



A large group of running and walking enthusiasts cross the start line during the annual "Master the Mountain" Fun Run/Walk at the Big Spring State Park Saturday morning. The event featured 5- and 10-kilometer races.

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maurices plans May opening

□ Clothing store geared toward youthful fashions.

Special to the Herald

maurices, a specialty fashion store "for customers with a 20-something attitude," has announced it will open a new store this May in the Big Spring Market Place.

The Big Spring Market Place is the former Dunlap's building near the Wal-Mart Supercenter, currently under renovation.

"We're very excited to open in Big Spring and look forward to bringing

customers a new option for young men's and women's clothing as well as an exciting new shopping experience," said John Schroeder, *maurices* vice president of stores. "The development in the area we are moving into looked like the perfect opportunity to continue to reach *maurices* target customer and continued success of our business."

The store is one of 50 the company plans on opening nationwide this year.

maurices said Lara Spalding has been named manager of the Big

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Get fit

Many take advantage of health fair

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Dorothy Garrett Coliseum was turned into Health Care Central Saturday morning.

More than 1,000 people filed into the coliseum to take advantage of a large variety of services offered at the annual Health Fair, sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.



People manning 63 booths dispensed a variety of screenings, ValVerde products and information related to almost every facet of health care.

The event has become quite a popular attraction over the years.

"(Response) has always been overwhelming. The community has always been very supportive of the health fair," said Debbye ValVerde, executive director of the chamber. "Without the support of our corporate sponsors and the community, we wouldn't be able to have this event."

Screenings for high blood pressure, blood sugar, cholesterol, prostate-specific antigen, glauco-



Rose Ann Williams, left, talks with Shelby Simmons, center, and Cindy Simmons of Ameriplan Health during the annual Health Fair, sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Saturday morning at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Herald photo/Steve Reagan

ma and other diseases have long been a staple of the health fair, but that was only part of the services offered Saturday.

Several booths offered information on health care services available in the community.

Aside from offering screenings, Scenic Mountain Medical Center personnel were also on hand to dispense information on Medicare changes and the hospital's 50 & Above Club and Reflections unit.

If it had anything to do with health care, chances were good there was a booth available to educate the public, ValVerde said.

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County to mull report on fire drill

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

The Howard County Jail is expected to once again be the focus of Monday's meeting of county commissioners, as the court is expected to hear a report on a recent fire drill at the facility.



Sheriff Dale Walker is expected to make a report to the commissioners regarding the full-scale fire drill and evacuation of the jail held March 30.

According to Walker, some very serious problems with the jail's emergency equipment were identified through the drill, which involved evacuating all of the inmates to a secure location for more than three hours.

"We have some very serious issues," said Walker. "We evacuated the inmates before we actually began pumping the smoke into the cell block. It took less than a minute for the block to

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Last chance for Tax-Aide help is Monday

□ The Senior Center is located at 1901 Simler Drive on the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Last-minute tax filers will have one more chance to get help with their returns before the April 17 deadline to file, as coordinators with the annual AARP Tax-Aide program prepare for their last day "on the job" Monday.

"The AARP program provides free fed-

eral tax preparation assistance to people who cannot afford professional tax help, such as seniors, people with disabilities, those that don't speak English and people with low-to-moderate income," said Gloria Hopkins, coordinator for the annual effort.

With the April 17 tax filing deadline right around the corner, Hopkins said area residents should move quickly if they haven't already filed.

"People need to be sure to bring all of the pertinent information with them, including a tax booklet if one was received through the mail, W-2 forms

and 1099 forms," she said. "They also need to bring any forms that show their 2005 earnings and their 2004 tax returns. We also need a social security card for every person named on the return and a photo ID for the person filing."

Hopkins said there is help for area residents that have transportation troubles, as well.

"For those who are homebound and can't get to the center with their tax information, if they will call us, we'll be happy to pick up the information and

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Youngsters from The Dance Gallery entertain the crowd during the annual Health Fair Saturday morning. The event, hosted by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, attracted more than 1,000 people to Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

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"Some people put off going to the

doctor ... and some people simply can't afford to go to the doctor," she said. "So, we hope they come here and get some of the help and the screenings they need."

Entertainment for the event was

provided by the Dance Gallery, which held two demonstrations during the day, and Dimples the Clown, who was on hand to make balloon characters for children.

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fill with smoke and drop to zero visibility, and it took almost two minutes before the smoke alarms ever went off. If this had been an actual fire, the inmates would have been choked out by the smoke before the alarm ever went off.

"We also had horrible problems getting the smoke out," he added. "The stand-alone systems we have in place simply didn't remove the smoke. We're going to have to make some serious modifications to the equipment we have up there, including adding some more breathing equipment for the staff."

The problems described by Walker are just some of many the county has been facing with the aging facility, which recently came under the gun of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards for continually failing state inspections.

Big Spring Fire Marshal Carl Condray is also expected to make a presentation to commissioners regarding the fire drill.

Consideration of a new jail facility began more than a year ago when

Howard County commissioners identified jail overcrowding and non-compliance with state jail laws as an ongoing and long-term problem.

Commissioners tabled the jail issue in July 2005 — following several meetings with Furquerson and Project consultant Edward Spooner, justice director for the HOK Group — to concentrate on the county's budget and tax rate.

Discussions remained closed for several months, having reopened following a recent meeting between commissioners and TCJS officials that left the county with 90 days to present the commission with a detailed plan for correcting the items currently out of compliance.

Also on Monday's agenda, County Auditor Jackie Olson will present the commissioners with invoices, purchase requests and budget amendments, as well as discussion concerning bids for a motor grader, asphalt and aggregate.

County Treasurer Teresa Thomas is expected to present her quarterly report and personnel considerations, as well as a payroll report.

County Road and Bridge Administrator Eddy

Jameson will present the court with pipeline crossings and a report on county road maintenance.

In addition to his report on the recent fire drill, Walker is also expected to request additional employees for his department.

Bill Holden, who is listed on the agenda as representing county code enforcement, is expected to address the governmental agency's codes and constable duties.

County Judge Ben Lockhart also added consideration of any action regarding the jail situation to the agenda.

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

Art contest entries accepted

Hangar 25 Air Museum is looking for talented artists, youthful artists, that is.

The museum is calling for local artists to submit a T-shirt design that the museum will use on its T-shirts. The theme for the design is 'Hangar 25...Housing the Past, Building the Future.'

Age divisions for the contest are 5-9, 10-14 and 15-18. First, second and third place winners will be named in all age divisions.

All participants will receive a certificate and the overall grand prize winner will have the winning design featured on a Hangar 25 T-shirt.

Designs should be submitted on an 8.5 x 11 sheet of white paper. All submissions must have the child's name, age and contact information on the back of the art work.

All submissions must be turned in to the museum by 5 p.m. April 15. For more information, call 264-1999.

TAX-AIDE

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get the taxes ready," she said.

With more than a dozen volunteers helping people file their tax returns, Hopkins said this year has gone smoothly thus far.

"We have 16 volunteers working in the program, we've been able to have anywhere between 10 to 14 working each Monday," said Hopkins. "They have just been outstanding this year, and with so many, we've really been able to make things go fast. I'm very pleased with the way things have gone this year."

And while the annual tax dance doesn't seem to change much from year to year, Hopkins said the way people file certainly has.

"Last year we were begging people to e-file their taxes," said Hopkins. "This year, people are

coming in and requesting it. I'd say were probably filing half on paper and the other half by e-file, so it has really caught on this year. That's about a 50 percent jump since last year."

The Senior Center is located at 1901 Simler Drive on the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

To schedule an appointment, contact Hopkins at 267-6733.

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Jerald Burgess, 64, died Thursday. Funeral Services were at 4:00 PM Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

MAURICES

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Reception set for vet of month

Donald Scheiber has been named the Hangar 25 Air Museum Veteran of the Month for April.

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Refreshments will be served.

Scheiber, who served in both the Army and the Marines from 1950-1964, will speak briefly about his experiences.

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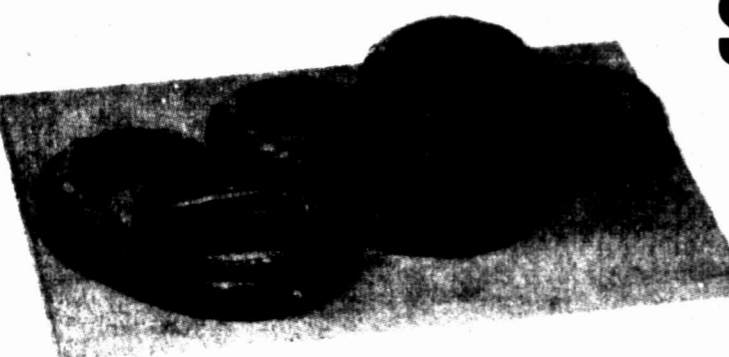
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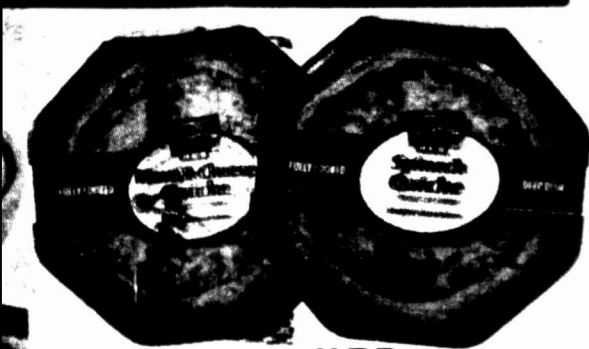
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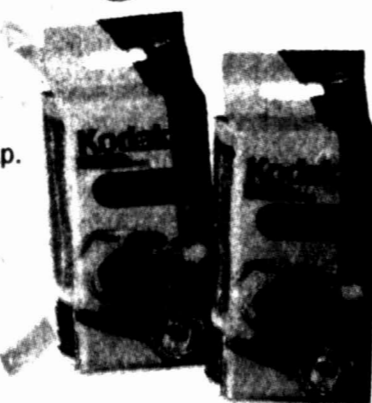
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Tuesday: Breakfast, sausage biscuits, fruit punch; Lunch, car meatballs, seasoned new potatoes, broccoli with cheese, apricots, wheat rolls, milk (high school second choice, steak sandwiches).

Wednesday: Breakfast, cinnamon rolls, grape juice; Lunch, Mexican jambayla, salad, corn, Rosy applesauce, milk (high school second choice, chicken salad).

Thursday: Breakfast, cheese wraps, orange slices; Lunch, hamand-cheese sandwiches, chips, mixed fruit cups, pickle spears, Easter treats, milk (high school second choice, manager's choice).

Friday: (Optional for Bad Weather Day) Breakfast, peanut butter treats, pineapple juice; Lunch, Holiday.

Coahoma ISD

Monday: Breakfast, pancakes, ham, fruit, milk; Lunch, chickenand-

dumplings, sweet peas, grilled cheese, pickle spears, chips, apple turnovers, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast, sweetened rice, ham, orange juice, milk; Lunch, nacho grande, baked beans, baby carrots, chocolate cake, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast, Pop tarts, sausage links, grape juice, milk; Lunch, chicken-fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, peaches, rolls, milk, burritos.

Thursday: Breakfast, biscuits, jelly, gravy, sausage, juice, milk; Lunch, homemade burritos, salad, pears, milk, corn dogs.

Friday: Holiday.

Forsan ISD

Monday: Breakfast, cereal, Pop tarts, juice, milk; Lunch, chili-cheese dogs, French fries, apple and orange smiles, sherbet cups, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast, eggs toast, juice, milk; Lunch, chicken quesadillas, tossed salad, refried beans, peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast, muffins, juice, milk; Lunch, steak fingers, mashed potatoes/gravy, fruit cup, green beans, hot rolls, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast,

donuts, juice, milk; Lunch, hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, baby carrots, baked beans, chips, milk.

Friday: Holiday.

Sands CISD

Monday: Breakfast, sausage and biscuits; Lunch, mustang fajita wraps, lettuce and tomatoes, refried beans, corn, orange quarters.

Tuesday: Breakfast, cereal and graham crackers; Lunch, steak fingers, tossed salad, fresh fruit, macaroni and cheese, hot rolls.

Wednesday: Breakfast, breakfast-on-a-stick; Lunch, chicken nuggets, green beans, peaches, frozen yogurt.

Thursday: Breakfast, biscuits with jelly; Lunch, pizza, tossed salad, peas and carrots, fresh grapes, garlic bread.

Friday: Bad Weather

Day.

Stanton ISD

Monday: Breakfast, waffles, syrup, cereal, buttered toast, orange juice, milk; Lunch, hot dogs, soft burritos, chili, buttered corn, vegetable sticks, apples, milk, ranch dressing.

Tuesday: Breakfast, oatmeal, cinnamon toast, cereal, buttered toast, orange juice, milk; Lunch, spaghetti, Italian spaghetti, Salisbury steak, green beans, garden salad, applesauce gelatin, bread sticks, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast, scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits, cereal, buttered toast, orange juice, milk; Lunch, pepperoni pizza, manager's choice, peas, carrots, garden salad, peaches, milk, ranch dressing.

Thursday: Breakfast,

Pop tarts, cereal, buttered toast, orange juice, milk; Lunch, beef tacos, taco shells, flour tortillas, pinto beans, lettuce and tomato salad, pineapple, cornbread, milk.

Friday: Holiday.

Westbrook ISD

Monday: Breakfast, cinnamon rolls, cereal, fruit juice, milk; Lunch, chicken patties, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast, sausage, bacon, cereal, fruit juice, milk; Lunch, frito pie, salsa, tossed salad, corn, peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast, oatmeal, toast, cereal, fruit juice, milk; Lunch, spaghetti with meat sauces, black-eyed peas, pear halves, garlic bread, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast, blueberry muffins, cereal,

fruit juice, milk; Lunch, tacos with meat and cheese, salsa, Spanish rice, salad, fruit cup, milk.

Friday: Breakfast, sausage "n" blanket, cereal, fruit juice, milk; Lunch, cheeseburgers, French fries, salad fixings, 1/2 orange, milk.

Spring City Senior Citizens Center

Monday: Lunch, hamburger steak, onions, rice, salad, milk, bread, fruit.

Tuesday: Lunch, baked potatoes, chili, sour cream, broccoli, cheese, milk, crackers, pudding.

Wednesday: Lunch, barbecue sandwiches, potato salad, beans, chips, milk, buns, fruit.

Thursday: Lunch, turkeyaddressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, rolls, milk, cake.

Friday: Closed for holidays.

Stanton fares well at district

Herald Staff Report

Stanton High School qualified a number of individuals and three teams to regional University Interscholastic League competition after faring well in the District 4-2A contest recently in Colorado City.

Regional qualifiers included Joe Benny Bryand, Ismeal Rosa, Jonathon Ireton and Angel Verstequi, computer science first place team; and Ethan Higginbotham, Jessica Stovall, Jonny Billett and Savannah Smith, literary criticism first place team. Others include Ireton, mathematics; Rachel Eckert, poetry; Higginbotham, feature writing and ready writing; Kelsey Coggin, Lincoln-Douglas debate, news writing and feature writing; Albert Garza, Lincoln-Douglas debate; and Michell Teveni, headline writing. Brennan Harp is an alternate in headline writing.

A list of how Stanton students placed follows. First place teams and first through third place individuals advance to region.

4-2A Academic results, Stanton HS only
Current issues: 4. Wade Eckert.

Computer applications: 6. Traci Carr.
Computer science: 1. Ismeal Rosa, 2. Joe Benny Bryand, 3. Jonathon Ireton, 4. Angel Verstequi.

Computer science team: 1. Ismeal Rosa, Joe Benny Bryand, Jonathon Ireton, Angel Verstequi.

Feature writing: 1. Ethan Higginbotham, 2. Kelsey Coggin, 5. Ashley Cox.

Headline writing: 2. Michelle Teveni, 4. Brennan Harp, 5. Ashley Cox.
Lincoln-Douglas debate: 1. Kelsey Coggins, 2. Albert Garza.

Literary criticism: 4. Jessica Stovall, 5. Jonny Billett, 6. Ethan Higginbotham.

Literary criticism team: 1. Jessica Stovall, Jonny Billett, Ethan Higginbotham, Savannah Smith.

Mathematics: 2. Jonathon Ireton.

News writing: 2. Kelsey

Coggins, 5. Brennan Harp.
Poetry: 2. Rachel Eckert.
Ready writing: 2. Ethan Higginbotham, 4. Micheal Graves.
First place journalism team, news, editorial, headline, feature writing.
C-X debate: 1. Bonnie Rameriz, Amber Barboza, 2. Rachel Eckert, Micheal Teveni, 3. Jonny Billett, Micheal Graves, 4. Jee Vela, Keagan Seanz.
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News at a glance

Pastor faces prostitution charges

LUBBOCK (AP) — A Lubbock pastor was charged with compelling prostitution after allegedly demanding sex from an African woman he brought to the United States with the promise of a college education.

James Cornell Clark, 54, was being held at the Hockley County Jail on \$150,000 bond. He was fired from his position as pastor of Mt. Vernon Methodist Church after the allegations surfaced.

Clark allegedly approached the 21-year-old woman last August while on a trip to Kenya and offered to bring her to the U.S. so she could attend college.

"She believed it was a mission effort by him to do better things for herself and for her family," said Brandi Grissom, assistant district attorney for Hockley County.

Clark enrolled the woman at South Plains College and she hoped to pursue a nursing degree, officials said. But when she arrived in the U.S. in January, Clark began demanding sex in exchange for financing her education, Grissom said.

"He did not begin making demands until she was already here in Texas," Grissom said.

The woman filed a complaint with the Hockley County District Attorney's Office, and Clark was arrested Thursday, authorities said.

Investigations showed that Clark falsified personal information to pass a background check before being hired as pastor, said Jimmy Nunn, Lubbock district superintendent for the United Methodist Church.

Convicted killer sentenced

DALLAS (AP) — Convicted killer Vernon Ray Gilmore of Lubbock was sentenced Friday to 132 years in prison without parole after pleading guilty in January to federal firearms and car-jacking charges.

Gilmore, 56, was accused of shooting Rex A. McGuire to death and then opening fire on police after trying to cash one of the victim's checks. He will be returned to state custody to face a capital murder charge for McGuire's death.

Gilmore was arrested last year south of Fort Worth at a hotel in Burleson, where he had registered under McGuire's name. He eluded police in the Lubbock area after stealing a pickup.

A Lubbock jury convicted Gilmore of murder for the 1980 killing of Spicewood pilot Richard Greer Luster. He was sentenced to 99 years in prison, but an appellate court overturned the conviction and ordered a retrial.

A San Marcos jury again convicted Gilmore of murder in 1984, and he received a 15-year prison sentence. A federal court later found him guilty on a drug trafficking charge and sentenced him to five years in prison.

Woman charged in baby's death

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — A 35-year-old mother of three has been charged with murder six months after allegedly giving birth in a restroom and dumping the child in the trash, officials said.

Susan Chiniewicz, of The Colony, was being held in Denton County Jail, awaiting transport to Brazos County. She confessed Thursday after being confronted with DNA results linking her to the dead child, according to an affidavit.

The body of the newborn was found Oct. 3 in a trash can at Texas World Speedway in southern Brazos County, the Bryan-College Station Eagle reported. An autopsy found that the 6-pound,

full-term baby had been born alive but later suffocated, and the death was ruled a homicide.

Chiniewicz told investigators Thursday that she gave birth while attending an event at the racetrack, according to the affidavit.

A former newspaper reporter who now owns a writing and graphic design firm, Chiniewicz previously told investigators that she had been bleeding in the bathroom during the weekend of the race but claimed her doctor could confirm she had not been pregnant. When authorities contacted the doctor, he said he could not verify that Chiniewicz had not given birth, and she was asked to submit to a DNA test.

She agreed, and the results linked her to the child.

Chiniewicz is married and has three other children.

Tornadoes kill 10 people

GALLATIN, Tenn. (AP) — Residents labored Saturday to begin rebuilding a day after tornadoes killed 10 people in Tennessee, the second wave of violent weather to hit the state in less than a week.

"We'll get on our feet again," Bernard Tavers said as he surveyed the demolished homes and piles of rubble in his neighborhood.

Crews worked to clear away the wreckage and restore services, but some people could be without electricity for a week, officials said.

Police patrolled the wrecked neighborhoods Saturday but there had been no reports of looting. Bystanders were warned not to smoke because of leaking gas.

The tornado's path through the Gallatin area was 150 to 200 yards wide and at least 10 miles long, said Jimmy Templeton of the Sumner County Sheriff's Department.

U.S. puts squeeze on Hamas

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration is putting the squeeze on the Hamas-led Palestinian government, suspending all U.S. aid to its Cabinet and ministries until it recognizes Israel or is replaced by a government that accepts peacemaking with the Jewish state.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, in announcing the tough action involving hundreds of million of dollars over several years, said in a statement Friday: "The new Palestinian government must take responsibility for the consequences of its policies."

At the same time, Rice renewed U.S. support for establishment of a Palestinian state and said "it is also our desire to help provide for the basic human needs of the Palestinian people."

The emergence of Hamas as the most popular force among the Palestinians ruptured already dim peacemaking prospects in the Middle East. The group, classified as a terrorist organization by the United States and the European Union, which also cut off all aid to the Palestinian government, is considered responsible by Israel for dozens of attacks killing some 400 Israelis.

The thrust of the Bush administration's decision on assistance will have a large impact on the Palestinians themselves. In Gaza, their faltering economy is below the U.N. poverty line and is dipping down in that direction on the West Bank.

The suspension of any direct aid to the Palestinian government, for instance, means no American help to pay the salaries of some 140,000 government workers. With their dependents they account for about one-third of the Palestinian population.

Bush blames Reid for blow to immigration bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush blamed Senate Democratic leader Harry Reid for the potentially fatal blow dealt to compromise immigration legislation Saturday.

The landmark bill, which would offer eventual citizenship to millions of illegal immigrants, fell victim Friday to internal disputes in both parties.

But Bush — echoing earlier complaints from Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn. — placed all the blame on Reid, D-Nev., who refused to permit votes on more than three Republican-backed amendments.

"I call on the Senate minority leader to end his blocking tactics and allow the Senate to do its work and pass a fair, effective immigration reform bill," Bush said.

Hailed as a bipartisan breakthrough earlier in the week, the immigration measure would have provided for stronger border security, regulated the future entry of foreign workers and created a complex new set of regulations for the estimated 11 million immigrants in the country illegally.

Officials said an estimated 9 million of them,

those who could show they had been in the United States for more than two years, would eventually become eligible for citizenship under the proposal.

Faced with a major setback only months before much of the Republican-controlled Congress is up for re-election, Bush sought to give life to the issue. Speaking mostly to conservatives in his party, he said border security must be

improved and enforcement within the United States needs to be enhanced.

"Politics got ahead of policy on this," Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., lamented.

With large public demonstrations planned over the next several days, other supporters expressed hope for its resurrection. "We have an agreement. It's not going away," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.

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HEATHER WALLACE

The Silver Wings Ball Special Benefit is a fund-raising event for the museum.

Hangar 25 is growing fast, not just in collections, but also in programs and community involvement.

Funds that are raised during the Ball will go toward helping program development for things such as the Veteran of the Month and Oral History Projects, the newly developing Kid's Klub for local youth during the summer to

expand educational opportunities, as well as the Connecting the Generations Program for Veterans and youth.

Hangar 25 is also raising funds to help with possible expansion efforts.

These efforts will allow the museum to create the needed space for developing collections and to create a better understanding of the importance of the Texas Pacific Railway during the days of Big Spring Bombardier School and Webb Air Force Base.

Hangar 25 is applying for a \$1 million matching grant through the Texas Department of Transportation 2006 Enhancement Program.

The Silver Wings Ball will be held at the Big Spring Country Club. The evening will include a meet and greet period where attendees can enjoy the company of friends and perhaps bid on some celebrity items from the silent auction, ROTC escorts to the table, roses for the women, dinner, and dancing.

There will also be a special reflection for POW/MIA as well as special recognition for Korean War veterans.

The night promises intrigue and excellence that will not be found anywhere else.

So give yourself a night you deserve and support local efforts to preserve and respect the memories of our veterans and our local involvement in national history during the span of World War II, the Korean War and Vietnam.

For any questions or to reserve your space at the Ball, please contact Hangar 25 at 264-1999.

Heather Wallace is the administrator for the Hangar 25 Air Museum, located at 1911 Apron.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

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South West North East
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Opening lead — four of spades.

To play good bridge, certain good habits have to be developed. One of the most important of these is to count winners when playing a notrump contract.

Consider declarer's approach to this deal. He won the spade lead with dummy's queen and led a club, taking East's queen with the ace. South then conceded a club to West's king, and West returned a second spade to dummy's ace.

Although the clubs were now established, declarer had only eight

tricks he could cash — four clubs, two spades and two hearts. When he eventually led a diamond, East took the ace and returned a spade to chalk up a one-trick set.

When South's line of play is analyzed, it becomes clear that his approach could never have succeeded in making the contract. He had to lose a club and a diamond before he could score nine tricks, and since he also had to lose at least three spades after surrendering the lead twice, he was bound to fail.

If declarer recognizes this problem at trick one, he should see the merit in leading a low diamond from dummy at trick two. In the actual case, if East goes up with the ace, declarer acquires four diamond tricks and easily makes the contract. So let's say East plays the nine and South's king wins the trick.

Having "stolen" a diamond trick, declarer can now play the ace and another club. West wins and returns a spade to establish the suit, but his cause is already lost since South now has nine tricks consisting of four clubs, a diamond, two hearts and two spades.

Of course, if West happens to have the ace of diamonds, this line of play fails. But leading a diamond at trick two at least offers a reasonable chance for the contract, while tackling clubs first offers no chance at all.

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Family Reunion

Lovelace-Bailey-Rogers gather for family reunion

By NILA ALLEN

Special to the Herald
Saturday, March 11, the Lovelace-Bailey-Rogers clan got together for their annual family reunion.

This year's reunion was dedicated to Effie Dell Williams Parker, who passed away just the previous Saturday. She was a regular attendee and was sorely missed. Effie Dell was the daughter of Joe and Zula Lovelace Williams.

There were 32 attendees this year. The one who came the farthest was Bob G. Bailey from Austin. The youngest was Karlee Wallace, 3-1/2 years old, from San Angelo, who came with her grandmother.

It was a tie for the eldest, as cousins Louis Rhoton of Big Spring (Luther Community) and Cameron Warren of May were both born here on the same day.

It seems there has been a long running dispute as to who was born first, as each of their mothers told them they were born two hours before the other.

This year, we added a door prize and that was won by Bill Lovelace of Big Spring.

Judy Rogers Green presented an interesting paper on her research of her Rogers line back to and including her great-great-grandfather, Allen T. Rogers in Alabama, who was in the Civil War. The Rogers family came from Ireland to North Carolina to Alabama, then Texas.

Nila Bailey Allen presented an excerpt from an interview with her great-great-grandmother, Malisa Martin Livingston Everett, done by a reporter with the Garden City newspaper, *The Western Weekly*, Dec. 20, 1925.

Malisa was 8 at the time. She and her second husband, Gus Everett and families came to Garden City in late 1800s and opened the hotel.

On display were pictures, albums, family research information, doilies made by grandmothers, books, the family quilt (a work in progress.)

Cameron Warren brought his photocopy machine and made many copies for himself and others.

The visitation was great and the food was good.



Courtesy photos
Members of the Lovelace-Bailey-Rogers family reunion posed for this photo during their annual family reunion March 11. The quilt is the one the family is continuing to create. The older photo is one of the first Lovelace family reunions, circa 1940-41 at the Big Spring city Park. Nila Allen is the young girl to the left, sitting next to her father.



Courtesy photo

Hartlie Smithie, left and Preslie Smithie competed in the All Star Kids Pageant.

Elbow sets pre-registration

Forsan Elbow Elementary pre-kindergarten and kindergarten registration is set for 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. April 17-21 at the school.

Children who are 4 years old or who will be on or before Sept. 1 are eligible for pre-kindergarten. Students 5 years old or should enroll in kindergarten.

Parents should bring their child's birth certificate, Social Security card, immunization records, proof of residency, such as a utility bill and proof of income such as a pay check stub to the school to register.

For more information, call the school at 398-5444.

Smithie sisters compete in All Star Kids pageant

Preslie Smithie, 6 and her sister, Hartlie Smithie, 2 attended the All Star Kids pageant in Hobbs, N.M. March 12.

Preslie came home with a second place alternate award in the talent competition, where she danced and Hartlie brought home a second place alternate in the beauty part of the pageant.

The girls are the children of Shannon and Angela Smithie of Big Spring. Their grandparents are Buddy and Beverly Smithie, James and Carla Collinsworth, all of Big Spring and Bobby and Wilma Dennis of Fritch.

Coahoma Kindergarten Round-up scheduled


Coahoma Kindergarten Round-up is scheduled for 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 11 in the Coahoma Elementary School cafeteria. Kindergarten students must be 5 before Sept. 1, 2006, in order to enroll in the 2006-2007 school year.

A proof of residency form, available at the Coahoma Independent School District Administration Office must be submitted at the roundup. Show a utility bill that has a physical address to prove residency. This form should be submitted the night of the roundup.

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HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Big Spring senior Chance Cain fires a tee shot off No. 1 at the Big Spring Country Club Friday morning during District 4-4A Round 2 action. Cain entered the day in fourth place, but shot a 72 Friday and took over the top spot. He now leads by six strokes.

Cain moves into top spot at boy's 4-4A tournament

• Fellow senior Billalba sits in tie for 11th following a second-round 80

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
Big Spring senior Chance Cain took full advantage of his home course Friday during second-round action of the District 4-4A boy's golf tournament, which was held at the Big Spring Country Club.

Cain shot a 72 and moved into first place overall, three shots ahead of three other golfers — Bryston

Jimenez of Plainview and Landon Waters and Jake Mahan of Frenship. Jimenez shot a second-round 75, while Waters and Mahan each shot 80s.

Plainview's Shannon Allen and Trey Welch are holding down a tie for fifth with 155s through two rounds.

Andrews is taking care of the rest of the spots in the top 10. Dylan Dockery moved back in the standings with an 82 Friday and is one shot off fifth. Bryce Horton and Tyler Hogan are tied for eighth and Anthony Subia is in

10th. Big Spring's No. 2 golfer — senior Tommy Billalba — is tied for 11th with Frenship's Jeremy Wilkins after shooting a second-round 80. Wilkins shot a 78.

Plainview leads the team competition with a 621.

Andrews is in second place with a 625 and Frenship is third with a 636.

Big Spring moved past Andrews 'B' and is in fourth with a 674.

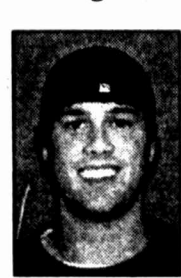
The final round of the District 4-4A golf tournament will take place in San Angelo Thursday.

Howard sweeps Clarendon, home record moves to 13-1

• Bats wake up as Hawks score 34 runs in two games

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
If you like offense and were at Jack Barber Field Friday then you were having all kinds of fun.



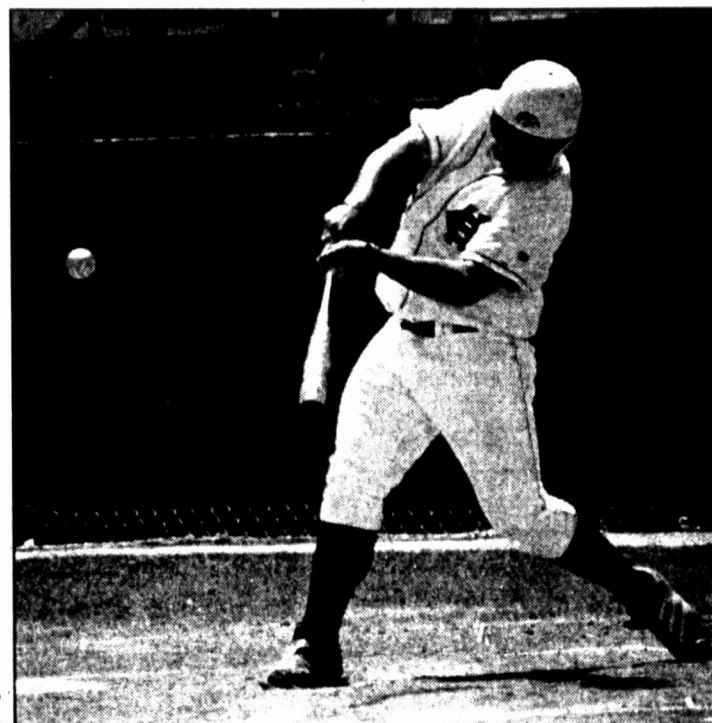
The Hawks got a breakout pitching performance from freshman Kenny Smalley and a grand slam from sophomore Gabe Marchant in Game 1 and won 12-1 in five innings and then used a strong wind to their advantage and got 24 hits in Game 2 to win 22-16.

"A lot of the offense was a product of the conditions," said Howard head coach Britt Smith. "But we still had to put the ball in play. We took good at-bats and for the most part didn't give any at-bats away. We knew it was going to be windy so we talked all week about having to score a lot of runs to win."

The Hawks didn't need too many runs in Game 1, but got them anyway. Smalley (3-3) showed why he was thought to be the ace at the start of the season. He threw all five innings and gave up one run on four hits and struck out four.

"It was outstanding," said Smith. "We have expected this out of him all year and finally got it today. He and the coaching staff both knew he was better than what he was showing and it was a good sign to see him kind of breakout."

Howard scored four runs in the second inning and added seven in the third to go up 11-0. Clarendon's only run



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Howard sophomore Will Basom drives the ball into the outfield during action at Jack Barber Field Friday. The Hawks swept Clarendon and improved to 8-6 in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference.

Howard sophomore Collin Fanning, who is among the league leaders in hits, came in the fifth and final inning. Marchant, who was moved back to the leadoff spot, led the offense with a grand slam — his sixth home run this season. Sophomore Jeff Storms and freshmen Barrett Lowenstein, Ryan Pruitt and David Fonseca all had two hits. Lowenstein, Pruitt and Fonseca all scored twice and Storms had two RBIs with his second home run of the year. Lowenstein doubled and tripled.

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Andrews forces tie with B.S. after win

• Errors play a role in Lady Mustangs' come-from-behind win over Lady Steers

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
ANDREWS — The intense rivalry between the Big Spring and Andrews softball teams crossed off another chapter Friday

with another one-run game. This time though, the Lady Mustangs came out on top as Charl

RODRIGUEZ Mitchell's double down the left field line plated two runs in the fifth inning and Andrews escaped the 4-4A contest, 3-2.

After the game, however, Big Spring head coach Jennifer Reyes was disappointed in her defense.

"We figured it would be a one-run game, but our defense was shaky," she said. "I really feel like we gave this game away with some mistakes in the field."

There were only nine hits in the game at the plate — four by Big Spring — and the Lady Steers played the contest without starting second baseman and leadoff hit-

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HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Big Spring junior Roshan Shroff returns shot over the net Friday at the District 4-4A tennis tournament at Figure 7 Tennis Center. Shroff won both of his matches Friday and advanced to the boy's singles championship match Saturday morning where he defeated Plainview's Sujana Gogu 6-3, 6-3 to advance to the regional tournament.

Shroff advances to regional, wins 4-4A

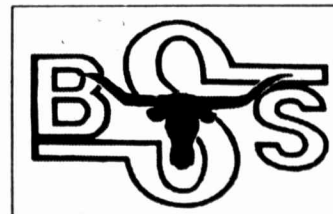
By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
Big Spring junior Roshan Shroff breezed through his first two matches at the District 4-4A tennis tournament at the Figure 7 Tennis Center inside Comanche Trail Park Friday and earned a chance to play in the championship match Saturday. And then he knocked off Sujana Gogu of Plainview 6-3, 6-3 in the title match to advance to the regional tournament in San Angelo April 24-25.

Shroff, who was the No. 1 seed in the tourney, won his first match 6-3, 6-1 and defeated Frenship's Jeff Macha 6-1, 6-2 in the semifinals.

The top two finishers of each event qualify for the regional tournament.

Big Spring got a chance to send three more indi-



viduals to regionals Saturday, but none were able to qualify.

Junior Reinilde Robinson played for third place in girl's singles, while sophomore Ainhua Nghiem and freshman Brittany Farmer did the same in mixed doubles. Robinson lost her third-place singles match to end her season and Nghiem and Farmer came up short in mixed doubles.

Robinson won her first match, but lost to the top seed in the semifinals. Nghiem and Farmer won their second round match

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Hawk women struggle against WJCAC rival OC

• Howard bats silenced in two WJCAC losses

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
It was one of those days where nothing was going right and it seemed to be that nothing was going to go right for the Howard College softball team against Odessa College.

The Hawk women's potent offense was shut down, the pitchers were off their game a bit and a few close calls didn't go the way of the home team either as Odessa ended Howard's 12-game win-

ning streak with a sweep at Foundation Field Friday. The Lady Wranglers won Game 1, 10-2 in five innings, behind solid pitching from Kelly Ninemire and shut out Howard in Game 2, 5-0.

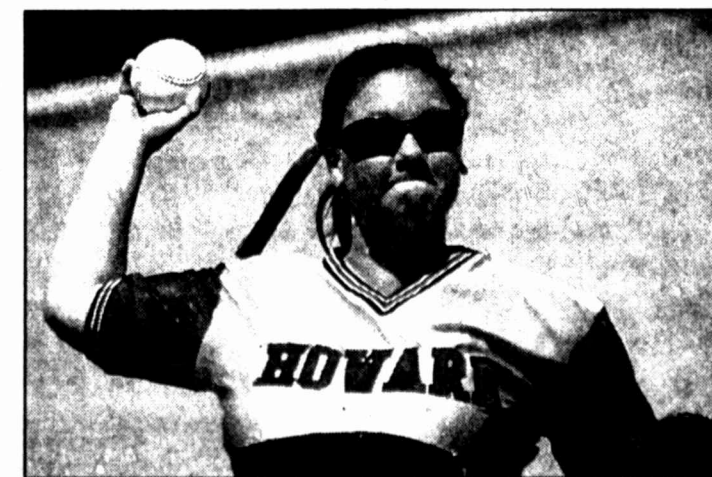
"We did stuff we don't usually do, we didn't play like we wanted to win and we didn't deserve to win," said an admittedly upset Kelly Raines, Howard's head coach, after the games.

The pitcher's did not have stellar outings, but the defense in the field should be more to blame.

Howard committed eight errors in the two games and only four of Odessa's 15 runs were earned.

Sophomore Paige Ruiz (10-3) started the first game for the Hawks. She threw all five innings and gave up four earned runs on eight hits. She struck out four, walked three and hit a batter. And it was clear the calls — or lack of calls at times — took her out of her game. "She had a bad outing," said Raines. "It starts with her and she needed to step it up. I don't know

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HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Howard sophomore Amanda Kuramata throws out a runner at third base Friday during the Hawks' loss to Odessa College in Game 1 of a doubleheader. Howard lost both games and is now 1B-4 in WJCAC play.

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ting, had two of the team's four hits and scored the only run. He also walked once. Marcus White gave up 11 earned runs as the Bulldog starter and took the loss on the mound.

Both Howard and Clarendon broke out the bats in Game 2. The Bulldogs matched their Game 1 run total by the first inning and the score was 10-7 Clarendon after two innings.

The Bulldogs scored four in the fifth but were pretty much shut down the rest of the way by sophomores Matthew Shepherd and Eamonn Donovan.

Howard did not score in the third and did not bat in the ninth, but scored multiple runs in every other inning. It scored two runs each in the fourth, fifth and seventh innings and scored four runs in the sixth and five runs in the eighth.

Storms and Fonseca had five hits each at the plate. Storms had three doubles and triple, scored four runs and had four RBIs, while Fonseca scored three times.

Sophomores Darby Brown and Daman Aaron each had three hits. Aaron scored three times and had four RBIs and hit his fifth home run of the season. Brown doubled twice, scored twice, had four RBIs and hit his first homer of the year.

"Everyone talks about how he hasn't been homering this year, but a lot of the pitchers learned from last year and don't pitch to him," said Smith. "Clarendon's pitcher made a mistake today and Darby hit it hard. If you ask Darby he's been struggling because he expects so much, but he had a good day today." Brown's "struggles"

include a .425 average, 16 doubles and a team-high 40 RBIs. He is also a few doubles away from breaking the all-time record for most doubles in a career at Howard. He set the single season record last year with 27.

Pruitt and Lowenstein each had two hits and sophomore Dusty Dallas smashed two home runs to tie Marchant for the team lead. Marchant did not get a hit at the plate but walked five times and scored three runs.

"We pulled Gabe aside and told him that he wasn't leading off because of his on-base percentage," said Smith. "We put him back up there and I think he is starting to figure things out. Yeah, he went 0-for-1, but he walked five times and scored three runs."

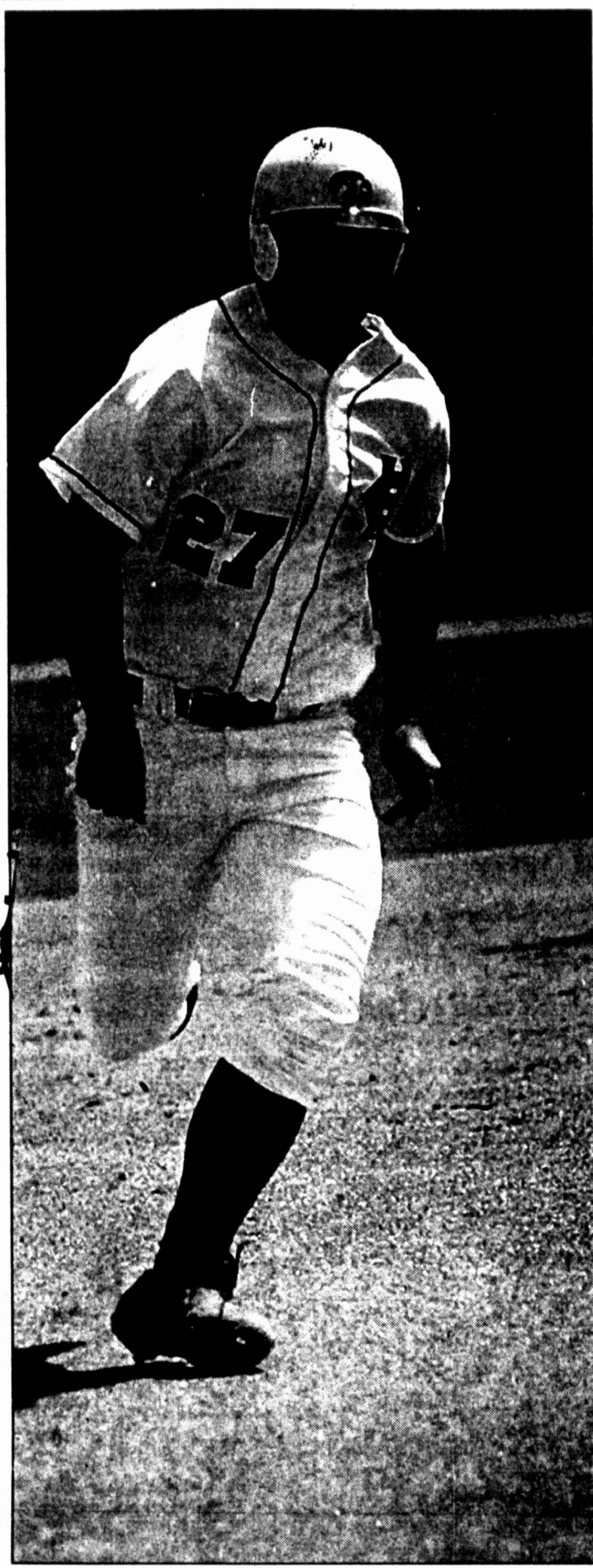
Ryan Robinson started but did not get out of the second inning after giving up seven earned runs on six hits. Shepherd went six innings of relief and improved to 3-1 with the win. Donovan pitched two solid innings, threw strikes and earned his first save of the year.

Jose Nolasco took the loss for Clarendon as he gave up two runs and recorded two outs late in the game. Clarendon hit five home runs in Game 2. Ronald Melo had two homers and six RBIs. Eric Oxie got four hits and homered once.

The Hawks improved to 26-12 overall after the win and are now 13-1 at Jack Barber Field. They are 8-6 after Friday's sweep, but Smith is not convinced they are back on track just yet.

"This sweep helps, but it will be all for nothing if we don't take at least one (Saturday)," he said. "I would love to take two more though."

Bobby Gonsoulin and Scott Stephen started on the mound Saturday, but results were unavailable at press time.



Howard freshman Barrett Lowenstein runs to third base on his way to homeplate during Howard's two-game sweep of Clarendon Friday at Jack Barber Field. The Hawks rounded third base several times, scoring 34 runs on 37 hits. Lowenstein had multiple hits in both games

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ter Amber Sides, who missed the game due to strep throat. She was not at practice Wednesday or Thursday either and Reyes said it made things a little uneasy.

"It threw things off a little bit," said Reyes. "Her leadership in the field is huge and it was definitely shaky without her. When someone's hitting .400 at the plate that's a big miss."

Still, the Lady Steers had a chance to win without Sides as the team took a 2-0 lead. Sophomore Desiree Yanez and senior Krista Chesworth both reached on fielder's choices in the third inning and senior Courtney Rodriguez brought them both home with a two-run single.

Andrews threatened with a double in the second inning and had two hits in the fourth inning before getting across the plate three times in the fifth.

Big Spring starting pitcher Mandy Walker began the inning with a walk and then a bunt single put two Andrews runners on base. After a Walker strikeout, another Andrews runner reached on a fielding error. A sacrifice fly scored the first run and then the two-run double by Mitchell made it 3-2. The hit by Mitchell was close to being foul, but was called fair by the home plate umpire — one of a few close calls the Lady Steers did not get in the game.

"The calls didn't affect the outcome of the game, but the officials had their minds made up already and we expected that," said Reyes.

Rodriguez got on base in the sixth with a walk, but was stranded and then junior Katy Abner reached first in the sev-

enth with an infield single. She advanced to second on a sacrifice bunt by sophomore Katy Watton, but was left stranded as freshman Shelbi Stewart popped out to end the game and another chapter in the intense rivalry.

Andrews is now a half a game ahead of Big Spring in the district standings due to the game which wasn't finished against Lubbock Estacado where the Lady Steers hold a commanding lead. Andrews is now 17-8 overall and 6-1 in the league, while No. 18 Big Spring falls to 18-8 and 5-1 in 4-4A. If both teams win out in district play they will meet again to decide who gets the No. 1 seed heading into the playoffs.

"I think these two teams will definitely meet again," said Reyes. "I expect us to both win out and play again for seeding and hopefully we'll play that game with Amber back in the lineup."

Walker took the loss on the mound, but only gave up two earned runs on five hits and struck out six while walking just one. She began the game with three strikeouts in the first inning, but dropped to 11-4 on the season.

"Mandy pitched well and did her job, but her defense wasn't there to back her up this time," said Reyes.

Mitchell earned the win for Andrews as she gave up two earned runs on four hits and struck out six. She sat down Big Spring in order in the first, fourth and fifth innings and got out of a jam in the second inning, stranding two Big Spring runners on the bases.

Big Spring will travel to Frenship Tuesday to take on the Lady Tigers at 4 p.m. The Lady Steers' home game against Plainview scheduled for Saturday has been moved to Thursday.

HC cowboys send four steer wrestlers to finals at Frank Phillips rodeo

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

The Howard College rodeo team advanced several competitors to the short round of the Frank Phillips rodeo after solid performances Friday night and Saturday morning.

Clay Hale of Howard and his teammate in team roping are currently in first after Round 1. They turned in a time of 6.3 to advance to the finals Saturday night.

Freshman Shelly Combs is currently holding down third in the barrel racing event with a 17.03 and got

another run in the short round.

Howard also sent four of the top 10 steer wrestlers to the finals. Laramie Hall recorded a 4.6 and is in fifth, while Jed Headley added a 5.1, Wayne Schaffeld a 5.9 and Cody Heiner a 6.7. Headley enters the finals in sixth, Schaffeld is seventh and Heiner is 10th.

Dustin Specht and Luke Pulham both advanced in calf roping after recording times of 10.6 and 10.7, respectively. They are sitting in ninth and 10th

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— after getting a first-round bye — but lost to the No. 1 seed in three sets. They won the first set 6-1, but then lost 6-7 and 1-6.

Junior Bryan Juan, who was the No. 4 seed entering the tourney, was upset in the first round by Aric Martino of Andrews. He lost in two sets and both sets were tiebreakers.

Freshman Brionna Palmer and Sydne Flohr won their first doubles match but lost in the sec-

ond round. They upset Plainview's No. 1 team 6-3, 6-2.

Also winning a first round match was sophomore Janica Ceniza. She won 6-2, 6-2, but then lost in Round 2 to Morgan Rey of Frenship.

Big Spring suffered two other first-round defeats. Sophomore Jeremy Landin and junior Rosie Alcantar lost in mixed doubles.

Dustin Thomas, the team's lone senior, and sophomore Shane Bowles lost in boy's doubles 1-6, 6-7.

The Big Spring junior high tennis team will be hosting a tourney this month. The team will play at the Figure 7 Tennis Center Saturday, April 22.



Big Spring junior Bryan Juan sends a return shot over the net during his second-round match at the District 4-4A match Friday at the Figure 7 Tennis Center.

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Bulldogettes roll past Stamford

• No. 4 Coahoma moves to 5-0 after easy win over rival

By TROY HYDE

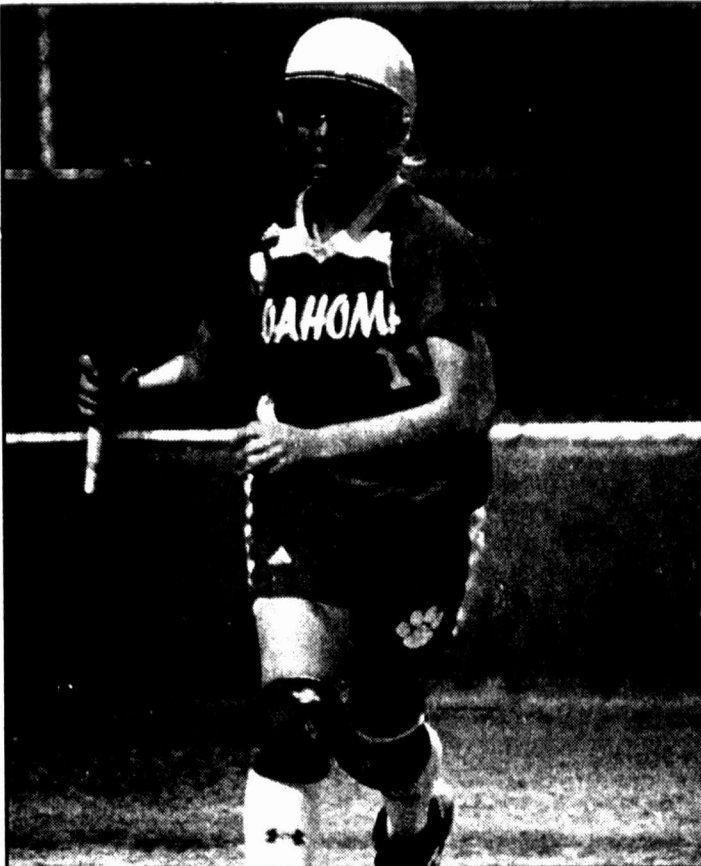
Sports Editor

STAMFORD — No. 4 Coahoma cruised to an easy 20-1 victory Friday night as the Bulldogettes downed Stamford on the road. Coahoma scored 10 runs in the first inning and never looked back.

Two senior pitchers — Kali Roberts and Sarah Dunn — surrendered just one hit in the game and recorded seven strikeouts. Roberts went three innings and got the win as she gave up one hit and sat down six by strikeout. Dunn gave up an unearned run and struck out one.

"We knew going into the game that they weren't going to be too strong," said Coahoma head coach Robby Dickenson. "We got after it and didn't play down to their level and the girls just had a lot of fun."

Several hitters had multiple hits in the game. Senior Ashle New had three hits and scored two runs to lead the way, while junior Ami Martinez, sophomore Christie Rich, senior



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde

Coahoma senior Ashle New tosses her bat aside after being issued a walk against Hawley earlier this year. The Bulldogettes routed Stamford, 20-1, Friday.

Drew Wells and Roberts all had two hits. Martinez scored two runs, Rich scored twice and Wells crossed the plate three times.

Freshman Laci Sterling had one hit, but scored four times. Sophomore Janice Gonzales and

Dunn each scored two runs.

The Bulldogettes improved to 18-5-2 overall and 5-0 in District 4-2A with the win and will host arch rival Colorado City Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Coahoma. The junior varsity game begins at 5 p.m.

Coahoma boys remain unbeaten

• Bulldogs start fast, end contest early against Stamford

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

STAMFORD — The Coahoma baseball team jumped out to early advantage and cruised past Stamford Friday on the road to improve to 5-0 in District 4-2A action. The Bulldogs blew out the "other" Bulldogs, 18-2. The game ended after five innings due to the mercy rule.

Coahoma (14-6) used three pitchers on the mound, but senior Tad White improved to 10-0 with the win. He threw the first two innings and gave up one run on one hit. Senior Kacee Coberly threw two innings, gave up two hits and had two



KERBY

strikeouts, while junior Blaine Kerby gave up two runs in the fifth and final inning.

"The goal going up there was to get an early lead so we can use more than one pitcher to get some guys a few innings," said Coahoma head coach Brad Harman. "If it would have been close, Tad would have pitched more, but I was glad we could rest him a little bit."

"All three pitchers did a good job and the defense made a lot of plays."

Kerby went four-for-five at the plate to lead the way. He scored four times and had four RBIs and

was a home run away from the cycle.

Freshman P.J. Daylong had three hits and three RBIs, while Coberly added two hits, two runs and four RBIs. Senior Cody Griffith had two hits, including a two-run home run and scored four times while scoring six put outs from his short-stop position.

"We adjusted well to the pitchers they used," said Harman. "We kept our weight back and hit the ball hard. I was happy to see us play a complete game and to not see us play down to their level. Stamford is a young team and we were able to get after them early."

The Bulldogs will host Colorado City in Coahoma Tuesday at 7 p.m. The JV game will start at 4:30 p.m.

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place.

Freshman Kendra Watt made a good run in goat tying as she advanced with an 8.7. Headley also advanced in bareback riding after scoring a 63 on his first run.

"It has turned out to be a good weekend so far," said Howard head coach Greg Kernick. "To get four in the top 10 of steer wrestling is pretty impressive."

The Hawks not only battled the stock in the rodeo, but also faced 40 mile per hour winds and an occasional rain or sleet Friday.

Kernick did say the weather improved Saturday morning though.

Saturday night's finals were unavailable at press time.



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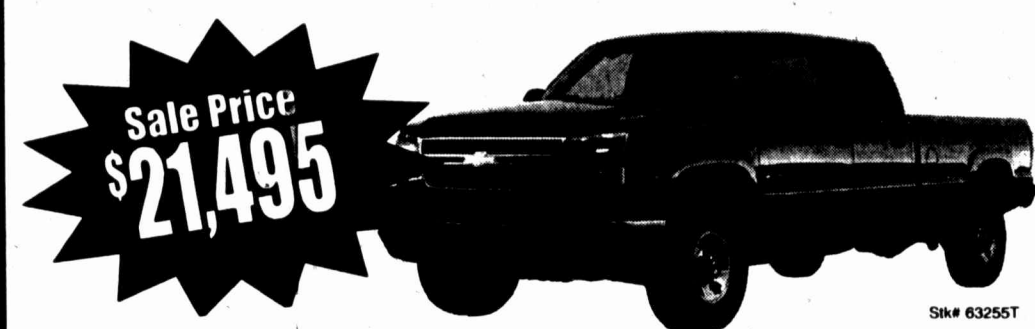


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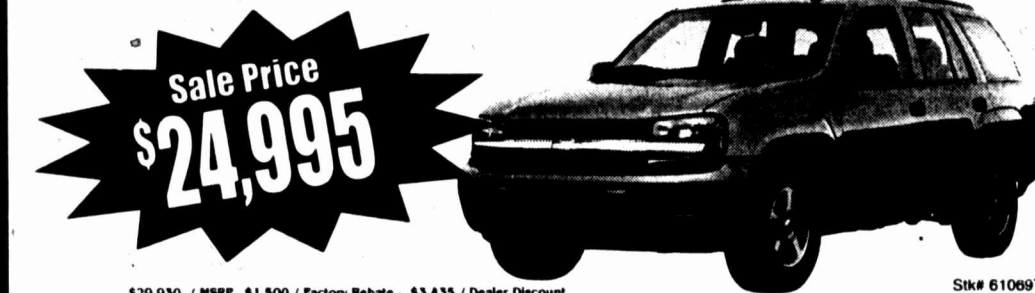
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Andrews native sets top mark at Masters

• Sports Briefs

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Chad Campbell kept his mistakes to a minimum in the second round of the Masters, turning three straight birdies into a 5-under 67 and taking a three-shot lead over Vijay Singh, Fred Couples and Rocco Mediate.

Campbell shot a 6-under 138. Everyone else was hanging on, happy with par, trying to survive what is shaping up as the toughest test in golf.

A group at 2-under 142 included Ernie Els (71), Darren Clarke (70) and former Masters champion Phil Mickelson (72).

Fifteen players were within five shots of the lead — including defending champion Tiger Woods, who was at 1-under 143 and in a group that included (73) and Ben Crenshaw (72).

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

WEST POINT, N.Y. (AP) — Coach Maggie Dixon, who at age 28 led the Army women's basketball team last month to its first NCAA tournament berth, died after suffering heart arrhythmia.

Army gave Dixon her first head coaching job last October. Six months later, she led the team to its first bid in the women's field.



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Big Spring senior Tommy Billalba attempts a putt at the Big Spring Country Club during District 4-4A action Friday. Billalba is tied for 10th overall heading into the final round.

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why she was off, but she was letting the calls affect her pitching and you can't do that."

The biggest call in the game came in the second inning when the Lady Wranglers plated four runs. Odessa had the bases loaded and a ground ball was hit to freshman shortstop Alisha Rams, who misplayed the ball, but several people at Foundation Field thought Rams was interfered with on the play — especially Raines.

"It should have been an interference call and I am still trying to figure out why it wasn't called," said the first-year Howard coach. "Did it affect things? Yes. Did it cost us the game? No. We just weren't ready to play."

Two runners scored on the error by Rams and then another error by freshman Laura Lopez on a throw to third base allowed two more runs to cross homeplate on the play.

"The kids knew there should have been a call, but they can't assume anything," said Raines. "We also had some overthrows and didn't finish the play which didn't help things."

The four runs in the second inning made it 6-0 and Odessa got up 8-0 before Howard scored two runs in the third off a two-run single by Lopez. Freshman Honda Rodriguez and Rams doubled and singled, respectively, in the inning and both scored on the Lopez hit.

Other than that, it was all Ninemire on the



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Howard College freshman Honda Rodriguez fields a ground ball at Foundation Field Friday during the Hawks' two losses to Odessa College. Rodriguez had two hits in the doubleheader and scored one of Howard's two runs in Game 1.

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Odessa got up 2-0 in the first inning of Game 2 and added three unearned runs in the fourth inning.

Howard again was shut down at the plate and the Hawks got just four hits in the game.

"It was a carry over," said Raines. "We just weren't ready to play and I can't tell anybody why."

Dickson (13-2) lost her second game of the year on the mound as she gave up five unearned runs on seven hits and struck out

four. But the five errors scattered six hits and struck out six.

The four hits were recorded by Rodriguez, Rams, Lopez and Dickson.

The Hawks drop to 28-8 on the season and are now tied with Odessa in the loss column of the Western Junior College Athletic Conference standings at 18-4. The two teams played another doubleheader at Foundation Field Saturday, but final results were unavailable at press time.

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- 2001 Ford F150 Supercrew XLT - Tan, V-8, Cloth, All Power. Was \$13,995. NOW \$12,995
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April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month

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Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners



Christine Everett, above left, and Lois Hughes-Kennedy discuss the reports included in the rape exam kit they use to collect evidence during a sexual assault examination. Hughes-Kennedy, below, uses the colposcope used when magnifying and photographing images during the examination. Everett and Hughes-Kennedy arrange stuffed toys and material in the waiting room next to the SANE examination room at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. SMMC has donated two rooms to the SANE program.

To help a victim

SANE professionals help put sexual predators behind bars

Children represent 30 of the 45 sexual assault examinations conducted in Howard County in the past two years by the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners.

If that fact doesn't chill to the bone, it needs repeating — 30 children have been examined for sexual assault in the past two years in Howard County, two thirds of the total examinations performed.

"Now that I have a baby, I feel even more outrage when I have to examine a child and find evidence of sexual abuse or sexual assault," said SANE coordinator Christine Everett.

Fortunately, through the vision and generous donations of this community, Howard County has a state-of-the-art program to assist in the prosecution of sexual predators.

Five women and one man, all medical professionals, agreed to undergo 96 hours of specialized training to certify the Howard County program through

the Attorney General's office.

"We attended medical and forensic classes that included evidence gathering, interview techniques, courtroom testifying and the anatomy of males and females in relation to trauma," Everett said.

The crew for Howard County, who perform the sexual assault examinations for six counties, Howard, Borden, Mitchell, Martin, Scurry and Glasscock, includes registered nurses Everett, Lois Hughes-Kennedy, Juanita Smith and Cynthia Schaffner and family nurse practitioners Les White and Kim Shaffer.

These individuals rotate being on call and answer the page of law enforcement when an examination is needed.

"We can only conduct the examinations when requested by law enforcement. Although we get lots of requests from parents, we cannot do SANE exams to prove or disprove sexual activity," she said.

The role of a SANE practitioner is multifaceted. Along with a required interview of the victim, the nurse also performs a series of medical tests to collect



evidence.

"We have to interview the victim alone, because in court we cannot be accused of 'leading' the victim's statement. Once we start the examination, we can never leave the room and the sexual assault kit can never be out of our sight," Everett said.

The tests conducted include oral and saliva swabs, which are dried in a special dryer.

Then strands of head and pubic hair are collected from the victim.

Fingernails are scraped, debris is collected as well as the clothes a victim wears. The final evidence collected is usually the vaginal and penile swabs. This evidence is then sealed and handed to the law enforcement evidence official.

That official then places the sealed kit in the evidence room until it is transported to the crime lab in Lubbock, where the tests are conducted.

"SANE exams are

completely confidential. The charts are locked up and once they're transferred to the medical records room, they are still under lock and key. Everything we do is confidential and we're all trained in confidentiality," she said.

Testifying in court is another SANE professional's responsibility, although Everett said most of her cases have resulted in plea bargains, so a trial was not necessary.

"I feel so honored to do what I do. It is very important to me that if a child or an adult is sexually abused or assaulted, that they have someone perform this exam who will take their time, gather the evidence correctly and testify on behalf of the victim to put away the perpetrator so he cannot do this again," she said.

An adult SANE exam may take from 45 minutes to one and 1/2 hours. To examine a



child, the same procedure has taken up to four hours, she said.

"It's very important that we have this in Howard County, so we do not have to transport our victims to Midland; and so we have a central location for the counties we serve," she said.

The examinations fall into two categories, acute, for those victims who suffered a sexual assault within 72 hours of the exam, and chronic, for those whose assault

occurred more than 72 hours before the exam.

"Most of the children we examine are chronic, because children make an outcry later. But every child who makes an outcry must be reported to law enforcement, that's the law," she said.

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Courtesy photo

Juanita Lewis has been employed for 25 years at Quita's Hair Fashion and she celebrated 50 years in the cosmetology profession.

Local beautician celebrates 50 years in business

Special to the Herald

Juanita Lewis celebrated 50 years as a cosmetologist in March. She first went to work as a hairdresser in March of 1956.

She married Milton Lewis and they celebrated their 58th anniversary. They have three daughters, seven grandchildren

and 13 great-grandchildren and three stepgreat-grandchildren.

In 1956, Lewis went to work for the House of Charm with Odessa Wells and Mary Smith. Later she and her sister, Wanda Davis, opened the Peacock Beauty Salon, where they worked for several years.

They sold the shop to Jerry Tub, and Lewis continued to work for her for two more years. Then she and Davis purchased the Royal Beauty Salon, where they worked for several more years.

Then Lewis went to work for Oma McCowan, her aunt and worked for her until the shop was

sold to Young and Alive, where she continued to work for six more months.

Lewis then moved to Quita's Hair fashion, where she has worked for the past 25 years.

She said she gives God all the credit for her success and especially for her good health.

Who's Who



Daniel Hilario Jr.

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Daniel Hilario Jr. of Fort Worth recently received second place team in the Western Regional JROTC Marksmanship Air Rifle Championships in Colorado.

Hilario is the son of Daniel and Norma Hilario of Fort Worth and the grandson of Clara Hilario of Big Spring.

His team earned five silver and two bronze medals while competing against 32 other teams. He is a sophomore at Paschal High School and an Army ROTC Cadet.

At the individual competition, Hilario earned second place in the Sporter Air Rifle, besting 162 individuals, taking second place and moving from seventh to second place overall.

The next competition for the cadets is national championship in Georgia.

In the Military

Toby N. Granniss

Toby N. Granniss has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program. The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

He is the son of Warren and Stephanie Granniss of Big Spring.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward a college education. After completion of basic military training, soldiers receive advanced individual training in their career job specialty prior to being assigned to their first permanent duty station. The recruit qualifies for a \$14,000 enlistment bonus.

Granniss has reported to Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C., for basic training.

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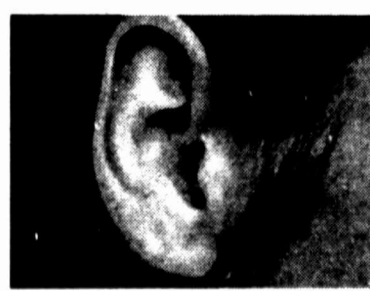
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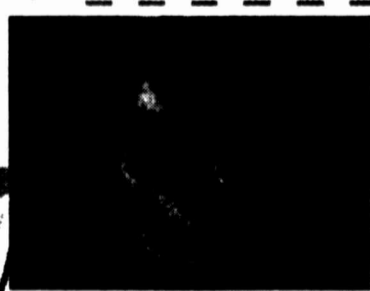
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Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Winton Blaine

Knight, Blaine wed

Lacey Marie Knight and Benjamin Winton Blaine were united in marriage at 7 p.m., March 18, 2006, at Dora Roberts Community Center with the Howard Hornsby of Big Spring officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Alan and Mitzi Knight of Big Spring. She is the granddaughter of Pete and Peggy Sanderson of Big Spring, Orvel Knight of Breckenridge, Eunice Filler of Midland and the late Billie Sanderson.

The groom is the son of Al Blaine of Wingate and Deanie Blaine of Abilene. He is the grandson of Mike and Barbara Thomas of Arlington and the late Rev. and Mrs. AW Blaine.

The bride was given away by her father during the ceremony.

Desiree Farmer of Midland, sister of the bride, served as the maid of honor and best man was William Blaine of San Angelo, brother of the groom.

Honorary bridesmaids were Jennifer Hollingshead of Kerrville, sister of the groom, Randi Lyn Knight of Commerce, cousin of the bride, Alison Wingrove of Amarillo, Hailey Haynes of San Angelo, Sabrina Jaramillo of San Angelo and Traci Hawkins of Canyon.

Honorary groomsmen were Jeremy Knight of Stillwater, Okla., brother of the bride, Jaymie Farmer of Midland, brother-in-law of the bride, Kevin Hollingshead of Kerrville, brother-in-law of the groom, Bryan Strong of Wingate and Ken Wingrove of Amarillo.

Candle lighters were Cody Hollingshead of Kerrville, nephew of the groom and Kaitlyn Hector of Big Spring, cousin of the bride.

Flower girls were Demi Farmer of Midland, niece of the bride, Jordan Hollingshead of Kerrville, niece of the groom and McKinna Hector of Big Spring, cousin of the bride.

Ringer bearers were Jaylan Farmer of Midland, nephew of the bride and Nathaniel Whitmore of Big Spring.

The couple spent their honeymoon on a cruise to Cozamel, Mexico and made their residence in New Mexico.

The bride is a Big Spring High School graduate and she graduated from Angelo State University with a bachelor's degree. She is an Arbonne consultant.

The groom is a graduate of Winters High School and attended Ranger College. He is employed by QCI.

Engagement



Justin James Newton and Lindsey Brooke Nix

Nix, Newton to wed

Lewis and Donna Britton of Winnsboro and Jody Nix of Big Spring announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lindsey Brooke Nix to Justin James Newton, son of James and Julie Newton of Mountain Home, Idaho.

The bride-to-be is a senior admissions and records officer at the University of Oklahoma's Health Sciences Center and will receive her master's degree from the University of Oklahoma in December 2006. The groom-to-be is a Staff Sergeant in the United States Air Force and is currently stationed at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma City.

The couple will be married at 1 p.m. Saturday, June 10, 2006, at the Ivory Gardens Wedding Chapel in Norman, Okla.

Births

Kendra Janay Banks, a girl, was born at 8:04 a.m. March 18, 2006, weighing 8 pounds, 6 ounces and was 20 1/4 inches long.

Her parents are Wendy Thomas and Kenneth Banks of Big Spring. Her grandparents are Janey McCormick, Ruby Banks and Jonnie Ray Gardner. Kendra was welcomed home by siblings Mikal and Kiana Banks.

Khmani Jordan Cross, a boy, was born at 8:34 a.m. March 29, 2006, weighing 6 pounds and 8 ounces.

His parents are Kamaluddin and LeAndra Cross of Big Spring. His grandparents are Laura and Bobby McGee of Big Spring, Juan Williams of Fort Worth and Katie Cross of Big Spring.

Khmani was welcomed home by sibling Karon.

Newcomers

• Juanita Henson, formerly of Albuquerque, N.M.

• Chuck Breyman, wife, Cynthia, son, John, 10, formerly of Midland.

He is a employed by Walsh & Watts Inc. in Coahoma.

• Al Hulsey, wife, Ina, formerly of Abilene. He is retired from the U.S. Army.

• Michael Holm of Big

Spring, wife, Laura, son, Michael III, 13, formerly of Conroe.

He is the employed by Cornell Corrections.



Mendy Lou Morgan and Derek Wayne Ward

Morgan, Ward to wed

Mendy Lou Morgan and Derek Wayne Ward, both of Coahoma, announce their intention to take wedding vows at 4 p.m., May 20, 2006, at the Coahoma Church of Christ.

The bride-elect is the daughter of James and Melinda Morgan of Coahoma.

She is the granddaughter of Troy and Joyce Nelson of Post and Dorothy and the late Lee Morgan of Post.

The future groom is the son of Ronnie and Cathy Ward of Coahoma.

He is the grandson of Don and Pat Allen of Coahoma and Annie and the late Jim Ward of Coahoma.

Mendy is a 2005 graduate of Coahoma High School.

She is attending Howard College and is majoring in kinesiology.

Derek is a 2000 graduate of Coahoma High School.

He earned his bachelor's degree in animal science from Angelo State University in 2004.

He is employed by Cowboy Construction of Coahoma.

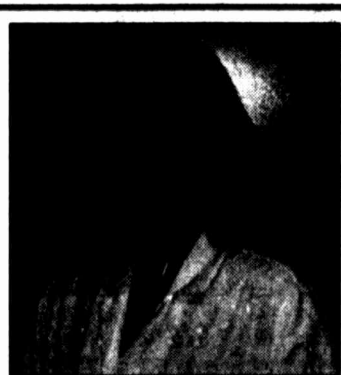
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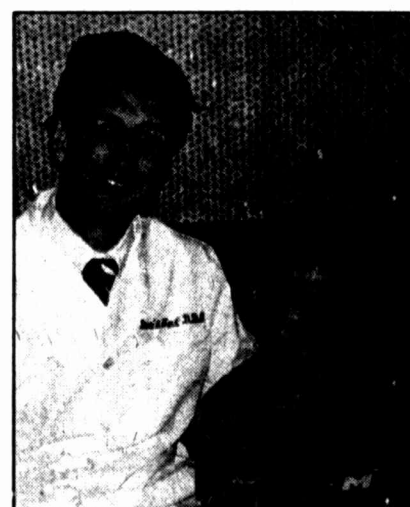
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Scenic Mountain to honor nurse — with your help

Special to the Herald

To recognize quality care, comfort and compassion offered by the nurses at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, the health care facility will be bestowing its Patient Choice Award to one nurse in particular in May — with the public's help.

Continuing the tradition of

the last few years, this program, which solicits input from the community, will culminate with a nurse at Scenic Mountain Medical Center receiving the award during Nurses' Week, May 6 through May 12.

Why would Scenic Mountain Medical Center be asking former patients to be so involved in spotlighting an exceptional

nurse, rather than making the choice internally?

"Sometimes it's just too hard to spot one nurse when there are so many nurses in our hospital doing such an incredible job caring for our patients," said Judy Roeber, interim chief nursing officer. "That's why we are asking patients to help us make the choice. They see the little things that matter so

much on a very personal level."

If you or a family member have come to Scenic Mountain Medical Center for inpatient or outpatient care in the last year and you have a nurse you'd like to thank for going the extra mile, this is your opportunity. Nominations for the 2006 Patient Choice Award will be accepted until May 3. To nominate a nurse, send the nurse's

name and a few paragraphs explaining your nomination, along with your own name (and the name of the patient) address and phone number.

E-mail nominations to Leslie_Kinman@chs.net or mail to: Leslie Kinman, Marketing Director, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 W. Eleventh Place, Big Spring, 79720.

Clean sweep

Breathe-Ez provides duct cleaning, as well as air and water purifiers

By ANDREIA MEDLIN

Special to the Herald

When Curt and Vicky Bryan were looking for a place to set up their Breathe-EZ air duct cleaning business friends told them "Go to Texas."

After an extensive search online, the couple decided on the West Texas area. Besides the inherent wind and blowing dust which makes a perfect situation for their chosen profession, the Bryans were impressed with the lower cost of living and the friendliness of the people they met.

"The people are nice," said Vicky. "We needed a better place to raise our kids."

Breathe-EZ offers a complete air duct clean-

ing package which includes cleaning the compete system in a home.

"I will clean the entire system — all vents, cold air returns and main lines," Curt explained. "This includes sanitizing the entire system and the furnace."

Bryan, who worked for an air duct cleaning company in Missouri, found himself disillusioned by their mainstream business practices. Most companies tend to add on expenses upon arrival at a site, according to Bryan.

"I like to keep things simple and uncomplicated," he said.

Along with the air duct cleaning, the Bryans offer water and air purifica-



All set and ready to go. Business owner Curt Bryan offers complete air duct cleaning at a flat rate. To get a free quote — as well as information on his air and water purifiers — call 432-353-4849 or 432-897-0767.

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tion systems. With the purchase of a system, the air duct cleaning package is free.

The water purification can be customized to the customer's needs.

"We can do anything from a faucet to the whole home," Curt

explained. "We also have a system just for people with well water."

The water filtration system can be purchased as opposed to rental and the filters and maintenance can be provided by the Bryans.

The air purification sys-

tems range from the very basic to those that kill mold, Curt explained.

Consultation is free and the home-based business will be open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The Bryans take pride in their work and cus-

tomers service so much that their work is guaranteed.

"We guarantee to beat the price on any other air duct cleaning service," Curt said.

To contact the Bryans and get a free quote, call 432-353-4849 or 897-0767.

CHAMBER RIBBON CUTTING



Big Spring dignitaries attended the ribbon cutting and reception in celebration of the opening of the Northside Community Center's new facility — the Mindy and Jordan Partee Building — at 108 NE Eight St. The center will continue to offer services for those in need at its location next to the old building. For information on its services, contact Max Webb or Bobby Armstrong at 263-2673. Ribbon cuttings are a function of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

Donelson, SNB senior vice president, to retire

Special to the Herald

State National Bank has announced the retirement of Senior Vice President Delbert A. Donelson, effective June 1.

Donelson has served the bank, its customers, and the area agriculture community for more than 33 years and has remained active in civic duties throughout his career. He also served two years in the military and eight years with the Farmer's Home Administration.



Donelson

Donelson will continue to serve on the bank's board of directors.

He and his wife Barbara have two children, Gary of Big Spring and Debra of Cape Elizabeth, Maine.

Friends and customers are invited to stop by and join the bank in congratulating Donelson on his retirement.

Miller named Social Worker of the Year

Special to the Herald

Longtime Big Spring State Hospital employee Beverly Miller has been named Social Worker of the Year.

Miller was announced as the 2006 recipient during a March 30 Social Work Ethics Conference on the hospital campus.

Each year during National Professional Social Work month, the Big Spring State Hospital Social Work Department honors one of its own as social worker of the year, said Kathy Salazar, the hospital's director of social work services.

"This is a special honor because it is bestowed by our peers," she said prior



Courtesy photo
Big Spring State Hospital Director of Social Work Services Kathy Salazar poses with Beverly Miller, who was named the 2006 Social Worker of the Year.

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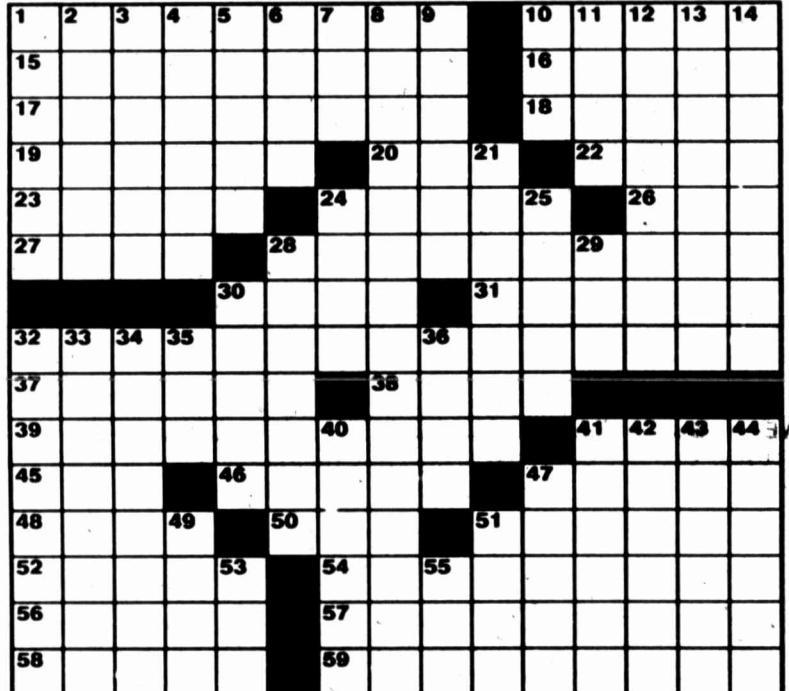
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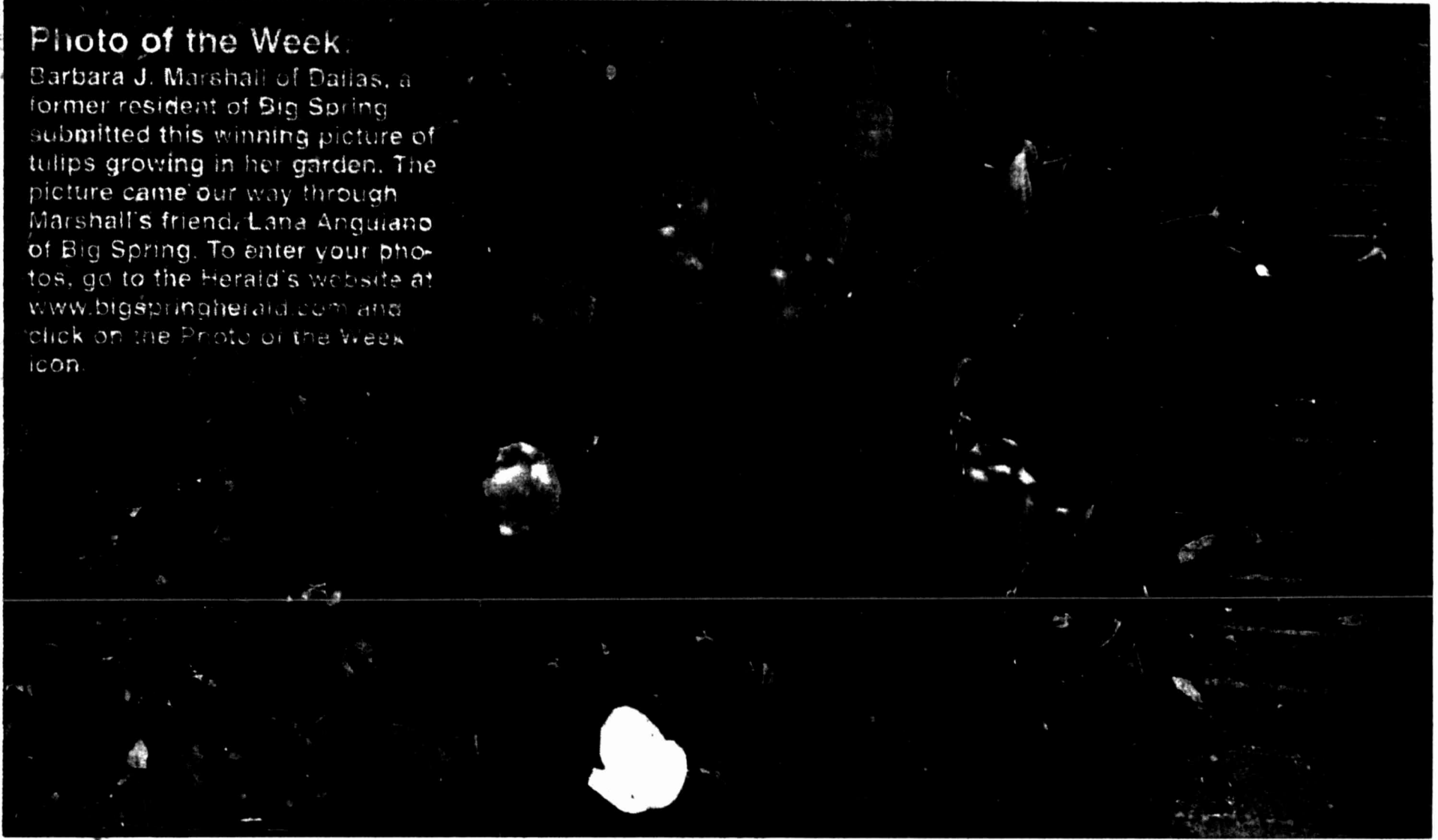
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Barbara J. Marshall of Dallas, a former resident of Big Spring submitted this winning picture of tulips growing in her garden. The picture came our way through Marshall's friend, Lana Angulano of Big Spring. To enter your photos, go to the Herald's website at www.bigspringherald.com and click on the Photo of the Week icon.



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'Lucky Number Slevin' work of self-indulgence

By **ROGER MOORE**

The Orlando Sentinel

We don't often celebrate the work of the production designer, the person who concocts the look — the clothing colors, sets, wallpaper and props — of a movie. "Lucky Number Slevin," an over-written, over-acted and over-designed slice of self-indulgence, invites us to do just that.

So let us admire the stylings of Francois Seguin, creator of the sepia-tinged nostalgia of "The Greatest Game Ever Played," the blues and dark greys of a journalistic scandal in "Shattered Glass." He designs the living heck out of "Slevin," from its deco crime lord townhouses to its kitschy '60s-ish airport waiting lounges.

We notice these things because the movie in front of "Slevin's" backdrops is such a load of hooley. Writerly, actorly and directorial flourishes — a "Let's Out-Tarantino Tarantino" turn by director Paul McGuigan, Bruce Willis reading (not acting) lines

that begin with "There was a time ..."

It's a puzzle. Check out the wallpaper if you don't believe me.

And this much is certain. If you notice the wallpaper in a movie — and we sure as "Slevin" do — then somebody screwed up.

Guy (Sam Jaegar) walks into an airport, sits down, and out of nowhere, a frumpy chatty guy in a hat and a wheelchair shows up (Willis).

"Ever heard of a Kansas City Shuffle?" he says, just to make small talk. "Everybody looks right, you go left."

Guy looks right, and the man in the hat kills him.

Next thing you know, another guy (Josh Hartnett) who was coming to stay in the dead man's apartment is being confused for the late, not great Nick (Jaegar). And Slevin, for that is his name, is getting mugged, beaten up, picked up by hoods and groveling in the presence of "The Boss" (Oscar winner Morgan Freeman) or "The Rabbi" (Oscar winner Ben Kingsley).



KRT photo

Lucy Liu and Josh Hartnett star in "Lucky Number Slevin," from MGM.

"Let me tell you a story." Everybody has a tale to tell, about the past, a fixed race at Aqueduct, a son who lost his father. Everybody talks pop culture — Lil' Abner, Andy Griffith, Columbo, movies.

"Your predicament reminds me of a Hitchcock film."

Slevin sort of makes with the missing Nick's neighbor (Lucy Liu), who keeps popping in and saying, "I

think it's time you tell me that story."

He never does. All we know is, Nick's dead. And how many ways can a screenwriter say that?

"Dead — murdered — relegated to the past tense."

Hartnett plays this key man who knows the ending, and thus never fears that the fortress he's been brought to by The Rabbi's henchman, or the mobsters who work for The Boss,

will be his tomb.

"You can only kill me once."

It's self-consciously clever in a not-very-clever way, a puzzle only its creator finds puzzling. It's fun to listen to, not to follow or watch.

"Tell it to the one-legged man."

But when you get bored — and you know you will — remember the wallpaper.

Wanting a change, Freeman plays a tough mob boss

By **PHILIP WUNTCH**

The Dallas Morning News

You know what to expect from a Morgan Freeman role.

Whether playing God in "Bruce Almighty," a U.S. president in "Deep Impact" or a gym employee in "Million Dollar Baby," he embodies benevolent authority.

At least for now, forget about benevolence.

In "Lucky Number Slevin," which opens Friday, the normally benign Freeman plays a take-no-prisoners mob czar known as The Boss.

"There's been a lot of talk about my choice of roles," the 68-year-old actor said in a recent phone conversation. "My favorite word for

the roles I've been playing is 'gravitas.' I love that word. Gravitas, gravitas, gravitas.

"But I felt it was time to go a different route, and The Boss is a very interesting character. If you ask me, it's a wonderful departure."

"Lucky Number Slevin" stars Josh Hartnett as a goofus who finds himself at the center of gangland warfare.

Freeman heads one gang, and Ben Kingsley is at the helm of the other.

For Freeman, working with Kingsley was an enticement.

He has been "an awe-struck fan" of the actor since 1982's "Gandhi." Knighted by Queen Elizabeth II in 2001, Kingsley in-

sists on being addressed as Sir Ben.

"So I called him Sir Ben. That was fine with me. Anyone who goes from 'Gandhi' to 'Sexy Beast' to 'House of Sand and Fog' has my respect. He was great to work with. Didn't try to intimidate anyone."

Freeman's credits are as impressive as Sir Ben's. A four-time Academy Award nominee, he won for 2004's "Million Dollar Baby."

He speaks of the accolade in a typically amused, self-demeaning manner.

"Yes, that was another of my 'gravitas' roles. I knew that if I were nominated, I would win. I'm old, and I'm respectable. Best-supporting-actor Oscars are often given for those reasons."

For many moviegoers,

another 'gravitas' character, the loyal yet spirited chauffeur Hoke in "Driving Miss Daisy," remains his most memorable role. For a while, he received criticism for accepting an allegedly "Uncle Tom" part, and following that film's release, he expressed some misgivings about taking an obedient-servant role.

"I'm past that now. Some people didn't care for it. But I wasn't concerned about that. Everyone's got an opinion, and that's their right."

Freeman is now working on a project that he will produce but not act in. It's the story of the 761st Tank Battalion, the first black armored unit to see World War II combat.

"It's an amazing unit," said the actor, who spent almost four years in the Air Force. "They were at the front for 183 days, fighting through France, Belgium and the Battle of the Bulge. There's such an enormous resurgence of interest in World War II now."

When he's not working on his many projects, Freeman spends as much time as possible at his ranch near Clarksdale, Miss.

"I grew up in Mississippi. Everything was segregated then, which was wrong, but I still had good times. When I left Mississippi, I soon learned that people are the same everywhere and situations are the same everywhere. Now I love Mississippi."

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Ashanti's hip-hop crown is studded with wisdom

By LYDIA MARTIN

Knight Ridder Newspapers

Just a couple of hours before you're supposed to hook up with R&B singer Ashanti, a publicist calls to say her people want you to submit questions in writing.

You're like, um, no. After some back and forth, Ashanti's people relent and the interview is back on. But you arrive at her Ritz-Carlton suite in South Beach bracing for "the Princess" of hip-hop label The Inc. to throw shade.

Instead she bounds up to you with a warm hello. She's tiny in bare feet and the floral Vivienne Tam dress she still has on from an event earlier in the day.

She plops on the couch, puts her head on her knees. She's a little worn out. Been up since the crack getting ready for a morning media event aboard a yacht anchored behind the American Airlines Arena for the launch of a dietary supplement called Ashanti's OPC-3 Beauty Blend, which promotes skin health.

Ashanti may be just 25, but she seems polished beyond her years. She anticipates your questions, no need for her to see them in writing first. And she's smooth with her comebacks, even when you ask why she risked it all, just when her star was soaring, by backing Irv Gotti, the head of her label, when he went up on charges of laundering money for a notorious crack kingpin. Gotti was acquitted in late 2005. Ashanti, along with Ja, Jay-Z, Fat Joe and Russell Simmons, stood by him in the courtroom.

"You know, it's different with The Inc. We're so much more like a family than a record label. I showed up every day. It could've went sour, it really, really could have. And maybe that would have been bad for me. But me and Ja, we knew it was about being loyal. That's what family is about at the end of the day."



After singing and writing for other stars, Ashanti had her first album in 2002 shoot to No. 1.

KRT photo/Ronna Grady/Miami Herald

Murder Inc., as the label used to be called, gave Ashanti her big break. She started writing and singing hooks for other stars like Ja, J.Lo, Big Pun and Fat Joe. Her 2002 debut solo album "Ashanti" shot to No. 1 on both the Billboard Top 200 and R&B charts, selling half a million copies in its first week and more than 4 million total. "Chapter II," which came in 2003, sold 2 million.

In 2003, heads at Murder Inc. decided it would do the label's image good to drop the murder part. And Ashanti says the proof is in the endorsement deals she's gotten since.

"Some people didn't understand what we meant by murder. It was like, we're murdering the industry. But some people took it as a negative. And it was kind of hurting me when it came to me getting other kinds of deals. But after the name was changed I got

Herbal Essence, my perfume line (Precious Jewel, released in 2005), things like that.

Ashanti, who grew up in Glen Cove, Long Island, spends a good deal of time on South Beach. And yeah, she does the clubs. But not as often as a 20-something with velvet rope carte blanche might be expected to.

"I'm not really a club person. I go out sometimes when my brothers are here (she means the guys from The Inc.), but I'm always the first to leave. I'm always, like, 'See ya.'"

Might have something to do with the fact that Ashanti's mom frequently is right beside her.

"I get on the dance floor. I party," says Tina Douglas, who is not only Ashanti's mom, but also her manager. She calls herself the "Momager."

You bet mom is not just dancing, but watching.

"Every second. It's all about business. And it's all about taking care of my daughter," says Douglas.

You wonder if the hip-hop industry has been tough on mom and daughter. You know some of the thugged-out stuff is more marketing than truth, though The Inc. has in fact been known for hardcore beefs against others in the game.

But just how cut-throat

has the business been and how has Momager handled it?

"Every business you're in is cut-throat," says Douglas. "I worked in the corporate world. I was a computer networking engineer, managed a department, worked for IBM for 10 years. In terms of cut-throat, what happens in corporate America is triple what happens in hip-hop. It prepared me."

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Despite flight of fancy, Domino is a 'fun flick'

When a movie begins with the disclaimer "based on a true story," I generally cringe. For these films, you can be assured of one of two things: Either the film is going to be just as boring as real life, or it's so far fetched and strays so far from the truth that it barely even resembles the actual events being portrayed.

You can apply that second recipe to "Domino," the film based loosely — and I do mean *loosely* — on the life and times of former-Ford model turned bounty hunter Domino Harvey.

Starring the likes of Keira Knightley ("Pirates of the Caribbean"), Mickey Rourke ("Sin City," "Nine 1/2 Weeks") and Delroy Lindo ("Sahara," "Gone in 60 Seconds"), the film is a rollercoaster ride that attempts to follow Harvey, along with legendary bounty hunter Ed Mosbey and his partner, Choco, through a portion of her career.

Much like the true story of Domino Harvey, this movie certainly isn't for the kiddos. It's laced with nudity, drug use and more violence than you can shake a stick at.

However, it does manage to entertain, much in the same way films like "Natural Born Killers" and other campy-gone-cool films have.

The movie, which with all its glamour and Hollywood fat-free filling is certainly a winner, circles around a band of would-be thieves that attempt to make a \$300,000 heist involving an armored car and some unwitting youngsters who bargained for fake IDs and got a lot more.

Of course, in Hollywood even the bad guys have to be lovable, so the money for these thieves — who unknowingly involve Domino and her troop of bounty hunters — is needed to save the life of a sick

child.

Back in reality... The daughter of Lithuanian Jewish actor Laurence Harvey and his third wife and widow, British supermodel Paulene Stone, Domino was reportedly named after Bond girl Domino Derval from the movie Thunderball (the character's real name was Dominique, though she was called Domino).

However, her mother's choice of name was actually inspired by actress and former fellow model Dominique Sanda.

Laurence Harvey died of stomach cancer in 1973, when Domino was 4 years old. He left a sizable inheritance, ensuring that she would be financially well off. However, it did not fill the void created by her father's death. By her teens, Harvey had been kicked



out of four elite boarding schools.

Harvey claimed that she had initially followed her mother's footsteps as a Ford model before turning to more dangerous careers, but her employment with the agency has not been confirmed. She did run a London nightclub, worked as a San Diego ranch hand, volunteered with the Boulevard Fire & Rescue Company near the Mexican border and, even-



tually, started bounty hunting.

After reading about a two-week, \$300 class for bail enforcement agents, Harvey decided to become a bounty hunter.

In and out of drug rehabilitation for years, on May 4, 2005, she was arrested for allegedly dealing methamphetamine. She was awaiting trial and under house arrest at the time of her death. She would have faced up to 10 years in jail if she had been convicted.

She would never go to trial.

Harvey was found dead in a bathtub by a close family friend in West Hollywood. On Sept. 3, the Los Angeles County coroner reported that she had died from an accidental overdose of fentanyl. The report said Harvey died June 27, 2005, from "acute fentanyl toxicity." Fentanyl is a painkiller 80 times more potent than morphine.

There have been tabloid reports that the ending of the film was changed following Domino's death, and also that she had been unhappy with her portrayal in the film.

The film studio has countered that she had been involved with the project with director Tony

Scott for nearly 12 years. Promotional featurettes for the movie include Domino on set with the cast and crew, she contributed to the songs on the soundtrack, and also attended the movie's wrap party in December 2004.

Domino herself appears at the very end of the cast credits of the film. To acknowledge Domino's death, Scott inserted an "In Loving Memory" title card for her at the beginning of the production credits.

"One of her quotes — and this made it into the movie — 'Heads you live and tails you die.' That to me encapsulates how she lived her life," said Scott. "There was nothing as intoxicating, not even drugs, as actually kicking down a door and wondering what was on the other side."

So how does the movie stack up?

Despite the continual trappings of a high-dollar budget, the film seems to maintain the gritty, yet beautiful persona Domino Harvey developed over the years.

Add that to some of the best cinematography I've seen in years, sight gags and special "rewind" style conclusions about the events that transpired, and you have yourself a visual

feast.

Having waited so many years to see the film — there has been talk about the film for what seems like ages — I have to admit I was a little disappointed that Scott decided to sugar-coat Harvey's battle with drug addiction. Yeah, it might not have compelled her any closer to heroine status — yes, that was a shameless pun — but it could have been used as something of a warning sign on the road of life.

In the end, the film gets a thumbs-up from me, even if the screenwriter and director strayed pretty far off the factual path. Hey, I paid to see a movie, not a documentary, which I'm sure several will be on their way.

Domino — 4 Stars
Most awaited movie in my Blockbuster queue — Drowning Pool, "Sinema."

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