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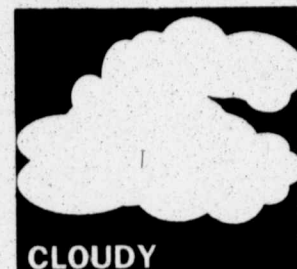
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THURSDAY

March 11, 2004

WEATHER

Tonight:



CLOUDY

TONIGHT 40°-41°
TOMORROW 55°-56°

BRIEFLY

Health Fest 2004

Scenic Mountain Medical Center will host Health Fest 2004 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 20.

Displays, booths and activities will take place on the hospital grounds, the main floor and Malone and Hogan Clinic. Admission is free.

COMING

FRIDAY

Grady wins title

Grady's Wildcats won the Class A, Division II State Basketball Championship this morning by defeating Neches, 55-49.

Jason Pribyla led the Wildcats with 16 points. Brent Madison had 16. The Wildcats will play either Morton or Mange Saturday at 9 a.m. at the Frank Erwin Center in Austin for the Texas Cup.

COMING

THIS WEEKEND



Cover Story: From Dewey Readmore Books at the Spencer Public Library in Spencer, Iowa, (pop. 11,317) to Emily at the Mystic & Noank Library in Mystic, Conn., (pop. 4,001), cats provide companionship, a homey atmosphere, and mouse-catching skills in dozens of libraries across the country.

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Former BSISD superintendent files for college board

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

A former public schools superintendent filed for Place 2 on the Howard College Board of Trustees Tuesday, ensuring an election come May 15.

"I've always been civic minded," said Murray Murphy, former Big Spring Independent School District superintendent. "This is an opportunity for me to participate in something I've been very close to, which is education."

"I know what the college is facing as far as challenges and expectations over the next several years, and I think I can help in that

mode and be a good board member."

Murphy will face four-term incumbent Adrian Randle for the Place 2 position on the May 15 ballot. Place 1 incumbent Michael Flores currently faces no challengers.

With 30 years of experience in the educational field, 19 in the BSISD system, Murphy said he's no stranger to the issues Texas pub-

**Filing
continues
through
Monday
for the
May 15
election.**



MURPHY

lic education entities face, including enrollment and recruitment of quality instructors.

"Two issues that will always be on the burner, particularly for Howard College are going to be facilities — because it's an aging facility — and finance," Murphy said. "Howard College has a different finance structure, but it's one that I'm aware of. It's based on state funding but also relies on grants, and it relies heavily on enrollment."

"It is a little bit of a different slant to what I'm used to, but the taxing structure and the issues that go with any type of taxing entities are all the same," he continued. "There's

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Roar of the engines

Moss Creek Lake to host jet skis, motocross, paintball

By **THOMAS JENKINS**

Staff Writer

The sound of paintball markers, dirt bikes and jet skis could soon become the norm at Moss Creek Lake, as the Big Spring City Council voted unanimously Tuesday evening to approve changes that would allow the addition of new activities at the recreational facility.

City Public Works Director Todd Darden said the near four-year struggle with golden algae that killed off virtually all the fish at the lake has taken its toll on the facility, driving the number of visitors through the floor. Darden said he hopes these new activities will breath new life into the city-owned property.

"What the parks board is ask-

"They're saying they want to make quality of life in Big Spring a No. 1 priority, and I feel like this helps accomplish that."

Todd Darden
Public Works Director



HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins
Local paintball enthusiast T.J. Brown awaits an impending attack during a round of testing at the paintball course being developed at Moss Creek Lake. Brown, a member of Team RC (Rustic Circle), is just one of many local paintball advocates that will get the chance to play at the facility on weekends.

ing for consideration on are some activities at the lake that would enhance our ability to attract people to use it for things other than just fishing," said Darden. "With the golden algae problem it experienced in the last four years and not seeing something we can correct quickly through the Texas

Department of Wildlife or city funding, we're trying to create these other activities that promote our lake for other uses."

"We asked the council to consider a paintball course, which is part of a fast-growing sport in our area and nationally. If

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Lowery seeks District 5 on BSISD board

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

Long-time Big Spring educator Liz Lowery joined the Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees election Wednesday by filing to seek the single-member District 5 seat.

"I believe each of us have to be willing to give something back to our community and since I've been in education for 21 years, I think it is natural that this is where I would chose to serve," Lowery said. "Our school district has recently accomplished amazing things, and I want to be a part of that process."

Lowery, a 17-year resident of the city, joins incumbent Mike Dawson, board president, in the race for the District 5 seat, which ensures an election on May 15.

Other candidates running for the board are Incumbent Phil Furquerson for District 7 and Steve Jeter, a financial planner, who filed for District 6 in hopes of snagging his first term in office.

Trustee Kent Sharp, whose term expires this year, opted not to run for the District 6 seat. He is seeking a seat in the Texas House of Representatives.

Lowery is no stranger to the educational field. She taught three years in the public school system, 14 years as an instructor for Howard College and is currently the VA Medical Center

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody
Heritage Museum Curator Tammy Schrecengost arranges a display of Indian pottery and jewelry donated from the collection of Adrian Randle and his late wife, Mary. The exhibition is on permanent display at the museum.

HERITAGE MUSEUM

Indian artifacts are on permanent display now

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

A variety of Indian pottery, rugs and jewelry are now on permanent display at the Heritage Museum, thanks to a donation by a Big Spring resident.

These Indian artifacts originated from the collection of Adrian Randle and his late wife, Mary, and are on exhibit in the museum's upstairs gallery.

"This was an accumulated over a span of 50 years and during the height of the gold-

en age of the Indian artifacts," said Randle.

The collection includes a serpent black pottery bowl designed with the symbol of the thunderbird. Randle said in order for pottery to get that black color, the potter threw horse dung into the fire during the heating process.

Others items on display are a handmade Zuni needle point squash blossom, several Acoma slip bowls, a Hopi

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Ex-professor sentenced to 24 months in plague case

LUBBOCK (AP) — A former Texas Tech University professor was sentenced Wednesday to 24 months in prison for convictions related to his handling of plague-causing bacteria.

Dr. Thomas C. Butler, whose report of 30 missing vials of the bacteria in early 2003 sparked a bioterrorism scare in this West Texas town, will serve two-year sentences on 47 convictions con-

currently. He was also fined \$15,000 and ordered to pay restitution of \$38,675.

Before sentencing, Butler asked U.S. District Judge Sam Cummings to spare him from prison.

"I'm deeply sorry this whole thing happened," he said. "At no time did I intend to break laws

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Homicide ruled in death; of Indian Ridge resident

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

The death of a Big Spring woman whose body was found in her Indian Ridge residence Tuesday, as been ruled a homicide.

Her husband, who was found in the home at the same time, remains in intensive care at Scenic Mountain Medical

Center.

Justice of the Peace Kathryn Wiseman has ruled the death of 40-year-old Catherine Corson Hunnicutt as a homicide, police said late this morning. Police had said Wednesday that they believed Mrs. Hunnicutt died as a result of a gunshot wound to the head. Her body was discov-

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Obituaries

Bob Deavenport



Bobby Don "Bob" Deavenport was born May 1, 1928 to Perry Brown and Sybil Barker Deavenport in Marlow, Okla. He died at Midland Memorial Hospital on Tuesday, March 9, 2004.

Funeral services will be held at the First United Methodist Church of Stanton, at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 12, with the Rev. Gene Weinette, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow at Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton.

Bob moved with his family to Martin County in 1937, graduated from Courtney High School in 1944 and attended Texas Tech University before serving in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II in the Philippines. He was discharged in 1947 and returned to Martin County where he married Dorothy Renfro on Feb. 14, 1950.

He lived in Martin County for the remainder of his life as owner-operator for the family clothing store until 1974 and then as Martin County Farm Bureau agent. In 1981 he was appointed Martin County Judge, elected to the office in 1982 and served for 18 years. He officially retired in 1998 but continued to work as administrator for the Martin County Community Fund (MCCF) as a volunteer.

Judge Deavenport's contributions as a public servant to his country and community are lengthy. In his position with the MCCF, he was responsible for coordinating the county Food Bank, which assists over 200 families each week with their food and household needs.

Under his leadership, the Christmas Cheer Program and Community Aid Program are now part of the MCCF. Services include Christmas dinner and toys for the children, Thanksgiving dinners, assistance with utility and prescription costs and school supplies for qualifying individuals.

As volunteer coordinator for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) in three counties-Martin, Glasscock, and Borden, Bob Deavenport assisted in registering over 300 children for health insurance.

He was active with the Stoeger-Estes Post of the American Legion for more than 50 years and served as Adjutant for 18 years. He was involved with the planning of Memorial Day services for 51 years in Martin County.

Active in the Boy Scouts of America, he served 28 years as Scoutmaster, Troop and District Committeeman and was honored with the Silver Beaver Award from the Buffalo Trail Council in 1995.

His community youth work also included serving six years as Little League commissioner, coordinating efforts to build the George Shelburne Little League Park and Tommy Walker Field.

He was also instrumental in developing the Stanton Summer Recreation Program and raising funds through the Buffalo Booster Club to underwrite much of the costs to build the field house at Buffalo Stadium.

Within the community, Bob Deavenport served on the Stanton City Council for six years, was director and president of the Martin County Chamber of Commerce and a charter director and president of the Martin County Industrial Foundation.

He served as American Red Cross chairman for 26 years and on the Old Settlers Finance Committee for 28 years. Bob Deavenport was a member and officer of both the Stanton Lions Evening and Noon Clubs and Salvation Army board, and was recognized with a Community Builder Award in 1997 from the Stanton Masonic Lodge. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Stanton.

Judge Deavenport was a very active member of the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission and led state and national initiatives to sustain the ability of small, rural communities to operate their own solid waste programs.

He was appointed by four Texas governors to serve on the Community Block Grant Committee, the longest tenure of any member.

His recent awards include: Permian Pioneer Award, presented April 26, 2003, from the Permian Historical Society, Buffalo Booster of the Year 2001-2002, Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission Appreciation 2000, Martin County Chamber of Commerce Appreciation 1999, Texas Water Commission Appreciation 1999, and his inclusion as one of 10 members of "The Greatest Generation of Texans" in 2002, an award co-sponsored by Southwest Airlines and Texas Monthly magazine.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, John Twyman Deavenport of San Diego, and two sisters, Winifred Connell of Dallas and Irene Murfee of Merkel.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Dorothy Deavenport of Stanton; a daughter, Pug Parris and her husband, Rickey, of Abilene; a son, Tommy Deavenport and his wife, Gayle, of Austin; one grandson, Brad Parris and his wife, Corissa, of Abilene; and three granddaughters, Kelli Deavenport, Lauren Deavenport and Katie Deavenport, all of Austin.

Bob Deavenport is also survived by a sister-in-law, Joyce Deavenport of San Diego, Calif., several nieces and nephews, many friendly people and a few old soreheads.

The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Memorial gifts may be directed to the Bob & Dorothy Deavenport Scholarship Fund of the Permian Basin Area Foundation, 550 West Texas, Suite 1260, Midland 79701 or to a favorite charity.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

paid obituary

Weather

Tonight...Cloudy. A chance of showers and thunderstorms...mainly after midnight. Lows around 40. East winds 10 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation 40 percent.
Friday...A 80 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms...Cloudy with highs in the mid 50s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Catherine Corson Hunnicutt



Catherine Corson Hunnicutt, 40, of Big Spring, died on Tuesday, March 9, 2004, at her residence. A wake service will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 11, 2004 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, March 12, 2004 at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with the Rev. Richard Reagan, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born on Aug. 30, 1963 in Big Spring and married Tim Hunnicutt on May 18, 1987 in Big Spring.

Catherine was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. She attended St. Mary's University in San Antonio for three years and graduated from the University of Texas with a bachelor of science in pharmacy.

She was employed with Leonard's Pharmacy, Inc. where she was a pharmacist for 14 years, enjoying her profession and the many people she worked with and served. She was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband, Tim Hunnicutt of Big Spring; her son, Jake Hunnicutt of Big Spring; her father, Ed Corson and wife, Mary Lee, of Big Spring; her sisters, Mary Nell Corson-Paez and husband, Eduardo, of Houston, Karen Roth of Lafayette, La. and Leigh Corson of Big Spring; her twin brother, Charles Corson and wife, Nina, of Tucson, Ariz.; her brother, Steve Corson and wife, Johanna, of Midland; four nephews, J.T. Roth of Ft. Myers, Fla., Anthony Corson, Sterling Corson and James Corson, all of Midland, and two nieces, Hannah Corson of Midland and Nadia Corson of Big Spring.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Sue Houston Corson.

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

paid obituary

Vernon R. Smith



Vernon R. Smith, 89, of Big Spring, died on Tuesday, March 9, 2004 at his residence. Graveside funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, March 12, 2004 at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. Jim Liggett, pastor of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, officiating.

He was born on May 6, 1914, in Waco and married Ruth Taylor in February of 1942 in Austin. She preceded him in death on Oct. 23, 1992.

Vernon came to Big Spring in the early 1940's and was the manager of Wacker's 5 & 10 for many years. He then owned and operated Vernon's Liquor Store and a convenience store on East Fourth Street for many years, retiring in 1986. He served in the United States Army during World War II. He was a member of St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

Survivors include one son, Taylor Smith of Lake City, Colo.; one daughter, Martha Abel of Fort Worth; 5 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Gideon's International, P. O. Box 133, Big Spring, 79721-0133 or to a favorite charity.

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

Denver Heffington



Denver Heffington, 92, of Big Spring died Tuesday morning at Seton Highland Lakes Medical Center in Burnet.

Graveside Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Herb McPherson, Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

He was born Nov. 14, 1911 in Howard County and was a lifetime resident of Howard County. He was a house mover. He also farmed. He later owned a garage on West Third Street and also a grocery store. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

He is survived by four daughters, Donna Earhart and Sandra Webb, both of Tow, and Dorothy Carter and Shirley Slate, both of Big Spring; three sons, Denver Heffington and Dennis Heffington, both of Tow, and Bennie Heffington of Odessa; one sister, Charlotte Gilbert of Big Spring; 32 grandchildren; 42 great grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

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

Carl Schwab

Carl Schwab, 85, of Big Spring, died Thursday, March 11, 2004 at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

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Police blotter

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

• **MARK SESSION**, 29, of Abilene was arrested Wednesday on charges of possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana and possession of a dangerous drug.

• **YARITZA RIVERA**, 19, of Abilene was arrested Wednesday on charges of possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana and possession of a dangerous drug.

• **TIFFANY LARA ROSS**, 31, of 1805 Young was arrested Wednesday on charges of possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana and possession of a dangerous drug.

• **LORIE WHITE**, 27, of 2105 Scurry was arrested Wednesday on four traffic warrants.

• **EMANUEL MINGUELA**, 51, of 1014 E. 21st St. was arrested Wednesday on a charge of hindering a peace officer.

• **ROBERT ALDRIDGE**, 19, of 1905 Wasson was arrested Wednesday on 10 traffic warrants.

• **JULIAN MEDRANO**, 26, of Midland was arrested Wednesday on two Midland County warrants.

• **JOHNNY LAVELL GREEN**, 41, of 707 Wyoming was arrested today on Howard County warrants for theft.

• **SHANI JEAN STILLWELL**, 38, of Forsan was being held today at the city jail for the Howard County Sheriff's Office.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 2600 block of Ent, the 600 block of Fourth Street and the 800 block of Fifth Street.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 600 block of Fourth Street, the 300 block of Owens, the 2600 block of Ent, the 1800 block of Gregg, the 2300 block of Wasson and the 1100 block of Lamesa.

• **AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported at Wal-Mart.

• **ASSAULT CLASS C** was reported in the 3300 block of Drexel.

• **RUNAWAY** was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson and the 6100 block of Holbert.

• **WELFARE CONCERN** was reported in the 2600 block of Ent.

• **THEFT OF A FIREARM** was reported at the police department.

• **DANGEROUS DRUG FOR PURPOSE OF SELLING, ENHANCED; POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA, LESS THAN TWO OUNCES; and POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE** were reported in the 1400 block of Stadium.

Sheriff's report

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

• **DWAIN ALLEN PAPE**, 53, was taken to the county jail Wednesday after being arrested by Big Spring police on a Lubbock County warrant.

• **SHANI JEAN STILLWELL**, 38, was arrested on a charge of assault, family violence.

• **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE** was reported in the 200 block of East Fourth St.

• **ROAD HAZARD** was reported on Interstate 20 near mile marker 174.

• **STUCK 18-WHEELER** was reported on North Highway 350.

• **FOUND POSSIBLE STOLEN TRAILER** was reported in the 300 block of Pettus Road. Sheriff's deputies recovered the stolen trailer and returned it to owner.

• **POSSIBLE DRUNK DRIVER** was reported east-bound on I-20. The vehicle was located and no violations were issued.

• **SHOTS FIRED** was reported behind Sid Richardson Carbon Black plant.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 1-4-26-31-35.
Number matching five of five: 0.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday night.

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 5-6-15-23-36. Bonus Ball: 1.
Number matching five of five, plus Bonus Ball: 0.
Estimated jackpot for Saturday night drawing: \$8 million.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3-7-6

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Tammy Schrecengost,
museum curator. "We
encourage the public to
visit the museum and
view these unique pieces
of art."

The Heritage Museum
is open Tuesday through
Saturday from 9 a.m.
until 5 p.m. and is located
at 510 Scurry St.

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attorney Floyd Holder.

Prosecutor Bob Webster
said he was satisfied with
the sentence.

"It was a fair sentence
that sent an appropriately
strong message to the sci-
entific and academic com-
munities," he said. "The
government will do what
it takes to ensure that the
public is safe from the
blatant disregard of laws
intended to protect them
from unwitting exposures
to deadly agents."

In December, a jury
found Butler guilty of
mislabeling a Fed Ex
package that contained
plague samples he sent to
Tanzania and their unau-
thorized export to the
African country.

The jury also found
Butler guilty of theft,
embezzlement, fraud, and
mail and wire fraud
charges pertaining to
shadow contracts prose-
cutors claimed he had
illegally negotiated while
at Tech. A \$250,000 settle-
ment with Tech pertained
to these charges.

He was acquitted of the
most serious charges of
smuggling and illegally
transporting the poten-
tially deadly germ and
charges of lying to federal
agents about the missing
virus.

In January, after his
conviction, Butler agreed
to settle with Tech and
retire. Last month, Butler
voluntarily surrendered
his medical license.

these activities, and we're
not offering them any-
thing here in Big Spring.
We think with our lake
property we can offer a
competitive activity to
come to.

"It's not that we're try-
ing to compete with those
counties. What we feel is
there are people that are
leaving our community to
go there to do these
things, so we want to pro-
vide them a place to do it
locally."

Dirt bikes won't be the
only gas-powered vehicles
used at the lake if the
measure is passed, as
Darden also called for the
addition of jet skiing to
the lake's menu of activi-
ties.

"Also part of the change
in the ordinance is the
use of jet skis," said
Darden. "On a weekly
basis, especially on the
weekend, our caretaker at
the lake turns away
tremendous amounts of
traffic from the Midland
and Ector County areas
that have to go elsewhere
to run their jet skis."

"We think our lake can
offer a safe place for that
activity. The regulations
on the lake will still be
governed by the state of

Texas, so if you're on the
lake with a jet ski, you're
still required to abide by
the rules established by
the Texas Parks and
Wildlife. You need to
make sure you know
those rules and make sure
you comply. The rules
that the city will enforce
will only deal with fees
associated with the entry
of the lake and what
things we do and don't
allow."

Admission to the facili-
ty will remain at \$3 per
vehicle and 50 cents per
additional person, not to
exceed \$5, according to
the amended ordinance.
An annual permit is also
available for \$100, and
includes all boat launch-
ing and camping fees.
Full-service RV hookups
are listed at \$15 per night,
with limited-service
hookups set at \$12.
Overnight camping per-
mits dropped in price to
\$9 per night. For the pro-
posed motocross course,
there would be a \$5
charge per motorcycle.

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BSISD

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education service special-
ist.

She earned her bache-
lor's degree in education
from Lubbock Christian
University and her mas-
ter's degree in education
from the University of
Texas at the Permian
Basin.

Her activities in the
community include serv-
ing as past president of
the Greater Big Spring
Rotary Club, coaching
Little League basketball,
soccer and baseball for
the past 10 years, serving
on the board of the YMCA
and formerly serving as
board member of the Big
Spring Area Chamber of
Commerce.

Lowery also taught the
Leadership Big Spring
class for 10 years.

She is the mother of
three children currently
attending Big Spring pub-
lic schools, C.J., Mitchell
and Trey.

Candidates interested in

running for the BSISD
race may file from 8 a.m.
to noon at the business
office in the administra-
tion office, 708 11th Place.
The last day to file is
Monday.

Area school board
recap.

• Coahoma Independent
School District. Danny
Martin and incumbent
Sissy Wells have filed to
run for the two at-large
seats up for election. The
other incumbent,
Branden Luce, has not
filed.

Candidates interested in
filing in the CISD race
this week can contact 393-
5252 or 394-4221 for infor-
mation.

• Forsan Independent
School District. Incumbents
Allen McDowell, Tom Bill
Kuykendall and Beckie
Wash will seek re-election
to one of the three at-large
positions up for election.

The Forsan ISD superin-
tendent's office is closed
this week for spring
break. Filing will wrap up
Monday at the superin-
tendent's office, 411 West

HOMICIDE

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ered in a bedroom Tuesday by a
person working at the residence,
police said.

Police said it appeared Mrs.
Hunnicutt had been dead for sever-
al hours when her body was found.

Her husband, 44-year-old Timothy
Hunnicutt, was found unresponsive
on a bathroom floor at the same
time. Mr. Hunnicutt's medical con-

COLLEGE

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never enough money to
go around and you have
to use the money you
have wisely."

Murphy retired in June
of 2003 after serving for
two years as superinten-
dent for BSISD. He spent
14 years as deputy super-
intendent of Big Spring

schools after serving as
the principal of Big
Spring High School from
1985 to 1987.

He received a bachelor's
of education degree from
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University and a master's
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• Stanton Independent
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representative Johnny
Gonzales currently faces
no challenger. For the
District 5 seat, represen-
ted by Terry Shanks,
Pablo Tevni is the only
candidate to have filed.

Candidate filing contin-
ues at the SISD adminis-
tration building, 200
North College, from 9
a.m. to noon., Monday
through Friday.

• Sands Consolidated
Independent School
District. Trustee Stan
Blagrove has decided to
make a bid for another
term on the board. He
joins Michelle Zant for
one of the two at-large
seats. Trustee David Zant,
whose term expires this
year, has yet to file.

Candidates may file at
the business office, 101
First St., Ackerly. Office
hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

• Grady Independent
School District. Incumbent Brian Cox and
challenger James
Mitchell have filed for the
District 2 seat. District 7,

dition was apparently not caused
from a gunshot wound, although a
shotgun was found near his body,
Big Spring Police Department
information director Sgt. Roger
Sweatt said.

Sweatt would not confirm
whether the shotgun was the
weapon used in the woman's death.
Police have no suspects in cus-
tody at this time, Sweatt said.

Police had been waiting on a
report from a forensic dentist to
positively identify the woman.
Funeral services for Mrs.

Greater Big Spring
Rotary Club member and
has served on the
Salvation Army board,
the Dora Roberts Rehab
Center board, the
Executive Committee Boy
Scouts Buffalo Trail
Council and the Howard
County United Way
board.

He and his wife Diane
are the parents of four
grown children, Besty,

addition to a major
increase in the quality of
life for people in the Big
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"I think it's a great
thing," said McEwen.
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engender everywhere,
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things, it draws more peo-
ple to our community.
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there are people from
Midland and Odessa that
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to jet ski here, but have to
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ture that here in Big
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"It gives you the ability
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resented by Victor
Hewtt Jr., is also up for
election.

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office at 3500 FM 1829.
Office hours are 8 a.m. to
3:30 p.m., Monday
through Friday.

• Garden City
Independent School
District. No candidate has
filed in the GCISD at-
large election. Terms held
by trustees Mike Hilliger
and Tibby Niehues expire
this year.

Filing is held at super-
intendent's office, 308
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Douglas L. Smith, 54,
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OUR VIEWS

Plan to attend
Scenic Mountain's
Health Fest 2004

Promoting good health and having fun with it, too? That's exactly what Scenic Mountain Medical Center has in store for Health Fest 2004, a community event and health fair.

It's a first-of-its-kind event for Scenic Mountain, which has always participated in the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce-sponsored Health Fair.

The Health Fest will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 20, on the ground floor of the hospital and Malone and Hogan Clinic, as well as the north hospital grounds. Admission is free, of course, although there will be a reduced charge for some lab tests. Free screenings will include body mass index, grip strength, blood oxygen level and blood pressure.

Organizers are planning for more than 40 booths, displays from local emergency services as well as medical helicopters and a vehicle rollover simulator. Several physicians will be holding open houses.

What else? A petting zoo, contests for the children, door prizes and plenty of hot dogs and hamburgers as well as complimentary soft drinks from Coca-Cola.

With so much to do, we hope your family will make plans to attend Health Fest 2004 at Scenic Mountain Medical Center and join in the fun.

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Kerry endorses separation of church and state

John Kerry will be only the third Catholic in U.S. history to be nominated for the presidency by a major party. The other two were Al Smith in 1928, who lost to Herbert Hoover, and John F. Kennedy in 1960, who defeated Richard Nixon.

I asked Kerry if sewing up the nomination has any special meaning for him as a Catholic, and he said: "Historically, yes; substantively, no. I subscribe completely to the speech Kennedy made in Houston in 1960 and believe completely in the separation of church and state."

Kennedy's speech made to the Greater Houston Ministerial Association on Sept. 12, 1960 is eloquent, powerful, emotional and stirring. (And comparing it to the typical political speech today is profoundly depressing.) The most famous line is: "I am not the Catholic candidate for president. I am the Democratic Party's candidate for president who happens also to be a Catholic."

Kerry said of the Catholic issue today, "I really think Americans have ceased to think about these kinds of things. I don't think people care. I think people are in a different place."

If Kerry wins, he would become not just the second Catholic president in history, but the first with Jewish grandparents. And for decades, voters in Massachusetts assumed Kerry was Irish, as did members of his own staff — and newspapers often described him that way.

Oddly, Kerry never wrote a letter to the editor complaining and pointing out that he was Austrian on his father's side and British on his mother's side. This may have been because Massachusetts has more Irish-Americans than any other state.

But Kerry says he never lied about it. In any case, aside from not being Irish, Kerry is not a Boston Brahmin, either, though he is often described that way.

The phrase was coined by Oliver Wendell Holmes Sr. to designate the elite WASP ruling class of Boston. Since you have to be a Protestant to be a WASP (that's what the P is all about), Kerry isn't one. All this is rendered moot, however, because Kerry really wants to be black.

Last week, Kerry gave a little-noticed interview to American Urban Radio in which he said: "President Clinton was often known as the first black president. I wouldn't be upset if I could earn the right to be the second."

When Nobel Laureate Toni Morrison wrote that about Clinton at the height of the Monica Lewinsky scandal in October 1998, however, Morrison was not talking about Clinton's empathy with black people, she was talking

about his being a victim.

"Years ago, in the middle of the Whitewater investigation, one heard the first murmurs: White skin notwithstanding, this is our first black president," Morrison wrote in the New Yorker.

"Blacker than any actual black person who could ever be elected in our children's lifetime."

What Clinton's "blackness" earned him, however, according to Morrison, was to be persecuted and possibly "fired from your job, sent away in disgrace, and — who knows? — maybe sentenced and jailed, to boot."

Donna Brazile, Al Gore's campaign manager in 2000, a superdelegate to the Democratic National Convention this year and an African-American, was somewhat taken aback when I read Kerry's statement to her, but she quickly recovered.

"That's a very steep hill to climb," she said. "Clinton bonded with African-Americans and they never, ever left him. I saw some internal polls recently. Clinton's favorable rating with black people was at 91 percent in 2000, 92 percent in 2002 and 94 percent this year. It will take years for John Kerry to build that kind of credibility with black voters. Clinton started in high school. He knew the verses at Baptist services. He knew the songs. He knew how to do the Electric Slide! Now, Kerry looks presidential and acts presidential, and African-Americans will be open to that. And if he can learn to dance and sway like Clinton, Kerry can get there."

I have never envisioned Kerry dancing and swaying (the mind boggles), but he told me that there is a "new" Kerry, that the primary campaign has had a "profound impact" on him, that his speeches are "shorter and tighter," and this his demeanor is "softer and easier."

And, Kerry said, "I am having fun and letting it all hang out."

Groovy.

Enough of the presidency, however. Who will be the vice presidential nominee? No, not the Democratic vice presidential nominee, anyone can speculate on that. ("The Hotline," National Journal's daily briefing on politics, has a list of 53 people whose names have already been mentioned.) Who will be the Republican vice presidential nominee?

True, President Bush has said he wants to keep Dick Cheney on the ticket, and loyalty to vice presidents runs strong in the Bush family. (His father kept Dan Quayle on the ticket.) And Cheney certainly wants to keep the job. But what if Cheney becomes a drag on the ticket? What if, as some fear, the Plame Affair gets uglier?

Valerie Plame is the CIA operative whose cover may have been blown by a leak to columnist Robert Novak and other journalists. A grand jury is now investigating, and there has been at least one published report quoting an

unnamed source saying some of the targets of the probe work or worked for Cheney.

That is a long way from toppling a vice president, but those close to the White House say there is some nervousness there. So what if Cheney needed to be replaced for this or health or other reasons? Who would replace him? Certain names leap into play: Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, Secretary of Homeland Security Tom Ridge, U.S. Sen. Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania, Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney and — here's the longshot — National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice.

The odds on Rice could get shorter if the Democrats go for their longshot choice for vice president, Hillary Clinton. Keep in mind that the head of Kerry's vice presidential search team, Jim Johnson, filled the same role for Walter Mondale in 1984 and came up with Geraldine Ferraro, the only woman ever nominated by a major party for vice president.

If you like longshots, here is an even longer one: the All-Navy Vietnam Veterans ticket of John Kerry and John McCain. Though defeated in his presidential bid in 2000, the Arizona senator remains very popular.

Like Kerry, he served in the Navy in Vietnam (McCain in the air and Kerry on the water) and is considered at least by reporters to be much funnier and more personable than Kerry (but, then again, who isn't?).

The two are good friends and worked together to restore U.S. relations with Vietnam. In fact, in 2000, McCain pushed Kerry for the vice presidency under Al Gore.

"I think it would be very helpful to Vice President Gore," McCain said at the time. "I think that Sen. Kerry has proved his service to our nation and his ability as an accomplished debater and a person who knows the issues."

Kerry didn't get selected, but isn't it time for him to return the favor to McCain? Well, one problem: McCain is in the wrong party. He is a Republican.

"Do you think the Democrats would want a pro-life, free-trading, fiscal conservative?" McCain told a reporter recently. "They'd be smoking something pretty strong, stronger than they usually do. I will not leave the Republican Party."

I asked Kerry about this, and his answer was typical Kerry.

"Maybe I should support McCain to replace Cheney on the Republican ticket," he said. "That was a joke."

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Democrats using unions to thwart Bush campaign

President Bush's new campaign ads, which feature fleeting images of firemen removing the remains of victims from the attack on the World Trade Center, have ignited a firestorm of criticism from the union representing New York firefighters. The president of the International Association of Firefighters, Harold Schaitberger, called the ads "disgraceful" and "distasteful," while the union's executive board passed a resolution accusing the president of "trading on the heroism of those 343 FDNY members who fell during the terrorist attacks to win sympathy for his campaign."

The union's complaints should come as no surprise since the IAFF was an early supporter of Sen. John Kerry; in fact, they were the only union to endorse Kerry before the New Hampshire primary. Less well known, however, is the IAFF's own exploitation of those fallen heroes of September 11 to advance the cause of forced unionism for all public safety workers.

Two days after the terrorists struck, the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee — chaired at

the time by Sen. Edward M. Kennedy (D-Mass.) — passed the IAFF's top legislative priority, the Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act. A few nights later, Sen. Kennedy tried to sneak the bill through the full Senate on "unanimous consent," a maneuver more appropriate for non-controversial items such as National Dairy Week. Despite its innocuous-sounding title, the bill was a huge power grab by public employee unions to force individual police and firefighters to accept union representation regardless of whether they want it. The legislation would not only have forced those 18 states that do not have collective bargaining laws for public safety workers to recognize unions as exclusive bargaining agents for police and firefighters, it would also have pre-empted existing state collective bargaining laws if they were more restrictive than the federal legislation.

The bill would even have jeopardized community volunteer fire departments. According to the National Volunteer Fire Council, the largest advocacy group for volunteer firefighters, volunteers make up an estimated 75 percent of all firefighters in the United States, and about half of these are career firefighters who volunteer their services in the communities in which they live. But the IAFF constitution specifically forbids its members from "acquiring or

maintaining membership in volunteer fire departments or associations," and the union can fine, suspend or expel members who violate this provision. By forcing more local governments into collective bargaining agreements with the IAFF, the pool of trained volunteers for smaller communities would have shrunk dramatically. Thankfully, the IAFF-backed bill did not pass — it was opposed by the National Governors Association, the Conference of Mayors and the National League of Cities, among other organizations — but has been re-introduced in the 108th Congress and remains the top priority for the union.

The IAFF's attack on the Bush campaign ads is just the first salvo in what promises to be a powerful guerrilla war waged by unions against President Bush and other Republican candidates this election. Unions will pump in hundreds of millions of dollars over the next several months to defeat Republicans, the overwhelming majority of it in unreported expenditures. Although the IAFF and other unions must report direct contributions to candidates made through their political action committees, PAC donations represent only a small fraction of union political spending. In 2000, for example, unions donated \$90.1 million directly to Democrats, according to the non-parti-

san Center for Responsive Politics. In addition, unions committed \$46 million for a grassroots mobilization effort in 35 congressional districts in 15 states.

The National Education Association (NEA), the nation's largest union with 2.7 million members, employees more than 1,800 political operatives, known as UniServ staff, more than the combined staffs of both the Democrat and Republican National Committees. According to the Landmark Legal Foundation, which has filed complaints against the NEA with the IRS for failing to properly report its political spending, the NEA spend \$47 million a year and its state affiliates another \$43 million underwriting UniServ.

If past history is any guide, unions will spend \$800 million or more to defeat President Bush and other Republicans this election cycle, almost all of it hidden from public scrutiny and taken from involuntary union dues. So the next time a union official accuses President Bush of playing politics with fallen heroes, remember the unions are champions at that game.

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A&M Corpus Christi student named to Dean's List for 2003

Ashlie D'Ann Simmons was named to the Dean's List for the 2003 Fall Semester at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. To qualify, undergraduates must be enrolled full time with a minimum of 12 semester hours and must earn a grade point average of 3.65 or better on a 4.0 scale.

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is a hub of the latest coastal, marine and environmental research and has award-winning programs in the areas of science and technology and first-year learning communities. The university recently received approval to organize its growing nursing program into the College of Nursing and Health Science and its fine arts departments in to the School of Visual and Performing Arts. A&M-Corpus Christi currently has four colleges in the areas of arts and humanities, business, education and science and technology. For more information, see <http://www.tamucc.edu/>.

National Dean's List for 2002-2003

A number of students from this area are among the approximately 170,000 students included in the 26th Annual Edition by *The National Dean's List*, 2002-2003.

Students are selected for this honor by their college deans, registrars or honor society advisors and must be in the upper 10 percent of their class, on their school's "Dean's List" or have earned a comparable honor. Listed students are eligible to compete for \$50,000 in scholarship awards funded by the publisher and may also use a referral service for future employment opportunities. More than 2,500 colleges and universities nationwide use the publication to recognize their academically qualified students.

Local students selected include:

From Coahoma: Charati Doss, Annette Henry, Elizabeth Phinny, Donna Spindler and Kenni Wright. From Westbrook: Christie Diese. From Big Spring: Austin Adams, Landon Adkins, Cherilyn Ausbie-Hayes, Rhonda Barnett, Boyd Batla, Courtney Brockman, Joseph Bumbulis, Delia Castillo, Nicole Chesworth, Stacy Coffman, Emily Flores, K'Ja Fowler, Vickie Gibson, Natalie Henson, Lorinda Herrod, Blaire Horn, Jana Hull, Jeana Jackson, Heather Jennings, Taylor Kennedy, Melissa Kreher, Isaac Kremsky, Rustine Lendermon, Tammy Lujan, Molli Maberry, Amber Mayes, Megan McCaleb, Calvery, Marissa McCarney, Judy McCutchan, Amanda Miller, Andrew Neel, John Newton, Keith Newton, Charlotte Plaia, Katie Policky, Melissa Ray, Pamela Richards, Aaron Schooler, Joy Shaw, Chelsea Shifflett, Craig Shipman, Tammy Silen, Jerod Simmons, Sasha Smith, Stephanie Sparks, Logan Stanley, Eryn Thomas, Dorothy Tidwell, Michael Williamson, Ashley Woolverton, Vanessa Yanez, Krystal Cline.

From Forsan: Amanda

Burton. From Garden City: Leslie Batla, Lindsey Chudej, Deidra Hirt, M'Lynn Niehues. From Stanton: Dustin Allred, Woody Crow II, Kristyn Hambleton, Diedra Harris, Ryan Kelly, Megan Kidd, Meagan Mims, Courtney Pinkerton, Lisa Rackard, Bobby Ramsey, Staci Roseberry.

To learn more about *The National Dean's List* visit www.thenationaldeanslist.com.

Who's Who gives list of local high school students

A number of students from this area are included in the 37th Annual Edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, 2002-2003, as recently released.

Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities. Traditionally, 97 percent of *Who's Who* students are college bound.

Who's Who students also compete for \$200,000 in scholarship awards and participate in the publication's Annual Survey of High Achievers, an annual opinion poll of teen attitudes. The book is distributed on a complimentary basis to up to 15,000 high schools, colleges, universities and public libraries throughout the country. Local students include:

From Coahoma: Crystal Bridges, Elizabeth Conley, Brittany Cook, Chelsea Cornett, Patrick Croft, Ryan Green, Chelsea Griffin, Torrye Holdman, Tisha McCartney, Mendy Morgan, Tiffany Reid, Timothy Spurgin, Samuel Tindol, Drew Wells.

From Westbrook: Sheen Fernandez, Elizabeth Hannon, Bessie Marlene Roe, Sykeshia Thurman.

From Ackerly: Graciela, Diaz, Hortencia Martinez, Deisi Porras.

From Big Spring: Sara Acevdo, Gracie Acosta, Deanna Acuff, Kendal Adams, Audra Bailey, Nick Bailey, Ryan Beall, Timmi Blackshear, Jacquelyn Bowen, Linda Branham, Sterling Burchett, Hillary Burks, Sarah Burtlett, Cierra Butler, Haley Butts, Kassandra Cantu, Sarah Carman, Enedilia Cervantes, Amanda Chapman, Logan Churchwell, Reina Cisneros, Rachel Clinton, Christine Coker, Keira Creswell, Regan Creswell, Tiffany Emerson, Mike Flores, Vicente Flores, Karol Foust, Taylor Fraser, Bradley Fuqua, Paige Gainey, Gerardo Garcia, Rudy Garcia, Hollie Gibbs, Cliff Green, Sandra Gusman, Danielle Hess, Shannon Higgins, Coley Hollandsworth, Shameka Houston, Sheena Howell, Joshua Islas, Genevy Jacquez, Landon Jenkins, Marquel Jones, Rachel Kaelin, Kelby Kemper, Kimbre Kirkham, Meagan Kothmann, Trey Kuykendall, Tiffany Land, Cierra Landin, David Lee, Dustin Lewis, Jennifer Lopez, Clark Lowery, Gentry Lunsford, Brandon Martin, Emily McCann, Victoria McDowell, Maleah McGee, Nanci Mejia, James Mills III, James Mitchell, Amanda Moreno, Michel Newell,

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From Garden City: Rhett Alvarado, Roseanne Alvarado, Anna Flores, Alicia Frysak, Christian Guerrero, Christian N. Guerrero, Crystal Henrichs, Brecklyn Hughes, Allison Jansa, Daniel Martinez, Samuel Sanches, Angela Schrader, Patricia Sullivan, Guillermina Tenorio, Kimberly Webb.

From Stanton: Brandon Buchanan, Ester Carrillo, Jason Castreion, Karyn Cook, Ashlee Devore, Melissa Folk, Kourtney Graves, Patricia Howard, Brandon Ireton, Randi Knight, Amber Langford, Krystle Mauldin, Kimberly Morin, Colby Ringener, Jessica Saenz, Tasha Saunders, Jessica Spradling, Miranda Spradling, Andrew Swinson, Melody Turner.

To learn more about *Who's Who* visit www.whoswhohighschool.com.

Book review

Mystery offers insight into professionals

It's amazing how three traumatized and somewhat dysfunctional people can be in positions of responsibility and authority, yet perform with a fair degree of success. So it is with the main characters in this second novel in Karin Slaughter's trilogy.



PAT WILLIAMS

Sara Linton is a recently divorced pediatrician. Her greatest regret is that physically she will never be able to bear a child of her own. As a result, Sara cares for her patients with the same devotion she would her own children.

Sara's ex-husband, Jeffrey Tolliver, is employed as the county police chief. Working for him is Detective Lena Adams. Recently (in Slaughter's previous book "Blindsighted") Lena was brutally raped and beaten. The death of Lena's twin sister only adds to her emotional conflicts.

During an altercation at the local skating rink, a teenage girl threatens a local boy with a gun. In the parking lot standoff, Jeffrey, Sara, and Lena try to diffuse the situation, but the young girl's anger is not abated.

Fearing she would pull

the trigger, Jeffrey shoots her. Horrified at taking the life of a young woman, he is overcome with guilt and constantly seeks reassurances that he acted correctly.

Complicating the shooting incident is a dead newborn baby found in the skating rink rest room. No one knows who the mother of the child is, but evidence points to and implicates the teens involved in the parking lot incident.

While Jeffrey continues to ruminate about his part in the death of the young girl, Sara also harbors guilty feelings about not seeing how troubled her adolescent patients had been.

The police are constantly frustrated as they investigate the death of the baby; the teens continue to act out in their highly emotional state, while their parents are either in denial or unavailable.

The characters' personal situations are based in part on the story line of the previous novel, but it is not necessary to have read it to appreciate the tightly woven plot that is presented in "Kisscut."

It is an emotionally charged story that focuses on the unpleasant, violent, and evil effects of child abuse and pedophilia.

There are incidences in the story that seem to be

written to shock and be overly graphic, but while mildly offensive, these descriptive episodes add to the chilling quality of the novel.

While the main characters' personal and emotional frailties may cause readers some impatience, Slaughter ably molds these personalities to become likable, especially when they all exhibit a manner of resiliency and courage as they fulfill their roles.

Of course, there must be some sort of positive outcome as there is a third book in which these same characters appear: the just published "A Faint Cold Fear."

The word "kisscut" isn't really a word, or at least it doesn't appear in any common dictionary or thesaurus. The term appears only once in the novel, and even after it is loosely defined in an explanatory phrase, there seems to be no relationship with the term and the plot of the story.

There is no denying it is a clever sounding title, and perhaps it is just enough to seize the interest of a potential reader.

"Kisscut," by Karin Slaughter. Harperrorch, New York, New York. 2003.

Pat Williams, former educator, previously lived in Big Spring and contributes this column to the Herald.

Artist returns to teach workshop

Douglas Walton, an artist specializing in water color and acrylics, will return to Big Spring March 22-26 for a special



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workshop at Displays of Splendor. The cost is \$225, and the workshop will be from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. each day. Displays of Splendor owner Sheree Moates said the classes have room for a few more persons. Call Displays of Splendor at 264-6444 for more information or to register.

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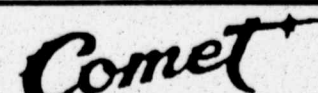
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Thursday, March 11, 2004

With Garcia in the fold, Browns may trade Couch

By PATRICK McMANAMON

Knight Ridder Newspapers

BEREA, Ohio (KRT) — The Cleveland Browns seemed to position themselves Tuesday to try to trade Tim Couch rather than release him.

Team president Carmen Policy and coach Butch Davis said during an afternoon news conference that the team could carry Couch's \$7.6 million salary all year, and Davis implied he'd like to have Couch and Jeff Garcia on the team.

Davis told Couch the same thing in a morning meeting in his office. According to a source

familiar with the conversation, Davis first told Couch he wanted him to compete with Garcia for the starting job. (At the news conference, Davis said Garcia would go into the season as the starter.)

"Butch told Couch that he knew how much Couch wanted to stay in Cleveland and how much he loved Cleveland, and they want him but they wanted to work out a new contract," the source said. "Couch thought they were going to release him."

Couch did not return numerous phone messages, but two sources said Couch made it clear to Davis he would like to start over

with a new team.

Couch was disappointed that after Policy flew to Florida to tell him the Browns wanted him and after meeting with Davis to clear the air, the Browns went ahead and signed Garcia while they were still negotiating with him.

Keeping Couch after everything that happened and then having another quarterback "competition" like the one he had last season with Kelly Holcomb did not appeal to Couch, the source said.

Davis told Couch the Browns would consider trading him, possible destinations being San Diego, Dallas, Oakland,

Pittsburgh and Green Bay (as heir apparent to Brett Favre). One of his teammates said Couch would benefit from a fresh start.

"Tim came into a tough situation, Cleveland being an expansion team," cornerback Daylon McCutcheon said. "He didn't have the luxury of coming into a system that was established, and didn't always have the best supporting cast. I understand him being the No. 1 pick (that) there's gonna be high expectations, but I believe there's other things you factor in."

"I think it would be hard to take a pay cut like I heard they See COUCH, Page 2B

Premier leading troubled Athens Olympics

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — The leader of Greece's new government took personal charge of Athens' troubled Olympics preparations Tuesday, and organizers awaited a major U.S.-led security exercise and series of vital test events.

Premier-elect Costas Karamanlis announced his new cabinet and appointed himself culture minister, which oversees most projects for the Aug. 13-29 Olympics. He placed trusted aides in other key posts for the games.

The decision by Karamanlis was apparently aimed at cutting through the bureaucracy that for years has slowed the pace of work on Olympic projects.

But the move exposes Karamanlis and his new administration to political risks. Critics most likely will blame him directly for any further problems with Olympic planning.

Karamanlis' comfortable election victory Sunday over the Socialists returned the center-right New Democracy party to power after an 11-year absence. The transfer of power was taking place during a busy month of Olympics preparations, which have been fraught with construction delays and fears about security.

On Wednesday, 400 U.S. military and other personnel joined 2,000 Greek officers in security exercises. See GREEK, Page 2B

Tagliabue axes NFL's kickoff concert series

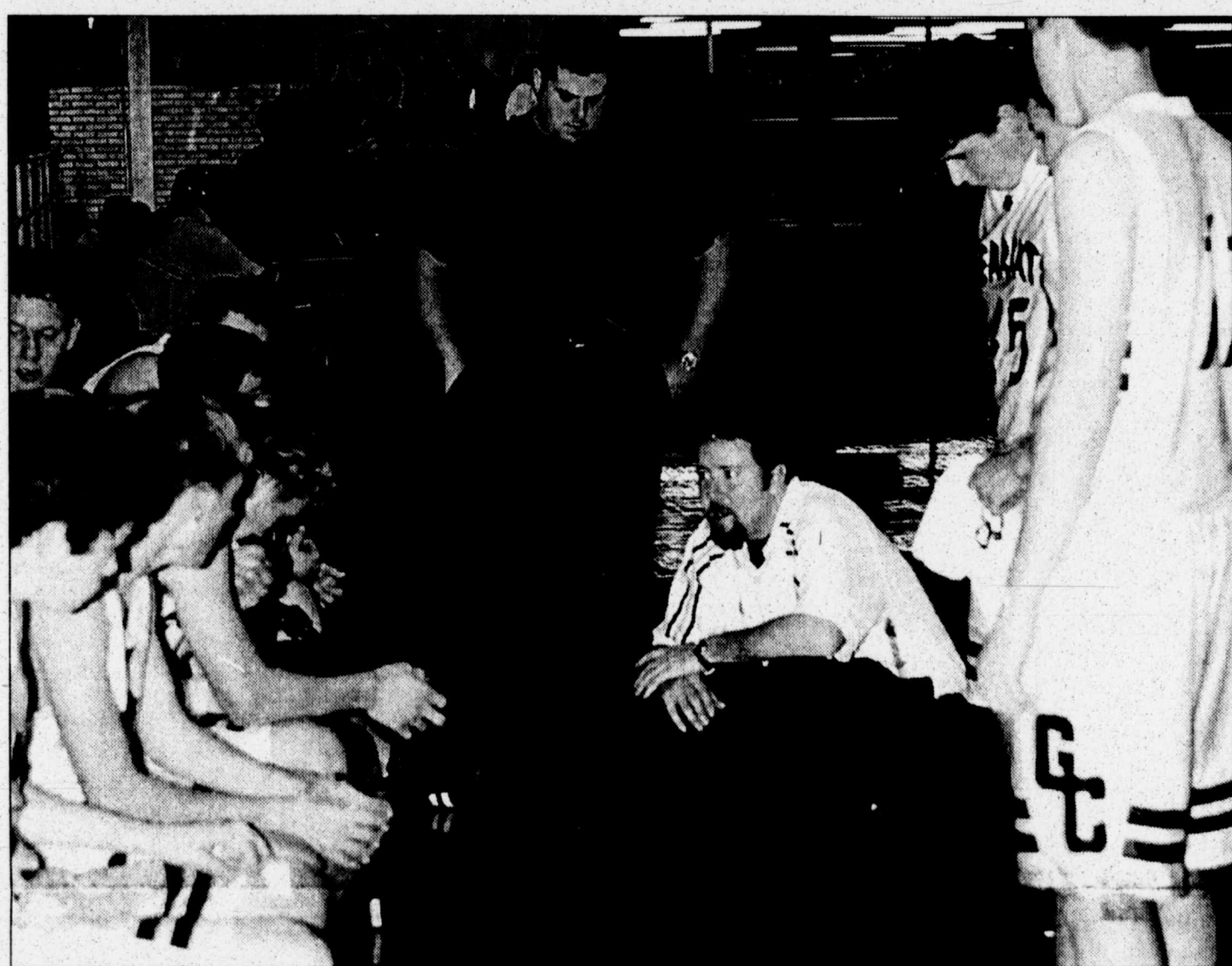
NEW YORK (AP) — The NFL canceled plans for a third opening-game kickoff concert following Janet Jackson's risqué halftime show at the Super Bowl.

The league held free downtown concerts before its season-opening Thursday night games the last two seasons, but NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said commissioner Paul Tagliabue put an end to the concerts.

Tagliabue informed the owners of the decision on Feb. 12, less than two weeks after Justin Timberlake tore off part of Jackson's costume, exposing her right breast.

Tagliabue was incensed at the action, which generated outrage throughout the country.

Two years ago, the NFL had its first concert in New York and featured Jon Bon Jovi.



Garden City head coach Cory Richardson will head up the South all-star squad this July when the All Americas Basketball Classic tips off. The all-star game, which features local and national high school senior players, is now in its third year.

Richardson to coach South all-stars at AA hoops Classic

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Cory Richardson has proven he can put together a winner on the basketball court. He's done it for years as the head coach of the Rankin Red Devils and Garden City Bearcats.

He's hoping to lead the South to the top of the heap this summer, as well.

Richardson agreed to serve as the head coach of the South boys' squad for the third annual All Americas Basketball Classic, which is scheduled for July 2 in Garden City. The game is part of an expanded format for the All Americas Bowl, an international six-man football all-star game.

"We're happy to announce Corey Richardson will head up the South team," said All Americas coordinator John Armstrong. "I think he is one of the top coaches in the state. He's a proven winner who will put a good product on the floor."

Last year, Coahoma's Kim Nichols guided the South boys'



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team. Nichols has won more than 300 games in his tenure with the Bulldogs. Sterling City's Nikki Heath coached the girls' South roster.

Richardson will lead a 10-player roster of Texas athletes against a squad comprised of athletes from the Texas panhandle, New Mexico, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, Saskatchewan and Australia.

Armstrong said official invitations for both the Texas and National all-star squads will be extended in March, following the Texas state championship tournament.

He said he expected to announce coaches for the North boys and the two girls' teams within the next few weeks.

Richardson is expected to have several familiar faces in tow when his team steps onto the court. Among the possible invitees are Big Spring's Alvin Russell and Michael Ornales-Doporto, Forsan's Josh Helmstetler and Grady's Brent Madison and Jason Pribyla.

Among the local girls expected to receive invitations are Big Spring's Leina Braxton, Stanton's Kristi Bridges and Shelby Harp, Garden City's Leslie Jansa, Jessica Hoch, Amanda Henson and Anna Flores. Coahoma's Miranda Hester and Westbrook's Sheena Fernandez will also receive invitations.

Coaches from schools — Class A through Class 5A — who would like to nominate a senior boy or girl for the All Americas basketball games should contact Armstrong by at 816-6336 or via email at director@allamericas.net.



Kelsey Howard and the Grady basketball fans will get their chance to cheer at a championship game today when the Wildcats play Neches for the Division II title. Results of the game will appear in Friday's edition.

Owens' appeal of trade to Ravens to be heard by arbitrator Saturday

NEW YORK (AP) — Terrell Owens' request to be declared a free agent will be heard Saturday by an arbitrator, and a decision is expected the following day.

The standout receiver was prevented from becoming a free agent when the NFL Management Council ruled last week that his agent, David Joseph, failed to void the last two years of his contract with the San Francisco 49ers

by a Feb. 21 deadline.

The 49ers then traded Owens to Baltimore for a second-round pick.

The case, filed on Owens' behalf by the NFL Players Association, will be heard by Steven Burbank of the University of Pennsylvania Law School, who was selected jointly by the league and the NFLPA early last year to arbitrate such contract disputes.

Burbank will hear the case by conference call.

IN BRIEF

Hawks to face

Wayland Baptist

The Howard College Hawks, off to a 15-6 start (8-4 in WJCAC action) will face Wayland Baptist University Friday at Jack Barber Field.

The doubleheader will begin at 1 p.m.

Umpires needed for upcoming season

The Big Spring Girls' Softball Association is currently seeking individuals interested in umpiring games.

Parties interested in umpiring should contact Francisco Ramirez at (432) 466-3670.

Longhorns to host

'Warm up Tourney'

The Longhorns softball team will be hosting the "First of the Year Warm-Up Tournament" on March 20-21 at Stanton Park.

Deadline for teams to enter is March 17. Entry fee is \$120 per team.

For more information contact Sally Grant at 393-5237 or Mike Hilario at 267-6619.

Lady Steers to travel to play in Arlington

The Big Spring Lady Steers will return to action today when they travel to Arlington to compete in the Arlington Invitational.

Big Spring, 16-1 overall, has won both of its previous two tournament outings this season. The team won the Brewer Invitational in Fort Worth and the West Texas Classic last week in Midland.

CGA to hold 4-person event on March 28

The Chicano Gold Association will hold its 4-Person Select Drive event on March 28 at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

The public is invited to participate.

Relay for Life ragball tournament slated

Teams are needed for the upcoming Relay for Life Ragball Tournament on March 26-28 at Cotton Mize Field. Teams must consist of five men and five women.

The cost is \$10 per player. Proceeds raised from the event will be donated to the city's Relay for Life fund-raiser.

For more information contact Angel at the Big Spring Independent School District bus barn at 264-4108.

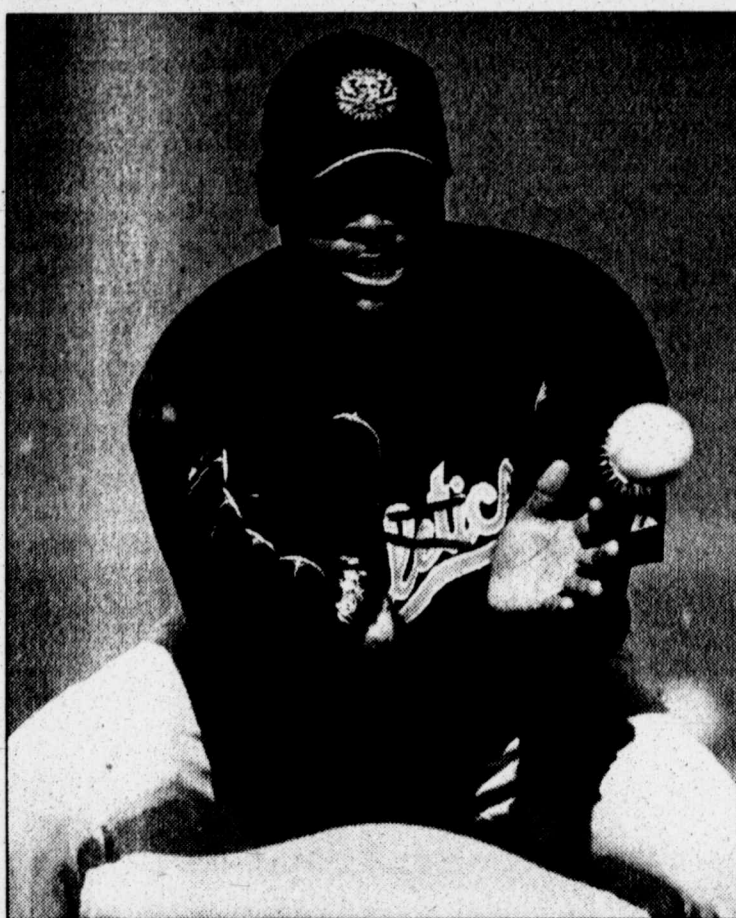
Buser leads Iditarod at halfway point

Defending Iditarod Sled Dog Race champion Martin Buser is leading the 2004 event at the midway point of the 1,100-mile run from Anchorage to Nome.

Buser and three-time winner Jeff King were out of the tiny village of Ophir.

ON THE AIR

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Spurs vs. Golden State, 7 p.m.	1490		
March 13			
Event, Time	Station	Time	Station
HC vs. Odessa (softball), 5 p.m.	1490		
Mavericks vs. Alameda, 7 p.m.	1490		
March 14			
Event, Time	Station	Time	Station
Spurs vs. Sacramento, 2 p.m.	1490		



KRT PHOTOGRAPH BY JOSE CARLOS FAJARDO/CONTRA COSTA TIMES
Oakland Athletics' pitcher Arthur Rhodes fields a grounder during spring training in Phoenix. Rhodes is one of only a handful of black pitchers in the league.

Veres' career comes full circle with the Astros

KISSIMMEE, Fla. (AP) — Houston Astros pitcher Dave Veres is right back where he started.

Veres broke into the majors in 1994 as a middle reliever with the Astros, then began a tour of the National League that took him to Montreal, Colorado, St. Louis and Chicago. He regularly closed games for the Rockies and Cardinals from 1999 to 2001.

A decade after joining the Astros, he's back. Again as a middle reliever.

"It doesn't seem like 10 years ago," Veres said. "The last four years, when you're winning and in the playoffs, it goes by quickly. A couple of years in Montreal and Colorado makes for long seasons."

Veres was 27 when he began his major league career with the Astros, going 3-3 with a 2.41 ERA in the strike-shortened 1994 season. Another fine season led to a trade to the Expos along with backup catcher Raul Chavez for third baseman Sean Berry.

The big difference this time is that Veres isn't safely on the Astros' 40-man roster. He's a non-roster invitee who signed a minor league deal during the winter.

"If I'm healthy and I pitch the way I'm capable

of pitching, they don't have a lot of experience down there besides Dan Miceli and Octavio Dotel," Veres said, referring to two of the three pitchers guaranteed spots in the seven-man bullpen.

"I can lend a hand as a veteran guy down there."

Besides Veres, the likely candidates for the two or three remaining right-handed bullpen slots are Ricky Stone, Brandon Backe, Brandon Duckworth, Kirk Saarloos and Jared Fernandez. Dotel, Miceli and setup man Brad Lidge are set.

Veres struggled through shoulder problems in his lone season with the Cubs last year. He's over it now, he said, and believes he can contribute to his third NL Central team in as many years.

"Since I've been back in the Central ... it's been Houston and St. Louis, and the Cubs got into the mix last year," Veres said. "I'm pretty sure it's going to be the same thing this year."

Outfielder Richard Hidalgo, one of the few players still around from Veres' first tour, is happy to see him back.

"It's cool to see something like that," Hidalgo said.

Mississippi State sweeps honors on All-SEC team

ATLANTA (AP) — Every now and then, Lawrence Roberts will drift back to that nightmarish summer at Baylor: a teammate killed, a former teammate charged, the shocking NCAA violations, the coach resigning in shame.

"It's still there," Roberts said. "It's just a matter of where it is in my mind. Is it in the front of my mind or the back of my mind? I have to stay on the court, stay active, keep playing."

Colorado forward to miss rest of season

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — Colorado forward Steve Moore will miss the rest of the season with a broken neck, the result of a sucker punch from Vancouver's Todd Bertuzzi that is being investigated by police.

Moore also sustained a concussion and deep cuts on his face, and he will be hospitalized indefinitely.

Bertuzzi slugged Moore in the side of the head late in Monday 9-2 victory. He was suspended indefinitely by the NHL.

The few, the proud

Number of black starting pitchers dwindles in majors

By CLARK SPENCER

Knight Ridder Newspapers

JUPITER, Fla. — Dontrelle Willis and Darren Oliver don't think of themselves as living history, just as pitchers trying to make a living. But in a way, they are rarities. They're endangered, part of a trend that threatens to make baseball a game without blacks in a way Jackie Robinson could never have imagined.

Come opening day, there's a strong possibility only three African-American starting pitchers — three pitchers out of the 150 who will make up Major League Baseball's five-man rotations — will be in big-league uniforms. Willis and Oliver, both of whom pitch for the Marlins, are two of them. The other is Cleveland Indians hurler C.C. Sabathia.

"Thank goodness for a Dontrelle and a Darren Oliver," said former pitching star Vida Blue, one of only 12 black pitchers to win 20 games in a season. "They're like dinosaurs."

Blue hails from the halcyon days of black prominence in baseball, the 1970s. But those days are fading quickly with the ever-increasing popularity of football and basketball and the influx of Latin players in baseball.

And while there are other African-American pitchers in training camps this spring, such as James Baldwin with the New York Mets and Shawn Chacon with the Colorado Rockies, none appears primed to assume a starter's role.

"It's not only a problem, it's a very disturbing one," said Don Motley, executive director of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City.

Said former major leaguer and Marlins executive Andre Dawson: "I just don't see it getting any better."

It's not just the number of black pitchers that's declining at a startling clip — black players are disappearing at every position with every new season. According to a *Sports Illustrated* study, only 10.5 percent of all players on opening day rosters last season were African-American, down from 27 percent in 1975. By 1992, that ethnic ratio had dipped to 17 percent.

Hispanics, an ethnic group that includes black Hispanic players, made up about 28 percent of

GREEK

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cises — code-named "Hercules' Shield" — that were carried out in Athens and other Greek cities hosting Olympic events.

U.S. personnel directed drills that include "catastrophic scenarios" such as hijackings and radiation-spewing bombs, Greek police spokesman Col. Lefteris Ikonomou said. Russian experts also took part, state radio reported.

Ten pre-Olympic test events to assess venue readiness are scheduled for the next two weeks.

major leaguers last season, according to the Institute for Diversity and Ethics in Sports at the University of Central Florida.

While the sport has implemented programs intended to rejuvenate interest in black communities, Bob Watson — discipline czar for Major League Baseball and the league's top minority executive — said, "It's going to take a while."

"The stud player isn't playing baseball anymore," Watson said of black athletes. "He's playing basketball and football. We lost the prestige of being America's pastime back in the early 1970s. And it really started going downhill when basketball was taken over by the shoe companies, and shoes became part of the social culture. The

National Football League had Monday Night Football, and baseball lost the marketing war."

Lenny Harris has witnessed the decline in interest among blacks firsthand. Harris grew up in Miami and has spent 16 seasons in the big leagues. He is baseball's all-time pinch-hits leader and is active in promoting the sport in South Florida communities such as Liberty City and at Gwen Cherry Park, donating both his time and money. Harris said when youth leagues in Miami hold tryouts, there's no shortage of kids eager to sign up for basketball and football. That's not the case when it comes time to register for baseball.

"It's hard to get them to play," Harris said. "It's hard to get them out on

the field. You'll get 80 kids to show up for the football season. Same with basketball. But in baseball, you may see only eight or nine kids show up."

Dawson said he attended one of his son Darius' high school games for Gulliver last week and that Darius was the only black player on either team.

Kids are excited when Harris gives them shoulder pads and helmets but act indifferent when they're handed a new glove, he said. Even more striking, Harris said, is the disdain young blacks show for pitching.

"You tell the kids to run to their favorite position and nobody goes to the mound," said Harris, a non-pitcher throughout his career. "They all run to the infield or outfield. They don't want to pitch."

COUCH

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wanted him to. I think maybe it's best for him to just move on and start fresh somewhere else."

Before Couch can go anywhere, the Browns have to let him go.

Releasing him before June 1 would save the Browns \$5.8 million under the NFL salary cap. Accounting rules mean that releasing him after June 1 would save the Browns an additional \$850,000.

But releasing him means the Browns would get nothing in return. Holding onto him — and saying they're going to hold onto him — forces teams to acquire him in a trade.

The negative is a trade could be tough to complete because teams

might wait, figuring he'd eventually be released.

"No team is going to give up much to get him now," one league source said. "Everybody knows he's going to be cut."

Policy said the team could swallow Couch's salary and salary-cap figure of \$9.2 million (11 percent of the team's overall cap total) "if it's in the best interests of the Cleveland Browns." Davis said Holcomb's shoulder surgery increases the odds of keeping Couch.

"We're going to do everything humanly possible in the next few days to get on the same page with Tim and his representatives so we're working on the future together," Policy said. "Come up with something that's first good for the Browns but also works for Tim."

"Everybody believes Tim Couch did some good

things for this city and this organization," Davis said. "With respect to that, he deserves to be treated with respect."

Policy said the Browns' first offer to Couch — which cut his salary this season from \$7.6 million to \$3 million and from \$8 million to \$3.5 million in 2005 — was just a starting point. The fact that the figures were publicized hampered the process, Policy said.

"We got kind of blindsided when the reaction to the initial offer was laid out to the public in the fashion it was," he said. "It kind of threw us off and delayed the process to some degree. I find it interesting that the first offer we made to Jeff Garcia was slightly less than the offer we made to Tim Couch. That didn't disrupt that negotiation."

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Track dominance

By DAVID POOLE
Knight Ridder Newspapers

If the same cars used the same setups and raced on the same tires under the same rules every year, then it'd be far easier to understand how one driver or one team finds a way to dominate at a particular track in the NASCAR Nextel Cup Series.

But no matter how quickly things change in the sport, there are situations in which success seems to be a given.

NASCAR has moved through a series of rules changes for restrictor-plate racing since the start of the 2001 season, but nothing has changed Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s dominance at Daytona at Talladega, Ala.

DEI's Chevrolets have won 10 of the past 13 points events at those tracks, including a victory by Dale Earnhardt Jr. in this year's Daytona 500. And after Matt Kenseth won



Busch

Gordon won five times in a seven-race stretch at Darlington, S.C., between 1995 and '98. Jack Roush-owned Fords won five times in eight races at Lowe's Motor Speedway beginning with the fall race in 1998.

For some teams, success is a given on certain racetracks



Bobby Labonte celebrates his March 1998 victory at Atlanta Motor Speedway, where he's won six times in 13 races.

"If you look at different teams throughout the year, there are different tracks that guys are just really good at," Tony Stewart said. "Different teams that find different packages that work for them really well."

Stewart should know. Joe Gibbs Racing, which fields the No. 20 Chevrolets for Stewart and the No. 18 for Bobby Labonte, has won six times in 13 races since Atlanta

Motor Speedway, the site of Sunday's Golden Corral 500, was reshaped into its current 1.54-mile configuration.

Labonte has five of those wins and nine top-five finishes in those 13 races.

Stewart has one victory and goes into this weekend having finished in the top 10 in each of the past five races at the track, with four of those being top-five finishes.

Is there a secret ingredient these teams bring to certain tracks?

"If there was one, I wouldn't tell anybody what it is," Kenseth said about his team's success at Las Vegas. "But setups, rules, tires, aerodynamics and bodies change so much that there's not four springs, four shocks and swaybars that we bring back here and run every time."

"I don't think there's one thing that Jack knows that makes his cars all win here. I just think it's a combination of the teams and all the people he has in place and how hard they work and how good they're prepared throughout the winter."

One factor that can be overlooked is the driver himself. Confidence, Labonte said, is as good of an explanation as any of why he's won five of the past 13 races at Atlanta.

"It has just been a good track for me," he said. "I go way back to 1982 when I ran here for the first time in a Daytona Dash car. I finished third in the first Dash race I ever ran, I beat Larry Pearson and Michael Waltrip and the throttle hung wide open."

"Maybe that's what got me over the hump. I don't know. That's all I can say. I have no idea."



RANKINGS

THAT'S RACIN'S TOP PICKS

1. Matt Kenseth (car No. 17): Didn't win enough in '03 to suit some. Might anger them by winning too often in '04. Last week: 2.

2. Jamie McMurray (car No. 42): If he hadn't got caught up in the Big Wreck at Daytona, he'd have three good

finishes already. Last week: 9.

3. Tony Stewart (car No. 20): Bad run at Rockingham was apparently an aberration. He'll be a favorite to win at Atlanta. Last week: 7.

4. Kevin Harvick (car No. 29): When a team gambles on fuel late in a race, missing by five laps is just unacceptable. Last week: 3.

5. Dale Earnhardt Jr. (car No. 8): Las Vegas was a debacle, but it's done. Now, the test will be how well this team

can rebound. Last week: 1.

6. Kasey Kahne (car No. 9): Don't overlook the team's role in the rookie driver's remarkable back-to-back second-place finishes. Last week: 10.

7. Kurt Busch (car No. 97): Team needs to find the sharpness it showed in bursts over the past two years. Last week: 5.

8. Ryan Newman (car No. 12): Our preseason No. 1 pick is 21st in points after three races. It's time to get rolling.

Last week: 4.

9. Jimmie Johnson (car No. 48): Pit road scrape-up badly hurt what looked like a really fast race car at Las Vegas. Last week: 8.

10. Jeff Gordon (car No. 24): Like Busch's team, this one seems to be a half-step off of its "A game" so far in '04. Last week: 6.

For the rest of the top-40 rankings, go online and visit www.thatstracin.com.

IMAX film gives viewers a seldom seen perspective

NASCAR, Warner Brothers and IMAX could spend a lot of money on a marketing campaign for the new movie "NASCAR: The IMAX Experience."

Or, they could simply repeat what former NBA star James Worthy said after seeing a sneak preview of the film last week.

"That," Worthy said as the credits rolled, "makes you want to get a Winnebago."

It's a shame, though, that people who'll see the movie when it opens this weekend in The Charlotte Observer OMNIMAX theater at Discovery Place in Charlotte, N.C., won't get to see the movie with the same full 3-D effect that Worthy and the rest of those who saw the preview in Las Vegas did.

The theater does not have the 3-D

format that would allow viewers wearing special glasses to feel like they were being showered with water and sparks from welder's torch at various junctures during the movie.

Still, the film directed by Simon Wincer is an all-access pass to places that even the most avid NASCAR fan may never otherwise get the chance to go.

"The IMAX format is totally immersive," Wincer says. "It's the most encompassing

medium. When you're watching this movie it sounds like you're at the race track and it feels like you're in the race car."

Even without the 3-D effect, there are several scenes in the movie that can best be described by using the word "cool."

One is the opening sequence, which hearkens back to the sport's bootlegger roots by using some modern-day NASCAR characters — as well as stunt drivers filling in for them during the actual action — in vintage cars. One of those cars then begins an excellently executed sequence that seamlessly takes the viewer from those roots through history toward today's modern version of the sport.

Actor Kiefer Sutherland narrates the film, which includes a lot of gee-whizery based on the nature of the IMAX 3-D format. There are only three IMAX 3-D cameras in the world, and all were used in the filming of this movie at tracks in Charlotte, Bristol (Tenn.), Martinsville (Va.), Daytona (Fla.), Talladega (Ala.), Richmond (Va.), Rockingham (N.C.) and California.

The crew shot 72 miles of film — more than 1.6 million frames — in three-minute bursts. That's how long one of the cameras can shoot before it's

reloaded. Working with cooperation from NASCAR and several of its drivers and race teams, the crew got cameras in plenty of interesting locations, too.

In one shot, the camera offers a dazzling view as all 43 cars come to pit road under a caution flag at California Speedway. A special camera car was built at Roush Racing with removable panels that allowed six different camera positions from angles that really put the viewer on the track.

Johnny Sauter, whose team at Richard Childress Racing is sponsored by AOL, a corporate sponsor of the project, has a pretty good read on just how realistic this film looks.

"Let's just say it does a lot better job of depicting what I do for a living each weekend than 'Days of Thunder' did," Sauter said.

For information on when the movie may be playing in your area, visit www.imax.com/racing/flash.html.

THIS WEEK'S RACE

GOLDEN CORRAL 500

Where: Atlanta Motor Speedway, a 1.54-mile highly banked paved tri-oval located in Hampton, Ga.

When: Sunday at 1 p.m. (all times ET). Qualifying is 3 p.m. Friday.

TV: Fox.
Radio: Performance Racing Network.

Purse: \$4,692,401

Last year's winner: Bobby Labonte.

Worth mentioning: Bill Elliott leads all active drivers with five poles at Atlanta. Rusty Wallace has three. There have been seven different winners in the past eight Cup races held at Atlanta. Labonte (November 2001 and March 2003) is the only repeat winner.



Labonte

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THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Second is a good place to finish in Nextel Cup, but when will Kasey Kahne break through for a Nextel Cup win?

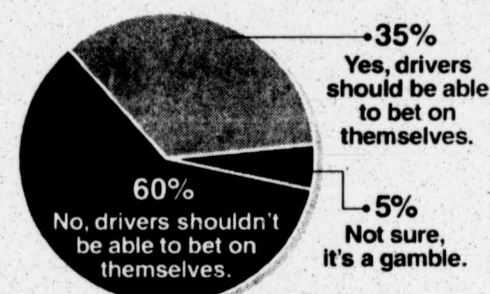
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LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

NASCAR visits Las Vegas this weekend. Do you think a driver should be able to bet on himself in a race?

Number of votes: 5,360



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WINLESS STREAKS

Ten drivers who have posted Nextel Cup victories have gone more than 50 races without a win*:

Driver	Last Win	Races
Ken Schrader	June 2, 1991	410
Kyle Petty	June 4, 1995	258
Jeremy Mayfield	June 19, 2000	120
Elliott Sadler	March 25, 2001	105
Rusty Wallace	April 29, 2001	101
Jeff Burton	Oct. 28, 2001	79
Sterling Marlin	March 17, 2002	63
Mark Martin	May 26, 2002	63
Ricky Rudd	June 23, 2002	59
Ward Burton	July 21, 2002	56

* Chart doesn't include races in which the drivers didn't compete.

— Jim Utter

BY THE NUMBERS

NEXTEL CUP POINTS LEADERS

The top-40 drivers as of March 7:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. M. Kenseth (17)	523	21. R. Newman (12)	307
2. T. Stewart (20)	435	22. D. Jarrett (88)	307
3. E. Sadler (38)	405	23. B. Gaughan (77)	306
4. J. Gordon (24)	404	24. J. Sauter (30)	297
5. K. Busch (97)	400	25. R. Rudd (21)	294
6. K. Harvick (29)	399	26. K. Petty (45)	278
7. D. Earnhardt Jr. (8)	398	27. G. Biffle (16)	264
8. K. Kahne (9)	385	28. B. Vickers (25)	255
9. J. McMurray (42)	225	29. R. Craven (32)	245
10. C. Mears (41)	367	30. K. Lepage (4)	219
11. B. Labonte (18)	360	31. J. Burton (99)	218
12. R. Wallace (2)	356	32. S. Riggs (10)	212
13. J. Nemechek (01)	347	33. D. Cope (50)	210
14. J. Mayfield (19)	339	34. J. Andretti (1)	205
15. W. Burton (22)	335	35. J. Green (43)	204
16. S. Wimmer (22)	334	36. K. Schrader (49)	192
17. T. Labonte (5)	332	37. R. Gordon (31)	191
18. S. Marlin (40)	321	38. M. Waltrip (15)	170
19. J. Johnson (48)	320	39. J. Benson (09)	152
20. M. Martin (6)	316	40. L. Foyt (14)	146

BUSCH SERIES POINTS LEADERS

The top-20 drivers as of March 6:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. K. Harvick	520	11. R. Hornaday	370
2. J. Sauter	450	12. K. Busch	355
3. M. Waltrip	436	13. K. Wallace	330
4. B. Hamilton Jr.	426	14. M. Bliss	324
5. D. Green	424	15. G. Biffle	323
6. J. Keller	407	16. M. Kenseth	315
7. R. Gordon	397	17. A. Lewis	315
8. M. Truex Jr.	390	18. J. Leffler	306
9. T. Fedewa	375	19. R. Pressley	297
10. D. Stremme	370	20. K. Kahne	294

NEXT RACE: March 20, Diamond Hill Plywood Co. 200, Darlington, S.C.

TRUCK SERIES POINTS LEADERS

The top-10 drivers as of Feb. 13:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. C. Edwards	190	6. D. Setzer	155
2. T. Kvapil	175	7. F. Kimmel	147
3. M. Wallace	170	8. J. Wood	146
4. R. Crawford	160	9. D. Reutimann	143
5. T. Cook	160	10. B. Hamilton	135

NEXT RACE: Saturday, Easycare Vehicle Service Contracts 200, Hampton, Ga.

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Real Estate for Rent

Tomorrow's Horoscope

Venus makes a connection with stern Saturn — which is good for our pocketbooks and our creativity.

There are so many ways to make ourselves beautiful, inside and out, and they don't have to cost a penny. In matters of the heart, love who you love without seeking the approval of others. Everyone sees beauty by different standards.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You've got a running start on anything you'd like to accomplish. Assume nothing. You could jump to a conclusion that is exaggerated or just plain wrong. Before you trust what you see, get the whole story. A Cancer tells the truth.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll have to be more protective of yourself — it's your time! Say "no," and then, don't even worry what others will think. If they're disappointed, perhaps they were taking you for granted to begin with.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Relationships are at that point where more information will be very helpful. Ask questions, and divulge your own heart. A Virgo especially is desperate to know how you really feel. Vehicle maintenance is important.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're looking for a lucrative opportunity but instead may find something that seems like a lot of fun — no pay. Jump in anyway. Things change later. Get rid of junk. You'll feel lighter. A Libra wants to know you better.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).

Real Estate for Sale

POOL FOR SUMMER? This brick home has 3 bedrooms, 2 living areas and an inground pool. Remodeled and updated priced under \$60,000 MLS #51525, Charles Smith agent 466-1613 or Home Realtors (432)263-1284.

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RAINBOW CHRISTIAN Pre-School now has openings for 3-4 yr. olds. Call or come by 409 Goliad. 432-267-4515.

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A life filled with an overriding sense of obligation is a total drag. Consider that something you're clamping on to might be really clamping on to you instead. Release it. A Scorpio can help you do an even better job.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Health continues to be a priority, and rightfully so. Whatever it takes to keep that gorgeous glow. Control your temper. Ask for help. A Sagittarius is an exquisite coach. Schedule workouts with loved ones.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Life is not a race but an experience. There's no need to force things. Let natural curiosity drive you. You've got fantastic timing and make propositions that get immediate acceptance. A Capricorn helps you hone an idea.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's a great day to try new experiences on and see what you like. You can always change your mind later. Independent contractors get work from a new source. Charitable acts are doubly repaid. An Aquarius has a crush on you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-

Dec. 21). Saying "yes" too often is a danger. You need freedom to pursue your ideas. Stop committing yourself to what you don't want to do! An authority figure knows you're ready to move up. A Pisces can help you negotiate.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Keep seeing the big picture, and don't let yourself get bogged down in the details. Anyone who would love you more if you had more money is going to be trouble. Hold out for true love. An Aries pays you the respect you deserve.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). On this slow morning, boredom is telling you something. Figure out what you need. This afternoon, you can tempt, tease or persuade others to do exactly what you wish. Controversy enlivens you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Work requires tedious effort, but it's worth it in the end. A Gemini is your creative touchstone. You're a people magnet, though you might rather be alone. Don't underestimate the power of groups.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I've been

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I loved your column listing possible answers to the rude question "Why aren't you married?" I burst out laughing when I read the one that said, "Beats me, why aren't you skinny?"

My husband and I have been married for four years, and I am getting tired of hearing "When are you guys having kids?" I used to say we couldn't afford them, but now I say, "If you like them so much, have them yourself."

Your readers did such a good job with the marriage question. I would love to hear some funny answers for this one. Thanks. — Childless in the East

Dear Childless: OK, readers, let's see what you can come up with when someone asks, "When are you having children?" We're counting on you.

Dear Annie: My husband and I soon will be celebrating our 50th wedding anniversary. I am afraid our two children will try to plan some lavish celebration that they cannot afford.

How can I convey to them that we neither need nor desire a big celebration? We don't want gifts or trips or parties that would be a drain on them. I would love to have our friends and family send cards. We could read and enjoy these for years.

Is there a proper way to express this without hurting their feelings? Should we say nothing and let them do as they please? — Happy Couple in Pennsylvania

Dear Happy Couple: Congratulations on reaching this major anniversary. It's understandable that your children would want to make a big celebration — after all, 50 years together is a rare and wonderful occasion.

Have a talk with your children. Tell them you would rather not have any parties or trips (don't mention the expense). Ask if they would encourage friends and family to send cards with special memories or photographs so that you will have something to cherish for the next 50 years. The rest is up to them.



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

Dear Annie: A while back, you printed a letter from "Frustrated Pop," who asked how long he should continue supporting his struggling-actor son. Please tell him his son may be able to get help from the Actors' Fund (actorsfund.org), a non-profit organization that provides for the social welfare of members of the entertainment industry.

The Actors' Fund counsels us on how to find parallel careers to provide support. The staff also will help people find new careers if they decide to leave the entertainment industry. They offer a number of services, free of charge, to all members of the entertainment industry, from designers to producers. The Fund deserves our support when we are successful, and is there to help us live our lives with dignity and security when we are not. — Fishing for Herself in Los Angeles

Dear Fishing: Thank you for the information. We hope "Frustrated Pop" and anyone else in the entertainment industry will check out the Actors' Fund.

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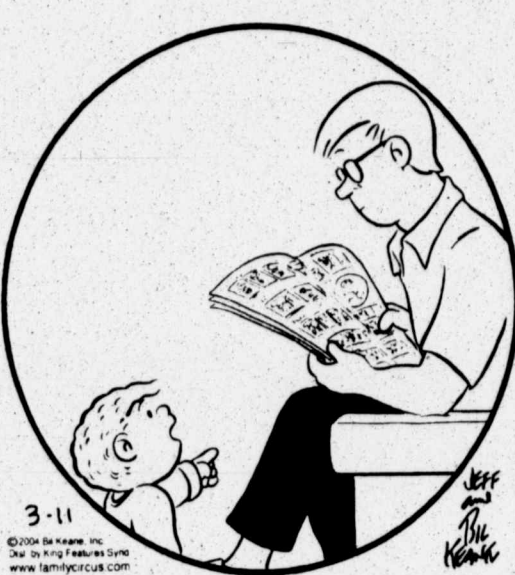
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"I'M HELPING JOEY SHARE HIS CANDY."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Daddy, will you read the comics to me and explain the ones I don't get?"

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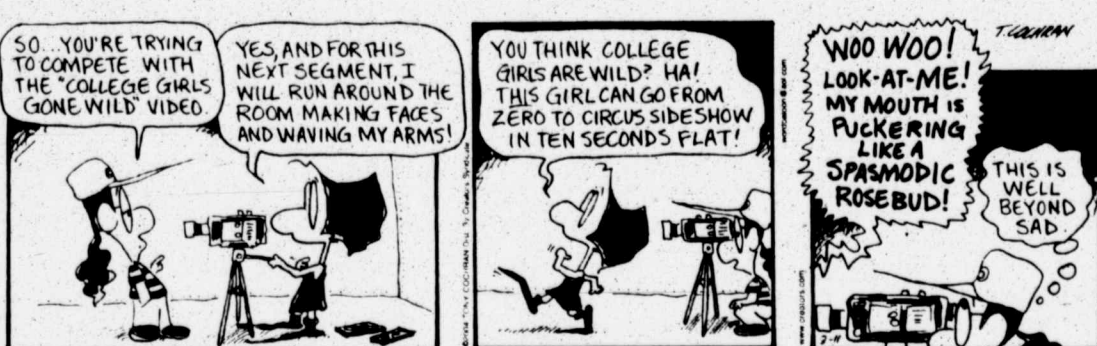
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This Date
In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, March 11, the 71st day of 2004. There are 295 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Fifty years ago, on March 11, 1954, the U.S. Army charged that Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, R-Wis., and his subcommittee's chief counsel, Roy Cohn, had exerted pressure to obtain favored treatment for Pvt. G. David Schine, a former consultant to the subcommittee. (The confrontation culminated in the famous Senate Army-McCarthy hearings.)

On this date: In 1810, Emperor Napoleon of France was married by proxy to Archduchess Marie Louise of Austria.

In 1861, the Confederate convention in Montgomery,

Ala., adopted a constitution. In 1888, the famous "Blizzard of '88" struck the northeastern United States, resulting in some 1,400 deaths.

In 1930, former President and Chief Justice Taft was buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

In 1941, President Franklin Roosevelt signed into law the Lend-Lease Bill, providing war supplies to countries fighting the Axis.

In 1942, as Japanese forces continued to advance in the Pacific during World War II, Gen. Douglas MacArthur left the Philippines for Australia, vowing: "I shall return." (He kept that promise nearly three years later.)

In 1959, the Lorraine Hansberry drama "A Raisin in the Sun" opened at New York's Ethel Barrymore Theater.

In 1965, the Rev. James J. Reeb, a white minister from Boston, died after being beaten by whites during civil rights disturbances in Selma, Ala.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Terence Alexander is 81. Media mogul Rupert Murdoch is 73. ABC News correspondent Sam Donaldson is 70. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia is 68. Musician Flaco Jimenez is 65. Actress Trish O'Neil is 59. Rock singer-musician Mark Stein (Vanilla Fudge) is 57. Singer Bobby McFerrin is 54. Movie director Jerry Zucker is 54. Actress Susan Richardson is 52. Singer Nina Hagen is 49. Country singer Jimmy Fortune (The Statler Brothers) is 49. Singer Cheryl Lynn is 47. Actress Alex Kingston is 41.

Answer to previous puzzle

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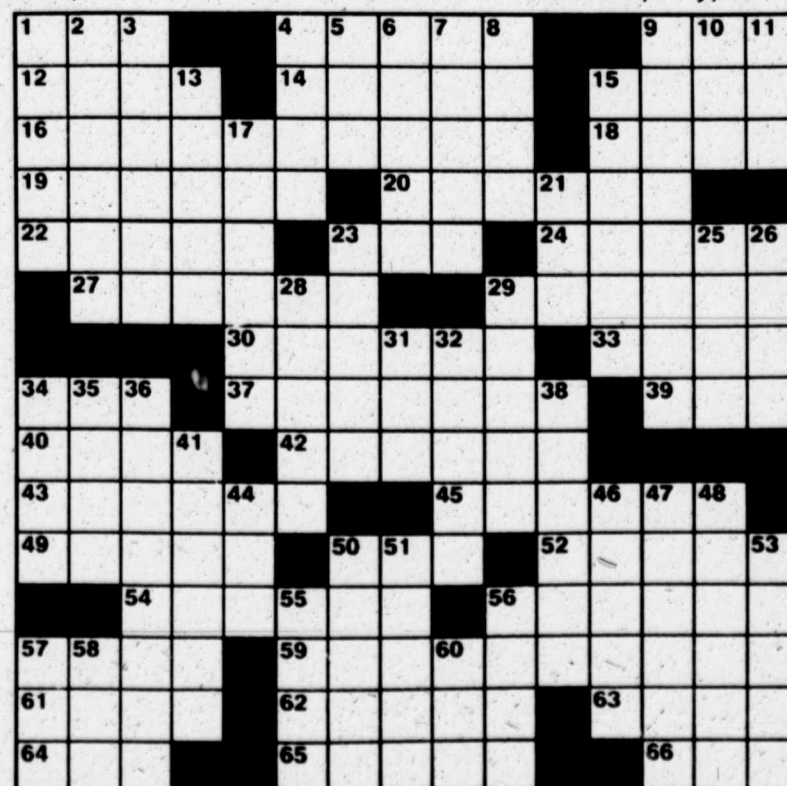
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- 50 Mom-and-pop grp.
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- 61 Hoo-has
- 62 Dined at home

DOWN

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- 15 Doctoral papers
- 17 Most unfettered
- 21 Liquid container
- 23 A Bell for
- 25 Peace Nobel
- 26 They used to land at JFK
- 28 Where to find the elite
- 29 Scatter, as seed
- 31 Letter from Pericles
- 32 It comes from the heart
- 34 Give out

- 35 Late-night TV name
- 36 Speeder
- 38 More groovy
- 41 Grimm beasts
- 44 Put into service
- 46 Indented space
- 47 Meets at the door
- 48 Make calm
- 50 Snapshot
- 51 Uses a keyboard
- 53 Pfeiffer of Up Close & Personal
- 55 Check out briefly
- 56 Tear violently
- 57 Kids' game
- 58 Lyric poem
- 60 Graph type



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