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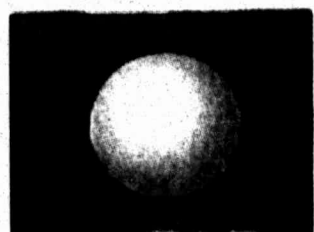
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WEDNESDAY

January 12, 2005

WEATHER

Tonight:



TONIGHT 30°-33°
TOMORROW 47°-49°

BRIEFLY

Sen. Hutchison to hold book signing

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, author of "American Heroines: the Spirited Women Who Shaped Our Country," will be at the Master's Touch in Big Spring at 9:15 a.m. Friday for a book signing.

The senator will also tour the Big Spring VA Medical Center while in Big Spring.

The Master's Touch is located at 996 E. FM 700.

Legion sets fish fry for Saturday

American Legion Post 506, located at 3204 W. Highway 80, will hold a fish fry Saturday from noon until 3 p.m. Delivery will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Carry-outs are available. For orders, call 263-2084.

COMING

THIS WEEKEND



Cover Story: The top-rated PBS series "Antiques Road Show" has become a national phenomenon as people flock to the show's appraisers to determine if their keepsake is trash or treasure. The excitement builds in Reno, Nevada, where a day-long evaluation takes place of America's hidden treasures.

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On with the show!

Howard County Junior Livestock Show begins four-day run today

By **THOMAS JENKINS**

Staff Writer

The Howard County Junior Livestock Show gets under way today in the County Fairbarns, as more than 100 local students prepare to exhibit hundreds of animals during the four-day event.

County Extension Agent Michael Brooks said the annual event, which teach-



Brooks

es local students how to raise and care for livestock, also teaches some valuable lessons the participants can use later in life.

"It teaches them responsibility and character," said Brooks.

"Teaching these kids good

character is a big part of what we wanted to accomplish with the livestock show. They also learn about ethics and how important they are.

"When this is all over with, we want the kids to take these lessons they've learned — about ethics and responsibility — and be able to apply them in the real world."

The show begins today at 3 p.m. with the lamb exhibition, which will be followed at 4 p.m. by the goat show.

The rabbit show will be held on Thursday with judging set to get under way at 6 p.m.

The steer show is slated for 9 a.m. Friday, with the

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WEDNESDAY
3 p.m. Lamb exhibition
4 p.m. Goat show

THURSDAY
6 p.m. Rabbit Show

FRIDAY
9 a.m. Steer show
1 p.m. Swine exhibition

SATURDAY
12 p.m. Buyer's barbecue
1 p.m. Auction

Golfer tees off on links, city council

□ Board approves \$143,000 for improvements to municipal golf course.

By **THOMAS JENKINS**

Staff Writer

Any notion that fee increases at the Comanche Trail Golf Course wouldn't draw the ire of local golfers was dissolved during Tuesday night's meeting of the Big Spring City Council, as patrons expressed their displeasure over fees and renovations both during and after the meeting.

Local golf enthusiast Patsy Sharpnack addressed the council, expressing her disappointment in recent renovations to the course, which she

described as pathetic. "The surrounding area on Hole 2 — you can't even walk around it without ruining your shoes. Hole 2 is being called the sewer now. That's what people are calling it. It's just pathetic."

"We need a new clubhouse. The current one was built more than 50 years ago, and they raised fees then to build a new clubhouse but nothing has happened. It's too small and there's no room for meetings or for tournaments to

have food. We don't have a clubhouse that compares to anywhere around here.

"When you ask where the money is going, you need to know it's going right back into the golf course... We're actually funding these renovations above what the course is budgeted."



Stephanie Horton



HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

Big Spring City Councilman Greg Biddison watches as the motion to award the bid for renovations to the Comanche Trail Golf Course is approved Tuesday night. Biddison opposed the awarding of the bid because it was approximately \$13,000 over-budget. Also pictured is Councilwoman Joann Knox, who along with the rest of the council, voted to approve the bid in a six-to-one vote.

"The pro shop is pathetic. There has been little improvement done to it. They put in new carpet

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UTPB Listening Tour coming here

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

The University of Texas at the Permian Basin's "Listening Tour" of West Texas cities will make a stop in Big Spring on Friday.

The meeting, between UTPB officials and local community and education leaders, is tentatively scheduled for 12:45 p.m.



Sparks

faculty are traveling to several West Texas cities

this week to meet with leaders in public schools, local government, economic development and business.

The purpose of the tour is to hear these officials' aspirations and concerns for their communities, according to information released by UTPB.

Howard College President Cheri Sparks

sees the "Listening Tour" as a good way to expand on the formal partnership between the local community college and UTPB.

"It just makes sense that higher education institutions are working together to determine what this region needs," Sparks said.

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Special programs to highlight meeting of Big Spring ISD board

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

Big Spring school district trustees will hear encouraging news about local special programs when they hold their regular monthly meeting at 5:15 p.m. Thursday at the high school board room.

Superintendent Michael Downes will present results of the Performance-Based Monitoring Analysis System summary report, which monitored progress in the district's special education, English

as a Second Language, and Careers in Technology programs.

Downes said the study, conducted by the Texas Education Agency, identifies areas in those programs that could be considered at-risk. Each area — such as enrollment, drop-out rate and disciplinary rate — are given a rank between zero and four, with four being the worst rank.

That's where the good news comes in, Downes said.

"We didn't have anything higher than a two," he said. "That's a lot

better than we did last year."

In other business, trustees will consider:

- Joining the Texas Association of School Board's Legal Assistance Fund.
- Approval of the annual audit report, prepared by local accountant Glen Filingim
- Renewing Downes' contract.
- Resignations.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

Calls for unity mark session's initial day

Midland's Craddick re-elected Speaker

By **KELLEY SHANNON**

Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN — Less than two years after House Democrats stormed out of the state to stall a Republican redistricting bill, Texas legislators have returned to the Capitol urging bipartisan-

ship. Republican House Speaker Tom Craddick, who so infuriated Democrats during their 2003 walkout, led the call for unity Tuesday.

"Our election system is a partisan one. We run as Democrats, we run as Republicans because that's how the system works. But our system of government also expects that we will work together for the common good of this state," Craddick said as the Legislature convened for its 79th regular session.

Atop the legislators' agenda for the 140-day session is a change of Texas' school funding system. Lawmakers also are looking to improve children's protective services, overhaul the workers' compensation system and consider restoring cuts made to children's health insurance programs two years ago.

Republican Gov. Rick Perry told legislators this session could be historic.

"It is the beginning of a bipartisan effort to protect the most vulnerable in our society, provide a future of unlimited opportunity for some four million-plus school children in this state," Perry said.

Whether lawmakers can agree on how to replace the \$30 billion share-the-wealth school funding system, nicknamed "Robin Hood" by some, is far from certain.

The system has been under fire from rich and poor districts that claim it does not adequately fund public education. State District Judge John Dietz ruled the system unconstitutional last fall and gave the state until October 2005 to fix it. Lawyers for the state are appealing his ruling to the Texas Supreme Court.

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Obituaries

Carl Titsworth



Carl W. Titsworth, 82, of Big Spring died at 6:55 p.m. Monday, Jan. 10, 2005, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a sudden illness. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Don Snipes, pastor of Baptist Temple, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born June 24, 1922, at Whitesboro, to Carl Winston Titsworth and Ester Hattress Wyatt Titsworth. He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the Navy in the Atlantic Fleet. He married Mary Parker on Jan. 4, 1950 in Big Spring. She preceded him in death on Aug. 20, 2004. He worked for Montgomery-Ward from 1948 until 1982, having started in the Big Spring store. He retired as manager of the Auto Center in Overland Park, Kan. in 1982. After retiring, they returned to Big Spring from Kansas in 1982. He was a member of Baptist Temple.

He is survived by two daughters, Kay Johnson and her husband Jerry, and Karen Peachey and her husband Steven, all of Abilene; one brother, Charles Titsworth of Brownwood; two sisters, Doris Hardin and her husband Calvin, of Sun City, Ariz., and Laura Townsend of Ft. Collins, Colo.; three grandchildren, Tracey Allen and her husband Curtis, of Tulsa, Okla., Troy Thomas and his wife Sherry, of Kansas City, Mo. and Carl Peachey of Abilene; three great-grandchildren, Harry Allen of Tulsa, Okla. and Jacob Thomas and Shelby Thomas, both of Kansas City, Mo.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Carroll Nail.

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

Paid Obituary

Judith Dee Horner

Judith Dee (Mitchell) Horner died Jan. 10, 2005, at Mountain View Lodge. She will lie in state Wednesday, Jan. 12, 2005, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. Wednesday. Graveside Services will be at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at Fairmont Cemetery in San Angelo, with her pastor, Wayne Frost, officiating.

Judy was born April 20, 1944, and was raised in San Angelo. She graduated from Lake View High School, and attended San Angelo Business College and Angelo State University.

She married Ronald Coleman Horner and moved to Big Spring in January 1979. She was employed with Big Spring State Hospital from 1979 until she retired in November 1999. She was a member of Saint Paul Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her husband, Ronald Horner of Big Spring; one son, Evan Horner of Big Spring; and her mother, Vivid Mitchell of San Angelo.

She was preceded in death by her father, Elvey Wood Mitchell; one sister, Dorothy Jean Mitchell; and an infant daughter.

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

Paid Obituary

Bobbie Mosher

Bobbie Mosher, 77, of Big Spring, died on Tuesday, Jan. 11, 2005, in a Midland hospital. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14, 2005, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Matt Miles, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, officiating.

She was born on Jan. 26, 1927, in Ira.

Bobbie was a hairstylist for many years working for Southwest Styling Station most recently. She loved her work, co-workers and most of all, her family.

She was a member of First Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Rick and Kathy Monteleone of Big Spring; one sister, Fay Nell Gray of Odessa; one brother, Sonny Rhoades of Pampa; seven grandchildren, Kimberly Gamble of Whitesboro, Lance Monteleone of Lubbock, Tara Monteleone of Tucson, Ariz., Kendra Brownfield, Kayla Brownfield and Kyle Brownfield, all of Big Spring, and Craig Debono of Melbourne, Australia; and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Ron Monteleone.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society, c/o Lucy Bonner, PO Box 2121, Big Spring 79721-2121.

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

Paid Obituary

Charles T. Jackson

Charles T. Jackson, 95, died Sunday, Jan. 9, 2005, at his home in Anson. Services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 12, 2005, at the First United Methodist church with the Rev. Brooks Morton officiating. A chapel service will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday at Sanders Funeral Home in Lubbock with Ron Clanton officiating. Burial will be in Lubbock City Cemetery, directed by Lawrence-Adams Funeral Home of Anson.

Born July 1, 1909, in Lubbock, he was the son of Charles and Ada Lou Ella (Coffman) Jackson. He was reared in Lubbock and graduated from Texas Tech University and later from Perkins Theological Seminary. He married Nita Farquhar in 1961. She preceded him in death in 1990. Charles served as pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Anson from 1972 to 1976. He was a member of Masonic Lodge No. 575.

He was preceded in death by a stepdaughter, a son, a daughter, a granddaughter, two brothers, five sisters and his parents.

Survivors include a daughter, Beth Redwine of Hobbs, N.M.; three step daughters, Eileen Haney of Big Spring, Nan McAdams of Abilene and Nita Gibbs of Los Angeles, Calif.; a stepson, John Farquhar of Abilene; five grandchildren; and 16 step-grandchildren.

Dorothy Holland



Dorothy Jean Holland, 78, of Big Spring, died on Monday, Jan. 10, 2005, at the Home Hospice House of Odessa. Graveside funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 13, 2005, at Sunset Memorial Gardens of Odessa with Elwin Collum, Home Hospice Chaplain, officiating. The family will receive friends Wednesday from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She was born on Nov. 7, 1926, in Anson.

She was a Baptist and a homemaker. She was a member of the DAV Auxiliary, Eagles Lodge, and Spring City Stompers. She volunteered at the V.A. Hospital for many years.

The family suggests memorials be made to Home Hospice House, 903 N. Sam Houston, Odessa 79761.

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

Elautiro Valencia



Elautiro Valencia, Jr., 96, of Big Spring, died Tuesday morning, Jan. 11, 2005, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Vigil Services will be at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with the Rev. Richard Regan officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

He was born April 18, 1908, and married Cruz Rodriguez in 1925. She preceded him in death in 1978. He was a retired brick mason and lived most of his life in Big Spring. He was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

He is survived by a son, Santiago Valencia and his wife, Lilia of Big Spring; a daughter, Eva Gonzales and her husband, Manuel Sr. of Big Spring; a sister, Manuela Aguilar of Katy; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and one great-great-granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Manuela Sarmiento.

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

Sybil Lee Craig



Sybil Lee Craig, 65, of Albuquerque, N.M., formerly of Big Spring, died Monday, Jan. 3, 2005. Services were held on Jan. 7, 2005, at The Holy Family in Albuquerque.

She was born Sept. 24, 1939, in Big Spring.

She is survived by a daughter, Kimberly Anne Tenorio of Albuquerque; three sons, Curtis Richard Lawdermilk, Keavin Lee Lawdermilk and Bobby Dan Wise; a sister, Laverne Myers of Big Spring; three brothers, Marvin Wise of Big Spring, Dan Wise of Midland and Wiley Wise of Abilene; and six grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband and parents.

Emmit Moore

Emmit Charles Moore Sr., 66, of Big Spring, died Sunday, Jan. 9, 2005, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Funeral Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Bethlehem Baptist Church in Beeville, with burial at St. Rose Cemetery.

He was born March 26, 1938, at Beeville. He had been a resident of Big Spring for 24 years, moving from Pleasanton. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, and was a safety supervisor for Halliburton for 33 years.

He was a member of Mount Bethel Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Ida Moore of Big Spring; a son, Emmit Charles Moore Jr. and his wife, Louise of Pecos; a daughter, Sharleen Moore of Big Spring; three sisters, Beverly Tolivar and Clara Blackwell, both of Beeville, and Mae Ole Moore of Atlanta; and two grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Lonnie Melvin Moore Jr., and two sisters, Rachel Moore and Anna Martin.

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

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 11-17-21-26-37.
Number matching five of five: 0.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 8-7-5

Weather

Tonight - Partly cloudy. Lows near 30. West winds 15 to 25 mph shifting to the north 10 to 15 mph after midnight.

Thursday - Partly cloudy. Highs near 50. North winds 10 to 15 mph.

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TODAY

- Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. at the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 or 267-1628.
- Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.
- Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY

- Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.
- Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. in Gale's Sweet Shoppe.
- Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-6479.
- Friends of the Library meets at noon in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.
- Big Spring Main Street meets at noon in the Railroad Museum located at Second and Main streets.
- American Legion Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m. at 3203 W. Highway 80.
- The Prospectors' Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at 606 E. Third St. The public is invited to these meetings. For more information contact Lola Lamb at 263-3340 or Doyle and Virginia McClain at 263-8407.
- Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.
- Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main St.
- Neighbors and Newcomers Club meets. New members are welcome. Call 263-2005 for more information.

FRIDAY

- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at 1019 Nolan St. Members bring their own lunch. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281.
- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.
- Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Police blotter

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

- **BEN TORRES**, 34, of 1200 Nolan, was arrested Tuesday on local citations and a charge of driving while license suspended.
- **JOSE ALVAREZ**, 41, of 505 Nolan, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of driving while license suspended.
- **CATISHA COOK**, 21, of 1506 Wood, was arrested Tuesday on local warrants.
- **LORENZO ONTIVEROS**, 23, of 1805 Winston, was arrested Tuesday on a Howard County warrant.
- **WILLIE RAY MYLES JR.**, 44, of 1010 E. 15th Street, was arrested Tuesday on a parole violation.
- **BRANDON EDWARDS**, 18, of 807 E. 15th Street, was arrested Tuesday on a Texas Youth Commission warrant.
- **THEFT** was reported:
 - in the 200 block of Marcy.
 - in the 400 block of Birdwell.
 - in the 2300 block of Wasson.
 - in the 1500 block of Kentucky.
 - in the 600 block of Manor.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1300 block of Dixie.

Sheriff's report

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

- **MICHAEL YANEZ**, 32, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for driving while license suspended/invalid.
- **MARCUS RAMIREZ**, 32, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for theft.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 5900 block of N. Service Road 44.
- **THEFT OF SERVICES** was reported in the 100 block of Jalisco.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF TO A VEHICLE** was reported in the 2600 block of Neil Road.
- **FORGERY** was reported in the 6400 block of Ratliff.

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West Texas Centers for MHMR Chief Administrative Officer Gail Wells accepts a check from Landon Sturdivant, an Eagles member, whose organization raised \$5,000 during a Jan. 8 chili cook-off for the Children-in-Need fund. Pictured with Wells and Sturdivant are the first place winners, Troy Wrye, James Wrye and Dennis Heffington Jr., of Marble Falls, who compete as the Hill Country Cookers

Eagles cook-off raises \$5,000 for West Texas Centers for MHMR

Special to the Herald

The Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie No. 318 raised \$5,000 for West Texas Centers for MHMR's Children-in-Need Fund during Saturday's Third Annual Chili Cook-off at the Big Spring lodge.

"It was a huge success," said Shelley Smith, West Texas Centers for MHMR CEO.

"Without the Eagles and all of their tireless work, this special fund would not be able to help the children who need it so much. We

are so grateful to the organizers, the people who cooked, and those who came out to support the cook-off."

West Texas Centers for MHMR Chief Administrative Officer Gail Wells accepted the check for the center and told the crowd of attendees that 100 percent of the money raised goes directly toward children who need extra items the government does not provide.

The 21 chili cooks arrived at 7 a.m. to set up their cooking areas and began cooking around 9:30

a.m. Judging started at 1 p.m. and sampling began soon thereafter.

Dennis Heffington Jr., one of the cooks, said the "secret is to add the ingredients in the right order at the right time. You can't just dump it all in at once."

Winners were Troy Wrye, James Wrye, Dennis Heffington Jr., and Colton Hay, better known as the Hill Country Cookers from Marble Falls.

Second place was Tommy Tilley and third place went to Mark Walker and Ronnie Miller.

Stanton ISD trustees begin first look at 2005-2006 budget

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

STANTON — The method for financing school operations may be up in the air, but that hasn't stopped area school districts from laying the groundwork for new budgets.

Stanton Independent School District trustees took the first step in that direction during their regular meeting Monday night at the school administration building.

School finance reform is the top issue on the state legislature's agenda this year. Until the state decides what method of financing to use, local school districts will be understandably up in the air on just how they're going to finance operations next school year.

But some preparations have to be made, Stanton ISD Superintendent David Carr said.

"We're still going to

have to have school," Carr said. "Certain things are going to go into the budget, regardless ... so we're starting to plan for those things."

"All we did was talk to the trustees about increases we know we're going to have," Carr said, citing teacher salaries and maintenance costs as two areas likely to see increased costs.

In other business, trustees:

- Extended Carr's contract through the 2007-08 school year.

- Reviewed a graduation contract, in effect a code of conducts for graduating seniors at Stanton High School.

- Discussed personnel matters in executive session. No action was taken, Carr said.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

Fund-raiser slated for tsunami relief

A local man will be selling handcrafted desk sets and other items Saturday with all proceeds going to the tsunami relief effort.

Wilson Money will be selling pens, pencils, letter openers, magnifying glasses, clocks, lamps and other items made of a variety of materials — mesquite, birch, ash, elm, oak, juniper, iron wood, ebony, and deer antler and water buffalo horn. Items will sell from \$25 up.

The items will be available beginning at 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 1001 Goliad.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Dale Fryar, 76, died Sunday.

Funeral Services will be at 11:00 AM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with Graveside Services at 2:00 PM at Drummond Cemetery in Abilene.

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and fixed the bathroom. We need a larger, two-story place to compare with other courses and be in the 21st century."

Sharpnack also described the course's cart paths as "pathetic," a statement Mayor Russ McEwen agreed with, but suggested the real answer to the problem lies not with temporary repairs, but with total renovations.

"I agree with you when it comes to the cart paths," said McEwen. "The logic we were using ... is, as we improve the holes at the golf course we would also take care of the cart paths. This is a five-to-six-year plan to try to improve the golf course. We're going to have to do some temporary repairs to the cart trails — there's no doubt in my mind about that."

"We're going to make improvements to the cart paths and we're going to try to make them as good as we possibly can, but it doesn't make sense to put a lot of money into the trails where we'll be making improvements in the next few years and then completely do away with them."

Council members approved a \$130,000 subsidy to the municipal golf course for improvements to holes 10, 11 and 16, including tee boxes, greens, fairway work, cart paths and irrigation. Similar renovations were completed at the course's second hole in June 2004 — the same renovations Sharpnack referred to during Tuesday's meeting as a disaster.

McEwen urged Sharpnack to give the newly redesigned hole a chance to mature.

"The green that was there before was 75 years old," said McEwen. "So of course it's going to play better than a green that's a little more than seven months old. You have to give it time to mature and let the root system grow. That green plays different today than it did when it was completed, and a year from now it's going to play different than it does now. It takes time."

McEwen said he's heard similar complaints about Hole 2, but in a more playful, competitive manner.

"I had someone at Rotary Club today tell me how much they hated Hole 2. He said it was tougher than it used to be, and he was kidding with me," said McEwen. "The intention is to bring our golf course up to a different standard, and some people that have played it for years ask me why we're changing it. But the majority of people I've talked to say we're making the kinds of improvements we need on the golf course."

"It's an attempt to make our golf course more playable and more attractive to everyone. This council has already agreed in budget session to go above and beyond what the course is making. We're willing to subsidize the golf course by thousands of dollars. We can debate all night long whether or not this is an improvement. I believe the larger greens that are contoured and make play more attractive is an improvement to our golf course."

Sharpnack also pointed out the lack of a driving range at the facility, an addition she claims would cost little to operate and maintain.

"We're the only golf course around that doesn't have a meeting room or a place to have food

during a tournament. I would also say we're the only golf course in the world that doesn't have a driving range," said Sharpnack. "I don't know of another golf course that doesn't have a driving range, which would cost hardly anything to grade an area off and buy a few golf balls. It wouldn't even cost anything to maintain. You could have teenagers go out there and pick up balls to cover their fees to play."

"The master plan says we are going to have a totally new clubhouse, and it also calls for a driving range," answered McEwen. "I don't disagree with you on that. We need a driving range, but you can't do everything at once."

As Sharpnack pointed out that various fees have been raised over the years to support the lacking services, asking several times "where did the money go?" Councilwoman Stephanie Horton was quick to remind her the golf course is a self-sustaining enterprise.

"Mrs. Sharpnack, you need to choose your words better," said Horton. "When you ask where the money is going, you need to know it's going right back into the golf course. We vowed

not to take any of that money and let it all go back into the golf course years ago. We're actually funding these renovations above what the course is budgeted."

The council approved several items concerning the golf course during the meeting, including first reading of an ordinance that will increase fees at the facility by approximately 25 to 30 percent, which was approved unanimously.

The council also approved the award of the improvement project to Cornerstone Golf Services of Leander on a six-to-one vote, with Councilman Gregg Biddison voting no. Biddison was also the only council member to vote no on a resolution allowing the mayor to execute a contract with the golf service company.

"We budgeted \$130,000 for the project, and the bid came in at almost \$15,000 more than that," said Biddison following the meeting. "I think if we set a budget we need to work within it. Otherwise, what's the use in even setting a budget for something like this? That's why I voted against those readings."

While the three-hole project will cost approximately \$143,000 to complete, Director of Public

Works Director Todd Darden said completing the master plan's vision of the facility is going to cost more — a lot more.

"There are two basic versions we've looked at for what the master plan calls for," said Darden. "The completion of all of the items, which include a new clubhouse and a driving range, is going to cost between \$1.7 million and \$2.4 million, overall."

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OUR VIEWS

Easier than ever
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It's no secret that the "big issue" for debate during the 79th Texas Legislature, which began Tuesday, will be school finance.

Lawmakers haven't stopped talking about the state's funding formulas and tax alternatives since last year's failed special session on the issue.

But other weighty questions will come before senators and representatives, many of them worthy of their time and attention.

Should licensed pharmacists be able to refuse to fill certain prescriptions on moral grounds?

Should Texas juries have a sentencing option of life without parole for defendants convicted of capital crimes?

Should operators of motor vehicles be prohibited from using cell phones that don't have "hands-free" options?

Should final passage votes on bills in the House and Senate be recorded so Texans can track how lawmakers vote?

In truth, every bill filed in Austin during this session and there will be thousands of them before the 60-day filing deadline comes — has at least one constituent who cares about its status.

It's easier than ever to follow the progress of legislation from any computer with Internet service.

The state's Texas Legislature Online site is the portal to vast amounts of information, from who is writing bills and when committee hearings are scheduled to live broadcasts from the House and Senate chambers.

Two "alert" features will allow e-mail account holders to receive daily and weekly updates on legislation:

"Bill alert" — If you want to keep tabs on specific bills, the Texas Legislature Online site allows you to register for daily e-mail notifications on the change in status of up to 25 bills. This free service requires users to provide an e-mail address and designate a password. Access to the "bill alert" feature can be found on the House and Senate legislative action pages.

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If you're curious about what your representative and senators are advocating, it's easy enough to find out. The bill-tracking features allow you to scroll through bills by author, date filed and subject matter. With daily updates, users can see the progress that a bill is making — or see where it gets bogged down in committee.

State lawmakers will be in Austin for the next 140 days, making important decisions about how your money is spent. Through Texas Legislature Online sites, you can watch them work.

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The most beautiful Burro in the mountains

I have judged some unusual events over the years: beauty pageants, duck races, all kinds of cookoffs, even a llama kissing contest. Last weekend I had the privilege of being a judge at the Most Beautiful Burro and Mule Contest in Fort Davis. The animals had names like Doc, Tinkerbelle, Maggie Mae, Sammy, Chula Mula, Blue, Dinamito, Billy the Kid and Jesse James.

I was thrilled to be there in the fall. I've never seen more color in the mountains. It was rainy and foggy, too, which added an element of interest. The clouds nestled on top of the mountains and the colorful desert plants in the palisades looked spectacular. The trees had leaves of red, gold and orange. Fort Davis has had 30 inches of

rain this year, quite a bit more than usual.

But this weekend was about mules and burros. They came from as far away as Colorado City. They wore everything from dollar bills to Mardi Gras beads. The owners paraded their livestock in front of the judges and put money in the bribe jars, which were lined up at the judges' feet. Hey, it worked. That's the way they raised money, which went to the 4-H kids. Some of the little girls parading their mules or burros threw kisses and winked at the judges.

The Fort Davis Merchants Association sponsored the event. The idea for it came from Donna Trammel, who owns a rock shop in Fort Davis. She had attended similar mule contests in Victoria.

"We were trying to figure out some way to raise money for our 4-H kids," says Donna, "and what is more native to West Texas than burros and mules. We started talking to some of the local mule and

burro owners and they seemed to be all for it. They are a different breed of people who love showing their animals."

Wild burros roam the mountains west of Fort Davis. They are descendants of burros used by miners and soldiers years ago. The burros used to run wild in downtown Fort Davis. The courthouse lawn was one of their favorite hangouts. A fence was built around the courthouse with turnstiles in it to keep the burros out.

The categories for judging were the longest ears, the loudest bray, the hardest working, the most obstinate, the most beautiful, the best dressed, the most congenial and the mule or burro that traveled the farthest distance.

"The event started as just a burro contest, but some of the local mule owners thought we were slighting them so we opened the competition to mules as well." The event raised nearly \$2,000.



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Bush missing mark on his 'prior-roarities'

In the Texas legislature, they are called "prior-roarities," such a happy coinage. What should come prior?

When the pitter-patter of falling year-end columns comes again, not necessarily next year, but certainly four years from now, I fearlessly forecast a dismal unanimity: that the Bush Administration II suffers from bad and dumb prior-roarities.

Actually, the passage of time is not required for proof — look around. The Bushies are about to launch a \$50 million to \$100 million dollar propaganda campaign to convince us the Social Security system is in crisis. Actually, it's not. It's quite robust and has astonishingly low administrative costs, less than 1 percent.

According to President Bush's own Commission to "Strengthen Social Security," the administrative costs of keeping track of private accounts will be 10 to 30 times the cost of administering the current system.

The Social Security System is in no danger whatsoever of going broke or even of having to pay out less than full compensation for at least 50 years. There are any number of statistical models and premises one can argue about here, but when the administration begins with a premise that requires fixing Social Security based on an extrapolation to infinity, you know you are not dealing with people who argue in good faith.

Even if Social Security were in full-fledged crisis, none of the sensible, cheap, effective ways to fix it would involve the massive trillion-dollar boondoggle this administration contemplates.

Let's get this straight. The Republicans do not want to fix Social Security, they want to kill

it. Period. They don't want to "partially privatize" Social Security, they want to end it. What they want is a private pension system like the one their pointy-headed heroes at the University of Chicago dreamed up for Chile, the poster child of why we should not do this.

This same rigid, inflexible, impractical-the-market-is-always-best ideology is like a form of mania with these folks. As Paul Krugman patiently points out, "Claims that stocks will always yield high, low-risk returns are just bad economics."

In fact, it's more than passingly reminiscent of another rigid, inflexible, politico-economic orthodoxy: communism. And just as capable of robustly ignoring reality.

And for robustly ignoring reality, you can't hardly beat spending \$50 million to \$100 million on a propaganda campaign to convince America there's something seriously wrong with Social Security while you ignore the collapse of the American health care system. It is common to begin all discussions of American health care with a complete lie, uttered in this example by President Bush: "We live in a great country that has got the best health care system in the world, and we need to keep it that way."

The peerless investigative team of Donald Bartlett and James Steele reports in their new book, "Critical Condition: How Health Care in America Became Big Business — and Bad Medicine," one of our most enduring myths is that we have "world class health care."

"To be sure, it does offer the very best of care to some folks," they write. "It does offer world-class high-tech surgery and some space-age medical procedures. But these benefit 2 or 3 percent of the population at most, along with the richest citizens of other countries who come here for the highly specialized treatment. ... Many coun-

tries around the world take far better care of their people, achieve better results for their health care system and do it all with far fewer dollars. ... The statistics are even grimmer when life span is counted in years of healthy living. ... By this measure, the United States in 2002 ranked a distant 29th among the countries of the world, between Slovenia and Portugal."

Now, that's a problem. So is dependence on foreign oil. Social Security is not a problem. We are, however, about to be swamped by an election-style campaign to convince us it is.

According to The Washington Post: "Several GOP groups close to the White House are asking the same donors who helped re-elect Bush to fund an extensive campaign to convince Americans — and skeptical lawmakers — that Social Security is in crisis and that private accounts are the only cure."

"Progress for America, an independent group that backed Bush, has set aside about \$9 million to support the president's Social Security plan. ... The group is asking its donors for more."

"Stephen Moore, head of the Club for Growth, has raised \$1.5 million, and hopes to reach a \$15 million target. ... Those contributions are likely to be dwarfed by those from corporate trade associations, spearheaded by the National Association of Manufacturers. Other likely contributors include the financial services and securities industries. ..."

I'll say they're likely contributors. This is a giant fee-generating scheme for Wall Street. Prior-roarities.

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A Stanton man pleaded guilty to charges of sexual assault Monday, bringing his trial to a close before it could begin.

Robert Waldrop, 40, currently in the custody of the Martin County Jail, received a 10-year sentence after entering a plea of guilty for the offense, which occurred in Stanton Dec. 1, 2002.

Jury selection was scheduled to begin Monday with the trial expected to begin Tuesday. Waldrop faced charges of indecency with a child and aggravated sexual assault of a child.

"I talked to the family at great length about the plea and they were satisfied with it," said District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson. "They were ready to be done with it and felt the sentence was appropriate."

"The girl was terrified at the prospect of testifying, and the way this particular testimony was going to unfold it would have been extremely difficult for her."

Wilkerson said Waldrop was accused of sexual assault of a 12-year-old who was visiting her mother.

"The offense occurred at the mother's residence in Martin County," said Wilkerson. "Both her and her mother knew Waldrop."

Waldrop was indicted on Oct. 6, 2003 and was arraigned in Martin County on Nov. 3, 2003.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Houston police officer on trial for teen's shooting death

HOUSTON (AP) — A teenage boy shot in the head by a former police officer was pinned to the ground and crying for help before the fatal bullet, a witness has testified. Jose Salmeron, 15, testified Tuesday in the first day of ex-lawman Arthur J. Carbonneau's murder trial. He told a Harris County jury that he watched the killing of Eli Eloy Escobar Jr. outside a northwest Houston apartment complex.

"Eli started screaming out for his mom," he said. "He pulled out his gun and pointed it at his forehead. And he shot him."

Prosecutors contend that Carbonneau, 25, deliberately shot Escobar in November 2003 as the teen fought with Carbonneau and Officer Ronald Olivo outside a friend's apartment.

Salmeron's testimony contradicted an account from Carbonneau's lawyers, who said Escobar resisted arrest and became violent, kicking Carbonneau in the groin just before the shooting.

Man faces charges in rampage at garage; estranged wife, others killed

JACKSON, Tenn. (AP) — A man was being held Wednesday after a bloody rampage at a state maintenance garage. The man's estranged wife and two others were killed, and two others were wounded.

Homicide and attempted homicide charges were expected to be filed against David Jordan, 40, police said.

According to police, Jordan walked into the Department of Transportation garage Tuesday and opened fire on his wife, department employee Donna Renee Jordan, 31. She died at the scene.

Walking back outside, he then shot David Gordon, an employee of HCI Delivery Services who was dropping off a package, and Jerry Wayne Hopper, a Forestry Department employee who was having work done on his state vehicle, police said. The garage is used for maintenance on state vehicles.

Gordon and Hopper both died at Jackson-Madison County General Hospital.

Two other men — Transportation Department employees Larry Taylor, 54, and James Goff, 53 — were wounded, authorities said. Both were listed in stable condition Wednesday at the hospital.

Foul play suspected in disappearance of Amarillo woman

AMARILLO (AP) — Police suspect foul play in the disappearance of an Amarillo woman who failed to show up for her birthday dinner two days after Christmas.

Kelly Katherine Wagner was last seen by her mother on Dec. 27 as the two left their house to run errands. They were supposed to

meet later for dinner the same day, Wagner's 28th birthday.

Amarillo police located her vehicle early Jan. 2, Cpl. Jerry Neufeld said. The passenger-side window of her blue 2000 Land Rover Discovery had been smashed in, but several items inside were not taken.

The family has put up posters and is offering a reward.

"I know somebody knows something, even if it's not a good something. If they would just tell a friend, a friend they trust, to call the police," Wagner's mother, Gail, said Tuesday in a story on the Amarillo Globe-News' Web site.

Gail Wagner said her daughter had recently moved back to Amarillo from California, where she was studying at Brooks Institute of Photography. She attended high school in Colorado and holds two degrees from Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

The younger Wagner is described as white, 5-foot-5, 110 pounds, with a slim build. She has blond hair and blue eyes. She left home wearing a pink corduroy jacket with faux fur trim — a Christmas present — black pants and her trademark Burberry hat, a light tan with a black and red plaid.

Desperate search continues for missing under California mudslide

LA CONCHITA, Calif. (AP) — Using shovels, high-tech cameras and their bare hands, rescuers searched before dawn Wednesday for signs of life — or death — under the enormous mound of mud that killed seven people in this seaside hamlet.

Crews working around the clock for a second straight night swarmed the debris pile under clear skies and powerful klieg lights that made it light as day.

Officials said 13 people, including three children, remained missing after Monday's mudslide, the deadliest tragedy of several triggered by five days of nearly nonstop rain.

At one point, a group of firefighters and locals who were helping in the effort could be seen carrying a body on a stretcher out of the pile and to a station set up by the county medical examiner. Oxnard Fire Department Battalion Chief Tom Waller said it was a woman, and that searchers believe other bodies were nearby.

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger was to tour the area Wednesday.

The days of torrential rains also triggered fatal traffic accidents all across the state, knocked out power to hundreds of thousands, imperiled hillside homes and caused flash floods. Twenty-two people have died since Friday.

In La Conchita, firefighters remained hopeful they might still find at least some people alive, while acknowledging that any survivors would have to be found quickly.

"The energy level is pretty high because there's a lot of good to be done and time is of the essence," said Dan Horton of the Ventura County Fire Department rescue unit, during a break from scooping buckets of dirt from the pile.

Bush pick for homeland security has won confirmation three times before

WASHINGTON (AP) — Michael Chertoff, President Bush's choice to run the Homeland Security Department, has won Senate confirmation on three prior occasions, but not since the anti-terrorism policies he helped develop have come under sharp criticism.

Chertoff is expected to win Senate approval again, but only after pointed questioning about his role in crafting the USA Patriot Act, which greatly expanded the government's surveillance and detention powers since the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, and other decisions that led to the arrest and lengthy jailing of hundreds of foreigners.

Critics say the administration has eroded civil liberties in its post-Sept. 11 actions. The American Civil Liberties Union said Chertoff seemed to view the Bill of Rights "as an obstacle to national security rather than a guidebook for how to do security properly."

Bush tapped Chertoff on Tuesday, saying he "has shown a deep commitment to the cause of justice and an unwavering determination to protect the American people."

If confirmed, Chertoff would give up his seat on the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Philadelphia, to which Bush appointed him in 2003. Chertoff said at the White House, "If confirmed as secretary, I will be proud to stand again with the men and women who form our front line against terror."

Prior to his confirmation as a federal judge, he also won Senate approval to be U.S. attorney in New Jersey and assistant attorney general.

Gaza withdrawal plan gets boost from Israeli budget agreement

JERUSALEM (AP) — Rebels in Ariel Sharon's Likud Party say they will support his 2005 budget, giving the prime minister a temporary lift in his efforts to withdraw from the Gaza Strip, a day after he telephoned incoming Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas to congratulate him on his election win.

The budget was approved 64-53.

The 13 rebels, who oppose the withdrawal, had threatened to vote against Sharon's budget. Failure to pass the budget in three votes by March 31 would cause the government to collapse, endangering the Gaza pullout plan, set to begin in July.

The rebels want Sharon to hold a nationwide referendum on the withdrawal plan. After a meeting, they agreed to support his budget in Wednesday's vote — but threatened to withhold their support in the future without a referendum.

"It was decided unanimously to support the budget until the second and third readings," said Yehiel Hazan, a leader of the hard-liners. "We call on the prime minister to reconsider holding a referendum."

Sharon has so far refused to hold a referendum, calling it a stalling tactic by his opponents.

LEGISLATURE

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Texas Senate leaders are preparing to unveil this week the details of a school finance plan they've rallied around. It is expected to involve lowering property taxes, broadening the business tax and making school property taxes state-levied, instead of local, taxes.

"I've been working almost nonstop, around-the-clock on school finance," said Republican Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who presides over the Senate.

On Monday, Perry declared education

reform and children's and adult protective services to be emergency issues. That means lawmakers can pass bills on those items sooner in the session than they could otherwise.

Lawmakers tried and failed to tackle school finance in a special session called by Perry last year. The attempt to overhaul the funding system collapsed when legislators and Perry couldn't agree on which new taxes to impose.

Serious talk about legislation didn't headline Tuesday's legislative activities, at least not in public. The House and Senate sessions revolved mostly around ceremony. Craddick was over-

whelmingly elected by fellow legislators to a second term as House leader. He collected votes even from some frequent Democratic adversaries.

In 2003, Craddick's first stint as speaker, the regular session culminated with 51 House Democrats secretly fleeing to Ardmore, Okla., to block a congressional redistricting bill he and other Republican leaders pushed.

Democratic Rep. Garnet Coleman of Houston, one of the ring leaders of the boycott, said his vote for Craddick on Tuesday was a gesture of good faith and that he hopes Craddick "starts anew" and runs the House in a "high-minded manner."

Also on Tuesday, legislators were sworn into office, including two House members who continue to face challenges to their November elections. Democrats Hubert Vo of Houston and Yvonne Gonzalez-Tourelles of Alice were seated but cannot vote until the House resolves the election disputes.

In another House district, Melissa Noriega, wife of Democratic Rep. Rick Noriega of Houston, was seated as an acting representative on her husband's behalf while he is serving in Afghanistan in the Texas Army National Guard.

House members gave loud, standing ovations for Noriega's service.

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Sparks noted that her question for UTPB officials will be a rather open-ended one.

"My main question will be: What can Howard

College do?" she said. "We see ourselves ... as not just a partner (with UTPB), but as a broker of higher education opportunities in this area."

Information gathered during the tour will assist Watts and a community advisor group to formulate future plans for

UTPB's role in helping these communities grow, university information stated.

Other cities planned for

visits on the tour include Monahans, Andrews, Kermit, Fort Stockton, Crane, Snyder and Seminole.

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swine show set to follow at approximately 1 p.m. Saturday, the buyer's barbecue will begin at noon with the stock sale follows at 1 p.m.

Judges are Kyle Eckert

of San Angelo (lamb and goats), John Senter of Colorado City (swine and steers) and Justin Nash of Paducah (rabbits).

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IN BRIEF

Lady Steer Booster Club meeting set

The Lady Steer Booster Club will be meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, in the ATC, which is a change from its original date.

All parents of girls involved in volleyball, basketball, cheerleading and track are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Janet Abner at 264-0023 or Kerry Rodriguez 263-6100.

Ambassadors to play at Dorothy Garrett

The Harlem Ambassadors basketball team will play an exhibition game in Big Spring at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum at Howard College Friday, Jan. 21, beginning at 7 p.m.

The Ambassadors roster is made up of former college and professional basketball players.

The cost will be \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and \$1 for youth accompanied by an adult and youth under the age of five are free when accompanied by an adult. Tickets can be purchased at the Big Spring YMCA, KBST, the B.S. Herald and at the coliseum during the night of the game.

The game is a fundraiser for the Rotary Club of Big Spring.

Dodgers sign Lowe to four-year contract

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Dodgers have a new pitching ace they hope can repeat what he did for the Boston Red Sox in the postseason last October.

Derek Lowe, the second-winningest pitcher over the past three seasons, finalized a \$36 million, four-year contract with the Dodgers after Los Angeles completed its trade to send Shawn Green to Arizona.

Lowe was 14-12 with a 5.42 ERA in 33 starts with the Red Sox last season, then went 3-0 with a 1.86 ERA during three postseason starts and one relief appearance.

He was the winner in the final game of all three postseason series — against the Angels, Yankees and Cardinals — as the Red Sox won their first World Series in 86 years.

Longhorn coach hired to head up Syracuse

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) — Texas co-defensive coordinator Greg Robinson was hired as coach at Syracuse, his first head coaching job in a 30-year career.

Robinson, 53, spent last season with the Longhorns, but was an NFL assistant for 14 years, including stints as defensive coordinator with Kansas City and Denver. Robinson, a Californian, also was an assistant with the New York Jets.

ON THE AIR

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Andrews jumps out of gates fast, wins easily

• Ritchey scores 12 points in Big Spring loss to rival Mustangs

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
ANDREWS — Another slow start was too much for Big Spring to overcome Tuesday as the Lady Steers fell behind their arch rival 27-9 after the first quarter and lost to Andrews, 68-47, in

District 4-4A action.

The Lady Mustangs not only outscored Big Spring by 18 in the first quarter, they scored 11 points before the Lady Steers attempted their first shot from the field.



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Big Spring (4-14, 0-2) cut into the lead Andrews lead at halftime after winning the second quarter by four points, but a five-point advantage in the third frame put an end to a Lady Steer comeback. Andrews (8-12, 1-1) also outscored Big Spring in the fourth quarter, 16-14.

Junior Raegan Ritchey led the Lady Steers with 12 points, while junior Carmen Davis and sopho-

more Mollory Dunn added seven and six points, respectively.

Andrews' Diandra Marquez led all scorers with 21 points, while Nicole Alaniz added 17 points and 14 rebounds. Andrews also connected on five 3-pointers.

Big Spring will host rival Lubbock Estacado Friday at 6 p.m., while Andrews will travel to Frenship

Lady Steers' upcoming district schedule

Friday: vs. Lubbock Estacado, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 18: @Frenship, 6 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 21: vs. Plainview, 6 p.m.

District shocker

Bearcats end Grady's 20-game district winning streak

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

GARDEN CITY — Grady missed shots they weren't used to missing and Garden City grabbed several key offensive rebounds in the fourth quarter Tuesday in Garden City as the Bearcats basketball team ended Grady's 20-game district winning streak with a 54-50 victory.

"This is the biggest win for the basketball program since I have been here and it could be the biggest win since the playoff team in 1997," said Garden City coach Cory Richardson after the game. "It is always good to have some luck. We were fortunate to win (Tuesday)."

The key series of the game came with about four minutes to go in the fourth quarter. Garden City (8-12, 2-0) trailed by one point, but hauled in five offensive rebounds during one possession and eventually took the lead after senior Chais Goodwin connected on two free throws. Then on the Bearcats' next possession, Goodwin dished off to junior Cory Multer on

the fastbreak and the layup gave Garden City a three-point advantage.

The game from that point on became a free throw shooting contest and neither team was able to take advantage as the Bearcat lead held up through the final four minutes.

Garden City shot 13-for-25 from the foul line, while Grady (12-8, 1-1) connected on seven-for-16.

Grady attempted several 3-pointers in the final two minutes, but didn't see much luck until senior Andrew Villa was fouled on his final long range attempt of the night. He made two out of three from the line and cut the Wildcat deficit to four, but Grady couldn't get any closer as Garden City sophomore Taylor Niehues iced the game with two free throws with under 20 seconds to play.

Garden City jumped out to an 8-2 lead early, but the 3-point shooting of Jobe Christon and the

defense by freshman Justin Tubbs kept the Wildcats close as they closed to 10-9 before eventually taking the lead by three on a Tubbs basket and Ben Hirth putback.

The Wildcats led 15-11 after the first quarter, but Niehues came out firing in the second frame as his back-to-back 3-pointers to start the quarter gave Garden City a 17-15 lead.

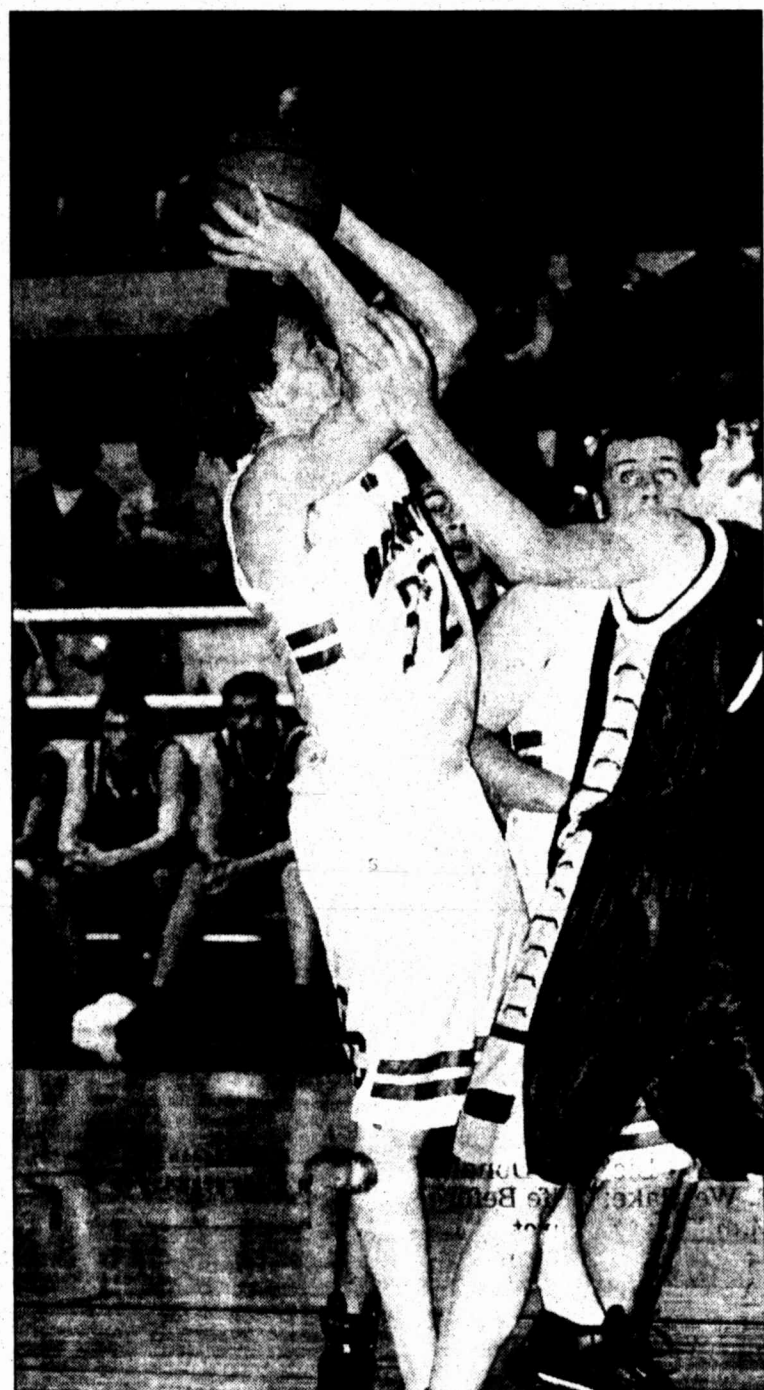
The two teams played even for much of the second quarter until an Evan Jansa 3-pointer put the 'Kats up 28-23. Villa's reverse layup cut the Grady deficit to three, but Niehues connected on another long range shot as time expired to give Garden City the 31-27 halftime advantage.

Garden City outscored Grady 21-12 in the second period.

"Eight of our nine guys played tonight and they all contributed well for us," said Richardson. "That 3-pointer Evan hit was huge for us."

Goodwin began the third quarter with back-to-back baskets, but a timeout by Grady coach

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Garden City senior Chais Goodwin puts a shot up in the lane during a previous game. The Bearcats shocked Grady with a win Tuesday in Garden City, ending Grady's 21-game district winning streak. Goodwin led Garden City with 18 points.

Big Spring hangs on despite missed FTs

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
SWEETWATER — A very sloppy game resulted in a non-district victory Tuesday for Big Spring as the Steers defeated Sweetwater on the road, 43-42.

"It seemed like neither team wanted win in the first half, but it was a good win for us heading into district play Friday," said Big Spring coach Jim Kinnear.

Sweetwater led by three after the first quarter and at halftime, but the third quarter was the difference for Big Spring (6-16) as the Steers outscored the Mustangs 13-7.

Big Spring led by 10 points with just over four minutes to go in the game and eventually escaped with a narrow victory despite missing four free throws in the closing minute.

"We made some lineup changes in the second half that gave us the spark we needed," said Kinnear. "We played much better on both sides of the ball."

Sweetwater (2-11) outscored Big Spring 11-9 in the final frame, but it wasn't enough to overcome the Steers, who lost

to Sweetwater during the Lamesa Tournament earlier this season. This was the final meeting between the two teams this year, as well.

Senior Nathan Teeters was the only Big Spring player in double figures as he connected on three 3-pointers and finished with 13 points. Junior Kyle Piercefield added eight points and five rebounds.

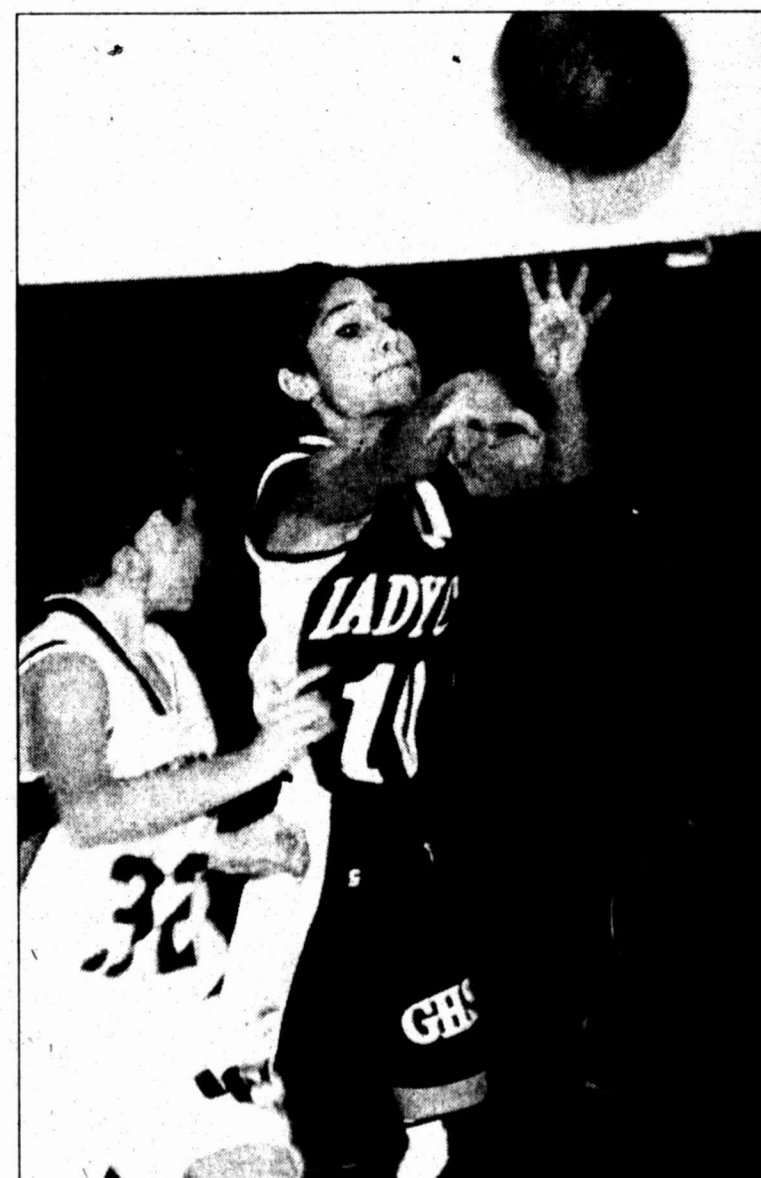
Freshman Jordan Kinnear did not score but pulled down five rebounds before fouling out.

Senior Bobby Newton grabbed five rebounds and had two blocks.

Big Spring shot nearly 55 percent from the field, but struggled at the foul line, connecting on just 33 percent of its attempts.

The Steers open District 4-4A play Friday at home against Lubbock Estacado at around 7:30 p.m.

"They will be athletic and quick, but they are not the team they have had in the past," said Coach Kinnear. "It will be a challenge for us to handle their defensive pressure and we must cut down on turnovers and be patient on offense."



Grady sophomore Brittany Rivas throws a pass down court in a previous game. The Lady Wildcats defeated rival Garden City Tuesday. Rivas finished with five points.

Lady Cats steal one from G.C.

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

GARDEN CITY — Both Grady and Garden City controlled a half Tuesday night in Garden City, but fortunately for the Lady Wildcats their half mattered most as the Grady girl's basketball team knocked off Garden City on the road, 33-27, in District 7-A action.

The Lady Kats led 21-11 at halftime and controlled much of the first half, but Grady's 15-3 advantage in the third quarter proved to be the difference as Garden City's second half turnovers allowed Grady to stay in the game and eventually take over.

"We turned the ball over on their press in the third quarter and didn't finish on the offensive end and that really hurt us," said Garden City

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Forsan seventh-grade boys fall to Wolves

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

The Forsan seventh-grade boys basketball team ran into problems Monday against Colorado City and after trailing by three points at halftime, lost to the Wolves, 27-18.

Forsan trailed 8-6 after

the first quarter and then were down 16-13 at half-time before getting outscored 11-5 in the second half.

Evan Burton led the Buffaloes with 11 points, while Jake Moore scored all five of his points in

the second period. Jarred Smith added two first quarter points, as well.

Forsan will travel to Stanton next Monday to take on one its rivals in a battle of Buffaloes.



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During the void-of-course moon early today, let your subconscious do the heavy lifting for you. Relax, go slow, and do some day-dreaming. You'll the time-saving you would have had you been in forward move

ARIES (March 19). Boldly push

NOTICE OF REI
OF APPLICATION
TO OBTAIN AIR
PROPOSED AIR
PERMIT NO. 7433
APPLICATION
The postie Company, Inc. to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a permit to construct a Pultrusion facility at 3604 Bethel Spring, Howard County. The facility will emit contaminants: styrene and particulate matter.

This application was the TCEQ on November 1, 2004. The application is available for public review at the TCEQ regional office, and County Sheriff's Office Big Spring, Howard County. The facility's compliance exists, is available for in the Midland regional TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive determined the application administratively complete conduct a technical r application.

PUBLIC COMMENT MEETING You may lic comments, a re public meeting, or re tested case hearing of the Chief Clerk at below. The TCEQ will public comments in de al decision on the ap deadline to submit ments is 30 days aft notice is published.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS
Responsibilities are numerous and bulky, but the reward for taking them on is equally substantial. During the void-of-course moon early today, let your subconscious do the heavy lifting for you. Relax, go slow, and do some day-dreaming. You'll pick up the time-saving details you would have missed had you been intent on forward movement.
ARIES (March 21-April 19). Boldly push forward



HOLIDAY
MATHIS

with your plans. Blithely scoff at any obstacles in your way. Do not let anything distract you from seeing your project through to completion. For rams, a touch of tunnel vision is a good thing.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The universe whispers sweet nothings in your ear. Do something kind for yourself, such as getting a massage, facial, manicure or pedicure. You're likely to run into a friend while out and about and get all the latest dish.
GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You feel more grounded and earth-bound than usual, which could make an air sign like you believe your

wings have been clipped. It's really a blessing in disguise, however. Think about what is, not about what could be.
CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your soft inner self, the part you normally hide beneath that crab-like coat of armor, needs extra love. You're feeling vulnerable and may see slights where none exist. Meditate. Get your rest. Rent a hilarious movie.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Others take you seriously and see you in a new light, with deeper love and more respect. You're able to speak with authority, yet are not afraid to ask for assistance when necessary. Your sense of duty and responsibility

prevails.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your friends are pulling for you, helping you accomplish the basics. But why survive when you can thrive? Feeling overwhelmed is just a sign that you should add more responsibility to your plate. That way, you can prioritize.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). An unexpected deviation in your daily routine brings the "wow" factor — anything from an unforeseen opportunity to enjoy a beautiful change of scenery to a chance encounter with the next big love of your life.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). An object of great emotional value to you — something for your home or reminiscent of childhood — was once out of reach but is now easily obtained. Money flows a little smoother, too, so splurge.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). A sibling or neighbor is looking out for you, making you feel nurtured and protected. Pay it forward with random acts of kindness for others. Someone in your social circle would love to hear from you.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Sometimes, you just have to open your mouth and let out a long, loud, full-bodied scream. This is best done alone, in a closed-up car on a sparsely traveled road. You'll rest sweetly tonight.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Flirtation spices up your day. You could meet someone sassy or indulge in harmless games with an attractive co-worker. Keep it light — this one is purely for fun. If you're in a committed relationship, expect extra zing and zip.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Taking a practical approach to your love life pays off in surprising ways. Keep your head on straight, and you could suddenly reap rewards through your partner's friends and family. An exciting travel opportunity is possible, too.
ASTROLOGICAL INSIGHTS: I was chatting after yoga class today to my friend, Ted, who has been doing some Internet dating. He told me he'd been e-mailing a woman and they were really clicking. Eleven times, they wrote back and forth, and finally, they agreed to meet at a restaurant by the beach on a day when Ted had other business in her city. In the 12th e-mail, this woman canceled the date. She said she looked at her horoscope and it said that the date was no good for romance. Ted was really annoyed and was skeptical about a woman who dictates her life by the stars, saying, "What if we got married and had kids, and she decided not to go to their games or special events because she got a bad horoscope?" I believe

astrology should be used to expand, not limit our lives. Let's suppose that this woman's horoscope was true and that the day in question was a "no good for romance." A more expansive thought process might be to go forward and meet anyway, in hopes of making a new friend. Interpreting the horoscope's message in this way could take the pressure off, perhaps give breathing room for things like fun and laughter to emerge. In other words, read the horoscope, and do it anyway!
CELEBRITY PROFILES: Kirstie Alley stars in a new Showtime series called "Fat Actress." The series is largely unscripted and mirrors Alley's own adventures in Hollywood as an overweight actress looking for love and a job. Capricorn women's approach to weight loss, and love, for that matter, can be difficult, as Capricorn expects perfection in both. When perfection isn't reached, sometimes it all goes down the drain.
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NOTICE OF RECEIPT
OF APPLICATION AND INTENT
TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT
PROPOSED AIR QUALITY
PERMIT NO. 74335

APPLICATION The Fiber Composite Company, Inc. has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 74335 which would authorize construction of a Pultrusion Unit located at 3604 Bethel Drive, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. The facility will emit the following contaminants: styrene, acetone, and particulate matter.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on November 22, 2004. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Midland regional office, and the Howard County Sheriff's office, 300 Main, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Midland regional office of the TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application.

PUBLIC COMMENT/ PUBLIC MEETING You may submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or request a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit public comments is 30 days after newspaper notice is published.

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit concerns or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application may be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

If only comments are received on the application, the response to comments, along with notice of the executive director's action on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list of this application.

If a hearing request is timely filed, the executive director will complete the technical review, issue a preliminary decision on the application, and a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.

After the final deadline for public comments following any required Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 30 days from this notice, the executive director may approve this application. If no hearing request is received with this 30-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided. A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I] request a contested case hearing"; (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the loca-

tion and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing, and the interests which the group or association seeks to protect, must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 30 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address below.

If a hearing request is timely filed, additional notice may be provided. Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific application mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk by sending a written request to the TCEQ Office to the Chief Clerk at the address below.

INFORMATION Written public comments or requests for a public meeting or contested case hearing should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from The Fiber Composite Company, Inc., 3603 Bethel Drive, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or by calling Mr. T.P. Hopper at (432)267-9800.

AVISO DE RECIBO DE SOLICITUD E INTENTO DE OBTENER UN PERMISO DE CALIDAD DE AIRE
PERMISO PROPUESTO
CALIDAD DE AIRE NUM. 74335
SOLICITUD The Fiber Composite Company Inc. se ha registrado con la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ o Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) para autorizar un Permiso de Calidad de Aire Num. 74335, el cual autorizará la construcción de un Pultrusion Unit en 3604 Bethel Drive, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. La instalación va a emitir los siguientes contaminantes atmosféricos: styrene, acetone, and particulate matter.

Esta solicitud fue sometida al TCEQ en November 22, 2004. La solicitud está disponible para revisarse y copiarse en la Oficina Central del TCEQ, en la Oficina Regional del TCEQ en Midland, y en Howard County Sheriff's Office, 300 Main, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. El archivo del cumplimiento de los leyes de la instalación, si existe, estará disponible para el público en la Oficina Regional del TCEQ en Midland. El director ejecutivo del TCEQ ha determinado que la solicitud se halla administrativamente completa y conducirá un análisis técnico del la solicitud.

COMENTARIOS PUBLICOS/ JUNTA PUBLICA Usted puede someter comentarios publicos, solicitar una junta publica, o solicitar una audiencia en controversia sobre esta solicitud a la Oficina del Chief Clerk en la dirección a continuación. El TCEQ considerará todos los comentarios publicos en el desarrollo de una decisión final sobre esta solicitud. El plazo límite para someter sus comentarios es 30 días después de la publicación este aviso. Después del plazo límite para los comentarios publicos, el director ejecutivo preparará una respuesta a todos los comentarios publicos relevantes y materiales o de otro modo significativos.

El propósito de una junta pública es para proveer la oportunidad

de someter comentarios, o para hacer preguntas sobre la solicitud. Una junta publica sobre la solicitud se llevará a cabo si el director ejecutivo determina que existe un grado significativo de interés público en la solicitud o si la solicitud un legislado local. Una junta publica no es considerada una audiencia en controversia.

Si solo se reciben comentarios sobre esta solicitud, la respuesta a los comentarios, junto con aviso de la decisión del director ejecutivo sobre la solicitud, será enviada por correo a todos aquellos que hallan sometido comentarios o solicitado que se les incluyera en la lista de correo para esta solicitud.

Si la petición para una audiencia en controversia es sometida a tiempo, el director ejecutivo completará el análisis técnico y emitirá una preliminar sobre la solicitud; el Aviso de la Solicitud y la Decisión Preliminar serán entonces publicos y enviados por correo a todos los que estén en la lista de correo de esta solicitud.

Después del plazo final para someter comentarios publicos subsecuentes a cualquier Aviso de la Solicitud y de la Decisión Preliminar, el director ejecutivo considerará los comentarios y preparará una respuesta a todos los comentarios publicos relevantes y materiales, o significativos. Se se reciben comentarios, la respuesta a los comentarios, junto con la decisión del director ejecutivo sobre la solicitud, serán entonces enviadas por correo a todos aquellos que hallan sometido comentarios publicos o que estén en la lista de correo sobre esta solicitud.

OPORTUNIDAD PARA UNA AUDIENCIA EN CONTROVERSI
Usted puede peticionar una audiencia en controversia. Una audiencia en controversia es un proceso legal semejante a un juicio civil en una corte distrito estatal. En el caso de que una petición por escrito para una audiencia en controversia no sea sometida dentro de 30 días después de la publicación de este aviso, el director ejecutivo podrá aprobar la solicitud. Si no se reciben peticiones para una audiencia en controversia dentro de este periodo de 30 días, no habrá más oportunidad para peticionar una audiencia en controversia. Una audiencia en controversia solo se otorga basada en asuntos en controversia que sean relevantes y materiales a la decisión de los Comisionados sobre la solicitud. Además, la Comisión solo concederá una audiencia en controversia en esos asuntos que fueron presentados durante el periodo de los comentarios publicos y que no se retiraron.

Si una petición para una audiencia en controversia se recibe a tiempo, aviso adicional será dado. Después de que se cierran todos los periodos aplicables de comentarios y peticiones, el director ejecutivo mandará la solicitud y todas las peticiones de audiencia en controversia a los Comisionados del TCEQ para su consideración en una junta de Comisionados en su itinerario. Si se concede una audiencia en controversia, el objeto de la audiencia en controversia será limitado a los asuntos de hecho en disputa relevantes y materiales a la calidad del aire, que hayan surgido durante el periodo de comentarios. Asuntos, como el valor de la propiedad, ruido, seguridad de tráfico, y zonas municipales están fuera de lo que la Comisión tiene la jurisdicción de considerar en este proceso.

LISTA DE CORREO Usted puede solicitar que se le ponga en una lista de correo para recibir información adicional de esta solicitud solicitando a la Oficina del Chief Clerk en la dirección a continuación.

INFORMACION Comentarios publicos por escrito, peticiones para una junta publica o peticiones para una audiencia en controversia deberán someterse a la Oficina del Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Para más información sobre esta solicitud o el proceso de permisos, por favor llame a la Oficina de Asistencia Publica, gratis, al 1-800-687-4040. Información general sobre el TCEQ se puede encontrar en el www.tceq.state.tx.us. Mas informaciones tambien puede obtenerse de The Fiber Composite Company, Inc., 3604 Bethel Drive, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, 79720 o llamando al señor T. P. Hopper en el (432)267-9800. Fecha de emitido: January 10, 2005

#4425 January 12, 2005

Annie's Mailbox®

Dear Annie: My husband and I have been married eight years and have tried to conceive a child with no success, so we decided to adopt a child of another race. This isn't a problem for my husband, me, my parents or the community in which we live. However, some members of my extended family have shown themselves to be racist.

When the time comes for the child to move into our home, and if there is a baby shower, how do I deal with breaking the news to these relatives that the child is of another race? — Lots of Love in Ohio

Dear Ohio: You don't have to "break the news." We assume they will figure it out if they see the child, and if they don't see the baby, you can send them a photograph announcing the adoption. You do not need to address the child's race any more than you would make an issue of the color of the baby's eyes. If the relatives make derogatory comments, remind them that this is your child and insist that they behave themselves.

Dear Annie: I just read the letter from "Need Advice to Give Advice" in the Indianapolis Star, who asked how to help a friend going through a divorce. Here are some words of wisdom from a divorce lawyer of 21 years:

1. Don't badmouth the spouse. The couple may reconcile, in which case things will be awkward for you. Saying he's a big jerk doesn't necessarily make her feel better. It just says she had lousy judgment in choosing him in the first place or that she's stupid for still caring about him.

2. Do offer her opportunities to do fun things that make her smile and will lift her spirits. An invitation to do something on a Saturday night, when she may be feeling especially lonely, can be priceless.

3. Do include her in cou-



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

ples' activities. Lots of singles report feeling quite abandoned by their married friends.

4. Do be alert for signs of depression — weight gain or loss, lack of energy, failure to keep her residence clean and orderly, sleeping a lot, etc. Gently recommend she see her doctor, and ask about short-term medication and/or counseling. Lots of healthy people experience situational depression when going through a divorce.

5. Do be sensitive to the unique needs of a newly single parent. Sometimes just finding time to get a haircut can be hard. Volunteer to baby-sit for a few hours.

6. Don't offer her legal or accounting advice, but do be alert to financial needs. A gift certificate for a cleaning service, a manicure or a restaurant can be welcome.

And finally, this advice applies to men as well. They may not show it as much on the surface, but they suffer, too. Men need the support of their friends.

I hope this helps your readers. — D.F. in Indiana

Dear D.F.: Thank you for providing some good suggestions for those who wonder how to behave during a friend's divorce. You have helped someone today.

Dear Annie: May I give your readers an idea for gifts for children? When my children were small and received money, I immediately purchased U.S. Savings Bonds and

coin sets from the U.S. Mint. With the high cost of education, this money will come in handy if and when they decide to go to school, or if they need a car, insurance or a home.

By the time my children reach the age of 20, that \$25 toy will be long gone, but that savings bond will have grown to help with finances. — Kentucky Parent

Dear Parent: Bonds are very sensible gifts, but of course, most people prefer to give (and most children prefer to receive) more exciting presents. But you are right about one thing — when those children reach adulthood and discover those bonds, they will be thrilled.

Dear Annie: I am a 24-year-old male, and my brother is 26. Recently, my family received invitations to my cousin's Bat Mitzvah party. My brother was invited along with his girlfriend, whom he has been dating on and off for a year.

I am not currently in a relationship. Is it appropriate that my brother can bring a guest and I cannot? Should I be permitted to bring someone even if it is just a friend?

I fear I will have no one to dance with except my mother. — Solo at the Simcha

Dear Solo: Since your brother is in a long-term relationship, it is appropriate to invite his girlfriend. Most families cannot afford to allow their single guests to bring friends along. Although it usually is rude to ask if you can bring a date, since you are a close relative, and you are not likely to meet eligible single women at the affair, we think it's OK in this instance. If your aunt and uncle say "no," we hope Mom is a good dancer. Wish your cousin a mazel tov from us.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to annie@mailbox.com or cast.net.

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JAN. 12

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9	Wife Swap	Wife Swap	Don Francisco	Malcolm-Mid	CSI: NY	Te Voy a En-	Law & Order	Sex and-City	The Hour of	TBA	Motorcycle	15 Movie:	I Hate My Job	Dundee	Club Comic	Lizzie McGuire	College	Rockets at	15 Movie:
10	News (CC)	News (CC)	Primer Impacto	70s Show	News	Noticias	The Tonight	10 Movie:	Fools Rush In	Charlie Rose	Motorcycle	15 Movie:	MXC	Movie: Crocodile	Nightly News	Even Stevens	Texas-El Paso	SportsCenter	15 Movie:
11	Ent. Tonight	Extra (CC)	Los Melches	Becker (CC)	Late Late	Al Rolo Vivo	Show (CC)	12:10 Movie:	Van Impe Pres	Sign Off	MythBusters	15 Movie:	Wildcat	Dundee in Los	Midnight Love	Proud Family	Gannett	Outside-Lines	15 Movie:
12	Live (CC)	Live (CC)	Alma Rebeide	Spin City	Show	Maria Celeste	Late Night	12:10 Movie:	Van Impe Pres	Sign Off	MythBusters	15 Movie:	Blind Date	The X-Files	Club Comic	Lizzie McGuire	College	SportsCenter	15 Movie:

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This Date In History

By the Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 12, the 12th day of 2005. There are 353 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 12, 1945, during World War II, Soviet forces began a huge offensive against the Germans in Eastern Europe.

On this date:
In 1519, Holy Roman Emperor Maximilian I died.
In 1773, the first public museum in America was established, in Charleston, S.C.

In 1915, the U.S. House of Representatives rejected a proposal to give women the right to vote.

In 1932, Hattie W. Caraway became the first woman elected to the U.S. Senate.

In 1942, President

Roosevelt created the National War Labor Board.

In 1948, the Supreme Court ruled that states could not discriminate against law-school applicants because of race.

In 1964, leftist rebels in Zanzibar began their successful revolt against the government.

In 1966, President Johnson said in his State of the Union address that the United States should stay in South Vietnam until Communist aggression there was ended.

In 1971, the groundbreaking situation comedy "All in the Family" premiered on CBS television.

In 1986, the shuttle Columbia blasted off with a crew that included the first Hispanic-American in space, Dr. Franklin R. Chang-Diaz.

Today's Birthdays:
Actress Luise Rainer is 95.
Former South African President P.W. Botha is 89.
Country singer Ray Price is 79.
Singer Ruth Brown is 77.
Singer Glenn Yarbrough is 75.
The Amazing Kreskin is

70. Country singer William Lee Golden (The Oak Ridge Boys) is 66.
Former heavyweight boxing champion Joe Frazier is 61.
Singer-musician George Duke is 59.
Rock musician Cynthia Robinson (Sly and the Family Stone) is 59.
Actor Anthony Andrews is 57.
Movie director Wayne Wang is 56.
Radio commentator Rush Limbaugh is 54.
Actress Kirstie Alley is 54.
Country singer Ricky Van Shelton is 53.
Radio personality Howard Stern is 51.
Rock musician Tom Ardolino (NRBQ) is 48.
Rock musician Charlie Gillingham (Counting Crows) is 45.

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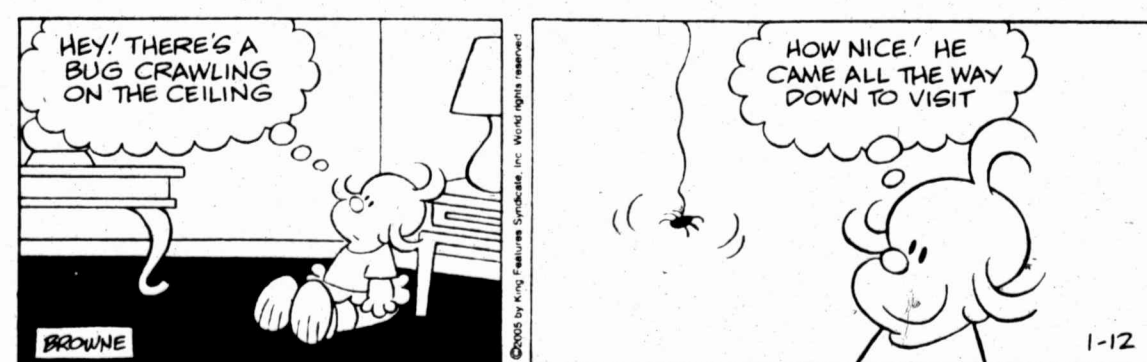
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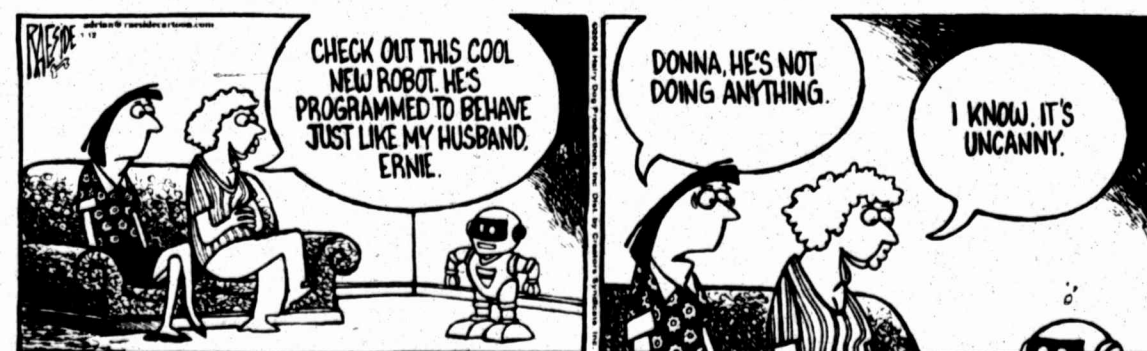
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20 Exam grader's option
23 President pro
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31 Artichoke center
35 "Gotcha!"
36 Dwarf tree
38 — culpa
39 Pre-employment routine
42 Psyche part
43 Derby entries
44 Feed the pot
45 Oscar de la
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48 Intense feeling
49 Santa — winds
51 Having the blues
52 Light Brigade offensive
59 Sheltered spot
60 River embankment

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4 Shatner's show
5 Barbarella director
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7 Weevil's meal
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10 Color, hippie-style
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21 Links peg
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How to Set Your Wedding to the Right Music

The secret of a great wedding is great music. The right song at the right time can evoke strong feelings and help solidify memories of the day long after the last slice of cake has been enjoyed. Yet, surprisingly, many couples don't focus as much on their musical entertainment as they do on choosing a reception hall or florist. Oftentimes they leave crucial music decisions to their DJ or band.

According to Gloria Sklerov and Barbara Rothstein, professional songwriters whose specialty is wedding music, and creators of WeddingMusicCentral.com, this can be a huge mistake. "While flowers, clothes and decor may make a wedding 'look' beautiful, it's well-planned music that makes a wedding 'feel' beautiful," says Sklerov, who has won Emmys for wedding songs featured on daytime TV soap operas and has written songs for Sinatra, Cher, and other top artists.

Think about the weddings you've attended. How did you measure the party's success? Probably by whether you had a good time. Experienced wedding coordinators know that music is the 'good time quotient' of a wedding. It's a good sign when guests get up and dance — frequently — and share in the emotions of sentimental moments like father/daughter, mother/son dances, etc. When the music is dull or constantly intrusive and there's little involvement, chances

are the guests are waiting for the right time to say goodbye.

Sklerov and Rothstein realized that couples have 'no way of knowing what they don't know' and really do need expert music planning information to plan a successful wedding program. But now, thanks to them, brides and grooms everywhere have access to expert know-how and a step-by-step planning system with their book, "How To Set Your Wedding To Music," the complete wedding music guide and planner. Here are some of their tips for a memorable event:

THE CEREMONY AND RECEPTION

Create a plan: Visualize your wedding as a film, and think about the songs that would coordinate best with the scenes that unfold. For example, imagine the processional, the unity candle ceremony, the father/daughter dance, the mother/son dance, or even a special tribute to an important person in your life as you listen to sound clips of songs written especially for those moments. Stay organized: Keep a notebook and jot down songs you've heard or ideas you've gathered. Then, when you finalize your choices and discuss them in detail with your band or DJ you can consider their suggestions without feeling pressured. Book your DJ or band: Once you know your date, book as soon as possible. DJs and

bands have distinct advantages and disadvantages. DJs are usually less expensive, take up less space and offer playback of original songs by original artists. Bands can provide live sound and make any occasion seem elegant. Generally however, they are costly and your songs will be interpreted by the band, not necessarily performed with the 'feel' you like or are used to. Go beyond the boring and basic: Happily for the thousands of brides and grooms who have discovered WeddingMusicCentral.com, there's no reason for wedding music to be dull or ineffectual. The Web site offers an exclusive line of music CDs created especially for weddings by Grammy and Emmy-winning writers, artists and producers. The CDs feature contemporary arrangements of popular and classical wedding favorites, new songs for traditional wedding highlights such as the father/daughter and mother/son dances, unity candle and even songs for stepparents and families of second marriages. "When writing for TV and movie scenes," says Rothstein, "we had to learn how to enhance each 'scene' with the right touch of emotion and to capture the significance of important moments in fresh new ways." Keep your guests in mind: Consider the tastes of your guests. Make sure singles and older guests can enjoy the music as well. Include timeless standards and music

of different eras that all guests will enjoy.

MUSICAL EXTRAS

In addition to the music that is played on your special day, songs and sentiments can be sent in advance of your wedding and afterward as well. You can 'send more than a card ... you can send a song' with the unique musical ideas that Sklerov and Rothstein offer with their Personalized CD Singles line:

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