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CANDIDATE TO VISIT

Bill Christian of Midland will formally announce his candidacy for the 19th Congressional District at 4 p.m. Thursday in the county commissioner's courtroom on the second floor of the Howard County Courthouse. The public is invited. Christian, a major in the Marine Corps Reserve, is a former aid to U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm.

VITA VOLUNTEERS

There will be a five-day training session for Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) volunteers and others who are interested in preparing 2002 income tax returns.

The training will be held at the Senior Citizen's Center, 1901 Simler Drive, from Tuesday, Jan. 21, until Friday, Jan. 24, and on Monday, Jan. 27, at 9 a.m. until noon each day.

Persons must pass a test in order to qualify for assisting taxpayers with their returns.

Free tax assistance will be available in February and March at the Spring City Senior Center.

For more information, call Dorothy Kennemur at (915) 398-5522 or e-mail dkenemur@apex2000.net.

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HOWARD COUNTY LIBRARY

Lots of new books have arrived this week at the Howard County Library. Hollis McCright, librarian, reviews some of the selections.

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Citing discord among board, Murphy decides to retire

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

Citing a divided board and lack of support, Big Spring Independent School District Superintendent Murray Murphy said Tuesday it is time to retire.

"I think that this is in the best interest of the district," Murphy said in making his announcement during the BSISD Board of Trustees meeting.

"I don't feel I have the absolute support of the

board as a whole," he explained this morning. "I think that is not good for education. I didn't think it could rectify itself in the near future."

The announcement shocked and brought tears to many in the solemn audience as Murphy shook hands with each trustee. Both Murphy and the trustees said they want an amicable change in administration.

"Murray Murphy's retirement announcement

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Murray Murphy, BSISD superintendent

completes a public school education career that has spanned three decades," said trustee Mike Dawson. "His leadership through the recent campus attendance zone realignment and kindergarten closing was a total success."

In a prepared statement delivered to the Herald on Wednesday morning, Dawson added, "I personally appreciate Mr. Murphy's commitment and dedication to our district for the past 18 years

and wish him continued success, happiness and good health."

Dawson added he hopes the decision will help put the district back on the road to recovery.

Serving for two years as superintendent, Murphy's tenure has been fraught with a divided board as well as several controversial issues.

"I am very proud of the accomplishments I've made as superintendent

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Bathing beauty Aimee Hill, fifth-grade teacher at Goliad Intermediate, along with students Zach Lopez, left, and Xavian Parnell, dance to the Macarena. The dance was one of many activities held to reward the fifth-grade class for reaching its accelerated reading goal.

COUNCIL

City to offer counter proposal for 9-1-1 dispatch service pact

By **ROGER CLINE**
Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council decided Tuesday evening to have city staff draft a contract for 9-1-1 dispatch service as a counter-proposal to one submitted by the Howard County 9-1-1 Communications District board.

In a letter to City Manager Gary Fuqua dated Dec. 5, 9-1-1 board chairperson Melinda Hernandez gave the required 90 days notice of the board's intent to terminate the existing contract.

"The Howard County 9-1-1 Communication District's contract for call-taker dispatcher is several years old," reads the letter. "This is our 90-day notice of termination of the existing contract."

Included with the letter was a proposal for a new contract which would reduce the city's obligation from providing eight and a half dispatchers to eight dispatchers.

The district would con-

"...regardless of how many dispatchers we have, we still do the same job for them. There's a couple of things we want to talk to them about."



Gary Fuqua, City Manager

time to pay the salary of one call taker dispatcher, but the city would reimburse the district half that salary should the total number of dispatchers fall below eight.

The council directed city staff to have a counter-proposal ready for discussion by the Jan. 28 council meeting.

"There's one part of it where they're talking about if we don't have so many dispatchers, we

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BSISD trustees wants committee to look at drug policy

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

Big Spring Independent School District trustees on Tuesday accepted the resignation of a 10-year employee and formed a committee to discuss changes in the district drug policy.

"This school has a serious problem with drugs," said Scott Emerson, local businessman and father

of a high school student. "I think we all know that and I think we need to fix it."

Emerson voiced his concerns over the drug problem at the high school during a requested audience with the board.

The issue was brought up in December by Trustee Kent Sharp, who wanted the board to discuss changes in toughening the district's drug pol-

icy — including the idea of drug testing.



Rey Villarreal

ment through public

forums on ways to handle the problem.

Trustees also accepted the resignation of long time administrator Paul Cole, technology director.

"I would like to say that Paula is very well liked by the staff but that's not true," said Villarreal. "She is very well loved by the staff and she will be sorely missed."

Effective June 30, Cole will end a 30-year career

as an educator.

"I would like to thank the administration, principals, directors and staff for making my 10-year tenure here enjoyable and very successful."

Cole began her career in Kermit as a volleyball coach and physical education instructor. At Wink, she produced six state tournament volleyball

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Forecast is 'chili' Saturday at Harley-Davidson Shop

By **ROGER CLINE**
Staff Writer

It's chili time again. The 14th annual Boss Hogg Chili Cookoff, sponsored by Big Spring's Harley-Davidson Shop, is this Saturday and organizers are looking for chili cooks, chili judges and chili eaters.

"If they're cooking, they probably need to get here no later than 9 a.m.," said Harley Shop employee Diana Gonzalez. "We start judging at 1 p.m. That means they'll probably start feeding at 1. There's no registration. If you want to cook, all you have to do is show up with your ingredients, pay the fee and get busy cooking."

Gonzalez added that there are

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Diana Gonzalez, Harley Shop employee

only a couple of rules for Boss Hogg chili chefs.

"You have to cook everything on the premises," she said. "No beans, please, and no less than

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"The Duke" shakes hands with Howard County Sheriff Dale Walker at Walker's office Tuesday. Dr. Gene Howard, well-known John Wayne impersonator, presented a program entitled "Freedom and Sacrifice" Tuesday evening at Big Spring's East Side Baptist Church.

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A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Obituaries

Delia Ortiz Hoyte



Funeral mass for Delia Ortiz Hoyte, 34, of Southworth, Wash., formerly of Big Spring, will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 18, 2003, at St. Gabriel Catholic Church in Port Orchard, Wash. Burial will be in the Fraola Cemetery in Port Orchard, Wash., under the direction of Pendleton-Gilchrist Funeral Home at Rill Chapel in Port Orchard, Wash.

Mrs. Hoyte died Dec. 12, 2002, as a result of injuries received in an automobile accident in Benson, Ariz.

She was born on Nov. 12, 1968, in Big Spring, a daughter of Jesus and Guadalupe Garcia Ortiz. She married Thane Hoyte on June 27, 1998, in South Colby, Wash.

She was a 1986 graduate of Big Spring High School and attended Howard College before graduating from Olympic College in Bremerton, Wash.

She was a teacher of Spanish in foreign language for youth at Cougar Valley Elementary School in North Kitsap County, Wash., and Brownsville Elementary School in Brownsville, Wash. She had spent five years as an assistant with the Port Orchard Day Care in Port Orchard, Wash., for five years and prior to that had been employed by Moore Development for Big Spring Inc.

She was a member of the St. Gabriel Catholic Church in Port Orchard, Wash., and had been a member of Hispanic Women for Progress, a Girl Scout leader and United Girls Softball Association coach in Big Spring.

Survivors include her husband, Thane Hoyte of Southworth, Wash.; her parents, Jesus and Guadalupe Ortiz of Big Spring; one daughter, Dianna Barraza of Southworth, Wash.; and one sister, Dianna Valdez of Big Spring.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Delia Hoyte Benevolent Fund at any Washington Mutual Branch. An on-line memorial can be visited at www.rill.com

Carol Howard

Carol Howard, 48, of Big Spring died at 4:50 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13, 2003, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 16, 2003, at the Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel with private burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born on Aug. 30, 1954, in Pecos. She grew up in Pecos and lived most of her life there until coming to Big Spring in 1983.

She is survived by one brother, Jerry Edwards of Pecos and her step-father, J.T. Pitts of Pecos.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Joann Pitts, in 1992.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Hubert Ivan Shelton

Hubert Ivan Shelton, age 92, of San Antonio, died on Friday, Jan. 10, 2003.

Funeral service was held at 3 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13, 2003, at St. Andrew's United Methodist Church in San Antonio. Interment followed in Sunset Memorial Park.

Mr. Shelton was a lifetime member of St. Andrew's United Methodist Church and past president of the Wesley Class. He was in the 99th Infantry and participated in the Battle of the Bulge. He was also a pharmacist in Kansas City, Mo., and went to work for Merck Pharmaceutical Company for 40 years.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Violet Shelton.

He is survived by his sons, Jim Shelton and wife, Charlotte, Big Spring and Charles Shelton and wife, Merry, of San Antonio; granddaughters, Melissa Gibson and husband, Tim, of The Azores, Laurel Voight and husband, Ferrol, of Big Spring and Jessica Shelton of San Antonio; grandson, Brian Shelton of San Antonio; great-granddaughter, Mikayle Gibson of The Azores; great-grandsons, Ashton Voight and Jordan Voight, both of Big Spring; and a brother, George Head of San Diego, Calif.

The family invites you to leave a message or memory at www.porterloring.com by selecting Visitation and Services. Select "Sign Guestbook" at the bottom of the individual Memorial.

Arrangements under the direction of Porter Loring Funeral Home in San Antonio.

Willodean Dickenson

Willodean Dickenson, 68, of Stanton died Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2003, in a Stanton nursing home.

Services are pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

R.V. Fuqua

R.V. Fuqua, 86, of Big Spring died at 5:45 p.m. Tuesday at the Hospice House in Odessa.

Services are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home of Big Spring.

Lottery

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:
2-6-9-11-32

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Texas Two Step numbers drawn Tuesday:
18-20-23-30
Bonus number 31

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Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night:
7-4-0

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Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday afternoon:
1-9-9

Police blotter

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

• **JONATHON MICHAEL PAUL**, 22, of 605 Circle was arrested on a Howard County warrant.

• **ORLANDO ISAAC MONTANEZ**, 21, of 825 W. Sixth St. was arrested on Big Spring city warrants.

• **PHILLIP GARCIA**, 26, of 1409 Oriole was arrested on Big Spring city warrants.

• **ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE, INTERFERING WITH EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION AND CRIMINAL TRESPASSING AT A HABITATION OR SHELTER CENTER** was reported in the 1000 block of Stadium Avenue.

• **ASSAULT CLASS C** was reported in the 1400 block of South Nolan Street and in the 300 block of West Fifth Street.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 400 block of West Fifth Street, the 1500 block of South Johnson Street, the 1400 block of Oriole Street.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported:

- In the 500 block of West Fourth Street. A blue 1997 Chevrolet Silverado reportedly sustained \$125 damage, while items worth \$300 were reported stolen from a red 1997 Chevrolet S-10.

- In the 700 block of West Fourth Street. An AM/FM CD truck stereo worth \$200 and a faceplate from another stereo system worth \$200 were reported stolen in the incident. A red 1996 Ford and a green 1997 Ford each reportedly sustained \$200 damage in the incident.

• **THEFT** was reported:

- In the 2200 block of South Runnels Street. \$90 cash was reported stolen.

- In the 900 block of South Aylesford Street. Items worth \$35 were reported stolen.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported:

- In the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Boulevard. A blue 1988 Chevrolet reportedly sustained \$200 damage in the incident.

- In the 700 block of North Owens Street. Automobiles at the location reportedly sustained \$300 damage.

• **MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 4800 block of West Highway 80.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1100 block of South Birdwell Lane.

Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following recent activity:

• **JAMES ALLEN HALL**, 37, of 1303 E. 11th Place was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Monday on a charge of driving while intoxicated — second offense.

• **JAMIE RAE SMITH**, 26, of 1301 Lindberg was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on a charge of theft \$50 to \$500.

• **EMETERIO M. LOZANO**, 26, of 1105 N. Bell was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on a charge of driving while license suspended.

• **RICHARD WILLIAM ALCANTAR**, 23, of 502 N. Runnels was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on charges of driving with a suspended license and possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

• **DANIEL RODRIGUEZ MENDOZA**, 33, of 3912 Hamilton was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Saturday on a charge of driving with a suspended license.

• **FERNANDO LOPEZ HERNANDEZ**, 27, of 3751 County Road 125 in Garden City was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Saturday on a charge of theft \$50 to \$500.

• **STACY JEAN MILLER**, 52, of 624 W. Missouri St. in Floydada was taken to the Howard County Jail Sunday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• **ELIDIA FLORES**, 28, of 100 Valley was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Friday on a charge of driving with a suspended license.

• **RANDALL KEITH WAUSON**, 42, of 6627 Santa Fe in Dallas was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by a Department of Public Safety trooper Sunday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• **RAUL VALLES**, 46, of 1410 Bluebird was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Monday on a charge of driving with a suspended license.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 7200 block of Interstate 20 South Service Road.

• **POSSIBLE CRUELTY TO ANIMALS** was reported in the 100 block of Eckert Drive.

• **ANIMAL PROBLEM** was reported in the 400 block of Ritchey and the 2100 block of Highway 176.

Take note

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

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

□ **BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING** counties are in critical need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers of the children in the community who have been abused and neglected.

For more information, call Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669 or 1-800-233-3405.

□ **SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH**, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

Bulletin board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald Features Desk at 263-7331, ext. 238 or email jmoseley@crcom.net.

TODAY

Line Dancing, 1 p.m., Spring City Senior Center, Industrial Park, 398-5522 or 267-1628.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring Country Club, Driver Road.

Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 203 W. Third.

THURSDAY

Gideon International, Big Spring Camp, U42060, 7 a.m., Herman's Restaurant, 1601 Gregg St.

Coffee Club, 10 a.m., Gale's Sweet Shoppe, 1706 E. FM-700.

Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 267-6479.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring Country Club, Driver Road.

Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association, 5:30 p.m., RSVP office, 501 Runnels.

American Legion Post 506, 6 p.m., 263-2084.

Big Spring High School Class of 1954 exes, 7 p.m., Spanish Inn, 200 NW Third St., planning meeting for 2004 reunion.

Rackley-Swords 379, Vietnam Vets of America, 7 p.m., Sparenberg Building, 309 S. Main.

Masonic Lodge 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

AMBUCS, noon, Brandin Iron Inn, 3101 S. Highway 87.

Greater Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College, HC Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

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

SATURDAY

Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Hangar 25 Air Museum, McMahan-Wrinkle Airpark, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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

Big Spring Shrine Club, 6:30 p.m. for meal with meeting to follow, Goliad and First St.

Eagles Dance, 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. Members and their guests are welcome.

Big Spring Squares, call 267-7043 or 263-6305.

MONDAY

Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association, 11:30 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Senior Circle, Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics, 4 p.m., SMMC. People 50 years of age and older are invited to participate, call 268-4721.

DAV and Auxiliary Chapter 47, 6:30 p.m., 610 Abrams.

Concerned Citizen's, 7 p.m., Fiberflex conference room, Bethel St., in the McMahan-Wrinkle Airpark. The public is invited.

Weather

Tonight — Becoming windy and colder. Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 30s. South winds 10 to 20 mph shifting to the north 20 to 30 mph after midnight.

Thursday — Windy and cold. Sunny. Highs in the upper 30s. North winds 20 to 30 mph.

Thursday night — Breezy early. Clear and cold. Lows around 19.

Friday — Sunny. Highs in the mid 40s.

Saturday — Clear. Lows in the mid 20s. Highs in the mid 50s.

Sunday — Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s. Highs in the upper 50s.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day — Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s. Highs in the lower 60s.

Tuesday — Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s. Highs in the lower 60s.

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of this school system," Murphy said this morning.

Under Murphy's leadership, the board and administrators cut \$1.4 million from the budget by closing Anderson Kindergarten Center and realignment of grades kindergarten through six.

In March of 2002, the district was granted unitary status by the U.S. Department of Justice, ending a 25-year-old desegregation lawsuit. The end of the suit gave back local control back to the trustees.

Last year, eight campuses were either rated recognized or exemplary by the Texas Education Agency. In October, trustees voted to move from a four single-member, three at-large districts system of election to a seven single-member district representation.

Also in October, the district settled three years of litigation concerning the Big Spring Junior High School for \$1.5 million.

Murphy's retirement ends a 30-year education career.

"My wife, Diane and I plan to stay in Big Spring and be productive citizens of Big Spring," he said. "I love this community, my friendship, my association with the staff and the many board members through the years. That's why I make Big Spring my home. It's because of the people we have."

Murphy also said he appreciated the guidance of several city leaders during his tenure.

"The mentorship of Cherry Sparks (Howard College president) and Russ McEwen (Big Spring mayor) has been a great assistance in helping me with making decisions for the district," he explained.

Trustees will now have to turn their attention to the search for a superintendent.

"During the search for the superintendent, my replacement, this office will give complete cooperation and support to their process as well as their final decision," Murphy said. "We want to make this a smooth transition because that is what is important for the students of this school system."

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have to reimburse, or something," Fuqua said. "We're going to talk to them about that because regardless of how many dispatchers we have, we still do the same job for them. There's a couple of things we want to talk to them about."

Hernandez was unavailable for comment this morning.

The council also appointed Gene Moses and Ned Crandall to the Airpark Development Advisory Board.

Moses, currently owner of ATS Telcom in Big Spring, spent 20 years in

the Air Force, including a final posting at Webb Air Force Base. ATS Telcom was located at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark from 1982 to 1994 before relocating to its present location on East Third Street. The company rents hangar space at the airpark for a company airplane, and Moses is a licensed pilot.

Crandall is also a former Air Force resident of Webb. He was a pilot during the Vietnam War and later an accident investigator for the Air Force. After retiring from the service in 1977, he worked in several manufactured home businesses around Big Spring and as a corporate pilot for a Pecos company. He was also a math teacher at Runnels Junior High for 10 years. He is still a licensed private pilot.

The council was unable to fill a position on the Traffic Commission because no one has applied for the position vacated by the resignation of Chairman Ernie Morgan.

"We lost our chairman for the Traffic Commission, a long time Traffic Commission member, Ernie Morgan," said Public Works Director Todd Darden. "He'd been there for numerous years and did an excellent job."

Darden said the commission deals with traffic signage, lights and markings.

"The Traffic Commission reviews the code of ordinances on anything dealing with traffic activity," he said. "It could be a stop sign, a traffic light, parking zones, school zones, just any traffic hazard we have in our community."

Anybody can apply for the job, Darden said.

"Ernie Morgan is a civil engineer. He brought to the table an engineering background," Darden said. "We have other engineers on the board, we have a housewife, we have the transportation director for the school district, we have a person from the VA on there. The background is they live in Big Spring. They know how our community and the traffic flows in Big Spring."

To apply, contact your council member or City Hall at 264-2500.

In other business, the council:

- Presented employee "Star" awards to municipal auditorium manager Toney Robbins and City

Hall employee Terri Telchik for helping out with the recent Big Spring Symphony Concert.

- Presented proclamations regarding the VA Homeless Veterans Stand Down and Martin Luther King Day.

- Approved specifications for the lease of a tub compost grinder.

- Approved specifications for an irrigation system for Mount Olive Cemetery.

- Approved specifications for an upgrade of the city's Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition monitoring network for the city's water system.

- Approved a street closure for the Martin Luther King Walk.

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BSISD

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teams in her 12 years as head coach.

Before coming to BSISD, Cole served three years as curriculum and technology director for the Wink ISD. Cole and her husband intend to move near her family in Brownwood and she plans to pursue other career opportunities.

"I wish the district the best and hope they will focus on the students, teachers and administration," Cole said.

According to Villarreal, the search to fill the technology director's position will begin at later date.

In other business trustees:

- Received formal notification from the U.S. Department of Justice that the seven-single member district representation for the board was approved. Trustees voted in October to phase in seven single member districts from the current four single member district, three at-large representation. The change was promoted by discussion with representatives in the minority community who believe the new system may encourage more minority involvement.

- Heard Superintendent Murray Murphy's request to hire a full-time grant writer.

- Heard the district may be looking at \$1.2 million in capital improvements

and maintenance concerns.

- Approved the 2002-2003 campus and district improvement plans.

- Approved the 2002-2003 optional extended year program.

- Approved contracting with O'Hanlon and Associates of Austin for professional services. In a 4-3 vote, trustees changed legal services from Walsh Anderson, the company that represented the district in both the Big Spring Junior High lawsuit and the seven-member redistricting plan.

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CHILI

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five pounds of chili." Cooks should also bring their own hotplate to cook on, she said.

"It's pretty much up to you to bring everything you need."

The Boss Hogg organizers aren't too picky when it comes to judges, she added.

"Anybody that's willing to take the risk," she said. "We supply the Roloids and the food to cleanse the palate, and the place to do it. The more we get, the more we can swap them out so it isn't just one set of judges getting tongue-burned or whatever."

Gonzalez said the preparation of the chili usually takes most of the morning, while judging and eating usually lasts about an hour or hour and a half in the afternoon.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

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Carol Howard, 48, died Monday. Services are 2:00 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Private burial services will be at Mt. Olive Cemetery.

Craddick named Speaker of House

AUSTIN (AP) — Rep. Tom Craddick was one of only eight Republicans in the Texas House of Representatives when he was first elected. Now, he is the first GOP Speaker of the House since 1873.

In accepting the nomination for House Speaker on Tuesday, the man known as a hard-line conservative vowed to buck partisan politics in the Republican-controlled House.

"While partisan issues may arise from time to time, legislative action — and certainly legislative leadership — must be bipartisan," Craddick said. "Effective leadership means leadership that is fair, honest, balanced and inclusive. Our mutual goal here is to solve the many issues and challenges facing this state and to make Texas a better place to live."

Craddick laid out his priorities for the session, including revamping homeowner's insurance, medical malpractice insurance and developing the communities along Texas' border with Mexico.

Craddick, 59, of Midland amassed power over years of growing Republican strength in Texas as the state shifted from mostly Democratic territory.

"The rest of the time it's basically eat chili if there's any left, listen to the music and have fun," she said.

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OUR VIEWS

Spicy food, music and fun is set for Saturday's cookoff

Whether you enjoy some friendly competition or just have an appetite for spicy food, don't forget about the 14th annual Boss Hogg Chili Cookoff this Saturday, sponsored by the Harley-Davidson Shop.

The local business puts it on, but the money goes for a great cause — funding the charitable work of the Harley Owners Group for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

There are no rules for the cookoff, though it's our understanding that organizers have authorized judges to shoot anyone who puts beans in their chili.

Those participating will have a cooks' meeting shortly before 9 a.m. Judging will begin about 1 p.m. and after that, chili lovers can sample the bowls of red for \$5 each.

The chili cookoff will feature live music by local bands in an area set up adjacent to the Harley-Davidson shop, which is located at 908 W. Third.

Whether you would like to enter your secret homemade chili — the fee is \$20 — or just enjoy some good music, good chili and a good time, make plans on Saturday to make your way over to the Harley Shop.

YOUR VIEWS

To the Editor:

Big Spring lost an outstanding citizen Dec. 29. She was not one of the movers and shakers in town. She did not belong to many service organizations or civic clubs. She did not attend all the social gatherings of the city. Her name and picture were not always in the press. But she was on of Big Spring's quiet, supporting citizens.

She worked for many years at the state hospital helping, consoling and healing the patients there, never angry, upset or cruel to any of them. Later, when one of her sisters needed help recovering from an illness she was there to nurse her. When the husband of one of her daughters was in a terrible highway accident and wasn't expected to live, she stayed at his bedside for two weeks until he was taken off the critical list. Then she continued to see to his care in the hospital for about 9 months and to care for her grandchildren so her daughter could continue to work. When her mother and father reached the age where they could not take care of themselves she and her husband renovated their garage into an efficiency apartment for them where she nursed them for several years until their deaths. When one of her grandchildren got crosswise with the law she did not stop loving him but did everything that she possibly could to see to his

needs both physically and spiritually. She helped many of her neighbors, friends and people she didn't even know through sicknesses and troubles.

When she retired from Big Spring State Hospital, her husband said it seemed like she was working more, helping other people, than when she did at the hospital.

My first acquaintance with her was in the spring of 1978 when I opened a pharmacy in town and was going to do monthly blood pressure screenings. I called on the Red Cross to furnish trained personnel for this screening. About the second or third month they sent this wonderful, kind, generous, outgoing and outspoken lady to do the screening.

Toward the end of the day Dorothy offered to do the screening the next month. She continued to do this monthly for more than 10 years. On the few occasions she could not be there she always lined up her own replacement.

She was a rock to her husband, her family, her friends, her acquaintances and her church. She will be missed by them all. The loving tribute shown her by so many at her funeral and burial gives testimony to the esteem in which this fine woman was held. I love her very much and will miss her.

Dorothy Thomason has now gone home.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Dear Lord, help us never to forget that you have chosen us for a great purpose in this life. Please show us the way.
Amen

A faraway loss hitting hard at home

I grew up hearing about Martha Myers, the missionary doctor recently killed by a terrorist in Yemen.

Dalraida Baptist Church was one block from my childhood home in Montgomery, Ala., and we walked that block with purpose several times a week. Dalraida was the Myers family church, and my own family's church as well.

Joanna Myers, Martha's younger sister and a good friend of mine, was one grade behind me in school. We sang in the choir together and ate Sunday night meals in Fellowship Hall.

Though Martha was grown and gone by the time Joanna and I were teenagers, all of us young people at Dalraida knew about and admired Martha, already studying to be a medical missionary. She sometimes came home and gave talks to our youth groups. Martha constantly was held up as the shining example of what could

become of us if we practiced what our elders preached.

But few of us grow up to be a Martha, sacrificing, as she did, a personal life to bump about a foreign countryside in a land cruiser with a stethoscope.

As Islamic radicalism grew, the prudent thing might have been to return home or ask for transfer. Martha never did.

For a quarter of a century, she selflessly doctoring the people of Yemen.

The church Martha attended as a child, the one I first attended, was a smallish, paneled sanctuary with red carpet and a waterfall painted behind the baptismal pool. I thought it was beautiful, and much preferred it to the larger, airy sanctuary Dalraida built soon after we moved to Montgomery. The older building was downgraded to a "chapel," and reserved for weddings and small, midweek gatherings.

I can see that chapel right now, feel the intimacy it fostered. It was so much more personal than the larger, more modern, gymnasium-looking church that took its place. Anyone who

ever sat on one of those blonde oak pews would remember the way that chapel smelled, the slant of the light, how the music swelled and echoed.

That building must have been where Martha decided to be a missionary.

Joanna, unless she has changed, was as carefree as sister Martha was serious. I can hear Joanna laughing now as we frolicked on the choir tour bus, or tortured the choral director at Robert E. Lee High.

Dalraida — a neighborhood, a community, a road — was a small world. Everyone knew everybody else. As for the rambling church of the same name, we knew every nook and cranny, often playing hide-and-seek in the rooms left unused during the weekdays. Dalraida, in my youth, was my social world, my playground, my home — the only reality.

And so, with missionary Martha's death, the threat of terrorism finally seems real to me. I guess it had never quite registered before.

I even felt a little guilty after Sept. 11. Once the shock of it wore off, the pain went too quickly

away. New York always has seemed like a foreign place to me.

Now, in faraway Yemen, a tragedy hits much closer to home. Joanna's sister, a Dalraida neighbor, a person striving to do good in a world that so often is cruel.

The point is obvious. There is no escaping terrorism, not anymore. There are no safe havens, no safe small towns, no neighborhoods — past or present — immune from the horrors.

Somewhere women are playing bridge, thinking the confusing swirl of current events has nothing to do with them. Somewhere men are on a golf course, oblivious to the latest suicide bombing in Israel.

Somewhere in a gated community in suburbia, a teenager watches a TV report and makes no connection to the bad news it holds.

There are no foreign places, no strangers, not anymore. We are connected by the same threats, the same madness. All of us are pins on the same map, targets in turn.

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The man behind the movie

Catch Me If You Can is one of the big movies right now. It has some of the biggest stars in the entertainment industry and is the story of Frank Abagnale, a legendary con man who wrote millions of dollars' worth of hot checks. He served time in prison and later established a company to help banks prevent check fraud.

In 1978, I took students in my news class to interview Frank Abagnale, who was in the Permian Basin working with banks and stores. He lived in Houston then.

A few weeks ago, just when the publicity about the movie was beginning, I ran into one of my former students in the supermarket. She said, "You remember when we interviewed Frank Abagnale?" I told her

yeah, that we were way ahead of everybody in recognizing this guy as being worthy of a story.

I saw the movie the other night and was amazed to see how closely it followed the interview I had with him in 1978, when he was 29 years old.

The movie shows him growing up the son of wealthy parents in an upscale New York neighborhood. It also depicts how devastated he was when his parents divorced.

He went out on his own at the age of 16 and started using his imagination as a way to survive. His career as a con man was about to begin.

He noticed how airline pilots were treated with dignity and respect, so he got an airline pilot's uniform and credentials and traveled to 82 countries, riding in the cockpit of airliners. His credentials allowed him to cash (hot) checks freely and get his hotel bills paid by the airline.

He posed as a lawyer on the attorney general's staff in Louisiana. "I passed the bar," he told



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What's new at the library

I always try to buy books that are written by local authors. A new book that the Library has received is "The Prey of the Shadow" by Deborah Allen. When Colleen's fiancée vanishes, her world is turned upside down. As the investigation into his disappearance begins, it is revealed that Craig is a liar and embezzler. Colleen's relationship with Craig is subject to questions, by both the police and threatening strangers. The how and why of the story is entertaining enough, if a little pedestrian.



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"Jacob's Ladder" by Donald McCaig is a Civil War epic that begins in the mountains of western Virginia shortly before the Civil War, and follows the members of three white families and their black slaves through the hostilities. The whites are all loyal Confederates, although with varying degrees of enthusiasm. The blacks, equally interesting and important characters, consider the changing world and keep their plans to themselves. All the characters develop as the murderous fighting wears on, modifying beliefs and conduct for better or worse, doing things they had never contemplated and enduring what they had never thought possible. These changes give the book its impressive persuasiveness as a recreation of realities that underlie much of what has happened since in this country. Winner of the Boyd Military Novel award, this is a must read for Civil War buffs.

She ruled Egypt not as Queen but as Pharaoh 3,500 years ago. Yet her name does not appear in dynastic rolls, nor is her reign celebrated on monuments. Prejudice against a female on the throne was so vehement that successors tried to erase any evidence of her rule. "Child of the Morning" by Pauline Gedge is the story of Hatshepsut, a young woman who assumed the throne of

Egypt, mastered the arts of war and government and ruled an empire as the only female Pharaoh in Egyptian history.

King, warrior, and lover Brian Boru was stronger, braver, and wiser than all other men — the greatest king Ireland has ever known. Out of the midst of the country's most violent age, he merged to lead his people to the peak of their golden era. Set against the barbaric splendors of the Tenth Century, "Lion of Ireland" by Morgan Llywelyn, is a story rich in truth and legend. Friends become deadly enemies, bedrooms turn into battlefields and dreams of glory are finally fulfilled. Since 1980, Morgan Llywelyn has created an entire body of work chronicling the Celts and Ireland from the earliest times to the present day. Her critically acclaimed novels, both of history and of mythology, have been translated into many languages around the world. She lives in Dublin, Ireland.

Are you a fan of Mary Engelbrett? If so, we have two new books in: "Crafts to Celebrate the Season" and "Crafts to Decorate Your Home."

"Craft/Season" is divided into four sections, one for each season of the year. Why not make some "Eggs with Character" or maybe a springtime topiary? Winter has cute crafts for treasures for your near and dear ones. In "Crafts/Home" you can decorate your windows with shutters or neat tie backs, for your curtains. Clever afghans, pillows and stools will lend warmth for your family's home. There are lots of clever crafts to make. Tremendous skill is not needed, just enough courage!

A new addition to the Genealogy section is "Obituaries and Death Notices from Franklin County Newspapers, 1907-1925." It was compiled by Christine Dennis Skelly and was published by the Franklin County Genealogical Society (located in Mr. Pleasant). Some of the obituaries are heart-breaking and others are entertaining, if one could call an obituary that. There were still quite a few

Civil War veterans living (dying) at that time and many of them detailed their war service. Some of the medical terms used; dropsy of the heart; neuralgia of the side; effects of taking too much bootleg whiskey — it is fascinating to read. This book cannot be checked out, but if you have a few minutes to kill, come by and take a look at it.

New books that we have received: Scott Turow's newest "Reversible Errors" — he always writes a good lawyer story. Others are "Chasing the Dime" by Michael Connelly, "No One to Trust" by Iris Johansen and "Saving Private Ryan" by Max Allan Collins. This is a novel that was based on the screenplay of the movie, "Saving Private Ryan." These books will be found on the New Book Shelf.

Even more books on tape have arrived! You can find them on the cart located in front of the Circulation Desk. Most of these are unabridged; there might be an abridgement though. Barbara Michaels' "Wait for What Will Come;" "Double Deuce" by Robert B. Parker; a Jenny Cain Mystery, "Marriage is Murder," by Nancy Pickard; "The Fugitive Pigeon" by Donald Westlake; "The Lilac Bus" by Maeve Binchy; and "The Rockford Files" by Stuart M. Kaminsky. I didn't know that Kaminsky was the creator of Jim Rockford! Remember, James Garner played Jim Rockford in the TV series. A favorite character is Inspector Morse and we now have "The Way Through" by Colin Dexter on audio tape. It is hard enough to find Westerns in print, much less audio tape but we found two! "Black Mesa" by Zane Grey and "The Mustang Herder" by Max Brand can also be found on the cart for checkout.

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Spring City Senior Center offers 55 Alive driver course

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The Spring City Senior Center and AARP have scheduled a 55 Alive Driver Safety Program course.

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This course was developed as a refresher course for drivers age 50 and older. It will be taught by

a trained volunteer and in addition to reviewing rules of the road, it will teach how to compensate for age-related declines in physical and perceptual ability.

Those who attend both days will receive a certificate good for an automobile insurance discount.

There is a \$10 fee for materials. To enroll, go by the Senior Center or call 267-1628. Class size is limited to 35.

WT Republicans set meeting

HERALD Staff Report

The West Texas Republican Club will meet at noon Wednesday, Jan. 22, at the Big Spring Country Club on Driver Road.

The program will be an identification of the many Republican candidates who are campaigning for the 19th U.S. congressional seat vacated by Larry Combest of Lubbock.

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Matadors add to Steers' woes with 96-29 romp

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

Big Spring basketball fans learned two things Tuesday night in the Steer Gym. First, the Big Spring High School cheerleaders can do the YMCA dance and, secondly, the Lubbock Estacado Matadors are for real.

No. 5 ranked Estacado reeled off a 61-15 run in the second and third quarters and raced to a lopsided 96-29 win over the Big Spring Steers in District 4-4A play. Overall, Estacado outscored the Steers by an 80-23 margin over the final three minutes.

With the victory, Estacado improved to 19-2 and remained perfect in loop play with a 4-0 record. Big Spring, 2-21, slipped to 0-4 heading into Friday's

matchup with Andrews.

The Steers held their own against the Matadors in the early moments. Josh Pedigo pumped in a pair of short jumpers in the opening 48 seconds of play and staked Big Spring to a 4-2 lead.

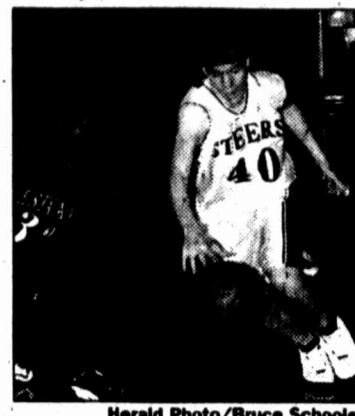
The Mats rallied back. Estacado went on a 10-0 run over the ensuing five minutes — building a 14-4 lead with 1:56 left before Clayton Weaver ended the

spree.

Big Spring trailed at the start of the second quarter by only 10, at 16-6.

The Matadors hit stride in the second. Estacado garnered points from eight of its 10 players in the frame and pounded out an impressive 31-7 run that sent the game into the half with the Mats holding a 47-13 lead.

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Herald Photo/Bruce Schooler
Jordan Cobb drives toward the basket Tuesday night.

SPECIAL REPORT



Herald Photo/Bruce Schooler
The Howard College Hawks have found the keys to a group of new fans' hearts with their recent 17-0 start. More than 1,400 people turned out to watch the Hawks open Western Junior College Athletic Conference action Monday against the Odessa College Wranglers.

Fan-demonium

Unbeaten HC Hawks gaining attention as they climb poll

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

Coming into the season, if someone had told Howard College head coach Chris Jans his team would reel off 17 straight wins and be ranked No. 3 among Division I junior colleges in the United States he probably would have smiled quietly and made a good call seeking assistance for a mental patient.

Sometimes truth really is stranger than fiction.

Howard College had indeed won its first 17 games — including Monday night's 79-53 win over Odessa College in its 2003 Western Junior College Athletic Conference opener. And, they are indeed ranked No. 3 nationally in the latest National Junior College Athletic Association poll.

"If someone had told me we would be in this situation at the start of the year, I probably wouldn't have believed them."

“
We're happy about it, but from a coach's perspective, it's just a piece of paper. It doesn't entitle us to any favors or more wins. We have to realize that and keep working hard every day to accomplish our goal of winning the conference.
”

Chris Jans
Hawks head coach

said Jans, the Hawks' second-year head coach. "It think this is a great thing for our young men and

our program. We're thrilled we are receiving the attention."

The attention grew a bit brighter Tuesday when the NJCAA released its latest JUCO poll that showed the Hawks ranked behind only Okaloosa-Walton Community College and Southeastern Community College, respectively. Okaloosa-Walton, a Niceville, Fla.-based institution that is currently 18-0 on the year, received nine of the 15 first-place votes cast. Southeastern CC, located in West Burlington, Iowa, received our first-place vote and a total of 98 points.

The Hawks, who are just three games shy of tying the school's all-time win streak, received the other No. 1 vote.

The Hawks aren't alone in being thrilled locally. Apparently, Big Spring is waking up the fact it has a national power in its midst for the first time in more than a dozen

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Estacado runs past Lady Steers, 75-46

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

Fact No. 1: The Lubbock Estacado Lady Matadors left the Steer Gym thinking LaKenya Wrightsil wears a cape and has a big red "S" on her chest.

Another fact: Estacado had plenty of Kryptonite.

The No. 1 ranked Lady Matadors broke open a tight game Tuesday night with a strong second-half offensive surge and

sprinted to a 75-46 win victory in front of a large crowd. Estacado ran its District 4-4A record to 4-0 by outscoring Big Spring by a 39-17 clip in the final 16 minutes.

The loss spoiled an incredible offensive performance from Wrightsil and Leina Braxton and dropped the Lady Steers to 1-3 in loop play.

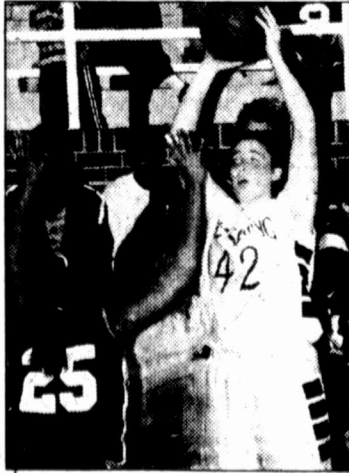
Wrightsil had an answer to everything

Estacado threw at Big Spring in the first quarter. In the period, the junior guard buried two 3-point shots and helped the Lady Steers head into the second down by just four, at 15-11.

She was far from through.

Wrightsil buried two more treys in the second and keyed an 18-point second-quarter outburst by

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Herald Photo/Bruce Schooler
Leina Braxton looks to pass against Estacado.

Lady Buffs soar to 25-1 with 54-16 win over rival Coahoma

By BRANDON HALLFORD
Special to the Herald

COAHOMA — If you ask the Coahoma Bulldogettes the meaning of the word "domination" they will more than likely tell you it means the Stanton Lady Buffaloes.

The Lady Buffs, paced by the hot hand of Kristi Bridges, took advantage of a frigid shooting performance by the Bulldogettes Tuesday night and rolled to a 54-16 victory. Coahoma hit only 2-of-21 from the field in the contest.

Bridges alone outshot the Bulldogettes, finishing a perfect 5-for-5 from the field.

The Lady Buffaloes put any question as to outcome to bed in the first quarter. Stanton, which unexpectedly fell out of the state rankings this past week, systematically tore apart the Bulldogettes' zone defense en route to opening up a 15-0 lead in the first eight minutes.

Stanton proved its game wasn't entirely offensive. The Lady Buffaloes defense, for lack of a better word, was simply awesome. Coahoma managed to get off only four shots in the first eight minutes.

"We stuck on them like a bum on a bologna sandwich," said Stanton head coach Tim Van Heche.

The second quarter was not much better for the Bulldogettes — although they did manage to score seven points. Stanton expanded its lead to 31-7 at the half.

The second half started where the first ended —

with the Lady Buffaloes scoring at will. Stanton hit five of their 12 shots in the quarter and continued to pad its lead.

The Bulldogettes, on the other hand, had endured an 0-fer in the third, missing all six of their attempts. Stanton held a 41-8 at the end of the third period.

Stanton closed out the game with a 13-point run in the final eight minutes.

On the night, the Lady Buffaloes were led by Bridges, who had a game-high 15 points. The trio of Heather Washington, Kayla Cook, and Belinda Maldonado tallied 11, nine, and eight, respectively.

Leading Coahoma's offense were Miranda Hester, who poured in six, and Mendy Morgan, who finished with three. Meagan Young and Lauren Yater added two apiece.

With the victory Stanton, now 25-1 on the year and 4-0 in loop play, set up a showdown with fifth-ranked Seagraves this Friday in Stanton. The winner of that game will be in the driver's seat for the district title. With the loss Coahoma, fell to 0-4. They are scheduled to travel to Crane on Friday to face the district's only other winless team.

In JV action, Stanton made a clean sweep on the night's action by taking a 43-27 victory.

Leading the Lady Buffaloes was Stormi Dugan, who poured in 13 points. Coahoma was led by Vikki Cortez, who contributed a game-high 14 points.

State-ranked Buffs roll over Seagraves

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The Forsan Buffaloes continued their march toward the District 3-2A championships — and a berth in the Class 2A state playoffs — with a solid showing Tuesday against the Seagraves Eagles. The Buffaloes outscored Seagraves in each of the first three periods and rolled to an easy 79-59 victory.

Forsan, ranked No. 16 in the latest Texas Association of Basketball Coaches' poll, improved to 16-4 for the year and, more importantly, to 2-0 in league play.

The Buffs got off to a strong start against the Eagles. Anchored by the play of Brent Huff, Josh Helmstetter and Wes Longorio, Forsan erupted for 21 first-quarter points and never looked back. Seagraves, for its part,

managed just 14 points in the initial eight minutes and trailed by seven, at 21-14, heading into the second.

The Buffaloes added to their advantage in the second. They outscored Seagraves by a 20-13 clip and took a commanding 41-27 lead into the half.

Forsan iced the game with a 22-point effort in the third, stretching their lead to 63-43 at the start of the fourth quarter.

Huff finished the game as Forsan's top offensive weapon, garnering 24 points. Helmstetter and Longorio contributed 18 and 16, respectively.

Defensively, the Buffaloes were led by Ryan Sayles and Matt Ellis.

Forsan will continue its trek through the 3-2A landscape Friday with a home game against the Colorado City Wolves.

Cowboys on bail of accident

DALLAS (A) Cowboys res sive back Goodrich was early Wedi felony charg and-run ac killed two pe Police sai was the driv occupant of that alleged into a wreck Tuesday on Dallas free motorists w ing to rescue a burning struck and BMW, speed estimated 110

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Cowboys DB free on bail after fatal accident reported

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Cowboys reserve defensive back Dwayne Goodrich was free on bail early Wednesday on felony charges in a hit-and-run accident that killed two people.

Police said Goodrich was the driver and lone occupant of a luxury car that allegedly slammed into a wreck site earlier Tuesday on a North Dallas freeway. Two motorists who were trying to rescue a man from a burning car were struck and killed by the BMW, speeding at an estimated 110 mph.



Members of the Big Spring YMCA Sidewinders gymnastics team performed for the crowd at the half of the Howard College Hawks' WJCAC opener Monday night. The Sidewinders recently completed their 2002 campaign.

Lady Kats avenge loss to McCamey

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

Leslie Jansa sank a short jumper with 19 seconds left in regulation Tuesday night and carried the Garden City Lady Kats to a 40-39 win over the McCamey Lady Badgers.

The win exorcised one of the few demons the state-ranked Lady Kats had this season, avenging a loss earlier this year in the Garden City tournament.

The Lady Kats garnered the win with a strong fourth-quarter push in which they outscored the Lady Badgers by a 16-11 margin.

Jansa and Megan Niehues finished the contest as Garden City's top scorers, netting 16 points in the game. All five of Jansa's points came in the final eight minutes. The Lady Badgers, now 18-5 and 2-1 in District 8-A action, jumped out to a 20-15 lead in the first half.

Garden City trimmed McCamey's lead to 23-24 in the third, setting up the wild finish.

Niehues powered the Lady Kats' late run, scoring 13 of the team's final 16 points. Amanda Henson added 11.

The win improved GCHS to 18-3 and 3-0.

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years. More than 1,400 fans checked into the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum Monday to watch the Hawks play Odessa College — about 1,000 more than normal.

Even more are expected to pack the coliseum next week when the Hawks entertain Midland College.

"This is a great thing for everyone," said Howard College Athletic Director Jim Lewis. "We're absolutely ecstatic about it. It's been at least a dozen years since we've had a team ranked this high and the support for the team is growing every day. This is a tribute to the players and coaches for the hard work they've put in."

The interest in the Hawks has more than doubled over the last month, to be exact. Prior to their WJCAC opener against Odessa, the Hawks had been averaging approximately 500 fans per game in their spacious 4,000-seat gym. On Monday, nearly three times that many people turned out.

School officials are expecting the number to

climb even higher with Midland coming to town in the near future.

"I think it's going to get bigger and bigger as we go along," said Stan Feaster, the school's coliseum director.

The No. 3 ranking is the second-highest ranking in the history of the school. Howard College was rated No. 1 in 1990-91 under coach Steve Green — the current coach at South Plains Junior College in Levelland.

Despite the hoopla created by the ranking, Jans said he and his team have

to remain realistic about the poll. It, according to Jans, is just a piece of paper honoring the team for what it has done — not what it still has to do.

"We're happy about it (being ranked), but from a coach's perspective, it's just a piece of paper. It doesn't entitle us to any favors or more wins. We have to realize that and keep working hard every day to accomplish our goal of winning the conference."

Lewis agreed. "Part of the deal with being ranked is that peo-

ple put a target on you and, sometimes, it's easy to get distracted," Lewis said.

"That being said, this is a great group of young men who have worked hard all season," he added. "They deserve this. It's much better to be ranked and have a target on you than to be 0-17 and not ranked."

The Hawks hit the road to face Clarendon College Thursday. From there, they return home to face Midland College on Jan. 20.

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Weaver, who finished the game with 11 points, led all BSHS scorers in the second, tallying three points on a 3-of-4 effort from the free throw line. Howard Johnson and Jordan Cobb also scored in the quarter for Big Spring, which was playing without senior Alvin Russell.

Estacado continued to carry the hot hand in the first eight minutes of the third quarter. The Matadors upped their lead to 77-21 with a 30-8 run in the third.

In the stanza, Estacado collected points from nine different players, including 10 from David Kinney.

Big Spring, which has been outscored by a 196-64 clip in its last two outings, garnered third-quarter baskets from Weaver, Cobb, Kyle Flenniken and Pedigo.

The Mats, whose only losses this season have come to Class 5A

Arlington Martin and Burlson, completed the win with a 19-8 run in the fourth.

Melvin Irving finished as the game's top scorer, netting 17 for the Mats. Lubbock's Alex Partee tossed in 17, while Wesley Whitfield and Kinney posted 12 and 12, respectively. In all, every EHS player scored in the game — although none managed to find the 3-point

range against an aggressive BSHS defense.

Pedigo was the Steers' second-leading scorer, notching six. Cobb finished with five, while Ornales netted three via a fourth-quarter 3-point attempt.

Big Spring will close out the first half of 4-4A action this Friday night against the Andrews Mustangs.

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the Lady Steers that enabled them to remain within striking distance at the half, at 36-29.

Braxton, the only other BSHS starter to reach double figures offensively, also carried the hot hand in the second quarter. She pushed in seven of her 14 points in the frame.

Estacado, which is slated to close out the first half of district play Friday against Frenship,

began exerting its control in the third. Seven different Lady Matadors scored in the frame and spearheaded a 16-8 run.

Despite a solid shooting effort from Wrightsil, the Lady Matadors close out the game with a 23-9 effort. Estacado's Lavonda Henderson paced Lubbock's final spree by pumping in 10 points in the final eight minutes.

Henderson and Wrightsil both finished the game with 22 points.

NCAA Top 20
The following is a look at the latest NCAA Division I basketball polls. Also shown are the team's overall record, first-place votes received, overall points and previous ranking.

Rank	Team	Record	1st Place Votes	Points	Previous Rank
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2	Southeastern CC	19-0	98	8	2
3	Howard College	17-0	78	1	5
4	Seward Co. CC	17-1	72	1	6
5	SE Illinois College	16-1	66	0	8
6	Sheridan College	17-0	56	1	7
7	Three Rivers CC	15-2	51	0	4
8	Barton Co. CC	16-2	45	0	9
9	Schoonover College	15-1	38	0	10
10	Allegheny College	13-1	30	0	13
11	Jackson State CC	10-1	26	0	11
12	Dixie State College	18-2	22	0	12
13	Redlands CC	17-1	20	0	14
14	Florida CC	18-1	18	0	15
15	Georgia Perimeter	14-2	16	0	17
16	Monroe College	15-1	13	0	18
17	Shelton State CC	13-1	12	0	19
18	South Plains	15-2	10	0	NR
19	Hutchinson CC	16-1	8	0	NR
20	Yavapai College	14-2	7	0	NR

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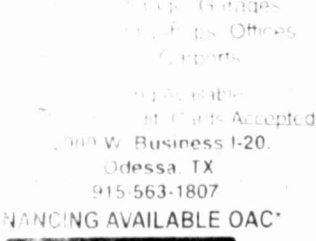
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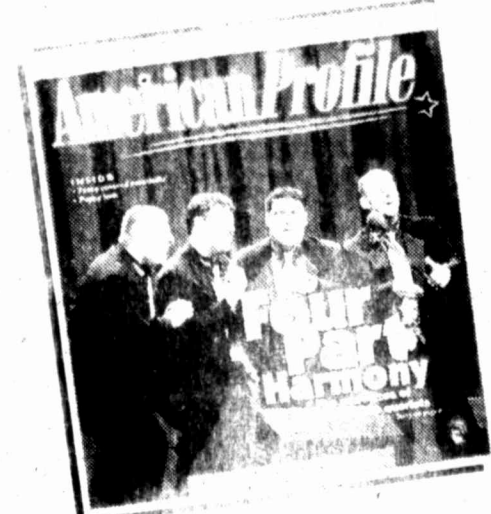
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Silk florals, arch, candelabras
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Reward for return information that led to return of stolen Winchester 30 Browning 243. Greg 915-697-0144

ACREAGE FOR SALE

Farm land for Sale acres in Ackerly, an acre OBO. Has surveyed. 205-387-8845

BUILDINGS FOR RENT

Beauty Shop for 608 E. 4th. \$300. \$100. dep. Call W Auto Parts. 263-5000.

Building for rent N. Hwy. 350 Big S \$350/mn + \$100 dep. Call Westex. 263-5000.

COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE

Commercial property for sale or rent. Owner will Fin 1903 Gregg. 517-0536.

BUSINESS FOR SALE

For Sale By Car Lot 706 Ea. \$8500.00. Call W Auto Parts. 263-5000.

HOUSES FOR SALE

Anda en busca de casa? Si, no credito o mal habable al nr. 915-413-0549 915-262-5822 A Sanchez

For Sale By Owner. Fina provided, low payment with monthly payme. Brd 2 bath 5 house, corne South Bell, Ca 915-425-9994.

TEXAS NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF RECE APPLICATION AND TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT NO 52
APPLICATION: ALP, P.O. Box 11, Spring, Texas, 797
has applied to the Commission for an Air Quality Permit (TCEQ) for its Air Quality Permit which would authorize construction of a Hydrotreater at the E Refinery located at section of Interstate 20 and Refinery F Spring, Howard Texas. The following taminants will be authorized: nitrog carbon monoxide, matter including matter less than 10 diameter, organic sulfur dioxide, and sulfide.
This application was to the TCEQ on Nov 2002. The applica ble for viewing and the TCEQ central TCEQ Midland reg and the Howard Library* 500 So Street, Big Spring County, Texas. If compliance file, if an available for public the Midland region the TCEQ execut The TCEQ execut is administratively and will conduct a review of the applic PUBLIC COMMENT MEETING You public comments, request a center hearing to the Chief Clerk at the below. The TCEQ er all public con

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Quickest Cash In Town
\$50-\$500
Disc. Rent to Own
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Fertilized Hay,
Cowhorse quality.
Delivery Available.
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To be given away. A
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and had all shots. Call
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Moving Sale: Sat.
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Furn., appliances (small
& big), kitchenware and lots
more.

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Big Screen TV for sale.
Take on small
payments. Good credit
required.
1-800-398-3970

Convenience Store
Shelving - 4 ft. sections
\$150. 4 wood restaurant
booths w/cabanes \$350
OBO. 263-8126

MotORIZED wheel chair,
Invocare Pronto 2. Like
new Condition. \$750.
Call 915-466-1314 or
263-3269

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candelabras
The Grishams
267-8191.

Reward for return of
information that leads to
return of stolen rifles.
Winchester 33 or
Browning 243. Call
Greg 915-697-0146.

ACREAGE FOR SALE

Farm land for Sale. 226
acres in Ackerly. \$600
an acre OBO. Has been
surveyed. Call
205-387-8845

BUILDINGS FOR RENT

Beauty Shop for rent.
608 E. 4th. \$300. mon.
\$100. dep. Call Westex
Auto Parts, Inc.
263-5000.

Building for rent 1008
N. Hwy. 350 Big Spring.
\$350/mn + \$100 deposit.
Call Westex Auto
263-5000.

COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE

Commercial property
for Sale or Rent.
Owner will Finance.
1903 Gregg. Call
517-0536.

BUSINESS FOR SALE

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Car Lot 706 East 4th,
\$89,000. Call Westex
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credito o mal credito
hableme al numero
915-413-0543 or
915-262-5822 Annette
Sanchez

For Sale By Owner.
Owner Financing
provided, low down
payment with low
monthly payments. 2
Brd 2 bath Stucco
house, corner lot.
South Bell. Call Kelly
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1209 E. 5th-By Owner
2 Bdrm - 1 bath, CH/A
New carpet. \$258/mo
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3Bdr-2bth. No Owner
Finance. Call 267-6259
for appt.

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payment with low
monthly payments. 3
Brd 1 bath. Close to
College & School. Fresh
paint & carpet. 1209
Mulberry. Call Kelly
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payment with low
monthly payments. 3/1,
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915-413-0549 or
915-262-5822.

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acres, all fenced, no
improvements. \$25,000.
Call Linda Leonard at
Home Realtors.
263-1284 or 263-7500.

OWNER
FINANCE-LOW
DOWN PAYMENT! 613
Linda 4BR, 2bth, 2102
Runnels 2Br, 1bth,
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Relocating Must Sell.
3BDRM 2bath, 2 living
areas, 1 car garage.
Good area. Will pay
closing cost. 1705
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Historical home built in
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3 Bdrm 1 bath
Appliances included.
No HUD accepted.
\$365 - \$385 Mo.
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517-0536
(Local Number)

Extra nice huge 1 bdr., 2
bath, built-in kitchen,
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Most Utilities
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PARKHILL
TERRACE
APARTMENTS
801 W. Mercury Drive
263-5000

TEXAS NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF
APPLICATION AND INTENT
TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT
PROPOSED AIR QUALITY
PERMIT NO. 53425
APPLICATION: Alon USA
L.P., P.O. Box 1311, Big
Spring, Texas, 79721-1311,
has applied to the Texas
Commission on Environmental
Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of
an Air Quality Permit No. 53425
which would authorize con-
struction of a Naphtha
Hydrotreater at the Big Spring
Refinery located at the inter-
section of Interstate Highway
20 and Refinery Road, Big
Spring, Howard County,
Texas. The following air con-
taminants will be evaluated for
authorization: nitrogen oxides,
carbon monoxide, particulate
matter including particulate
matter less than 10 microns in
diameter, organic compounds,
sulfur dioxide, and hydrogen
sulfide.

This application was submitted
to the TCEQ on November 14,
2002. The application is avail-
able for viewing and copying at
the TCEQ central office, and the
TCEQ Midland regional office,
and the Howard County
Library, 500 South Main
Street, 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 that the applica-
tion 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 consid-

er 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. After the
deadline for public comments
the executive director will pre-
pare a response to all relevant
and material or significant pub-
lic comments.
The purpose of a public meet-
ing is to provide the opportunity
to submit comments or ask
questions about the applica-
tion. A public meeting about
the application may be held if
the executive director deter-
mines that there is a significant
degree of public interest in the
application or if requested by a
local legislator. A public meet-
ing 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 com-
ments on the mailing list for 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 pub-
lic 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 com-

ments or is on a mailing list
for this application.
OPPORTUNITY FOR A CON-
TESTED 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 notice, the
executive director may approve
the application. If no hearing
request is received within 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 rel-
evant and material to the
Commission's decision on the
application. Further, the
Commission will only grant a hear-
ing on those issues raised during
the public comment period and not
withdrawn.
A person who may be affect-
ed by emissions of air con-
taminants from the facility is
entitled to request a hearing.
If requesting a contested
case hearing, you must sub-
mit the following: (1) your
name (or for a group or
association, an official rep-
resentative); (2) mailing
address, daytime phone
number, and fax number, if
any; (3) applicant's name
and permit number; (4) the
statement of issue(s) for a
contested case hearing; (5)
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 facility; (6) the loca-
tion and distance of your
property relative to the
facility; and (7) a description
of how you use the property
which may be impacted by
the facility. 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 com-

ments or is on a mailing list
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Further information may also
be obtained from Alon USA
L.P. at the address stated
above or by calling Mr. Rich
Robertson, Project Manager at
(915) 263-9304
TEXAS NATURAL
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CONSERVATION
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AVISO DE RECIBO DE
SOLICITUD E INTENTO
DE OBTENER UN PERMISO
DE CALIDAD DE AIRE
PROPUESTO PERMISO DE
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Table with 24 columns representing different TV channels (KMID, KPEJ, KERA, etc.) and rows representing time slots (6:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00) with program titles and network logos.

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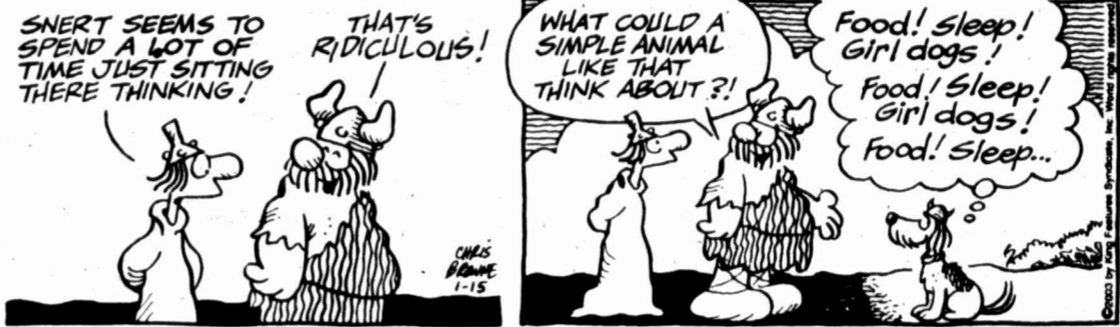
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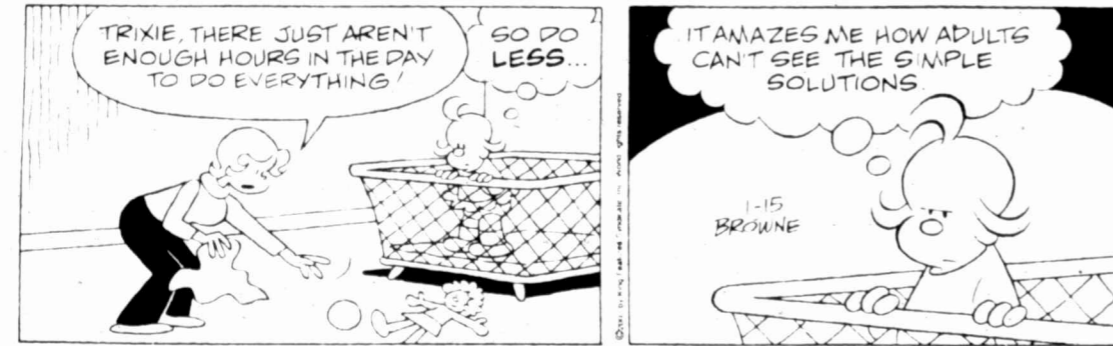
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People In the News

By The Associated Press

Adding pressure to a high-profile divorce, the wife of billionaire Steven Rales is accusing her husband of "dangerous and threatening conduct." In a motion filed Tuesday in D.C. Family Court, Christine Rales alleged her husband of 18 years "deliberately swerved his car" toward her oncoming lane after he dropped off their 9-year-old daughter at school last month. The Washington Post reported in Wednesday's editions. "It is most regrettable that Mrs. Rales has chosen to make false allegations against her husband," Sanford K. Ain, an attorney for Steven Rales, told the Post. "We do not intend to try the case in the press." Rales, 51, called his wife's cell phone after swerving back into his own lane, according to the court fil-

ing, and told her the stunt was "To get your attention," when she asked about it. The filing in the year-old divorce case, others told the Post, might be seen as an attempt by Christine, 50, to bring a settlement before going to trial March 5. Steven Rales, known as an intensely private man, is chairman of the D.C.-based industrial tool manufacturing company Danaher Corp., and said to be worth \$1.3 billion, the Post reported. PLAINS, Ga. (AP) - Former President Jimmy Carter said Georgia needs to be more competitive in attracting tourists to its mountains, its beaches and to historic towns such as Plains, the small farming community where he grew up. Carter, Georgia's governor from 1971-75, said he's been distressed since leaving office at the amounts the Legislature budgets for tourism. "When I was governor, Florida was No. 1 and Georgia was second," Carter said Tuesday. "Now we are at the bottom of all the Southeastern states." Carter, the 2002 Nobel Peace Prize winner for humanitarian efforts around the world, said he's asked the incoming governor, Republican Sonny Perdue, to improve funding for tourism - the state's second-leading industry behind agriculture. Carter said ordinary people can help make Georgia an enjoyable place to visit. Parts of his hometown, and his boyhood home in nearby Archery, have been designated National Historic Sites, where thousands of visitors come each month.

Answer to previous puzzle. A crossword grid with words filled in: PLOW, OFF, PILOT, RANI, CIA, AROMAS, EMULATES, RESALE, PASTMASTER, THEE, SPLIT, CASK, HUT, ANEMIA, APROPOS, NONUSER, LOUVER, DOSIDO, SNEERER, KINETIC, REGIME, EEEK, SPAT, PUTSTO, HATH, LEFTHANDED, APIECE, FLATTERY, WALRUS, LEN, OLLA, STEPS, EISE, PEEN.

Newsday Crossword

ROOM SERVICE by Fred Piscop Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS
1 Mr. Chips portrayer
6 River blockers
10 Like lightning
14 Split to wed
15 Move to a MASH, maybe
16 Golden Rule word
17 Seasonal song
18 "Talcum/walcum" poet
19 Stretched out
20 Barrier to advancement
23 Ninny
26 "___ a life!"
27 Hoi polloi
28 One-celled animal
30 Tuneful Horne
31 ___ Tafari (Haile Selassie)
32 Skylit lobbies
35 Castaway's place
39 Some skyscrapers lack it
43 Can't stomach
44 Take the tiller
45 "___ Hear a Waltz?"
46 Seemingly limitless
49 Lassie lover
51 Most loyal
54 Silly Putty holder
56 Pro votes
57 Noted Roman structure in England
60 Hertz rival
61 "K-K-K-___"
62 Lucy's landlady
66 Lacoste of tennis
67 Shangri-la
68 Italian wine
69 Said "not guilty"
70 "Rats!"
71 Sam of golf
DOWN
1 Mistletoe mo.
2 Suffix with, schnozz
3 ___wester
4 Orbital high point
5 Storied archer
6 Firmly packed
7 "Halt, salts!"
8 Not fem. or neut.
9 Devious plan
10 Rapidly, to a yachter
11 Diarist Nin
12 Goosebumps author
13 Ice grabbers
21 Shooting marble
22 Author Fleming
23 ___vader
24 D-Day beach
25 Put forward
29 Belfry denizen
30 After the bell
33 Take a catnap
34 Bank acct. posting
36 Like a new lawn, maybe
37 Sarge's superior
38 Great Lakes Indians
40 Turned backward
41 Andrew Wyeth subject
42 Lobster ___ Diavolo
47 "___ recall..."
48 Secured, as a tent
50 Bond portrayer before Brosnan
51 Choreographer Twyla
52 Tangle or disentangle
53 City near Venice
54 Fragrant compound
55 Baseball great Tony
58 Zilch
59 Not as much
63 Own, in Scotland
64 Stowe girl
65 Went first

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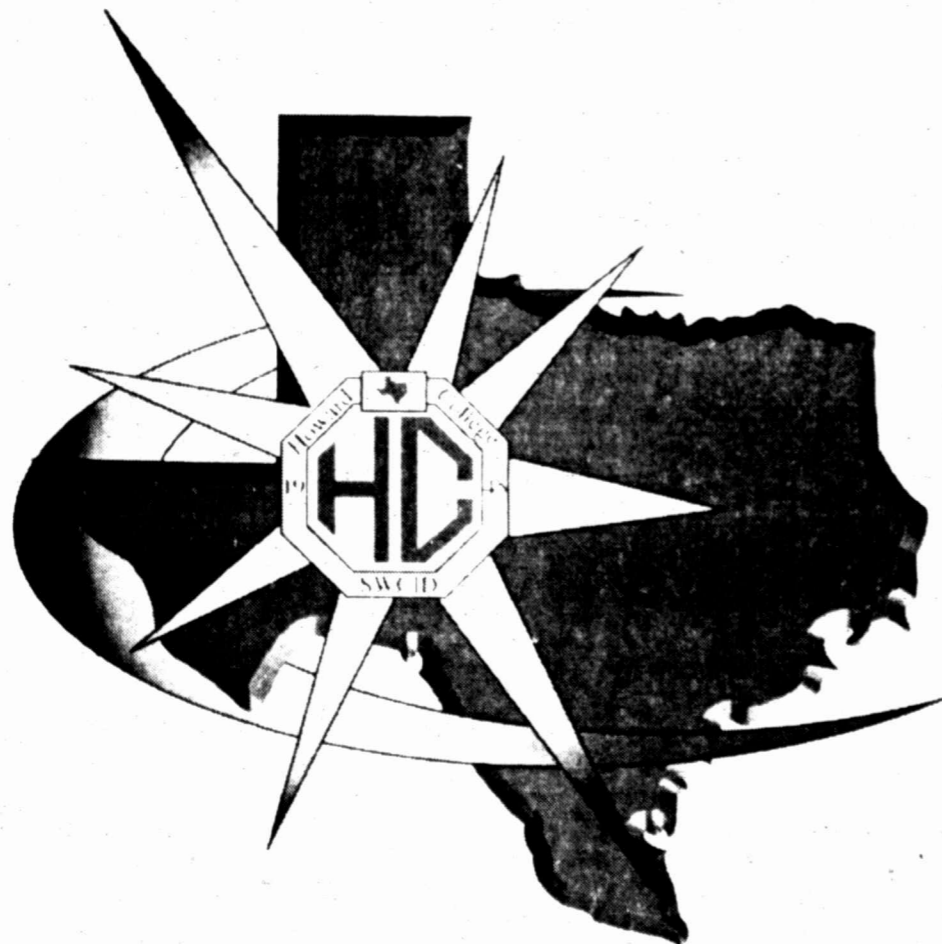
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