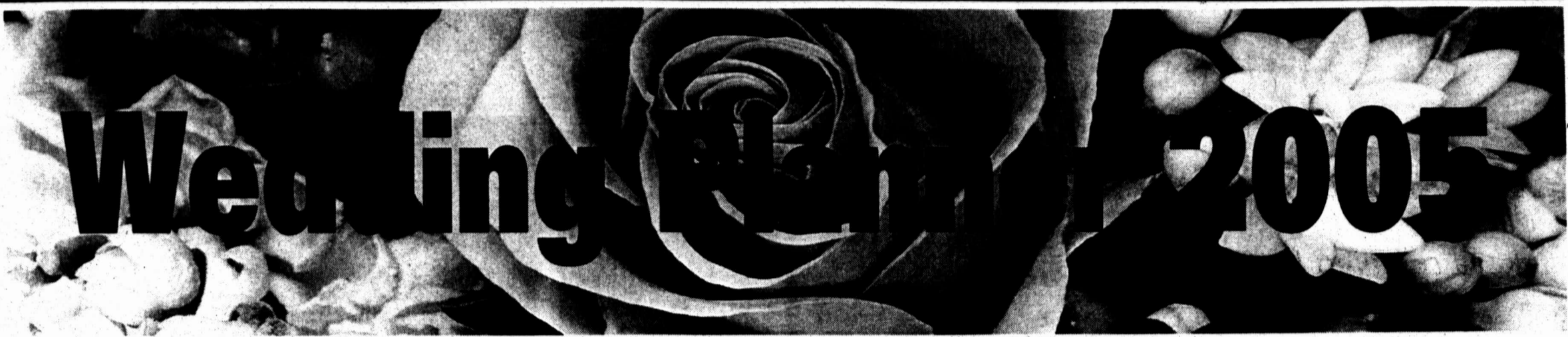


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## Banish wedding blues with these creative gift ideas

With most weddings, gifts are a guarantee. But even dozens of surprise packages can cause stress when it comes time to remember who gave what. And waiting in line to return duplicates (another fruit bowl?) is not the way a bride wants to spend her first few weeks of wedded bliss.

Gift registries have all but solved those problems and made wedding gifts easy for the couple and their friends and family. Two local businesses that offer gift registries are Suggs Hallmark in Big Spring Mall and Gaze Crystal Kitchen, in the back of Harris Lumber & Hardware.

Dora Hernandez, manager of Suggs, said the process begins when a couple comes in the store to pick out items they'd like to have as gifts.

"There's always china, home décor, flatware, crystal," she said, "those are the main items they select." Following closely behind, nowadays, are

kitchen items, bath and kitchen towels, cookbooks and lamps. Even wind chimes, candles, baskets and quilts are becoming popular choices.

At Suggs, staff will set up a table that would-be gift-givers can shop from. Once the gift purchase is made, the store will enclose a card to help the bride keep track of who gave what.

Stephanie Hopper of Gaze Crystal Kitchen said the store has quite a few options even the groom will love. Gaze gives wedding registry clients the run of its inventory as well as the hardware store up front.

"Of course china and flatware are the main things," Hopper said. But the guys can pick out water hoses, cordless drills, any of the hardware for their home." Music to the groom's ears, no doubt.

While the bridal couples often choose pewter serving pieces, small appliances and kitchen gadgets, a few of Hopper's customers have been

known to add a washing machine or stove to their registry.

Family members might want to go in together to make a large purchase that will make a newlywed couple's life easier.

Hopper keeps the registry lists in the computer. The buyer gets a list and can choose what they want to purchase. Gifts are then delivered directly to the shower.

"I also type up a list with items purchased," Hopper said. "And I'll take that to the shower." Gaze keeps records for months, even years, afterward in case the family wants to add to a couple's china or flatware.

If you are planning the big day, and want to register, wedding planners usually suggest picking out your selections up to six months before the shower or wedding.

But businesses in Big Spring are flexible, and will put together a registry for you

whether it's a few months, or even a few weeks away. Just call the business or stop by for details.

### Ahhh, alternatives



If a conventional bridal gift just won't do, consider the alternatives - especially one that would make the bride's pre-wedding stress melt away.

Gloria Rodriguez, manager of Uptown Salon and Day Spa, said the business specializes in making people feel great, something every bride needs as the final weeks wind down.

"Why not give the bride a complete makeover, head to toe," Rodriguez said. "Give her the gift of relaxation with a massage, a pedicure and a facial."

The salon can work

up a gift package to fit your budget, including just one or two pampering gifts, or the whole package, Rodriguez said.

They even have limousine service and flowers available. What groom or father of the bride wouldn't want to make her feel that special just in time for her wedding day?

Of course brides give gifts, too. Since nobody has sacrificed more for their friend than her bridesmaids (remember that ugly dress!), Uptown can plan a party for the whole group together as a bride's gift to her girlfriends.

"This is something really fun for everybody," said Rodriguez. "We can close the salon and they have the whole place. They can have the massages, pedicures, makeovers, have their hair done."

And once again, it doesn't have to be the works. A bride on a budget might want to book the whole party in for pedicures, just to spend some relaxing "girl time" together.

As with any salon, Uptown would prefer a couple of weeks' notice to arrange something special. But they are flexible. Call Rodriguez at 267-1544 for more information.

(This article was contributed by Debbie Jensen, former Herald Staff Writer)

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## Spending less takes discipline

Make a detailed list of expenses and rank what's most important

By PAMELA YIP

The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — It isn't that consumers dismiss the need to downsize. They know they have to do it.

Forty percent of consumers surveyed by Yahoo Finance cited personal spending as the primary reason they didn't keep past financial resolutions.

"It's incredibly difficult to reduce the cash outflow for your style of living," says Michael David Schulman, a certified public accountant and personal financial specialist with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. "It's a consumptive-oriented society. It's not a saver-oriented society."

But it is possible to cut back. The first step is figuring out what made you overspend in the first place.

"There are many different labels, reasons why people buy stuff they can't afford, go where they can't afford, pick up tabs they can't afford," says Lynn Lawrance, a certified financial planner at Financial Network Investment Corp. in Dallas.

Some reasons include:

- To raise self-esteem.
- To be accepted by others.

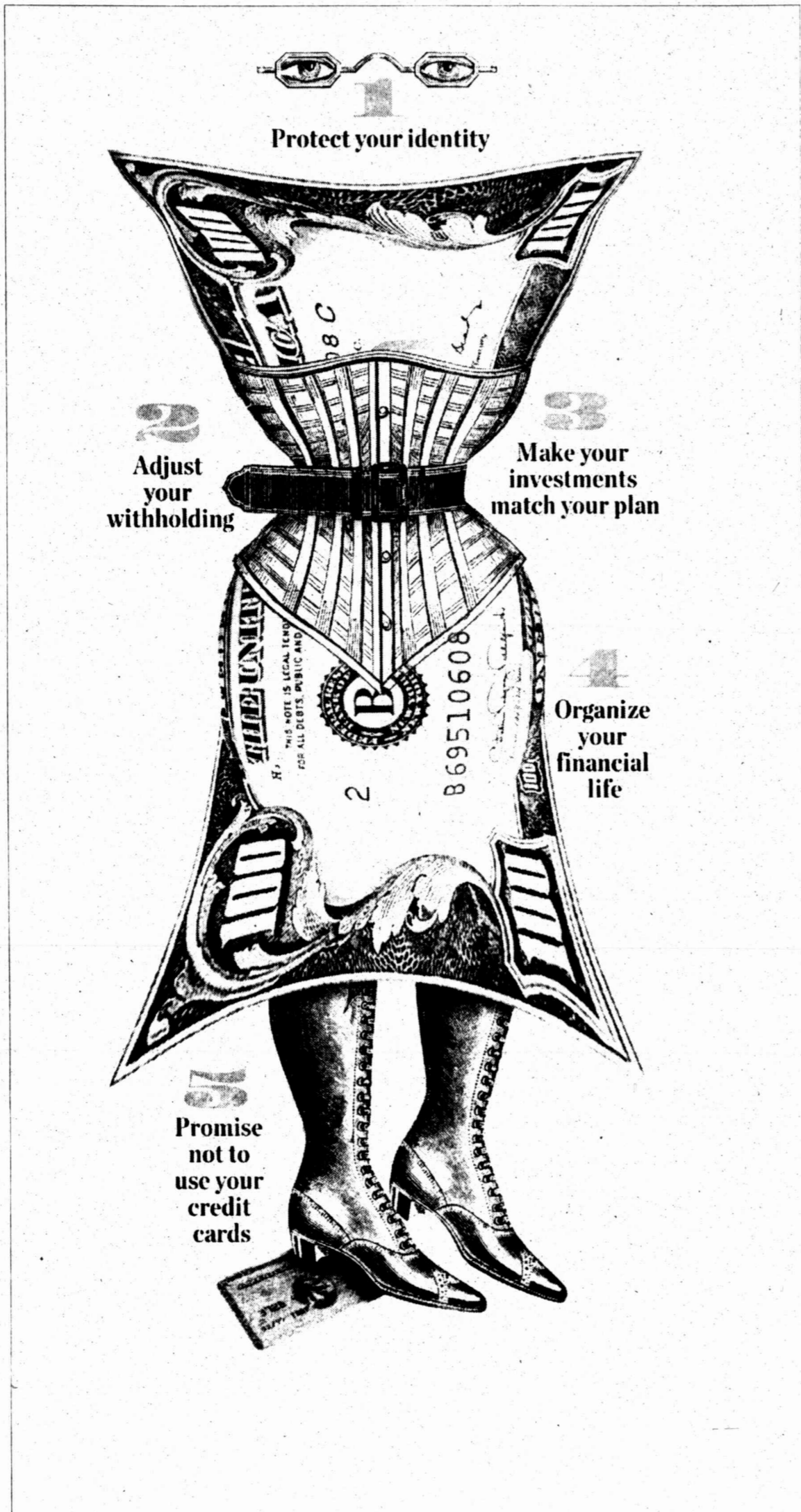
- To reduce guilt.
- To fulfill some other emotional need.

Some people may need professional counseling to deal with these issues.

The next step is to understand what emotions you'll go through if you do downsize and decide that you can deal with those feelings.

"Many times the biggest line item that needs to be downsized is a house, and this is a very painful, expensive and time-consuming thing to downsize," says Bryan Clintsman, a certified financial planner and head of Clintsman Financial Planning in Southlake.

"Downsizing is viewed to others around you as a step backward. Many peo-



ple feel that if they downsize, they may not make it back to that wealth level again."

But downsizing is not a negative if it puts you on a firm financial footing, keeps you out of bank-

ruptcy and reduces your stress level.

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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Contactor awareness program Thursday

The Pipeline Group's annual "Public Education — Contractor Awareness Program" will be held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the Howard County Fair Barn off FM 700.

The program will be sponsored by a group of companies with a common goal of preventing accidents and damages to underground pipelines and utilities.

A free dinner will be catered by KD's Bar-B-Q for everyone involved in excavation related activities in Borden, Glasscock, Howard, Mitchell, Scurry and Sterling counties. Following the dinner, a brief safety program will be presented which stresses the importance of accident prevention by identifying pipeline and utility rights of way, use of one-call systems, and the importance of working with pipeline and utility companies to safely excavate in the vicinity of underground facilities.

The Texas law requiring notification to a one-call system before excavating will be discussed. Sponsors will provide promotional materials, including notification information for their companies, safety related brochures and other safety reminders.

For more information, call (800) 982-8752 or visit the Web site at [www.pipelinegroup.com](http://www.pipelinegroup.com).

### Southern Mesa Ag Conference set Thursday

The Southern Mesa Agricultural Conference is scheduled Thursday in Lamesa and will feature information pertinent for the area's producers.

The conference will be held in the Dawson County Annex Building and will begin at 8 a.m. Registration includes a notepad, pen, pocket knife, technical sessions, door prize tickets, lunch, refreshments, educational materials and access to tickets. The fee is \$25.

The program will feature information on the overview of cotton production, bio-tech varieties, water management on the South Plains, weed management and strategies in cotton, pink bollworm overview, the South Plains peanut outlook, commodity and livestock outlook, water quality problems and solutions and control of salt cedar, mesquite and brush. Other topics include grazing wheat for profit-diversification of small grain production with livestock and laws and regulations.

Top quality speakers from across the state will make presentations.

Five continuing education units will be provided.

Producers who wish to pre-register should mail their check to the Texas Cooperative Extension, P.O. Box 1268, Lamesa, 79331.

### Wind energy coalition meeting slated Friday

SWEETWATER — The inaugural meeting of the West Texas Wind Energy Consortium and the Rolling Plains Wind Energy Coalition will be held at noon Friday at the Center on the campus of Texas State Technical College-West Texas. First National Bank of Sweetwater will host the luncheon.

The coalition meetings are open to landowners, utilities, wind energy developers, cities, counties, chambers of commerce, school districts and other businesses that participate in the wind energy industry now or intend to in the future.

In addition to the Rolling Plains coalition, the West Texas Wind Energy Consortium will also develop locally based efforts in the Permian Basin, Texas Panhandle, and Texas Mountains regions. Together, the combined resources will provide West Texas with a stronger voice in Austin and Washington as policy decisions are made that can further benefit West Texas.

For further information, call 325-236-9499. To get to TSTC-West Texas, take Exit 241 off Interstate 20, four miles west of Sweetwater.

## Department of transportation Safety Awards presented during banquet

Special to the Herald

The Texas Department of Transportation's Abilene district held its annual Safety Awards Banquet recently at the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene. This banquet is held annually to recognize the district employees' outstanding efforts in the

operation of TxDOT vehicles and equipment and for having no work related injuries.

Nine Howard County maintenance section employees were recognized for combined totals of 102 years as safe operators and 73 years of no injury. Ten Big Spring area office personnel were honored for combined totals of 96 years

as safe operators and 83 years of no injury.

Members of the Howard County maintenance section receiving awards were Jimmy Clanton; Greg Cotton; Larry Dagestad; Donald Froman; James Gilbert Jr., maintenance section assistant; Jesse Gonzales; Claudie Horn;

Roberto Rios; and Dale Sneed.

Employees of the Big Spring area office who took home honors were Ron Boley; Roy Dill. Big Spring area engineer; Matt Evans; Brian Klinskiak; Kyle Lacy; Mike Lee; Jimmy Marquez; Daniel Martin; Greg McAdams; and Dewayne Sherman.



TxDOT photo/Mary Beth Kilgore

Ten Big Spring area office employees were honored for their outstanding safety efforts recently. Texas Department of Transportation employees receiving awards were, from left, Ron Boley, Danny Martin, Kyle Lacey and Greg McAdams. Not pictured are Roy Dill, area engineer, and Matt Evans, Brian Klinskiak, Mike Lee, Jimmy Marquez and Dewayne Sherman.



TxDOT photo/Mary Beth Kilgore

Nine Howard County maintenance section employees for the Texas Department of Transportation who recently received safety awards include, from left, back row, Claudie Horn, James Gilbert, maintenance section assistant, Donald Froman, Jesse Gonzales and Roberto Rios, and front row, Jimmy Clanton, Larry Dagestad, Greg Cotton and Dale Sneed.

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Hot Checks/Warrants issued:

Javier Alcantar, 1513 Scurry Street, Big Spring  
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Roseann Arcidez, 325 Tanglewood, Midland  
Colt Arnold, 4505 Cloudcroft, Midland  
Lorie Avina, 603 Steakley, Big Spring  
Sandra Gay Bair, 1204 Pennsylvania, Big Spring  
Tamara Deanne Allen, 908 E. 13th Street, Big Spring  
Kerrie Lea Bhuiyan, 538 Westover Road Apt. 257, Big Spring  
Stephanie Breckenridge, 1700 Donley, Big Spring  
Chad Wayne Brown, 3901 Ave. O, Snyder  
Douglas Lee Brown, 205 W. 14th Street, Monahans  
Maria Campos, 751 Agua Pesada, El Paso  
Wayne V. Carpenter, 3766 Patriot Drive No. 10, Abilene  
Stormi Dale Chandler, 309 N. Bryan/217 N. Bryan, Garden City  
Mart R. Clem, 10911 Wood Meadow, Dallas  
Andrea Coxey, PO Box 1042, Sterling City  
Anna Martina Cruz, 2516 Chanute, Big Spring  
James Ditto, 501 W. 17th Street Box 11, Big Spring  
Johnnie Lou Dry, RR 11 Box 156, Longview  
Kathi Duke, 337 Greeson Street, Summerville, Ga.  
Shannon Fonda, 910 N. Runnels or PO Box 715, Coahoma  
Kenneth Galindo, 6830 El Paso Drive, El Paso  
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Tracy Martin, 3198 Fruitland Farm Ct., San Angelo  
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Esiqueio Moreno, 508 SE First Street, Andrews  
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Evelyn Rodriguez, PO Box 2942 or 5402 Lancaster, Odessa  
Veronica Rodriguez, 2609 Wasson Road Apt. 9, Big Spring  
Jennifer A. Roth, 2630 Dow, Big Spring  
Debra Ruth, 1311 Mobile Street, Big Spring  
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Allen Stanford, 774 E. 8th Street, Colorado City  
Karen Stearns, 613 Glenn Apt. 133, San Angelo  
Stephanie B. Street, 2611 Ryan Pl. Dr., Fort Worth  
Tonya Conner Taylor, 406 Coliad, Big Spring  
Tracy J. Thompson, 8406 S. Service Road, Big Spring  
Terri Lynn Ward Trevathan, 1003-2 County Road 402, Seminole  
Jacob Unger, County Road 402, Seminole  
Myron Dewayne Westmorland, 2615 Westmorland, Big Spring  
Georgina Williams, 907 Westmorland, Big Spring  
Hastings Jr., 3303 91st Street, Lubbock  
David Yanez, 2507 Gunter, Big Spring  
Anthony Yates, 1807 1/2 Johnson, Big Spring

James Dean Zeigenbein, 9413 University, Odessa  
Shuang Cheng Zhang, 1201 Gregg Street, Big Spring

**County Court Decisions:**  
Judgment and Sentence: Courtney Felicia Ausbie, theft - more than \$50 less than \$500, \$250 fine, \$261 court costs, 60 days in jail.  
Probated Judgment: Ronald Gene Henrichs, driving while license suspended, \$250 fine, \$261 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

**Marriage Licenses:**  
Simon Martin Sanchez, 41, and Maria Magdalena Enriquez, 35, both of Big Spring.  
Jimmy Lee Faz, 21, and Amy Nicole Fierro, 22, both of Big Spring.  
John Carroll Rutherford, 18, and Christy Michelle Reyes, 26, both of Big Spring.  
Andrew Bob Caraway, 40, and Nancy Guitierrez Vasquez, 32, both of Big Spring.  
Joe O. Martinez, 43, and Yvette Guevara, 30, both of Big Spring.  
Zachary Paul Smith, 20, and Lauren Racine Larch, 17, both of Big Spring.

**District Filings:**  
Leah Lynn Franks vs. Kenneth Neal Franks, divorce.  
Cindy Yater vs. John Yater, divorce.  
Amy Alexander Zant vs. Guy Will Zant, divorce.  
Blain Rex Callison vs. Rachel Deporto, divorce.  
Citibank (South Dakota) vs. Victor J. Richter, accounts, notes and contracts.

**Warranty deeds:**  
Grantor: Ofelia Rodriguez and Eduardo Aquino  
Grantee: Jean Thomason and Frances S. Brown  
Property: Lot 24, Block 6,

Highland South Addition No. 3  
Date Filed: Jan. 7, 2005  
Grantor: Flynn V. Long Jr.  
Grantee: Donald L. Kaufman and Unice M. Kaufman  
Property: Lot 9, Block 7, College Park Estates  
Date Filed: Jan. 7, 2005  
Grantor: Anne Looney  
Grantee: Jose Luis Olivo and Bertha Olivo  
Property: Lot 6, Block 9, College Park Estates  
Date Filed: Jan. 10, 2005  
Grantor: Bryce Peters Financial Corp.  
Grantee: Craig Olson  
Property: Lots 3 and 4, Block 10, Fairview Heights Addition  
Date Filed: Jan. 10, 2005  
Grantor: Betty Ray Coffee  
Grantee: Jimmy Honea and Ruby Honea  
Property: Lot 1, Block 1, Rock Division  
Date Filed: Jan. 11, 2005  
Grantor: Island Mortgage Inc.  
Grantee: Joe G. Fowler and Cynthia D. Fowler  
Property: The E/2 of Lots 6 and 7 and other considerations, Block 20, Saunders Addition  
Date Filed: Jan. 12, 2005  
Grantor: Jimmy Stallings, Louis Stallings and Evelyn Adkins  
Grantee: Stallings and Adkins Farms Inc.  
Property: Several properties in Blocks 34, 35 and 37, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date Filed: Jan. 14, 2005  
Grantor: Louis Stallings  
Grantee: Stallings and Adkins Farms Inc.  
Property: The S/2 of the SW/4 of Section 31, Block 34, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date Filed: Jan. 14, 2005

Grantor: Dorothy Duane Jones  
Grantee: Virgil Ray Tapp and Alma Rae Tapp  
Property: A 72 acre tract out of Section 41, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date Filed: Jan. 14, 2005  
Grantor: David Parrish  
Grantee: Jimmie Parrish  
Property: Half interest in Lot 8, Block 4, Mittel Acres Addition  
Date Filed: Jan. 14, 2005  
Grantor: Mary Lou Hall  
Grantee: Frank W. James and Marilyn A. James  
Property: Lots 10, 11 and 12, Block C, Forrest Addition  
Date Filed: Jan. 14, 2005  
**Warranty deeds with vendors lein:**  
Grantor: Mike Parker and Brenda Parker  
Grantee: Alexandre C. Betus and Mary E. Betus  
Property: The E/26 feet of Lot 12 and the W/49 feet of Lot 13, Block 1, Highland South Addition  
Date Filed: Jan. 7, 2005  
Grantor: Gary L. Matthews  
Grantee: Gary L. Gillihan  
Property: The N/100 feet of the E/200 feet of Block 1, Jones Valley Addition  
Date Filed: Jan. 10, 2005  
Grantor: James M. Grantom and Julia J. Grantom  
Grantee: Kevin Rodriguez and Amy Diaz  
Property: Lot 14, Block 6, Douglas Addition  
Date Filed: Jan. 11, 2005  
Grantor: Kathy Johnson  
Grantee: Rick Hamby and Debbie Hamby  
Property: The S/50 feet of Lot 2, Block 89, Original Town of Big Spring  
Date Filed: Jan. 12, 2005

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There are some surprises when it comes to how men and women view cutting back.

Women were more likely than men to say they could cut clothing expenses to save more money for retirement, according to a survey by Allstate Corp. Men were more likely than women to say they could reduce spending on cars.

Once you believe that you realistically can cut back, it's time to come up with a plan.

Where is it going?  
The first thing you need to do is to find out where your money goes.

"The first and most important thing they can do is to pull up the last six months of bank statements and write it down," Schulman says. "The only way you can control what you're spending is to see what you're spending it on."

Then put yourself on a spending plan.

"Immediately begin a 30-day detailed tracking of all outflow - everything from house payments to haircuts," Clintsman says.

"Rank all these expenses by category, in descending order. Now look at that list and ask yourself if the top of the list represents your highest priorities in life."

Then remove items from the list that make your total expenses exceed your take-home pay.

"As an alternative, if you are having trouble making the choice of what to cut from the list, then start with a blank piece of paper instead," Clintsman says.

"Add back items to your blank paper list, one by one from your expense list, that are your highest priorities. When your new list has reached the

same dollar amount as your take-home, you are done."

Don't forget to include categories for house or auto repairs and additional contributions to your emergency savings and charitable contributions, if your current contributions aren't equal to your priorities on that matter.

"Make sure your budget is realistic.

Don't make it so tight that you don't have room to enjoy life.

"I inform clients that as financial planners, our goal is not to put a family on a strict budget, but to illustrate how a disciplined spending strategy could help them reach financial independence sooner rather than later," says Chanc Woods, a certified financial planner at Allstate Financial Services in Dallas.

"No one wants to give up their Mercedes or Corvette for a lesser car, but once they see where the money's going, reality sets in."

He also recommends reviewing the automatic deductions that come out of your checking account.

For example, if you have a gym membership and you haven't set foot in the gym for three months, do you really need it?

"Identify and align your goals and priorities with your wallet," Lawrence says. "Put these expenditures on autopilot so they are taken care of first before your other bills. If left to the end of the month, your priorities will likely be hijacked by anything that comes along."

Even if you bring home good money, you can stand to cut back.

"Just because you have money doesn't mean you have to spend it," Lawrence says. "If you're barely making it now, what will you do when your paychecks stop forever?"

"If you say no to things

you don't really want, you may be able to say yes more frequently to things you really want."

Try to use cash only and use credit cards only for

true emergencies.

The pain of seeing real cash leave your hands will make you more vigilant about spending.

Finally, be patient with

yourself as you undergo this change. As Paul Richard, executive director of the Institute of Consumer Financial Education in San Diego,

puts it: "They didn't develop this overnight, and they shouldn't expect instant solutions."

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Title: Ultrasound Technologist - Full-Time  
Description: The Ultrasound Technologist shall be responsible for performing ultrasound examinations as required by staff physicians, under the direction of Radiologist.

**Qualifications:**  
**Education:** High School graduate or equivalent minimum. Current American Registry of Radiologic Technologist certification. Must be a Registered Diagnostic Medical Sonographer.  
**Experience:** Desirable characteristics include at least one year of experience in a hospital or medically related environment. Must be able to follow directions and to perform work according to department standards when no directions are given. Must be emotionally mature and able to function effectively under stress. Echo/Vascular experience preferred.  
**License/Certification:** Must have ARRT certification and registered DMS.

Title: Director Emergency Department - Full-Time  
Description: The Director shall be responsible for planning and management of the patient care services of the Emergency Department. To provide leadership in the practice of nursing, emphasizing quality patient care, education, and research. To assist in coordination between administration and patient care activities consistent with Big Bend Regional Medical Center and Community Health Systems' mission and goal statements.

**Qualifications:**  
**Education:** Graduate of an approved school of nursing. Bachelors Degree preferred or equivalent experience and/or appropriate certification.  
**Experience:** Desirable characteristics include at least two years of experience in a hospital and minimum of one year supervisory experience.  
**License:** Must possess a current TX Registered Nurse license. Current CPR and ACLS cards.

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Real Estate

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**1102 SYCAMORE.** One bedroom, one bath. No pets. Call (432)267-3841, 517-0642.

1400 Sycamore- 3/1 bath. Available January 15th. 407 1/2 East 8th- 1/1 bath. All have CH/A. Call (432)267-2296.

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**1111 SETTLES:** 3 Bedroom 2 bath. With appliances, has in-laws house in back. Fenced yard, CH/A, outdoor pets OK. \$650. mo. \$350. deposit. Call 915-252-8842.

**1410 HARDING Street.** 3 Bedroom, 1 bath, w/game room, carport, large fenced-in backyard. No inside pets. \$425. month, \$200. deposit. Call (432)267-6667.

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**1903 GREGG St.** for rent. Great office or retail space. \$375/month plus deposit. Call (432)213-2681.

**2604 ENT.** 3 Bedroom 2 bath, New paint/ carpet. References. \$400. month, \$250. deposit. HUD accepted. Call (432)267-7449.

**3/2 WITH garage.** Gourmet kitchen with built-ins. Forsan ISD, 2406 Cheyenne. \$650. month, \$400. deposit. Call (432)264-9907.

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**608 East 15th.** One bedroom, one bath, fenced yard. \$235. month, \$150. deposit. 1400 Mt. Vernon. 2 Bedroom, 1 bath. \$285. month. Call (432)263-1792, 816-9984.

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Real Estate for Rent

**CLEANEST** 1 Bedroom in town. \$300. Month, \$150. deposit. No pets. References required. Carport. Call (432)213-2319.

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During Months of December and January. Move in for \$199.00 or \$299.00.

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**RENT TO OWN** 4 bedroom, 2 bath, fenced yard. Washer & dryer hookups. 1508 Wood. \$1,500. down, \$289. month. Call (432)264-6611.

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**\$1,000 TOTAL** Move in Cost. On 1306 Marijo. New 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage home. Reasonably good credit required, lowered interest rates to Qualified Buyer. Call now (432)520-9848 Cameo Investments Inc.

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**20 ACRES** on Hwy 176. Set up for Doublewide. 45K. \$6,500.00 Down, assume \$270.00 monthly @ 7.4% for 30 years. No Credit Check. Call (817)312-6322.

**FOUR BEDROOM,** 2-1/2 bath home on 20 acres. Forsan ISD. All offers considered. Call (432)816-1868.

**I'M MAD... AT BANKS WHO DON'T GIVE HOUSE LOANS BECAUSE OF BAD CREDIT, PROBLEMS OR NEW EMPLOYMENT. I DO. CALL L.D. KIRK, HOMELAND MORTGAGES, (254)947-4475. www.homeland46.com**

**NO DOWN** Payment on 2 thru 6 Bedroom Brick Homes. Owner Financing. Bad Credit OK. We can adjust your monthly payments to fit your Budget. Call Maria (432)263-3461.

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**SPACIOUS TWO-STORY** home. 2150 sq. ft. 3 bedroom, 2 baths, office, 2 living areas, ash cabinets, fireplace. Gazebo, 2 storage bldgs., 3/4 acre, secluded. Lovely yard. \$105,000. Call (432)263-4080.

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2001 Ford F-150 Super cab V6, XLT. Tan, tilt & cruise, power doors/locks, power windows, 73000 mile. \$11,900.00.

Bank rate financing. In house financing available WAC.  
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1607 E. FM 700  
Big Spring, Tx. 79720  
(432)267-5588

1999 Chrysler LHS V6 Maroon. Tilt & cruise, power doors locks, power windows, power seat, leather seats, 64000 mile. \$7950.00.

2000 Ford Mustang Convertible V6. Green. Fully loaded w/CD player. Dual pipe, after market tail light, 40700 mile. \$11,900.00.

2001 Daewoo Leganze SE 4 cyl. Power doors/locks, power windows, tilt & cruise. Low miles 4300.

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2 Lincoln Town cars to choose from. Low mile. Leather seats. Fully loaded.

2001 Chrysler PT Cruiser Limited. 4cyl, silver. Fully loaded w/power sunroof, 64900 mile. \$10,900.00

2002 Dodge Neon SE, 4 cyl., gold, power door/locks & power windows, AM/FM, CD, low mile 32000. \$6,950.00.

Bank rate financing. In house financing available WAC.  
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2001 Ford F-150 Supercrew V8, XLT. Red, tilt & cruise, power doors/locks, power windows, 72,000 miles. \$15,900.00.

2002 Chevy Avalanche Z71. Black, leather seats. Fully loaded. \$18,900.00.

1995 2 Ford Van to choose from. Power doors/locks, power windows, tilt & cruise, AM/FM cassette.

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Legals

**0010-INVITATION FOR BIDS**  
Sealed proposals addressed to Mr. John Grant, General Manager of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, will be received at the office of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, P.O. Box 869, 400 East 24th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79721, until 2:00 pm, Tuesday, February 24th, for supply and delivery of the following items:

Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition  
Ivie System (SCADA)  
Equipment Purchase

At this time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Specifications are on file and may be examined without charge in the office of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, P.O. Box 869, 400 East 24th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79721. Inquiries regarding equipment specifications are to be directed to Chris Wingert, telephone (432)267-6341.

A cashier's check, certified check or acceptable bidder's bond, payable to the Colorado River Municipal Water District in an amount not less than five (5%) percent of the bid submitted, must accompany each bid as a guarantee that, if bid is selected, the Bidder will, comply with the terms set forth in the Proposal and Special Conditions.

In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating proposal prices, the Colorado River Municipal Water District reserves the right to adopt the most advantageous construction thereof, to reject any or all bids, and to waive formalities. The District anticipates that it will notify the successful bidder (s) by issuing a Purchase Order within thirty (30) after the bid date. No bid may be withdrawn within ninety (90) days after date on which bids are opened.

**COLORADO RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**  
John W. Grant, General Manager  
#4427 January 23 & February 6, 2005.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Organizations will be conducting an unannounced accreditation survey of **West Texas VA Health Care System** during 2005.

The purpose of the survey will be to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally established Joint Commission standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether, and the conditions under which accreditation should be awarded the organization.

Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field representatives at the time of the survey. Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:

**Division of Accreditation Operations**  
Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations  
One Renaissance Boulevard  
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

**ATTN:**  
For Home Health Care  
**Home Care Service Team**  
For Medical Center:  
**Accreditation Service Specialist**  
For Long Term Care:  
**Long Term Care Service Team**

The Joint Commission will acknowledge such requests in writing or by telephone and will inform the organization of the request for any interview. The organization will, in turn, notify the interviewee of the date, time, and place of the meeting.

**Date Posted: January 23, 2005**  
#4432 January 23, 2005

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**Examples**

TBD -	\$26,835
Pkg. Discount -	550
MSRP -	26,285
Customer Rebate -	1,500
Ford Credit Rebate -	1,000
Brock Discount -	2,290

**\$5340** Total Available Savings

**05 F150 Supercab**  
**8 At This Price**

Sale Price +TTL **\$21,495**

V-8 - Automatic - 6-CD - 17" Aluminum Wheels - Cruise - Power Equipment - Much More.

**January Clearance Sale!**

TBD -	\$24,055
Pkg. Discount -	550
MSRP -	23,505
Customer Rebate -	2,000
Ford Credit Rebate -	1,000
Brock Discount -	1,910

**\$5460** Total Available Savings

**05 F150 "Flareside"**  
**3 At This Price**

Sale Price +TTL **\$18,595**

17" Aluminum Wheels - 6-CD - Automatic - Fog Lamps

**January Clearance Sale!**

MSRP -	17,550
Customer Rebate -	2,000
Brock Discount -	1,055

**\$2055** Total Savings

**05 Focus ZX4 SE 4DR.**  
**3 At This Price**

Sale Price +TTL **\$14,495**

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Legals

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

TO: **Frank Luera, and his wife,  
Sandy Luera**  
if living, and if any or all of the  
above named Defendants be dead,  
the unknown heirs of the unknown  
heirs of said above named per-  
sons, and any and all other un-  
known owners or persons, includ-  
ing adverse claimants, owing or  
having or claiming any legal or eq-  
uitable interest in or lien upon the  
following described property delin-  
quent to Plaintiffs herein, for taxes,  
to wit:

**Lot Five, Block Three, Indianola  
Addition, City of Big Spring,  
Howard County, Texas.**

Which said property is delinquent  
to Plaintiffs for taxes in the follow-  
ing amount: **\$2,117.52**, exclusive of  
interest, penalties, and costs, and  
there is included in this suit in addi-  
tion to the taxes all said interest,  
penalties, and costs thereon, allow-  
ed by law up to and including the  
day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit  
has been brought by **HOWARD  
COUNTY, ET AL** as Plaintiffs,  
against **Frank Luera, and his  
wife, Sandy Luera,** as  
Defendant(s), by petition filed on the  
**26th day of January, 2004**, in a  
certain suit, styled **HOWARD  
COUNTY, ET AL VS. FRANK LU-  
ERA, and his wife, SANDY LU-  
ERA,** for collection of the taxes on  
said property and that said suit is  
now pending in the District Court of  
Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial  
District, and the file number of said  
suit is **04-01-4649** that the names of all  
taxing units which assess and collect  
taxes on the property hereinabove  
described, not made parties to this  
suit, are NONE.

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

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

You are hereby commanded to ap-  
pear and defend such suit at or be-  
fore 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first  
Monday after the expiration of  
forty-two (42) days from and after  
the date of issuance hereof, the  
same being the **7 day of March,  
2005** before the Honorable District  
Court of Howard County, Texas, to  
be held at the courthouse thereof,  
then and there to show cause why  
judgment shall not be rendered for  
such taxes, penalties, interest, and  
costs, and condemning said prop-  
erty and ordering foreclosure of the  
constitutional and statutory tax  
liens thereon for taxes due the  
Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties  
hereto, and those who may inter-  
vene herein, together with all inter-  
est, penalties, and costs allowed by  
law up to and including the day of  
judgment herein, and all costs of  
this suit.

Issued and given under my hand  
and seal of said court in the City of  
Big Spring, Howard County, Texas,  
this 18 day of January, A.D. 2005.  
Priscilla Ginnett  
Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
118th Judicial District  
#4435 January 23 & 30, 2005

Legals

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

TO: **JUANITA SANCHEZ**  
if living, and if any or all of the  
above named Defendants be dead,  
the unknown heirs of the unknown  
heirs of said above named per-  
sons, and any and all other un-  
known owners or persons, includ-  
ing adverse claimants, owing or  
having or claiming any legal or eq-  
uitable interest in or lien upon the  
following described property delin-  
quent to Plaintiffs herein, for taxes,  
to wit:

**Lot Three, the North half of Lot  
Four, and the West half of the  
South half of Lot Four, Block 12,  
Jones Valley Addition, City of  
Big Spring, Howard County,  
Texas.**

Which said property is delinquent  
to Plaintiffs for taxes in the follow-  
ing amount: **\$2,929.73**, exclusive of  
interest, penalties, and costs, and  
there is included in this suit in addi-  
tion to the taxes all said interest,  
penalties, and costs thereon, allow-  
ed by law up to and including the  
day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit  
has been brought by **Howard  
County, et al** as Plaintiffs, against  
**JUANITA SANCHEZ** as Defen-  
dant(s), by petition filed on the **26th  
day of January, 2004**, in a certain  
suit styled **Howard County, et al  
vs. Rosario Sanchez,** for collec-  
tion of the taxes on said property  
and that said suit is now pending in  
the District Court of Howard  
County, Texas 118th Judicial Dis-  
trict, and the file number of said  
suit is **T-4652** that the names of all  
taxing units which assess and collect  
taxes on the property hereinabove  
described, not made parties to this  
suit, are NONE.

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

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Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Inter-  
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at any time thereafter up to the day  
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Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
118th Judicial District  
#4436 January 23 & 30, 2005

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS  
Mother Moon is in  
Cancer, her native home.

This and other astro-  
logical aspects  
could inspire you  
to call your  
own mother  
or honor her  
in some way.



HOLIDAY  
MATHIS

Any unre-  
solved issues  
around the  
idea of moth-  
er now get  
another, hopefully more  
compassionate, look. It  
also becomes important  
that domestic life mirror  
life outside the home and  
life internal.

ARIES (March 21-April  
19). You wake up focused.  
From the first rays of sun  
to the whir of the coffee  
grinder, every sight and  
sound reminds you of the  
one with whom you're  
trying to connect. By sun-  
down, you'll succeed.

TAURUS (April 20-May  
20). The picture of love  
you paint in your mind  
may be unrealistic, but it  
sure is a beautiful thing  
to gaze upon. Seldom do

you indulge yourself in  
non-reality for as long as  
you will today.

GEMINI (May 21-June  
21). It's all about casting.  
The right people around  
you will keep the dol-  
drums from setting in.  
Create social opportuni-  
ties so you can revel in  
the sweet exclamations of  
lighthearted friends.

CANCER (June 22-July  
22). Whatever you take  
on, do it without a doubt  
because hesitation is the  
enemy now and second-  
guessing causes only  
problems. Let your well-  
honed instinct carry you  
toward the smart people  
who can help you suc-  
ceed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).  
It's not the last time you'll  
have one of those long,  
arduous conversations  
with an emotionally ail-  
ing friend, but it may be  
the first time this person  
follows your advice. Take  
a photo. You'll want to  
remember this.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept.  
22). Others would be wise  
to add you to their team,  
invite you to their party  
or, even better, propose to  
you. Your mental clarity

(amidst bedlam) helps  
you prevent a mistake  
from happening.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).  
The thing about magic is,  
there will always be a  
certain percentage of the  
public that can't suspend  
its disbelief because it is  
too bent on figuring out  
the "trick." Today, you'll  
win over even those skept-  
ics.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov.  
21). Be open-minded. If  
your sign mate Nelly can  
have a hit song with  
country artist Tim  
McGraw, you, too, can  
find a way to work with  
the Taurus in your life --  
and maybe even make  
some money together.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-  
Dec. 21). No, you're not  
imagining things. There's  
real chemistry between  
you and that quirky  
someone. Don't even  
think about what your  
next move might be.  
Things unfold in an  
inevitable fashion.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-  
Jan. 19). When it's not  
working, simply back off.  
Once you release the need  
to prove your point, you'll  
experience happiness. An

emphasis on listening  
and receiving will allow  
you to accomplish much  
with very little effort.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-  
Feb. 18). When you can't  
afford something, don't  
rationalize that you didn't  
need it in the first place.  
Instead, put your air-sign  
ingenuity to practical use,  
and figure out another  
way to get what you  
want.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March  
20). Ease up on your  
expectations of a new  
project. Like cakes on the  
griddle, the first one usu-  
ally doesn't turn out so  
great. Toss it, and try  
again. You'll soon get to  
something golden.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I am 21  
years old and was asked  
out on my first date a  
month ago. I was thrilled.  
"Brad" and I went out  
three times, and we real-  
ly seemed to like each  
other. Well, it's been two  
weeks since our last date,  
and I haven't heard from  
Brad except once when  
we exchanged small talk.  
He's made no effort to see  
me and hasn't returned  
any of my calls.

Yesterday, I left him a  
message, asking why he's  
been blowing me off for  
two weeks. I haven't  
heard back yet.

I'm really hurt by this.  
Brad was the first guy I  
ever dated, and now I'm  
afraid something must be  
terribly wrong with me.  
I've been trying to keep  
myself busy and forget  
him, but I can't. I don't  
want to date ever again if  
this is what it feels like.  
How can I get over the  
hurt? -- Heartbroken  
Hannah

Dear Hannah: Welcome  
to the world of dating --  
some men (and women)  
are jerks. Brad may have  
felt you were getting too  
serious, or he may have  
met someone else, what-  
ever, but there is no rea-  
son to assume the fault is  
yours.

Since this was your  
first dating experience,  
it's possible you could use  
some pointers. Ask your  
closest friends to give you  
a brutally honest critique  
of your appearance and  
your approach. Consider  
the "Brad experience" a  
way of getting your feet  
wet. There are lots of  
great guys out there, and  
we hope you will meet  
one of them soon.

Dear Annie: My wife  
died several years ago. At  
a recent bereavement  
meeting, we were asked  
to bring a love letter or  
note written to or from  
our loved one to share  
with the group. I read a  
short note my wife wrote  
me on our 40th anniver-



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sary, but surprisingly,  
very few people had any-  
thing. I then asked who  
had received comments  
written on birthday or  
anniversary cards, and  
one woman said, "My hus-  
band always signed his  
cards, 'With much love.'"  
Another found one of her  
husband's notes and  
framed it -- the only writ-  
ten expression she has to  
remember.

I wish I had more than  
the dozen handwritten  
notes from my wife that I

read, clutched and now  
cherish. -- A Grieving  
Husband of 50-Plus Years

Dear Grieving Husband:  
The art of the handwrit-  
ten letter has gone the  
way of the Pony Express,  
and you have eloquently  
pointed out what has  
been lost. Our condo-  
lences.

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