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INSIDE



The Lady Steers defeated Amarillo Caprock 11-1 Friday to advance in the playoffs.
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BRIEFLY

On-Stage Series set at 2 p.m. Sunday

An On-Stage Series production — sponsored by the Big Spring Symphony Association and featuring the Karlin Ensemble — offers music lovers a chance to sit with the gifted musicians on stage at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium.

Tickets are $10 at the door.

The ensemble features the talents of Jeffrey Lastrapes on the cello, Kirsten Yon playing violin and Erika Schroth performing on the piano.

Canterbury slates Monday fund-raiser

Canterbury Retirement Home has set a Relay for Life fund-raising bake sale from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday at 1700 Lancaster.

Donated items of baked goods are requested. Call 263-1265.

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Officers began serving warrants for delinquent fines Saturday

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Area law enforcement begin an early morning warrant round-up Saturday to crack down on delinquent fines and court costs owed to Howard County.

"We sent out the pink post cards on the first of April and they had until April 22 to pay up," said Collections Officers Bobby Roever. "Several people chose to ignore the notice and instead we're going to serve warrants and make a believer of them."

The round-up began at 6 a.m. in a joint effort with the Howard County Criminal Collections Office, the Howard County Sheriff's Office, the Big Spring Police Department and the Midland Constable's Office to serve 100 warrants.



ROEVER

According to Roever, most of the offenders who are being served have failed to pay their fines for many years and now they have two choices — pay up and or go to jail.

"Once they are arrested, a family member may pay the money and get them released for jail or they can lay out the fine in jail," Roever said.

At last count, Roever, whose newly created office has collected $27,648 since December, said about $227,000 worth of delinquent fines or court cost are still left to gather.

"We feel like if we get about 30 percent we've had a successful day," Roever said. "Even if we get 10 percent we're successful because we've made them pay their responsibility or they had to go to jail."

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

PRAYER

Community to observe national event

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Community leaders will stand together Thursday in a show of unity to observe the National Day of Prayer.

"On behalf of the kingdom of God, you're hired," said the Rev. Sam Segundo, pastor of Family Faith Victory. "Come out to pray with city leaders and not only bring yourself but a friend. We will join together on Thursday for a time of prayer and local testimony. Don't miss this opportunity. Be there with us. God bless You."

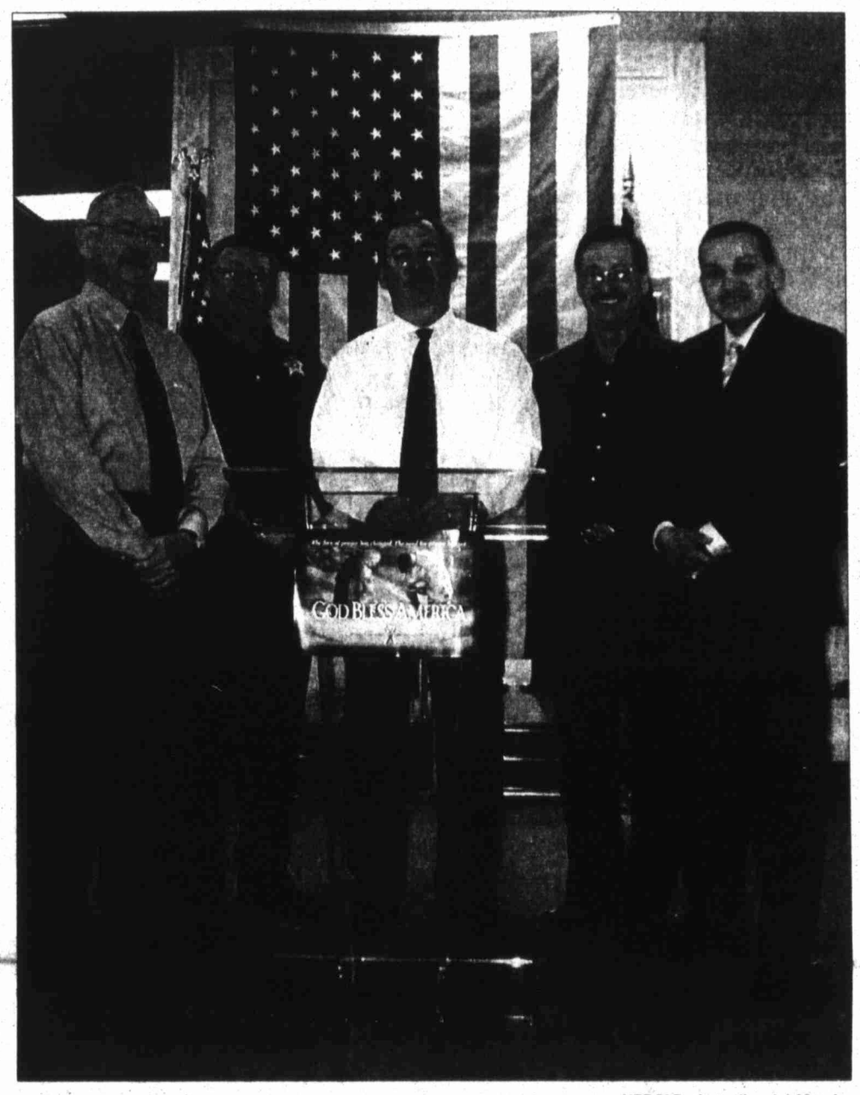
"This is a time for renewal, a time for prayer and fellowship for the community."



Mayor Russ McEwen

The community-wide event begins at 7 p.m. in the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium. Four speakers, representing a cross-section of the community, will give testimony.

"I will be talking about how God has had an influence on my life and the life of my loved ones," said Howard County Commissioner Bill Crooker.



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Community leaders pose for a picture at a National Day of Prayer press conference. Pictured from left are Howard County Commissioner Bill Crooker, Howard County Sheriff Dale L. Walker, Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen, businessman Allan Johnson and the Rev. Sam Segundo, pastor of Faith Family Victor Center. The National Day of Prayer event is set for 7 p.m. Thursday in the Big Spring Auditorium.

During the event, Howard County Sheriff Dale L. Walker will lead the group in a special acknowledgment and prayer for local law enforcement to recognize National Law Enforcement Week.

"I will bring forward information about prayers that have been

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Downes says he's optimistic funding plan will benefit ISD

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Life Editor

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Big Spring Independent School District Superintendent Michael Downes views the current special Legislative session on school finance reform optimistically.



DOWNES

"I am very positive and believe when the final chapter is written the new plan will benefit Big Spring," Downes said.

This special session, now entering its second week of discussion, was called by Gov. Rick Perry to address the 1,039 Texas school districts' needs for finance, with an eye on reforming the recapturing funds plan currently in place.

"The nice thing about this is that education is the only thing they are talking about, and they are very focused on education and the issues involved, both revenue and expenditures," Downes said.

He is monitoring the ses-

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Grand jury hands down indictments

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

A Big Spring man was indicted on two separate counts of injury to a child Thursday by a Howard County grand jury.

David Arthur Wittrein, no age given, of 2314 Roemer, Big Spring, was true billed on the alleged charges which occurred on Aug. 19, 2003, and Feb. 6, 2004.

"The first count involves the disciplining of a child," said Assistant District Attorney Robin Orr.

"The second count involved a one-month-old with a broken arm, broken at the elbow."

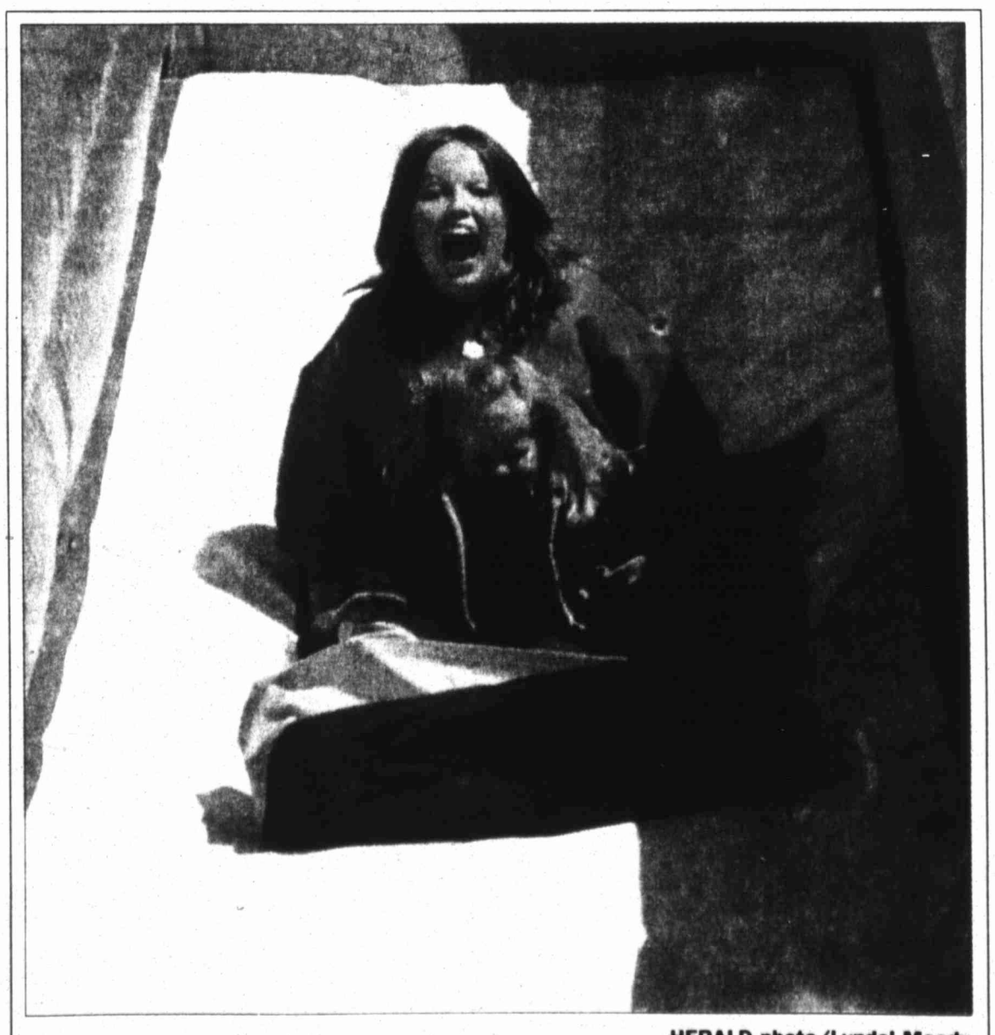
Also indicted was David Dow 21, of 1007 Main No. A, Big Spring, on two counts of assault with a deadly weapon.

According to Orr, the indictments revolve around a May 22, 2003, incident when Dow allegedly brandished a knife at his neighbors. No one was injured in the incident, Orr said.

Others indicted and their alleged offenses were:

- Andrew Alcantar Aguirre, 32, of 8602 Aguirre Road, Big Spring, for driving while intoxicated (third degree felony) on Jan. 8, 2004.
- Dennis Edward Ausbie, 44, currently residing in the Howard County Jail, felon in possession of a firearm and possession of a controlled substance (4 counts) (first degree felony-enhanced, second degree felony-enhanced) on Feb. 28, 2004.
- Jesse Lendell Vanderbilt, (AKA Jesse Woodruff), 18, of 1202 Lamar, Big Spring, possession of a controlled substance (state jail felony) on Feb. 28, 2004.
- Pete Baeza, 36, of 704 San Jacinto, Big Spring, possession of a controlled

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Jaurdin Brisco, back, and Tessa Talbort, grandchildren and children of *Big Spring Herald* employees, take a trip down an inflatable slide on Saturday during the *Herald* garage sale. All proceeds from the sale go toward the annual American Cancer Society's Relay for Life fund-raiser.

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Obituaries

Glenda Rae Moore Clark



Glenda Rae Moore Clark, 68, of Big Spring, our loving wife, mother, nannie and sister left us on Friday, April 30, 2004, at her home to be with the Lord.

Graveside Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. Clifton Igo of Lamesa officiating.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Glenda was born April 8, 1936, in Sunset to Gabe Brady Moore and Susie Faye Fuller Moore. She grew up in Lamesa and had been a resident of Big Spring since 1953, coming from Lamesa.

She married Charlie L. Clark, March 10, 1953, in Lamesa. Mrs. Clark was a homemaker and a Baptist.

Glenda is survived by her loving husband, Charlie L. Clark of Big Spring. She was blessed with three beautiful daughters and sons-in-law, Debbie Green and her husband, Toby, of Big Spring, Gale Pickett and her husband, Donald, of Amarillo and Toni Bales and her husband, Jerry Don, of Sand Springs; and one blessed son, Shane Clark and his wife, Kym, of Big Spring.

The joys of her life were her 10 grandchildren and six great grandchildren. She is also survived by one sister, Nell Jones and her husband, Bobby, of Big Spring and three brothers, James "Bud" Moore and his wife, Dorothy, of Alvarado, George Moore and his wife, Mona, of Big Spring and L. T. Dent and his wife, Karol, of Lubbock.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Susie Moore Dent, her father, G. B. Moore and stepfather, Louis Dent, and one sister, Geri Huse.

Pallbearers will be Bobby Jones, Bud Moore, George Moore, L. T. Dent, Greg Moore, Brian Moore, Clint Moore and Gary Jones.

There will be an empty place in our hearts for her, but we know we will see her again in our heavenly Father's home.

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

Paid obituary

Richard E. "Dick" Collier



FORT WORTH — Richard E. "Dick" Collier, a retired civil engineer and land surveyor, died Friday, April 30, 2004, at the age of 79.

Funeral is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 4, 2004, in The Drawing Room of Thompson's Harveson & Cole Funeral Home.

Graveside Services will be held at noon Tuesday at the Dallas/Fort Worth National Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday, May 3, at Thompson's Harveson & Cole Funeral Home.

Mr. Collier was born to Jeff and Marguerite Ross Collier on Dec. 6, 1924, in Dallas, and had lived in Lubbock and Big Spring before settling in Fort Worth in 1968.

He received a civil engineering degree from Texas Tech University. He was a registered engineer and land surveyor in several states. He served in the European Theater in World War II.

A very special thank you to American Hospice for the very gentle, loving, compassionate care given to our father; which gave him dignity, respect, and a truly beautiful experience to be at home, cared for and surrounded by his loving family whom he loved so dearly; then to assist him and us as he took God's hand and they walked together to the other side. Without them this would not have been possible.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jeff and Marguerite Collier, and our wonderful dog, Albert.

Pallbearers will be David Boyd, Tom Boyd, Terry Clark, Drew Collier, Ryan Collier, Fred Ganske, David Tripplehorn, Larry Williamson. Honorary Pallbearers are Dr. C. B. Bruner, Jim Cunningham, Ed Frazier, Don Gossett, Lee Johnson, Lee Moore, Larry Snodgrass, Bob Taiwater and John Woods.

Survivors are his wife of 57 years, Betty Schulkey Collier; daughter, Susan Collier of Arlington; son, Dr. Richard Collier and his wife, Donna, of Watauga; grandsons, Ryan and Andrew Collier of Waxahachie; granddaughters, Jennifer and Heidi George; great grandson, Alec George; brother, Bob Collier and his wife, Ann, of Arlington; sisters, Virginia Francis and her husband, Glenn, of Garland, Carolyn Boyd and her husband, Dale ,of Garland; many nieces and nephews.

Funeral arragements are under the direction of Thompson's Harveson & Cole Funeral Home

Paid obituary

Marvin Fleming Sr.

FORT WORTH -- Marvin Fleming Sr., 73, died Thursday, April 29, 2004. Graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 2, 2004, at Bellview Cemetery, Rotan.

Open visitation beginning at 11 a.m. Saturday at Greenwood Funeral Home.

Marvin was born Nov. 23, 1930, in Fisher County.

Survivors are his wife, Doris Juanita Fleming of Fort Worth; children, Vera Canterbury and husband, Richard, of Burleson, Marvin Lester Fleming Jr. and wife, Shirley, of Big Spring and Sharon Miller of Mesa, Ariz; grandchildren, Dusty Saunders, Charles H. Saunders, William Robert Saunders, Justin Levi Fleming and Travis Lane Fleming; great-grandchildren, Kimberly, Emily and Sara Saunders and Jordan and Jaydan Fleming; sister, Louise Harris of Bedford; and several nieces and nephews.

*The family of **Hugh Rhyne** appreciates the many kindness shown to them during the illness and passing of their loved one. Thank you for each visit and prayer, for the delicious food and lovely floral tributes, the memorials and to each one who attended his service. Special thanks to Brother Don Snipes and the kind and efficient staff of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.*

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Ellen Faye Cudd



Ellen Faye Cudd, 88, a former Big Spring resident, died Thursday, April 29, 2004, in Abilene.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Monday, May 3, 2004, in Hewitt Bomar-Point Cemetery in Wilson, Okla., directed by Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home, 542 Hickory. The family will receive friends from 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home in Abilene.

She was born to Mattie Belle (Mathews) and Morgan Ferrill on October 19, 1915, in Oklahoma City, Okla. She married Thomas Ezra Cudd on October 19, 1933, in Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Cudd was a homemaker, and in 1988, moved to Abilene where she was a member of Oldham Lane Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Ezra Cudd in 1992; her parents; and four brothers, J. D. Ferrill, Grover Ferrill, Dewey Ferrill and Roy Lee Ferrill all of Oklahoma City, Okla.

Survivors include a son, Thomas Morgan (Tim) Cudd of Bridge City; a daughter, Jane Ellen McMullin of Abilene; a sister, Lillian Roll of Abilene; five grandsons, Bill Cudd of Bridge City, TX, Brad Cudd of Grand Prairie, TX, Tom Cudd of Arlington, TX, Darin McMullin of Abilene, and Donald McMullin of Vienna, Va.; six great-grandsons; four nephews; and three nieces.

Weather

Sunday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 70s. Northeast winds 10 to15 mph.
Sunday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s. Light winds becoming south around 10 mph after midnight...then becoming light early in the morning.
Monday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s.

Police blotter

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

- **JULIAN GALLEGA HINOJOS**, 54, of 209 10th St. was arrested Friday on a traffic warrant.
- **DALTON WILL WHITE**, 27, of 410 Davis Road was arrested Friday on a traffic warrant.
- **VALENTIN GONZALES PRADO**, 46, of 309 W. Fourth St. was arrested Friday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ELAINE BROWN**, 48, of 1210 Blackmon was arrested Friday on a charge of driving while license suspended.
- **AMANDA FAITH MONTANEZ**, 24, of 2504 Gunter was arrested Friday on a traffic warrant.
- **NATASHA MICHELLE MORRIS**, 17, of 601 W. 15th St. was arrested Saturday on a charge of driving under influence-minor.
- **KENNETH LLOYD TALBOT**, 39, was arrested Saturday on a charge of driving while intoxicated-second offense.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1200 block of 11th, 1100 block of Lamesa, at the police department, the 500 block of Runnels, the 1800 block of Gregg, the 900 block of Willa and the 4800 block of Highway 80.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 700 block of 11th St.
- **UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE** was reported in the 800 block of Fourth Street.
- **ASSAULT BY THREAT** was reported in the 800 block of Johnson.
- **ASSAULT CLASS C** was reported in the 1200 block of 11th Street.
- **ASSAULT CLASS C, FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 1000 block of Main and the 400 block of Lancaster.
- **AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON** was reported in the 400 block of Lancaster.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1600 block of Wren.
- **FORGERY** was reported at the police department.
- **ARSON** was reported in the 200 block of Airbase.
- **RUNAWAY** was reported in the 900 block of Aylesford.

Sheriff's report

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

- **INTOXICATED DRIVER** was reported eastbound on Interstate 20.
- **RECKLESS DRIVER** was reported westbound on Interstate 20 near the 188 mile marker.
- **MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported near mile marker 171 westbound on Interstate 20.

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Bulletin board

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

TODAY

- A fund-raiser for Relay for Life sponsored by the Cossacks Motorcycle Club, 1610 N. Birdwell Lane, is set to begin at noon. Cost is $7 for singles and $10 for couples.

SUNDAY

- Team Rustic Circle, an amateur paintball team, meets for practice between noon and dusk at the Moss Creek Lake paintball facility. The public is always invited, whether to participate or just spectate. For more information contact Rick Boiles at 264-2395 or 393-5246.
- The On-Stage Series, sponsored by the Big Spring Symphony Association, presents the Karlin Ensemble of Jeffrey Lastrapes, cello, Kirsten Yon, violin and Erika Schroth, piano, in the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium at 2 p.m. Tickets are $10 at the door.

MONDAY

- Canterbury Retirement Home has set a Relay for Life fund-raising bake sale from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday, May 3, at 1700 Lancaster. Donated items of baked goods are requested. Call 263-1265.
- District Committee Lone Star of Big Spring meets at noon at 610 Scurry.
- Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call 268-4721.
- Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.
- Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets at 5:30 p.m. Monday in the 11th and Birdwell Lane Church of Christ. A different program is offered every week, and anyone 7 years old or older is welcome to attend. Please enter through the northwest door. Call 263-2786 for more information.
- Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in La Posada Restaurant.
- Big Spring Chapter and Council RAM meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Masonic building at 221 1/2 Main St.
- Howard County ARC meets at 806 E. Third in the Bingo Hall. Call 264-0674 for more information.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 2-3-17-31-32.
Number matching five of five: 1.
Prize per winner: $44,538.
Winning tickets sold in: Houston.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Saturday night.

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The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery: 1-15-19-34. Bonus ball 26.

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The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 0-5-7

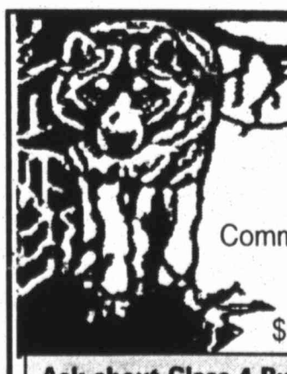
Take note

❑ **POTTON HOUSE**, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into Heritage Museum, is $2 for adults and $1 for children and senior citizens.

❑ **HERITAGE MUSEUM**, 510 Scurry, is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into the Potton House, is $2 for adults and $1 for children.

❑ **HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM** is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday and from 1:30 p.m. until 4 p.m. on Sunday.

❑ **CHRIST'S COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP** is requesting donations of any household items, furniture, appliances, linens, cookware and dishes to be distributed to the needy in Big Spring. Items will be picked up. Please call 263-5683 and leave a message.



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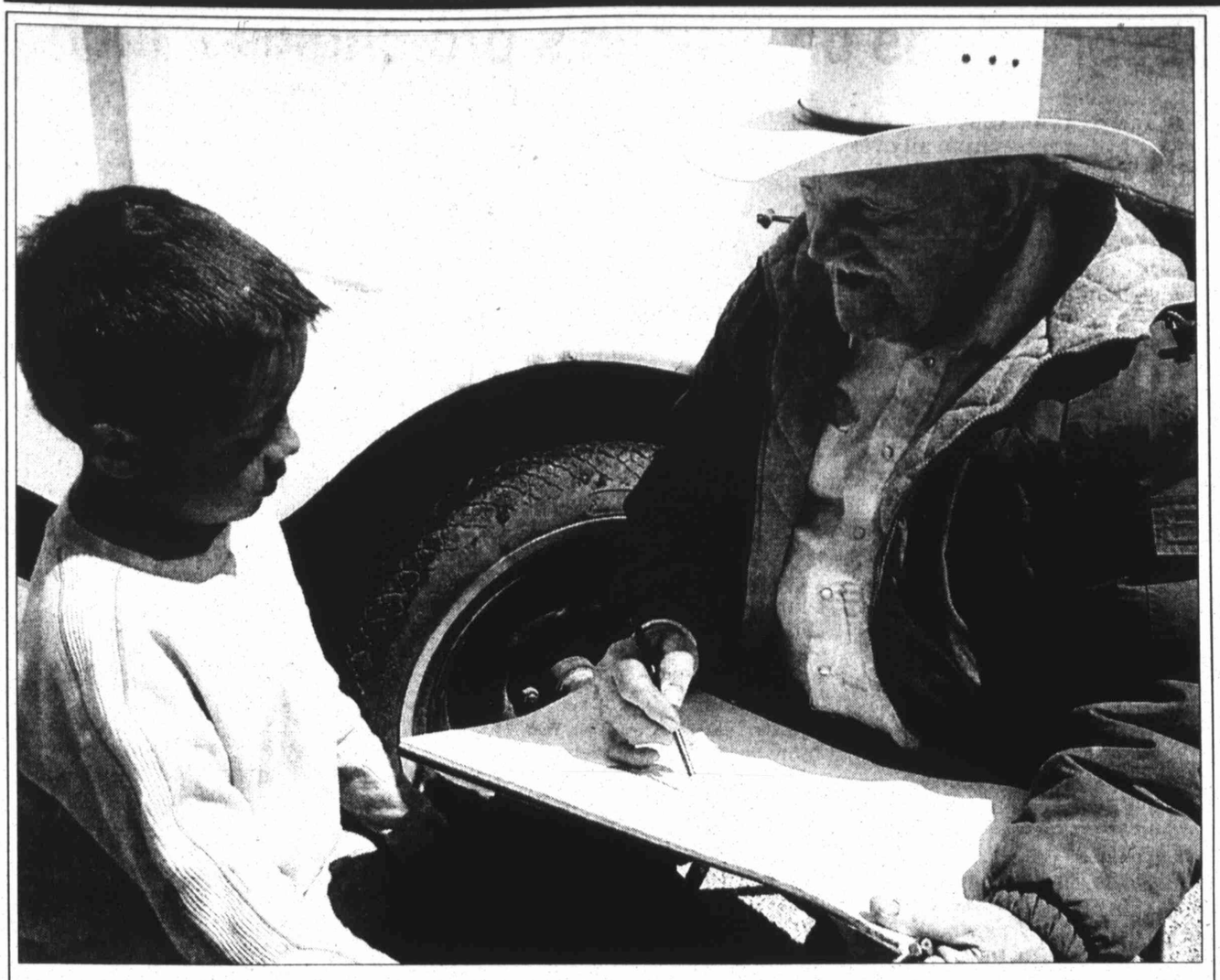
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"Red" Harmon Hann, general manager of KHOB 1390 AM radio in Hobbs, N.M., and organizer of the annual Pony Express West ride, sketches the portrait of 8-year-old Billy Acosta. Organizers of the Pony Express West ride were out Saturday at the Wal-Mart parking lot in an effort to sell stamps for the trek, which will begin in Big Spring on May 14 and end in Jal, N.M., on May 15. For more information on the Pony Express West ride, or to volunteer to ride in the event, contact T.J. Walker at 432-517-0361 or Dale Walker at 432-264-2244.

PRAYER

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answered that I've personally seen in the county," Walker said.

Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen will open the event with a message of shared vision and opening prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Big Spring Chief of Police Lonnie Smith.

"I'll be talking from a business standpoint and what the Lord can do for you," said Allan Johnson, who will be the fourth person to give testimony. "I know through prayer we can accomplish anything."

Music will be provided by the King's Men from College Baptist Church and a Ladies Trio from First Baptist Church along with patriotic music.

"We're going to be observing the National Day of Prayer, and we're anxious to have everyone come out that day," said McEwen. "We want to have the Big Spring Auditorium full.

"This is a time for renewal, a time for prayer and fellowship for the community."

National Day of Prayer was first established by law in 1952, unanimously passed by Congress and signed by President Truman.

For more information, see www.nationaldayofprayer.org or for local information visit www.hcchurch.org

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

Patriotic Music Video Introduction
Welcome and recognize leaders, share vision and opening prayer-Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen.
Pledge of Allegiance-Big Spring Chief of Police Lonnie Smith
National Anthem and "He's Still on the Thorn!"-The King's Men

Speakers
Howard County Commissioner Bill Crooker, local government
Howard County Sheriff Dale L. Walker, law enforcement
Allan Johnson, local businessman
Rev. Sam Segundo, local pastor

The Doxology-Ladies Trio
Video: The Prayer of Jabez
Closing song: "God Bless America"-Ladies Trio

GRAND JURY

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substance (second degree felony) on Nov. 1, 2003.

• Kimberly Barcheers Berryhill, 33, of 9414 Dixon, Lubbock, possession of a controlled substance (state jail felony) on April 15, 2003.

• Lester Claude Duffer, 24, of 1510 Nolan, Big Spring, debit card abuse (state jail felony) on May 20, 2003.

• Ernest Escovedo, 28, of 505 Young St., Big Spring, possession of a controlled substance (state jail felony) on April 24, 2003.

• Armando Franco Jr., 48, of 1017 Bluebonnet, Big Spring, possession of a controlled substance (second degree felony) on Feb. 26, 2003.

• Cody Blair Green, 24, of 1605 E. 11th Place, aggravated robbery and interference with an emergency telephone call (2 counts) (first degree felony and class A misdemeanor) on Aug. 27, 2002.

• Gayland Ray Grogan, 53, of 3717 N. Texas, Odessa, driving while intoxicated on Jan. 17, 2004.

• Patty Johnke, 54, of 1410 Lancaster, Big Spring, evading arrest (state jail felony) on Dec. 21, 2003.

• Michael Eric Johnson, 33, currently residing in the Howard County jail, possession of a controlled substance in a drug free zone (second degree felony-enhanced) on Jan. 24, 2004.

• Leslie Lloyd, 78, of 1206 Angela Road, Big Spring, forgery (third degree felony) on Dec. 19, 2000.

• Michael Robertson, 21, of 102 Merrick Road, Big Spring, robbery (second degree felony) on Nov. 29, 2003.

• Shanna (Piercefield) Shubert, 24, of 2205 S. Monticello, Big Spring, robbery (second degree felony) on Nov. 29, 2003.

• Juanita Aranjo, 39, of 1704 Donley, Big Spring, tampering with government records (third degree felony) on March 13, 2003.

• Larry Chandler, 62, of 401 Matt Loop Road, Big Spring, stalking (third degree felony) on Nov. 24, 2003.

• William Harmon Clark, 48, of 104 NW Broadway, Coahoma, failure to stop and render aid on Nov. 13, 2003.

• Gilbert Jimenez, 32, of 6501 Avenue S. No. 1, Lubbock, failure to register as a sex offender (state jail felony) on Aug. 21, 2002.

• Jeremy James White, 24, of 10601 McDonald, Big Spring, theft by check (state jail felony) on March 5, 2003.

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Margaret Elizabeth Howard Christopher, 77, died Tuesday. Funeral Services were at 12 noon Saturday at First United Methodist Church. Burial was at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Glenda Rae Moore Clark, 68, of Big Spring died Friday. Graveside Services will be at 2:00 PM Monday at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 6:00 until 7:00 PM Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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FUNDING

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sion each day, and outlined some of the ways the Legislators are discussing to reform funding of public education in Texas.

One topic being considered is a statewide personal, or income tax. Another is a statewide property tax. Increasing sales tax, increasing the so-called "sin" taxes on alcohol and tobacco and extending the funding base by taxing service organizations such as attorneys' fees are some of the changes legislators have discussed this past week, he said.

"They are debating how we are going to fund education. Some of them are in favor of doing away with the so-called Robin Hood funding method," he said.

Under Robin Hood, poorer school districts receive funds from wealthier school districts through a formula that attempts to distribute the funds of school districts evenly throughout the state.

"They are trying to redo the funding formula to simplify the distribution of money to schools," he said.

As a Chapter 42 school district, BSISD receives recaptured funds. Downes said 85 percent of the school districts in Texas benefit from the Robin Hood funding formula.

Methods of funding being discussed include increasing the allotments a district receives from the state to $4,459 per elementary and middle school student and $5,449 per high school student, based on average daily attendance.

Increasing the bilingual program per student from $250 to $450 is another method of increasing revenue. Funding for economically disadvantaged districts might be increased from $500 to $665 per student based on average daily attendance.

Increasing the cost education index, which was last reviewed and changed 15 years ago, is also under consideration, he said. This formula bases the needs of the district on economic conditions and the available workforce within the area the school district serves, he said.

And the education cost index is a formula being reviewed that considers the scarcity of a district with a student population of less than 5,000, which applies to Big Spring, which has a current enrollment of 3,861 students.

Downes said he does not believe the state will force any small school district to consolidate with larger districts within the area.

But no matter what the legislators decide, any change in the taxes that pay for education in Texas will require a constitutional amendment, and voters will see the decision in the November elections, he said.

"Everyone has an opinion, and nobody wants to pay more in taxes. My main concern is to provide solid education for the students in Big Spring.

"At some point somebody's going to have to pay, and there's no way businesses can absorb these costs without passing them along, and no matter what, if they are passed along, that means you and I," he said.

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JULIAN ARISPE



Julian A. Arispe, 80 of Waco, Tx passed away Friday, April 23, 2004 at a local hospital. He was buried April 26, at Oakwood Cemetery Waco, Tx. Mr. Arispe was born on Jan. 24, 1924 in Gonzales, Tx to Faustino and Dolores Arispe. He was raised in Big Spring and resided in Waco, Tx. He was a member of Sacred Heart Church and the Curillistas. He is now resting in Heaven. He retired from Krafcor after 20 yrs. of service. Mr. Arispe is survived by his wife and 6 children; Johnny Arispe of Big Spring; Christine Marlow of Crowley, Tx; Dolores Rodriguez, Gloria Martines both of Waco; Lucy Etter, Cindi Lopes both of Angleton, Tx; Two sisters; Nacha Rodriguez, Dora Rodriguez both of Big Spring. 22 grandchildren, 38 great grandchildren. Dad you will always be in our hearts along with our dear mother Maria Holguin Arispe who passed on in 1997. God bless you both. Not a day will go by that you will not be missed or thought of.

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OUR VIEWS

Come be a part of our annual Relay for Life

One more time... The place to be in Big Spring next weekend will be Blankenship Field on the Big Spring High School campus — the site for the annual Relay for Life event staged by the Howard-Glasscock chapter of the American Cancer Society.

The stadium's football field will transformed into a huge, colorful campground as runners and walkers take to the track for the 24-hour fund-raiser.

As always, dozens of teams are expected to take part in the event, which means there will literally be hundreds of participants involved in the community-wide campout.

Organizers will open the event Friday evening with a brief ceremony and the "Survivor's Lap," in which anyone who has ever been diagnosed with cancer can participate. Cancer survivors, from young children to senior citizens, are scheduled to participate in the special lap this year.

The Relay for Life then gets under way with a walker or runner from each team beginning to circle the track. Look, too, for a group of rockers. They won't have guitars and microphones though; they'll keep rocking chairs going — an alternative method for those participants who find it difficult or impossible to maneuver the track.

The teams will continue the relay through mid Saturday afternoon.

Entertainment, food and games are planned throughout the event and many of the teams will be selling food as additional on-site fund-raisers.

Just after dark on Friday, another of the event's emotional moments will come when luminaria are lit circling the track. These are purchased in memory of loved ones.

Those of us who work here at the Herald want to take this opportunity to thank all of those who helped make our garage sale a success this weekend. All of the proceeds from that sale will be donated to the Relay for Life effort.

Furthermore, we encourage each of our readers to become a part of this worthwhile effort which is now annually tops in the state and finishes among the top 10 in the nation for fund-raising among communities of similar size.

Let's continue that tradition.

Come be a part of it Friday and Saturday at Blankenship Field.

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A SMALL PRAYER

By K. Rae Anderson

Dear Lord, open our eyes that we may see the many blessings that you give us daily.

Amen

Observations on women's pro-choice march

And a grand time was had by feminists from all over the nation last Sunday, out exercising our right to peaceably assemble and to petition our government for redress of grievances. While we still can.



MOLLY IVINS

The women who organized the march came up with a scheme to count our numbers and announced that there were more than a million of us there and it was the largest demo in the history of the nation. ABC had us down to "tens of thousands." Other networks admitted to "several hundred thousands." I didn't see FOX News, but I assume we were down a few thousand on that channel, and almost all the news outlets gave either some or equal time to the few hundred anti-choice groups that turned out. The National Park Service has quit trying to guess the numbers on big marches, so it was up for grabs.

As a longtime reporter on protest marches, I guarantee the best way to estimate a crowd is to count all the feet in it and divide by two. Actually, there are a couple of traditional methods — you can use an aerial photo, divide it into small squares, count all the people in one square and then multiply that by the total number of squares. Or you can station yourself at a given intersection, count the people who pass by in one minute, and then multiply that by the number of minutes the whole march takes to pass. No one has ever claimed either method is precise. I can only report that women filled the Washington Mall on Sunday and put in a whale of a show.

As a veteran of women's marches, I'd say this one was almost as overwhelmingly white as they used to be — the minority women present were perhaps more than the sprinkle they used to be, but still just freckles in our midst, a sign of one of our great failures.

Republicans for choice came from everywhere.

What was amazing was the intergenerational aspect of the march. When women of my generation, the so-called Second Wave of feminism, first started marching, we were on those occasions overwhelmingly young, with just a sprinkling of our mothers and grandmothers among us. This time, almost everyone came as family, ranging from Gloria Steinem, now 70, to Ann Richards' granddaughters. Pregnant women for choice flecked the crowd, marching for their unborn sons and daughters.

The signs ranged from feisty to funny to touching. "My daughter marched for your rights in Iraq; I am here today to march for her rights." "Keep your rosaries out of our ovaries." "George W. Bush believes in abstinence — Lucky Laura." And, of course, the omnipresent, "Who decides?"

Unlike the pre-Roe. V. Wade days, we did not have so many vivid memories of the dead from illegal abortions. The daughter of one famous victim — her dead, bleeding body a photographic icon of those long-past times, came and spoke movingly. The father and brother of Becky Bell, the first girl, but not the last, to die from parental consent laws, came to speak. The families of women who were too poor to afford abortions after public funding was cut off came as well. The global gag rule re-installed by George W. Bush in his first official act as president drew representatives from 57 countries where women have been so hideously affected by it. One news channel reported that the right to choose whether or not to bear child is just 12th out of 14 major issues on which people will decide their votes.

Sadly many older feminist say they are bewildered by the attitudes of a substantial minority of younger women, women born after Roe v. Wade in 1973, who are either opposed to abortion or who do not consider it an issue. I'm not. I never thought about getting breast cancer, until it happened to me.

Abortion providers who have been subject to acts of terrorism for years were there to speak — the bombed, the shot, the maimed, the widows. Still strong, Still working.

As I have written before, I hate writing about abortion, because it is a subject on which so many have already made up their minds, unless or until they are personally confronted with that difficult choice — that abstract argument is of little assistance. In fact, the numbers show that those "officially" opposed to abortion — fundamentalist Christians and Catholics — have abortions at about the same rate as the rest of us. This has never surprised me, because I am a pro-choice advocate who has always known I would never have an abortion myself. The fact is that I always wanted to have children, and from about the age of 20 onward, halfway through my college career (no guarantees what I would have done before then), I think I would have been able to support a child economically (hell, I knew how to type). Whether I would have been able to raise child or was competent to raise a child emotionally and psychologically, who knows? I've watched mothers do it well with far fewer advantages than I had, I've watched mothers completely crumble under the burden. And I still think the question is, "Who decides?"

If you know you are going to bear a child that is disastrously deformed (which you still can't find out until about the fifth month), who decides? I don't mean to be unkind, but the burden of caring for a damaged child is not only known to break up marriages, but frequently to have an unhappy effect on the other children as well. (Not always, I grant you.) But frankly, so much of it has to do with whether there is enough money to care for the damaged child.

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YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

Women marched for reproductive freedom on April 15, in Washington, D.C.. I would have given anything to been there. There are hundred of thousands of women like myself who didn't have the money or time to be there in person.

I urge you to support the freedom of choice act. This administration is making decisions that put women's lives at risk, that strip us of our constitutional rights.

The religious right does not have a monopoly on religion. There are millions of us who are pro-faith and pro-choice.

We believe decisions about reproductive health are better left in the hands of a woman, her doctor, her family and her God. Each religion views abortion from it's own theological perspective and their views vary greatly.

We must preserve religious and reproductive freedom for all.

CAROL L. SMITH
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

The Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home would like to take this opportunity to thank the businesses in Big Spring for donating items to help fill the 10,000-plus eggs and for making the First Community Easter Egg Hunt on April 9 a great success: H-E-B, Bargain Mart, Faye's flowers, Dairy Queen (4th & Gregg St.), Wendy's, KBST/1490, Kwikies/Big A's Shaved Ice, Brandon Herrera, Norma Muscar, Sue Scott, Sand Springs Flea Market, Women's Sunday School Garden City.

The activity department and facility staff would like to also give a big thank you to the community of Big Spring for coming out to our facility and participating in this event and making it a success as well.

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TO THE EDITOR:

We, the family of Miklyn Dobbs, would like for the truth to be known about the events preceding his death.

In has been stated in this paper by the sheriff that "he believed drugs may have played a role in Dobbs' violent behavior." The family deeply resents the implication that he was "on drugs." Miklyn Dobbs, at the time of his death, was not "on drugs." The only drugs he had taken were those prescribed by his doctor and administered by his family.

It has been reported by this paper the Miklyn's behavior was violent. It was at no time violent, only confused. The family never called him violent.

Miklyn Dobbs was having mental health issues, became very anxious and confused on Monday evening. We made the decision to call for someone to help us get him to a hospital for medical and mental help. We deeply regret making that call, because we and he did not receive help. We received only hurt as a result of the actions of the sheriff's department deputies. Miklyn needed immediate medical attention that evening, but sheriff's deputies delayed almost two hours before transporting him to a hospital.

The family also deeply resents the amount of force used by sheriff's deputies in restraining him and the length of time he was restrained and the complete lack of respect given to Miklyn and the whole family.

Every human being deserves to be treated respectfully.

LAURA DOBBS
BIG SPRING

TEXAS BRIEFS

Two killed in heavy flooding

FORT WORTH (AP) — At least two people died when their car was swept away by rushing water as heavy thunderstorms moved through the city Friday night.

Fire Department spokesman Lt. Kent Worley said a woman and her 2 1/2-year-old son were taken to Fort Worth hospitals, where efforts to revive them failed. Firefighters searched until early Saturday for the woman's 1 1/2-year-old son, whom family members said should also have been with his mother. There were two car seats in the vehicle, he said.

The search was called off because of dangerous conditions, but will resume later Saturday.

Worley said the woman apparently had stopped at a low-water crossing but proceeded after a van passed her and made it safely through.

Couple sentenced to year in prison

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — The parents of a 1-year-old girl found dead after being left in a vehicle overnight have been sentenced to a year in prison.

Juana Garcia Castillo, 22, and Luis Ernesto Castillo, 24, were each sentenced Friday to a year in state prison without parole for their role in the death of Destiny Castillo, who died from heat exposure after spending a night and half a day in a hot car in September.

The sentences on the felony charge of abandoning a child should send a message to the public, prosecutor Paxton Warner said.

"We want parents to think twice before they leave their children alone. If this sentence saves just one child from death, then were doing our job," Warner said.

Autopsy: Victim not pregnant

HOUSTON (AP) — The final autopsy of a woman whose friend confessed to her death after watching the movie "The Passion of the Christ" showed no evidence that she was pregnant, even though her parents have medical records saying she was expecting a child.

The pregnancy issue in the Jan. 15 death of 19-year-old Ashley Nicole Wilson likely will determine how her accused killer, Dan Leach II, is prosecuted. If she were pregnant at the time of her death, prosecutors could file a capital murder charge, which is punishable by lethal injection, under a new law defining a fetus as a person.

Assistant District Attorney Greg Gilleland said prosecutors are considering all evidence but said a capital murder case would be difficult to support based on the autopsy findings.

"The evidence as we now know it from the medical examiner does not support a capital murder charge," he said Friday.

Leach, 21, is in the Fort Bend County Jail on a murder charge, which carries a maximum sentence of life in prison.

Detectives announced on March 25 that Leach had been indicted and arrested in the case. Police said Leach went to them in early March and confessed to killing the woman and making it look like a suicide.

Trial in smuggling tragedy delayed

HOUSTON (AP) — The capital murder trial for a man accused in the deaths of 19 illegal immigrants who were among dozens sealed into a sweltering trailer he was towing has been delayed until January.

U.S. District Judge Vanessa Gilmore rescheduled the June 7 trial date to Jan. 5 after Tyrone Williams' attorneys argued that they need an additional 120 days to sift through evidence provided by prosecutors, said Jonathan Cox, one of the attorneys.

"We didn't want to wait that long, but the judge had Enron and a number of other things on her calendar and couldn't accommodate us until January," Cox said.

Gilmore is scheduled to oversee the October trial of seven former Enron officials accused in a 220-count indictment of systematically lying to investors and the public about the value and capabilities of Enron's Internet broadband business.

The judge previously had warned attorneys in the Williams case that any request for a delay would move the trial into next year.

But Gilmore told both sides this week to be ready for trial in October if the Enron case is rescheduled, Assistant U.S. Attorney Daniel Rodriguez said.

Gilmore made her decision in an emergency hearing Tuesday, Cox said.

University of Texas professor dead

AUSTIN (AP) — A University of Texas graduate student was charged with murder Friday after police said he used a meat cleaver to kill an acclaimed piano professor.

Jackson Fan Chun Ngai was holding the cleaver and standing near the body of Danielle J. Martin when police arrived at Martin's home after receiving a 911 call Thursday night, assistant police chief Robert Dahlstrom said.

When he refused to put the weapon down, an officer fired a Taser gun at him and he was taken into custody, Dahlstrom said.

The 22-year-old student was charged with murder and held on $1 million bond, police spokeswoman Laura Albrecht said.

University spokesman Don Hale said Martin, 56, had multiple sclerosis and used a scooter to get around. Ngai, an applied music graduate student, had assisted Martin in getting to and from campus, Hale said.

"A teacher is a gift to life; thus we are all diminished in this moment of tragedy," university president Larry Faulkner said.

Martin, a native of New York, joined the UT faculty in 1972 and headed the keyboard division in the School of Music. She was critically acclaimed for her artistry and versatility as a solo recitalist, chamber musician and orchestral soloist.

She performed and taught throughout the United States, in Canada, Mexico, Korea and Jamaica.

Local briefs

Coahoma registration

Registration for Coahoma pre-K and kindergarten students will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Monday at Coahoma Elementary School.

Parents must bring the child's birth certificate, Social Security card and current shot record. Also needed is a driver's license and Social Security card for the legal guardian enrolling the student.

Business After Hours

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will sponsor Business After Hours from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Rip Griffin's Truck/Travel Center.

Door prizes will be awarded and refreshments will be provided.

Business After Hours is a program specifically designed to encourage networking and to showcase sponsors. There is no charge to attend. Merchants are encouraged to attend and exchange business cards.

Kilgore concert set

J Gale Kilgore will be performing his one man band country show at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 8, at the Municipal Auditorium.

The concert is free. Donations will be accepted for veterans' families in the Big Spring area, or checks should be made to "Veterans' Families" and sent to P.O. Box 3358, Big Spring 79721-3358.

The concert is sponsored by the Eagles Lodge.

Bauer Magnet receives $1,000 from ALON USA

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

An elementary reading program received a boost recently when a long-time Big Spring business donated $1,000 toward the purchase of supplies.

"We receive a number of requests for donations and we look at each one. Then we look at our budget," said Joe Concienne, ALON USA vice president for refining and transportation. "With one of my top managers supporting this and the funds going to a school and to a library program, it was an easy decision to make."

The $1,000 gift, coupled with almost $500 raised by parents, gives Bauer Magnet Elementary School enough money to purchase half the supplies it needs for the leveled library program, said first grade teacher Jenny Bryans.

"The leveled library allows the teacher to individualize the instruction," said Donna Amonett, Big Spring Independent School District. lead teacher. "Instead of a one size fits all reading program, the level book guide uses material that fits a child's reading abilities — material more properly correlated to the individual child's reading skills."

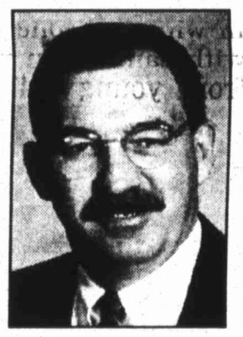
Bryans added she first approached ALON through Production Manager Ernie Morgan, who worked closely with teachers during a project to develop a two-week curriculum about the Big Spring Refinery.

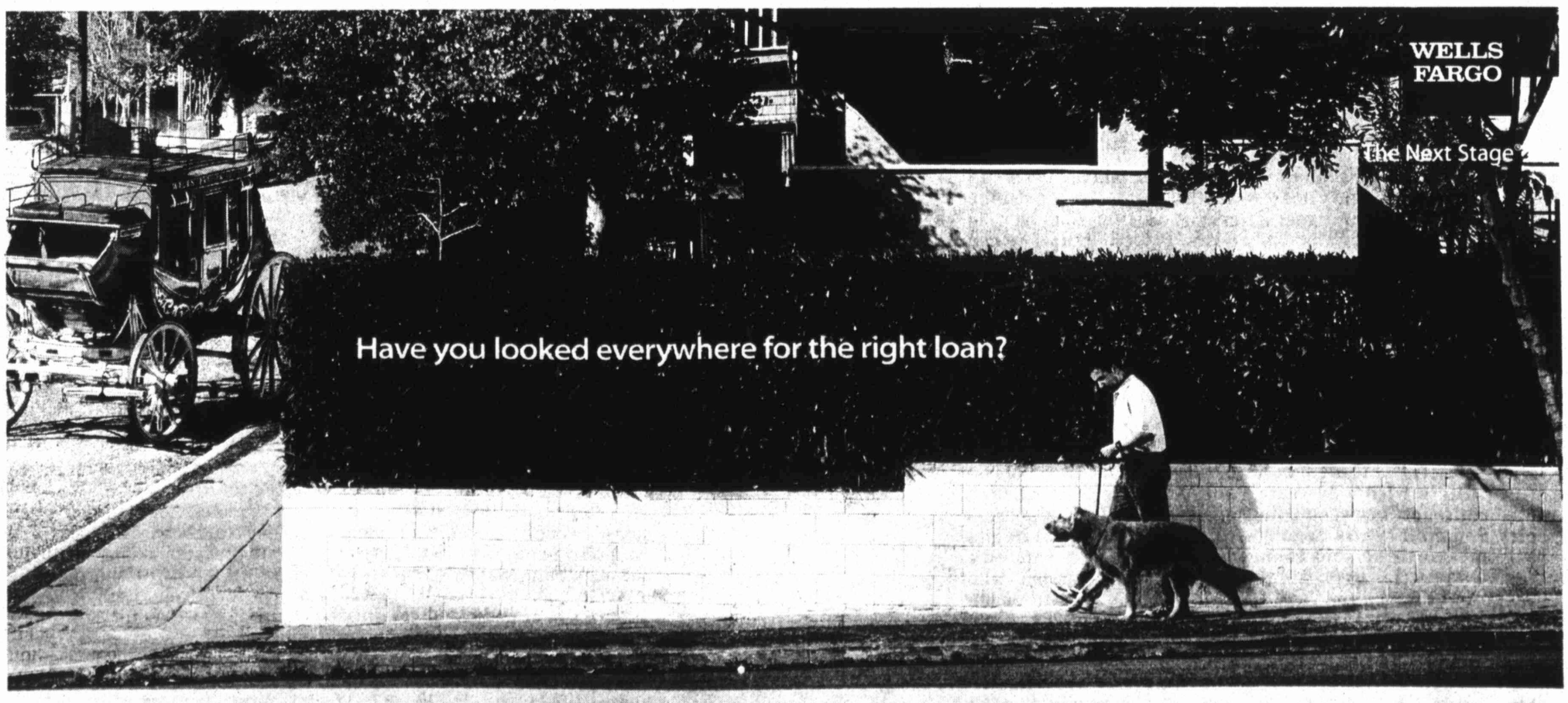
"I think this shows that when people or organizations start working together and develop communication, that when needs are felt and can be met, they get met," Concienne said.

For more information on how to donate to the program, call Bryans or Carrie Willoughby at 264-4121.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald

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Education trustee and city candidate forum

Big Spring Mayor



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Name: Russ McEwen
Age: 54
Occupation: Owner-Russ McEwen Agency (Insurance and Financial Planning)
Boards and committees you have served on: United Way, YMCA, First Christian Church, Big Spring City Council, Fireman's Relief and Retirement Board, Civil Service Commission, State USA Gymnastics Board, National YMCA Gymnastics Board, Young Life Committee, Big Spring Rotary Club Board, Greater Big Spring Chamber of Commerce, Multi-purpose Athletic Complex Development Board, Traffic Commission, and Texas Municipal League Regional Committee.

1. A city ordinance requiring a dumping fee for the municipal landfill was recently repealed due to conflicts with a 30-year-old contract between the city and county. As negotiations continue between the two entities over fiscal responsibility of the facility, do you feel the fee should eventually be put back into effect in an effort to prepare for the inevitable closure of the landfill?

DeAnda: No, not at this time. Citizens are trying to adjust to the inflated economy. Any mention of an increase is not plausible. What we need to do is explore other alternatives for disposal. There are new methods being used that are environmentally friendly and profitable for cities because of the by products that are made from them. We need to explore this and to work closely with the county when doing this. It is very important that we be on the same page at all times concerning any inter-governmental contracts.

McEwen: Actually, the city and the county are presently setting aside funds on an annual basis that will be used to close the present bale fill site. Obviously, if one site is closed another must be opened and that is the future funding that must be addressed. The cost will run in the millions of dollars and it is only prudent to begin to fund that inevitable cost. It is my intention to enter negotiations with the county to find the best solution to this problem. I feel that a dumping fee is a real possibility in that we would be charging the people who are using our bale fill.

2. What quality do you feel you can bring to the city council that sets you apart from your opponent?

DeAnda: I'm female! Seriously, I approach things from a common sense point of view. I am a global thinker who can see the impact of decisions made today on tomorrow. We are a small community but we are attached to the rest of the nation and in a smaller way impact, and are impacted by all things. As a parent who as struggled to raise a family in our ever-fluctuating economy, I make as assessment of what is needed and who needs it more. Then I work to make it happen. Priority must prevail.

McEwen: Experience and leadership. I have had the opportunity to serve Big Spring as mayor for the past four years and the experience that I have gained is invaluable as we go forward. The relationships I have developed in Washington, DC and Austin are vitally important as we fight for our local VA Hospital. I have also developed a close working relationship with local and regional VA leaders which will be vital to the viability of our hospital. I have led the fight to save the VA hospital for our veterans and our community. We will be continuing that fight in the future and we need experienced leadership.

3. Concerns over terrorism have spawned a great deal of concern about community disaster preparedness. If elected/re-elected, what would you do to better prepare the city of big Spring for a severe emergency situation?

DeAnda: Since 9/11 Americans have been living on heightened alert. I believe that those charged with protecting us from terror and the information needed to avoid a crime of this magnitude. They chose to ignore it. We cannot ignore the possibility. We are in a vulnerable position with ALON being here. Because of this their personnel are well trained in handling any attacks. The police department will respond, as will the sheriff and all agencies synchronized in the effort. I think that citizens would benefit from workshops that would teach us how best to assist these agencies without getting in their way.

McEwen: Our police, fire and EMS departments in conjunction with the sheriff's office and 911 have addressed disaster preparedness. Study and training is ongoing. Your city and county officials are constantly seeking new and better tactics in an effort to make sure that our citizens are protected to best of our ability.

4. The city budget has grown increasingly lean over the past several years, making it necessary to continually "tighten the city's belt." How do you propose to turn this trend around, and what can we do to better prepare for hard times in the future?

DeAnda: As the economy worsens, and the price of food and gasoline continue to skyrocket it won't be too long before the working class and those on a fixed income will realize that they are not getting more money to offset these increases. As far as the city goes, there are no miracles. As the nation goes, so do we. Right now the best way we can hope for is to be able to maintain and look for ways to save money. I can see possible savings in parking all non-emergency vehicles at the city garage at night.

McEwen: Quite frankly, I don't see hard times in the future. Our economy is turning around and sales tax revenue is up year to date versus last year. As the economy expands, two things happen: consumer spending increases which brings in more sales tax revenue and businesses expand which allows us the opportunity to attract new business to Big Spring and Howard County. I am optimistic that the future for Big Spring looks bright. My goal is to see Big Spring increase its population and per capita income. This goal is achievable because of the ground work that has been laid in the past four years I have been mayor.

Big Spring City Council, District 5



Name: Hebrew "Hippy" Jones
Age: 59
Occupation: Big Spring Refinery retiree, Alon USA.
Boards and committees: Past manager of Little League Baseball, past president of Webb Springs Lions Club, past president of Howard County Chapter NAACP 1986-96, served on Traffic Commission, served on Minority Concern Committee, Appointed 1987-2004 Salvation Army Advisory Board, serves on W. Hwy 80 Church of Christ Financial Committee, served on Big Spring High School Advisory Board, served on *Big Spring Herald* Advisory Board



Name: Joann S. Knox
Age: 48
Occupation: Director of Food Services for Big Spring ISD.
Boards and committees: First United Methodist Church Administrative Board; Greater Big Spring Rotary past president and board member for four years; American Cancer Society Howard/Glascock Board nutrition consultant and Relay for Life Committee member; Moore Development for Big Spring Business Attraction Committee

1. A city ordinance requiring a dumping fee for the municipal landfill was recently repealed due to conflicts with a 30-year-old contract between the city and county. As negotiations continue between the two entities over fiscal responsibility of the facility, do you feel the fee should eventually be put back into effect in an effort to prepare for the inevitable closure of the landfill?

Jones: There should be no landfill fee. The citizens of Big Spring and Howard County pay taxes which should cover the cost of use and maintenance of the landfill. A fee would negatively impact low income families and retirees.

Knox: Our city fathers years ago saw the need for the funding of the eventual closing. The city is extremely grateful for their foresight because it will be a big economic impact in the future. Yes, a fee should be considered. I especially think that fees should be levied from persons that do not pay into city taxes or reside in another county. Those people are not in any way going to help with the closing costs unless they pay a steeper fee for the usage. The city and county must work together to prepare for this closure and the citizens should do all things possible to help eliminate unnecessary waste to our landfill.

2. What quality do you feel you can bring to the city council that sets you apart from your opponent?

Jones: Being gentlemanly is a quality which I feel serves me well. This has helped me in areas of faith, family and work. I will relate with the citizens and city council honorably.

Knox: I have been an administrator in the public school setting for over 14 years. Prior to that, I owned my own business and wrote grants. I have extensive budgeting background and currently oversee a $1.8 million federally funded program. The knowledge that I have acquired on the council is a positive addition. I truly believe that it takes a full term (three years) to completely learn the process. I do not know my opponent's qualities so I cannot address what sets me apart. I do not consider myself a politician but a sincere citizen who wants a great quality of life for my family and my neighbors.

3. Concerns over terrorism have spawned a great deal of concern about community disaster preparedness. If elected/re-elected, what would you do to better prepare the city of big Spring for a severe emergency situation?

Jones: Excellent communications between law enforcement, emergency services, local government, private industry and the news media already exist. My work experience at the refinery tells me that effective emergency plans are in place. If I am elected to city council, I would work to better inform the public of these measures.

Knox: Our city law enforcement has been working on emergency preparedness since 9-11 and even before. The council has had discussions concerning the water system and other utilities. I think we are already on top of the issue. My answer would be to take the plans that have been devised and follow them to the letter.

4. The city budget has grown increasingly lean over the past several years, making it necessary to continually "tighten the city's belt." How do you propose to turn this trend around, and what can we do to better prepare for hard times in the future?

Jones: Big Spring's population is declining. Big Spring's state and federal government employees are threatened with the loss of jobs or transfer. We should hope for the best and plan ahead for trying times. We need to be creative and think cost-effectively. As an example, non-emergency city vehicles should be parked during off hours. Attracting retirees would immediately benefit the local economy. The city of Big Spring should work to implement a program to attract and relocate pensioned retirees to Big Spring.

Knox: I get frustrated when we hear "oh, well, we live in West Texas" as the answer to our problems. I lived in a more populated area that faced similar financial battles. The answer is to constantly monitor spending and evaluate each expenditure and budgeted item as to how it will help us "grow." I do not believe in "micro-management" but I do believe in "micro-evaluation" of all departments. I think our city manager and staff work on this diligently. It is the council's responsibility to make sure that "comprehensively" we are monitoring the financial expenditures and to set policy that would enhance the ability to face hard times.

Stanton City Council, District 1

Editor's Note: The *Herald* did not receive a response from District 1 candidate Bob Teveni.

As explained to the candidates, the *Herald* limits responses to approximately 100 words per question. However, since Mr. Christian's responses appear here alone, we have not imposed the 100-word limit.



Name: Konny Christian
Age: 68
Occupation: Semi-retired
Board and Committees: Martin County Community Development Committee and Old Soreheads Trades Days

1. What issue specific to the city of Stanton do you see as the most pressing in the coming years, and if elected/re-elected, what would you do to address the issue?

Christian: The most consistent and critical problem every city, county and school board must face is how to balance constantly increasing costs against fixed and sometimes declining revenue sources. Our city is expected to provide a clean and safe water supply; a reliable sewage disposal system; adequate street maintenance; dependable garbage collection and disposal; parks and recreation facilities; plus police and fire protection for its citizens. The city council and mayor must continually seek ways to improve services and reduce costs wherever possible. While many taxing entities throughout Texas have reached the state mandated cap of $1.50 per $100 evaluation, Stanton has been able to keep its tax rate at $1.15 per each $100 evaluation for the past 10 years (since 1994). Rather than raise property taxes, we are asking citizens to consider approval of a 3/4 cent (penny) increase in the city' portion of the state sales tax: 1/4 cent dedicated for street maintenance and improvement and 1/2 cent for economic development, to help broaden the tax base.

2.What quality do you feel you can bring to the city council that sets you apart from your opponent?

My experience in working with a wide variety of Stanton and Martin County residents, and the experience as a council member during the past twenty plus years helps in seeking solutions for many of the problems we frequently encounter.

3. Concerns over terrorism have spawned a great deal of concern about community disaster preparedness. If elected/re-elected, what would you do to better prepare the city of Stanton for a severe emergency situation?

We have already taken steps to prepare for severe emergency situations by hiring an emergency management coordinator. Mr. Hugh Buzzell, a retired military and civilian police officer, was hired by the city and Martin County in March 2003. He was assigned the task of coordinating efforts by emergency medical response teams and all law enforcement agencies throughout Martin County in the event of a community or county disaster. Mr. Buzzell has already obtained an initial grant for implementation of an emergency response effort, and is currently working on other grants funded by the Homeland Security Act, for additional security programs.

4. The city budget has grown increasingly lean over the past several years, making it necessary to continually "tighten the city's belt." How do you propose to turn this trend around, and what can we do to better prepare for hard times in the future?

Having a "lean budget" is not necessarily a bad thing, provided such "belt tightening" does not choke the budget, or cut it to the bone. Over the past several years, the city manager, with the mayor and the council's approval, has gradually built up our cash reserves to help cushion the shock of unexpected financial emergencies. For example: Due to recent rains in the past four months, water usage (and revenue) is far below normal. Our water contract with CRMWD requires us to pay for a minimum amount of water each month, based on our historical usage patterns. As a result, our cost for the minimum amount is greater than income we received from our water receipts, and we are using the cash reserves to help pay our water bill. Replacing these funds will be a priority for the next few years. One of the best ways we can help keep our taxes as low as possible is to help encourage new businesses in Stanton and Martin County, which in turn increase our tax base.

Education trustee and city candidate forum

Howard College Precinct 2



Name: Murray Murphy
Age: 53
Occupation: Retired Superintendent of Schools
Volunteer and elected public service experience:
Past Board member and president of: Howard County United Way (1986-1992) - Campaign chair (1990-91) - President (1991-92); Greater Big Spring Rotary Club- current member -President (1991-92) - Rotarian of Year (1990); YMCA (1990-1995, 1997-2000) -President (1992-92); Salvation Army Board (Past member); Dora Roberts Rehab (Past Board member); Executive Committee Boy Scouts Buffalo Trail Council (1991-94, 2000-2003)



Name: Adrian Randle
Age: 82
Occupation: **Retired Volunteer and elected public services experience**: 12-year incumbent, Board of Trustees, HCJCD; member, Toastmaster, Inc; member, Coahoma Lions.

1. Last year, Howard College, as well as most Texas community colleges, suffered an almost 10 percent decrease in state funding. What are some of the major changes the board should make to address future potential loss in state funding while continuing to provide quality education for the community?

Murphy: During the 2002-2003 school year, the administration did a competent job in trimming costs through an evaluation of each department's budget situation.

It is hoped that the state will stabilize its funding structure and not place higher education in a position to cut budgets after they have been established.

The key to Howard College is to have a steady enrollment that can be counted on yearly. The board should encourage a concentrated effort by administration to increase enrollment through programs that recruit students to Howard College. Higher enrollments decrease pressures in funding issue and should remain a top priority.

Randle: Even with the improving economy, the costs for health and human services in the state of Texas have increased significantly. With the legislatures attempt to address public school funding, the possibility of restored funding in the next session will be a challenge. The college made significant efforts to restrain spending during this budget year and these efforts will continue. Since contact hour generation drives the funding received from the state, every effort will be made to increase contact hours. We shall continue to pursue private funding and grants to offset the shortfall of revenue from the state.

2. What are some of the other major issues the college will face in the coming six years and how should they be addressed?

Murphy: The number one issue will be funding and funding structures. The board and administration will continually be challenged financially and should structure budgets each year on a needs basis. The second most pressing issue is the facility (infrastructure, heating, cooking and plumbing), due to the age of the college. It is my belief that this issue must first be addressed through a long-range study on facilities. Because of the extreme cost involved in renovation, it could be necessary to bring to the voters of Howard College district a possible bond issue in the future, for them ultimately to decide.

Randle: Declining revenues, population and aging physical plants will be major concerns for the college. Every effort will be made to increase college attendance of the people living in the region. There are significant numbers of residents not availing themselves of the educational opportunities available. Declining revenues can be offset by the above measures. In board workshops conducted the last two summers, discussion has focused on the need to address the aging infrastructure. The college is conferring with Freese and Nichols Inc., a firm which specializes in campus master planning. The results of this study will provide direction on steps to be taken to address this change.

3. What role does Howard College play in the community and how can its resources be used to improve the community?

Murphy: The mission of Howard College encompasses being an economic development partner with the city and Howard County. Howard College can continue to provide training in needed job opportunities for this area concerning economic potential. In addition to providing academic and athletic opportunities for students, Howard College provides continuing education for citizens of the surrounding areas.

Howard College is located in the educational center of Big Spring and we should be supportive of the community college concept. As the community supports our community college, Howard College gives back economics, academics, athletics, cultural arts and vocational opportunities to its citizens.

Randle: Through the Rural Community Initiative, Howard College, as a rural college, has taken a significant role in the education and training of the people in its service area as well as the economic development in the region. Toward this goal, all of Howard College's resources will be maximized to the community's advantage. Howard College has always provided the traditional and nontraditional student access to a quality, affordable education. Its unique role to serve the deaf population as well as its 13-county service area makes it a significant partner in higher education.

4. What should the board do to address the issue of attracting and retaining faculty, staff and administration?

Murphy: The board must support efforts by administration to retain the most qualified staff available. Instructors must be provided the necessary technology required for their day-to-day instruction of students. Classroom equipment and technology must be of a quality which faculty needs to facilitate their instruction. Quality classrooms with adequate heating, cooling and furniture enhance the climate and morale of the instructors and students.

With the development of online video instruction, the board should encourage current and potential staff, instructors and administrators to further their educational opportunities and degrees with current and future partnerships with other colleges and universities.

Randle: The Board has always regarded the attraction and retention of Howard College faculty and staff as major priorities. Efforts have been made in recent years to insure that salaries and benefits are comparable or better than community colleges of similar size in the state. It is vital that employees know that the Board values, respects and appreciates the service they provide to meet the vision and mission of the college district.

5. What quality do you feel you can bring to the trustee position that sets you appart from the rest of the candidates?

Murphy: Having been a school administrator for 27 years, 18 in Big Spring, I have the experience and dedication to education that will enhance the Howard College Board and support the administration through oversight and governance. As superintendent of schools, I learned the roles and responsibilities of board members. As a retired administrator, I understand the duties and responsibilities of the Howard College administration and the day-to-day challenges they face.

I can help meet the challenges of Howard College in future years. These challenges will be tough and Howard College needs board members ready to make hard decisions.

Randle: I am retired from the private sector after service as an employee of Texas Electric Service Company for 31 years. I understand the perspective of the private sector as it relates to the public sector after serving on the Board of Trustees for 12 years. I believe we have accomplished much through the years. I have enjoyed the trust placed in me and hope I have played a role in that effort. Academic excellence is the backbone of any institution. I shall continue supporting that philosophy, being mindful that extracurricular activities help in rounding out the student.

Big Spring ISD District 5



Name: Mike Dawson
Age: 46
Occupation: Senior State Trooper
Volunteer and elected public service experience. I am a member of the Howard College Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and have served on the Big Spring City Council's Ambulance Advisory Board, the YMCA program committee, volunteered in youth soccer, basketball and was elected treasurer of Little League Baseball for three years. I have been an elected member of the Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees for six years and have served as secretary, currently serving as president.



Name: Liz Lowery
Age: 44
Occupation: Education Service Specialist, West Texas VA Health Care System
Volunteer and elected public service experience: Greater Big Spring Rotary Club (past president), Chamber of Commerce Executive Board member, board member for Junior Achievement, YMCA board member, youth soccer, youth basketball, youth baseball, Rotary Youth Leadership Award Camp, Junior Achievement volunteer instructor and Phi Theta Kappa sponsor

1. The Texas Legislature has begun a special session to overhaul the way public schools are funded.

a. If BSISD receives more funding under this new system, what two areas should benefit the most?

b. If BSISD receives less funding under this new system, what two areas should be considered for cuts?

Dawson: Any positive or negative program area funding suggestions driven by Texas legislative mandates would be made to the board by our school district administration with input from all levels during preliminary budget conferences. Any suggested program, position or educational tool that directs more dollars into direct student contact in the classroom would have my support. Our district is also facing pressing cooling tower and heating system needs that have been in use in excess of 40 years, along with other building maintenance concerns at several campus locations.

Decreased funding is usually spread across all spending in a equal percentage as a base line then modified in board budget sessions to maintain viability in any given area. This board is committed to balanced budgets.

Lowery: a. It depends on where the most need is identified. Naturally, to address our common goal; academic preparation is where we must begin. In doing this, I believe that we need to involve all of the stakeholders to find the real answers to where more money needs to be place. By asking for input, we also guarantee their support in decisions. In addition, any areas that have previously been cut need to be reevaluated.

b. We must look at those areas outside of our specific mission.. the "frills." There are areas where we like to spend money, but where we do not "have" to spend money. Yet, we need input for all staff to identify the "frills." From my perspective, I may see something as a frill. Yet, if I listen to the perspective of someone else, I may discover that it is truly a necessity. This type of dialog takes time, but the rewards are phenomenal. And, we all have more "buy-in" and support if we are part of the process.

2. What role do athletic programs play in education and where should athletics stand in relation to academics in both priority and funding?

Dawson: Extracurricular programs, which are well balanced and kept in proper perspective, enrich the educational process and make school stimulating for our students. All high school athletic programs are supportive of our primary focus, academic excellence. Our board is proud of the young men and women who are molded in responsible family-oriented citizens by our tireless athletic department staff. Athletic programs work in concert with academics to develop respect for authority and others along with a strong work ethic. 2003-2004 athletic program expenditures for our junior high and high school total $739,259 or about 2.76 percent of this years overall budget.

Lowery: Athletic programs play an important role in education as do other extracurricular activities like band, choir, debate, agriculture and journalism. They each have a role in building responsible citizens that can successfully operate in our community systems. Yet, each of these activities need an academic base to be fully successful. To be an outstanding athlete, debater, musician, journalist or farmer, an individual must be able to read, write and compute. By strengthening the academic level of all students, we strengthen all of the other programs. Funding must find its foundation in academics.

3. What do you see is the role of technology in education and its priority in funding?

Dawson: 3. All children are improvable, all children can learn regardless of background and technology can increase the effectiveness of student learning. School boards throughout Texas struggle with a mandated national and state movement to raise school standards through standardized testing, or attempting to fatten the cow by constantly weighing it. Teachers and administrators know that good instruction is not test preparation. Computers or technology have been used to efficiently identify and design miniature individual improvement plans with astounding results. This efficiency allows teachers more basic classroom instruction time in reading, writing and arithmetic as was stressed in past student generations.

Lowery: Technology plays an integral role in education. Today, teachers are dealing with a different type of student; not one who needs information, but one who has the information but needs to be directed in how to discern this information. The origin of this change: technology. It would be impossible to remove technology from the picture. Again, to build citizens, technology is a must. And, wherever we place priorities, there we must follow with our pocketbook.

4. What should the board do to address the issue of attracting and retaining faculty, staff and administration?

Dawson: Our board is proud, but not satisfied with the $500 increase in our teacher's local increment this year for the first time in over a decade. This past year our administration and board have been building a climate of effective leadership that allows student learning to flourish and allows teachers to find fulfillment and self-satisfaction in their work. Listening and letting people know that you truly care can solve many problems. Decision involvement by parents, teachers and community members serving on individual campus site based groups has been proven to be necessary ingredient for high morale.

Lowery: This is an issue with many organization in the community because we are rural. In recruitment, we must market our positives; climate, low cost of living, community college, medical facilities, little traffic. In addition, it is always an alternative to "grow our own." This idea helps both the school district and the community as a whole. To retain employees, we must truly be concerned with their job situations and make an effort to effectively listen. People don't leave jobs, they leave other people. We have to be people that our employees do not want to leave.

5. As the state continues to stress the philosophy that all students should go to college, what role do career and technology programs play in public education today and should this role be emphasized or de-emphasized?

Dawson: High quality vocational education programs must be relevant in the training they provide to service segments of the student body that may not be college bound. I believe our Texas Legislature should increase career and vocational funding to provide instruction in highly marketable skills such as plumbing, electrical, automotive technology and medical support fields thereby enticing students to remain in school until graduation. Our board has sought and received funding from our local Moore Development in improve vocational programs needed to fill our local job force needs and lower our high school dropout rate.

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Big Spring ISD District 6



Name: Steve Jeter
Age: 43
Occupation: Financial Consultant
Volunteer and elected public service experience: YMCA Board currently, coach youth basketball the last two years and currently coach softball, active in Moss PTA.



Name: Ricky A. Robertson
Age: 41
Occupation: Petroleum Field Engineering Tech-nician
Volunteer and elected public service experience: Coached little league baseball for eight years, sponsored-little league baseball, football, softball: Active in church: served on committee for bringing upgrades to all the schools a/c and new junior high.

1. The Texas Legislature has begun a special session to overhaul the way public schools are funded.
a. If BSISD receives more funding under this new system, what two areas should benefit the most?
b. If BSISD receives less funding under this new system, what two areas should be considered for cuts?

Jeter: a. I believe our first priority should be to increase our fund balance. This will insure our ability to face emergencies in the future and plan for times when state funding is not adequate. The most important asset we have is our people. If we have additional funding, we should make sure our employees are provided for. In the past as our employees received raises, they watched those raises evaporate with higher cost for health insurance.

b. Times like these require well thought out business decisions. I would get input from our staff and our site-based committees before making such a tough decision. I don't know that I could single out two areas today. I can tell you that I would do my best to make sure to minimize the impact to any specific campus or employee group.

Robertson: a. The first area to benefit should be the educator. I feel we should have a flat rate increase to all employees for cost of living. We should promote incentives and other pay raises according to higher standards of education. I feel a great need for technology. Improvements are a must for our educational system. Secondly, we should budget the extra funds for our athletic facilities. Our baseball field needs extensive work. To compete with other schools in sports, we must keep our coaching staffs intact, and to achieve this goal, we must have updated facilities and motivational attractants.

b. In my opinion, we should never settle for cuts in funding. I think there are many ways to receive extra funding. Grants are very competitive. I think we need to staff a professional that specializes in applying for specific need grants. If we do incur cuts, first we should in house more maintenance contracts. Second, I think every department would have to be cut equally. We reap benefits together and should share in shortfalls.

2. What role do athletic programs play in education and where should athletics stand in relation to academics in both priority and funding?

Jeter: I think the best way to ask this question is what roles do extracurricular activities play in education. I wouldn't differentiate between football, band, debate, etc. I think they are all important. These programs help kids build self-esteem. Some kids that struggle in school may excel in music, sports or other areas. We should help them reach their potential. Academics should always be the first priority in our focus and our funding. Out of our $24 million budget, we spend about $750,000 on sports. A little over 3 percent is spent on athletics. I think that shows our priorities are on academics.

Robertson: Athletics play a large part in the development of a child's education. Athletics teach students to participate as a team. Athletics challenge children to be competitive. Some people don't believe in competition in schools. I believe children should be taught to be competitive, because someday they will have to be competitive in college, jobs and life in general. Academics however should be the main priority. Without the tools of knowledge and education, our children will be left behind. As for funding, we as a community need to support our athletes by attending events and helping with fundraisers.

3. What do you see is the role of technology in education and its priority in funding?

Jeter: Technology is crucial; we need to invest our money wisely. We need to stay on the cutting edge. We need to be buying tomorrow's technology today. In my business outdated technology slows down productivity and I'm sure that's the same for our school system. As vital as it is to invest in technology we have to make sure we attract the best teachers and administrators. We also have to make sure infrastructure is maintained first.

Robertson: We must upgrade our technology every year. Our district's computers need upgrades immediately. Most people have the concept that our children are our future, I have a different twist on that saying. We are the future for our children. Without technology and educators with state of the art tools to teach our children, we will be creating an injustice to every child in our district. We now live in the time of the greatest explosion of knowledge the world has ever seen. Technology should be our number one priority in education and funding.

4. What should the board do to address the issue of attracting and retaining faculty, staff and administration?

Jeter: Compensation is always a major issue. We have to make sure that we are competitive in our pay structure. I think it is equally important to provide a safe and positive place to work. No matter how much an employee makes, if they don't enjoy what they do, they will be less productive.

Robertson: We as a board need to stay in close contact with the superintendent and work as a unit. We need to work together as a community to make our school district more desirable to stay in. We lose coaches and educators every year. As I wrote earlier, we need our coaching staffs to stay together, and we also need to keep our educational system intact. Anyone, who knows me, knows that I believe in strength in unity. The way to keep our system intact is to come to a common understanding.

5. As the state continues to stress the philosophy that all students should go to college, what role do career and technology programs play in public education today and should this role be emphasized or de-emphasized?

Jeter: I feel that every student should have an opportunity to go to college. I think we have to face reality, not every student will go to college. We should support career and technology programs for those students as an alternative. If we can help keep one more child in school it's worth the investment. I think we should focus on making productive citizens of every student that graduates.

Robertson: I believe that not all students are cut out for college or even trade schools. I know the mandates on teachers and students are getting more strident every year. I think that we will be cheating our children out of a wonderful adult life, (regardless if they become a surgeon, astronaut, plumber, janitor, teacher, homemaker, etc.), if we not stress the importance of an education. I don't think we can emphasize education enough. If elected, my goal is to see every child graduate. Children remember you will be the future of society, be prepared.

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Lowery: To say that all students should attend college is like saying we should all eat mustard on sandwiches. It isn't going to happen. As a nation of choices, we must offer quality alternatives. All students should have the opportunity to prepare to enter college. Yet, all careers do not require a degree. Offering career and technology programs are imperative. Yet, these programs should be driven by the needs of the community, not by outside groups. Preparing students in areas that will not assist them in finding employment is not beneficial. Thus, there must be partnerships between education and local organizations.

Where to vote:

Early voting in all of the Crossroads area elections runs through May 11.

Here are the early voting locations for each election:

- Big Spring mayor and city council — City Hall, 310 Nolan, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- Stanton City Council — Stanton City Hall, 102 W. School St. 8 a.m.-noon and 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- Coahoma City Council — City Hall, 122 N. First St., 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- Howard College — Howard County Clerk's Office, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- Big Spring ISD — Howard County Clerk's Office, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- Coahoma ISD — Coahoma ISD administration office, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- Sands ISD — Superintendent's office, 101 First St. in Ackerly, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- Stanton ISD — Martin County Clerk's Office, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- Grady ISD — Martin County Clerk's Office, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Coahoma ISD at-large



Name: Don C. Barton
Age: 44
Occupation: Safety and Environmental Specialist Conoco Phillips Company
Volunteer and elected public service experience: No elected office



Name: Danny Martin
Age: 34
Occupation: Engineering Technician with the Texas Department of Transportation
Volunteer and elected public service experience: Seven years as a coach for all little league sports teams for my daughters, FFA Booster member and Band Booster member.



Name: Cindy Smith
Age: 38
Occupation: I am employed as the Director of Network Management and Public Relations Officer for West Texas Centers for MHMR. I have been with this agency for the past 13 years. I earned a bachelors of science degree in consumer studies and management from Texas Tech University in 1989.
Volunteer and elected public service experience: I have previously served one full term on the board of trustees for the Coahoma Independent School District. I have actively participated as a coach in youth sports activities for both of my children through the Big Spring Youth Basketball Association and the Coahoma Little Dribblers League. I have served as a volunteer big sister in the Big Brother/ Big Sister organization in Midland. I am a member of First Baptist Church in Coahoma.



Name: Sissy Wells
Age: 42
Occupation: Multi-Skilled Operator for ConocoPhillips
Volunteer and elected public service experience: I am an active member of 1st Baptist Church in Coahoma and involved in youth activities. I have been involved in athletic and band booster clubs as well as past coach and board member of Coahoma United Girls Softball. I have been on the CISD School Board for the last three years.

1. The Texas Legislature has begun a special session to overhaul the way public schools are funded.
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b. If CISD receives less funding under this new system, what two areas should be considered for cuts?

Barton: a. First we should upgrade our existing technology infrastructure. Some of the computer hardware is now several generations old and has not been upgraded because of budget constraints.

Secondly, we need to make sure our educators and staff are being reimbursed for personal out-of-pocket expenses.

b. I don't know that we would single out two areas for reduction in spending. We have been distributing the cuts across the district, and I would favor continuing that process.

Martin: a. The kids are our number one priority. The obligations of the school district must be met first. Surplus money should be used to benefit our children, whether it be updating computers, purchasing books or any need that would improve their education. I also believe that without good qualified teachers our children's education will suffer. Therefore, it is absolutely necessary that the school district retain the best school teachers available. This will require competitive pay and good benefits. Money invested in tnese areas will produce the best return education for our kids and the best return for tax payers' money.

b. I will strive to keep all activities and functions in place; however, in a short fall things must be streamlined to run more efficiently. This will require looking at every expense for the district and seeing if there is a way to make cuts and still retain services. All options should be exhausted before completely cutting a program out.

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Education trustee and city candidate forum

CISD

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Smith: a. Any new funding received by CISD should be directed toward 1. Expanding educational opportunities for our children and 2. Assuring adequate funds for teacher salaries. As a small district, CISD has many challenges in offering inspiring educational classes for students who are preparing for college and other vocational opportunities. We have an obligation to our children and our community to do the best job we can in preparing them for the world beyond high school. Secondly, teachers are a precious commodity. Without them, we have nothing. They are underpaid and under appreciated for the work they do. We need to constantly strive to improve their conditions, salaries and the benefits.

b. I believe that any cuts in funding should be directed toward 1. Administrative costs and 2. Extracurricular activities. Although I feel CISD has done a good job in trying to reduce administrative costs, these costs are continually under scrutiny. Finding smarter, less expensive ways to do business is always a priority. Secondly, our main priority must be to educate our children and prepare them for college and vocational opportunities. If we are faced with cuts, we must focus on the "added features" of our educational system. Although these often motivate children to remain in school and offer different types of success, they are secondary to the basic academic focus.

Wells: a. I think we would look at our budget and see where we made some cutbacks and see if it would be appropriate to do some of those things now. I know we have some facility maintenance with the heating and air conditioning and possibly some technology upgrades that would probably be at the top of the list.

b. I'm sure we will continue to look at ways to coordinate services with the other Howard County schools and Howard College as well as schedule adjustments that will utilize our staff more efficiently.

I think we would also have to look at all of our programs and try to make minor adjustments with all of them so that none of them suffer to a great extent.

2. What role do athletic programs play in education and where should athletics stand in relation to academics in both priority and funding?

Barton: Extra-curricular activities, including athletics, are extremely beneficial. They teach students social, leadership and team-building skills. In our school district these activities are a source of community pride and cohesion. While the first priority of the school district is to fund academic skills, it is important to continue to fund all extra-curricular activities.

Martin: Core academics should be the districts first priority. Athletics plays an important part of our district, both for the children and parents. Children learning teamwork, building character and taking pride in a job well done. We can not all be professional athletes therefore our main goal is to prepare our children to enter to workforce successful.

Smith: Athletic programs offer many things to many people. There are physical health benefits, teamwork and sportsmanship lessons as well as the opportunity to build student pride in representation of our school. It might also be the motivational factor for a student to do well in the classroom and succeed in the athletic arena. There are also students who are totally disinterested in athletic activities. Athletic programs should always be secondary to our academic program in priority and funding. For all the success and excitement that athletics offer, they are a secondary part of our main responsibility.

Wells: Our first obligation is to educate children and in doing so we must keep them interested and motivated. This is where not just athletics but all extra curricular programs are important. These programs teach life skills such as leadership, teamwork, participation and hard work that in some cases can't be learned in the classroom.

Our students are encouraged to work hard and to do well academically so they are allowed to participate in the other areas of interest.

As far as funding, this is a very small piece of our budget in comparison to the impact not having it could have on the students.

3. What do you see is the role of technology in education and its priority in funding?

Barton: Now, even entry-level jobs require some level of technology literacy. Whether students are interested in careers in education, agriculture, construction, management, etc., technology will be essential. Since it is the school district's mandate to help prepare student for the workplace, we cannot help but fund the appropriate technology for our students.

Martin: Technology is the future and we must give our children the necessary tools to be able to compete for the high tech jobs available today.

Smith: Technology is an ever advancing part of our school system and our future. Without it, our students will be left behind and not properly prepared for what lies ahead of them. It is our job to do all we can to secure funding, grants and other collaborative opportunities to continue in our technological advancement.

Wells: Technology is a key to education that should be utilized to its fullest. It opens up possibilities that a few years ago would have been unheard of. We have utilized technology in our Distance Learning labs and have conducted employee training and offered some educational opportunities to the community. We have the good fortune to be in a county that has three districts as well as Howard College and technology should allow us to work together so that all will benefit.

Funding for technology is a big concern since it changes so quickly but careful planning is a key and I feel CISD has done a great job budgeting for those changes.

4. What should the board do to address the issue of attracting and retaining faculty, staff and administration?

Barton: The administrators, educators and para-professionals that I know feel their work with students is much more than just a job. CISD has and should continue to do the following: Compensate all employees fairly, demand and demonstrate the highest standards from themselves and their students, provide a positive atmosphere conducive to learning and provide administration and school board support.

Martin: The board has to realized how valuable our faculty, staff and administration are to the district. They should do everything possible to recruit and retain the best people. The board should honor and respect our faculty, staff and administration for the outstanding job they do for our children.

Smith: Attracting top rate staff is always difficult in rural areas. We must be competitive with other schools similar to our size for teacher salaries and benefits offered. It is the board's job to create the most positive teaching environment possible to attract creative people to our system in Coahoma. We need to focus on the positive aspects of our community and what we can offer in a smaller, supportive teaching environment. It is our role to support the professionals that we hire to teach our children and offer them every opportunity we can to be creative and venture "outside the box" in developing new educational venues for our children.

Wells: This has been one of the struggles that all districts are facing and I'm not sure I have a good answer. It would be nice to be able to offer incentives and raises but school finance doesn't help with that type offer.

We do offer them a nice facility that is surrounded by community support. We have the greatest faculty and staff as well as administration around and our students make you just want to come to work everyday.

5. As the state continues to stress the philosophy that all students should go to college, what role do career and technology programs play in public education today and should this role be emphasized or de-emphasized?

Barton: I favor continued emphasis in career/technology programs. There are many students who do not desire to attend a four-year college straight out of high school for various reasons. One of the school's functions is to provide all students opportunities to be successful whether they choose to enter the job market, technical school or two-year/four-year college/university programs.

Martin: Not everyone is going to become a professional athlete and not everyone is going to be able to go to college; therefore, we must provide students with the necessary skills to obtain a job straight of our high school. With the ever increasing cost of college expenses this need is rapidly growing. If we do not provide our children with what they need for their future we have failed them.

Smith: College is a choice many parents want for their children. However, it is not logical to think that all of our teens will leave high school and go on to a two-year or four-year college. We cannot leave those students in the dark when we are planning for our educational system at CISD. The students are who looking for a path other than college still deserve our attention and devotion in offering them challenges, information and opportunities to be successful in their chosen fields. I do not think either venue should be emphasized over the other. All students are equally important to our future.

Wells: This is a good philosophy but not practical. The opportunity for higher education is important for some but career and technology programs are equally important. If you look at Howard County you can see we have a need for professionals such as lawyers, doctors or teachers but we also have a great need for career and technical people to run our farms, ranches and oilfield as well as the local businesses that see to this communities needs.

So while the door to higher education has been opened, there will always be a balance of career and tech opportunities. Public education should still emphasize the importance of these programs.

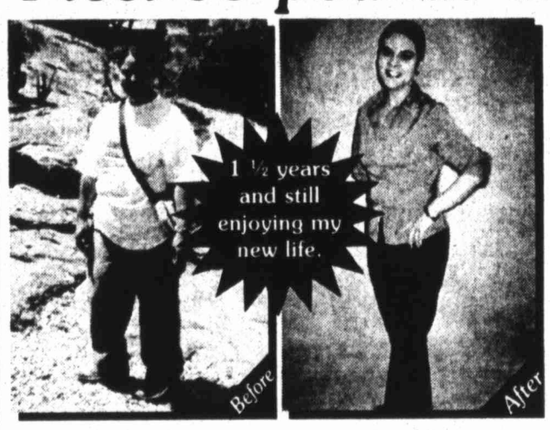
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Sands ISD at-large

Editor's Note: Running for the Sands ISD board are Stan Blagrave, Jr. Casas and Michelle Zant. Mr. Casas was the only candidate to respond to the forum.



Name: Jr. Casas
Age: 48
Occupation: Farmer
Volunteer and elected public service: Knott Volunteer Fire Department, Director of the Farmers Co-op Gin in Knott, served as election judge of Martin County and FSA alternate.

1. The Texas Legislature has begun a special session to overhaul the way public schools are funded.
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Casas: a. Programs that benefit students with learning disabilities. Work on bringing the newest technology to the classroom.
b. Try to conserve energy. Less school funded trips.

2. What role do athletic programs play in education and where should athletics stand in relation to academics in both priority and funding?

Casas: Academics should always come first in priority and funding. However, athletic programs are beneficial to students because they teach students the essence of respect and discipline.

3. What do you see is the role of technology in education and its priority in funding?

Casas: Technology is a major tool in aiding teachers to prepare students for the future.

4. What should the board do to address the issue of attracting and retaining faculty, staff and administration?

Casas: The school board should give surveys to the teachers and administrators to make sure all their needs are being met.

House school funding plan moving toward vote

AUSTIN (AP) — Bottled water, mixed drinks and billboard advertising could be taxed by the state under a revised proposal to pay for public schools.

The latest tax proposals replace earlier plans to tax car washes, auto repair services and coin-operated machines in a draft that will be voted on by a House education committee Saturday. That would clear the way for consideration by the full House as soon as Tuesday.

"Next week could be a historic opportunity to stabilize and improve the way we fund public school education in Texas, for the benefit of all citizens," Rep. Kent Grusendorf, committee chairman, said Friday.

Lawmakers were called back to Austin by Gov. Rick Perry for a special session to overhaul the state's school finance system.

Grusendorf praised the plan as "the most equitable system for school finance ever considered by the Texas Legislature."

As drafted, the plan would bring in an additional $1.5 billion in new money for schools. Some of that money would be used for an incentives program, in which teachers are rewarded based on student performance.

Under the House plan, school property taxes would be reduced to $1.05 per $100 in appraised land value. Districts would have the option of raising taxes an additional 10 cents if approved by a public vote. The current rate is $1.50. That money would be replaced with the higher sales tax and the tax on bottled water, mixed drinks and billboard advertising.

The franchise tax would be eliminated and replaced with a 1.25 percent payroll tax on all businesses. The amount would be capped at $500. The motor vehicle and boat sales tax would both be increased to 7.75 percent.

The new proposal does not include a proposed $1 "amusement ticket surcharge."

One of the taxing proposals, the legalization of video gambling at horse and dog racing tracks, is estimated to generate $1.5 billion in state revenue. But the idea has met with opposition from many House members.

The bill also includes a new funding formula that differentiates for the first time between the cost of educating students in high school and primary grades. Schools would get $4,459 for each student in kindergarten through eighth grade, based on average daily attendance. High schools would get $1,000 more per student.

Perry's home district struggles with declining enrollment

PAINT CREEK (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry often praises the education he received from Paint Creek, a kindergarten-though-12th grade school that sits along a winding, desolate West Texas road.

But the school has hit hard times, causing it to join more than 200 school districts, both wealthy and poor, in suing the state over its share-the-wealth school finance system.

The district's annual budget this school year is $1.13 million, down from $1.24 million last year. Coping with the financial shortfall has meant hard choices for Paint Creek, where all the district's 96 students — down from 146 in 2002 — attend class in the same two-story building and the motto is "No dream too tall for a school so small."

Last fall, the school let three of its 19 teachers go and asked two others to double up classes and teach two grades. With fewer students and declining property values, the Paint Creek school district faces a crisis.

As legislators meet in Austin to wrestle with school finance, Paint Creek educators and parents hope Perry won't forget the small ranching and farming district of about 600 people where he grew up.

"Because the school district is the community, once the school district is gone, it's time and again been proven, the community dries up," Paint Creek teacher Keith Medford said.

Perry wants to replace the so-called Robin Hood system, which has funded Texas' schools since 1993, because it relies heavily on property taxes. He called a special session this month and asked lawmakers to find a new way to fund schools.

Perry proposed a plan that included creating or raising several taxes, but the Legislature can reject all or part of it as they devise their own plan. Under Perry's proposal, Paint Creek would receive $777 more per student, Perry spokeswoman Kathy Walt said. Currently, the state contributes $5,977 per student to Paint Creek.

"He understands what rural schools need," she said. "And his plan not only maintains equity, it improves equity in the system."

"We don't feel he's looking out for the rural population as much as he is big cities' interests."

Paint Creek parent Emily Medford on Perry

Emily Medford, the mother of two Paint Creek students, doesn't like Perry's plan because she said it could hurt rural districts with small tax bases. More worrisome, however, is that Perry seems to have forgotten his roots, she said.

"We don't feel he's looking out for the rural population as much as he is big cities' interests," said Emily Medford, a distant cousin of the Paint Creek teacher. "Any changes are scary because of the unknown. It's very, very important to us that Paint Creek stays open."

In December, Paint Creek got some financial help, but not from the state. On its second attempt, the rural district won a $170,000 grant to help younger students read. They will receive that amount in each of the next four years.

Principal Bill Fowler said his superintendent told him that without the grant, Paint Creek "might not be open too many more years."

"We still could have survived but it would have been harder. It was a huge relief," said Fowler, who is also the district's athletic director and when needed, one of its bus drivers.

Still, it was enough money to help the school fill three vacant teacher positions in January and to give each grade its own teacher again.

Keeping small, rural schools open isn't just a Paint Creek problem. Similar districts are struggling also, Paint Creek Superintendent Don Ballard said.

"We ought to be concentrating more on 'what programs can we provide for students?' instead of concentrating on 'what do we have to cut to survive?'" Ballard said.

In 2002, Texas has 419 rural districts and 122 urban districts, Texas Education Agency spokeswoman Debbie Graves Ratcliffe said. The urban number takes in nine major cities, their suburbs and districts in smaller cities.

Rural districts face extension because of a dwindling population, which influences property taxes and enrollment. Complicating matters, the size of the state makes mergers between school districts a challenge because it may mean students have to travel long distances to attend school.

The Paint Creek community is a collection of modest homes. The population is aging and fewer children are being born in the district's 235 square miles. There are only a handful of businesses.

A couple of years ago, a power plant on Lake Stamford closed and families moved away to seek other jobs. That led to a $10 million drop in the district's property tax rolls and state funding for the school district.

Tobacco lobbyists try to block tax increase

AUSTIN (AP) — With a House education plan moving forward, big tobacco companies worked Friday to make their case that smokers shouldn't shoulder the burden in shelling out money for Texas schools.

But those pushing for the $1-per-pack cigarette tax increase, which is part of the House plan, said they have detected little opposition at the Capitol to upping the tax.

"In our discussions with legislators and staff, most of them seem to be comfortable with a $1-per-pack increase for cigarettes," said Kelly Headrick, a lobbyist for the American Cancer Society's Texas division.

The tobacco giant Philip Morris USA has hired high-dollar lobbyists and is distributing a survey to lawmakers conducted by Republican pollster Mike Baselice that indicates two-thirds of voters polled have doubts about a cigarette tax increase.

"The governor makes decisions based on what he thinks is in Texas' or Texans' best interest, not on polls," said Perry's spokesman, Kathy Walt.

Although a House education committee this week has been revising its school finance package to address worries over a proposal to expand the sales tax to certain services, no such revision has come about over complaints from cigarette makers.

Tobacco representatives say raising the tax would send smokers to neighboring states, Mexico or the Internet to buy cigarettes and lead to illegal cigarette smuggling. All of that, they say, hurts legitimate retailers.

Cigarette makers also contend that a tobacco tax is not a stable revenue source for education because it will dwindle as the number of smokers declines.

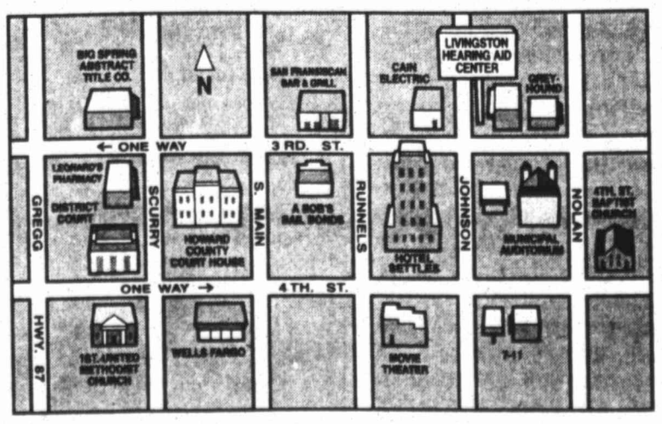
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EU celebrates growth

DUBLIN, Ireland (AP) — Leaders from across Europe set aside their concerns about the EU's growing pains Saturday to seal the entry of 10 nations into the European Union and mark the end of the continent's Cold War divide.

After leading overnight festivities in their homelands, presidents and prime ministers from the new members will sit down for the first time as equal members of the EU's governing council.

"We used to be the gateway to Europe. ... We are now inside the gate," Hungarian Prime Minister Peter Medgyessy told revelers Friday in Budapest.

"A new chapter can commence in our national history," Medgyessy said. "Tomorrow is an opportunity for a new modern Hungary."

The 10 nations officially became members after midnight Friday in central Europe. They are Poland, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Slovenia, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Cyprus and Malta.

Jackson charged with conspiracy

SANTA MARIA, Calif. (AP) — A conspiracy charge against Michael Jackson signals a new direction in the case, one that could include indictments for other people accused of conspiring with the singer to commit the crimes of abduction, false imprisonment and extortion.

Jackson pleaded innocent Friday to a newly unsealed grand jury indictment listing the new conspiracy charge, as well as counts of molestation and giving a child alcohol that were similar to the ones in a previous indictment.

The grand jury indictment said Jackson conspired with "other uncharged co-conspirators and co-conspirators," but the judge ordered that the parts of the indictment identifying them be removed before it was publicly released. The defense and prosecutors declined to say Friday who else may be arrested.

"We have a lot to say and we're going to do our talking in court," Jackson attorney Steve Cochran said.

Judge Rodney S. Meville softly and methodically read the 10 counts of the indictment Friday, which supersedes charges filed by Santa Barbara County prosecutors late last year.

GOP birthplace in question

UNDATED (AP) — Their claims are cast on metal plaques, humming in cyberspace and printed in obscure history books, Chamber of Commerce fliers and the Congressional Record. And not one of the four self-proclaimed birthplaces of the Republican Party is about to back down.

The Republican National Committee's online party history says the GOP held its first informal meeting in Ripon, Wis. — without specifying a date. It also states flatly, "The first official Republican meeting took place on July 6th, 1854 in Jackson, Michigan."

It does not mention competing claims by Exeter, N.H., or Crawfordsville, Iowa.

Nevertheless, the debate has heated up as the GOP observes its 150th anniversary, give or take a few months. The next sesquicentennial celebration is set for early July in Jackson.

The "birthplace" claim by the city of 35,500 located 80 miles west of Detroit is unimpeachable, said Susan Milhoan, president of the Greater Jackson Chamber of Commerce.

Prosecution rests in Nichols case

McALESTER, Okla. (AP) — Doctors who performed autopsies on bombing victims wrapped up prosecutors' testimony in the state murder trial of Terry Nichols.

Prosecutors rested Friday, after presenting evidence over 29 days that they said links Nichols to the bombing of the Oklahoma City federal building. He faces possible execution if convicted. The defense begins making its case Thursday and may call as many as 200 witnesses.

On Thursday, the doctors who performed autopsies described how some victims died of decapitation and traumatic injuries, such as severed limbs and skull fractures.

The April 19, 1995, bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building killed 168 people and injured more than 500 others. Timothy McVeigh was convicted of murder in federal court and executed.

Nichols, 49, is already serving a life prison sentence after a federal jury convicted him of conspiracy and involuntary manslaughter in the deaths of eight federal agents in the bombing.

Fuel prices anger truck drivers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Truck drivers angered at soaring California fuel prices stopped their rigs in rush-hour traffic and hundreds stopped hauling goods from two of the nation's busiest ports.

Five truckers were arrested Friday morning on Interstate 5 south of Los Angeles after they parked or jackknifed three big-rigs, closing down the northbound lanes for nearly an hour before California Highway Patrol officers used tow trucks to clear them.

Other trucks formed a slow convoy on the 110 Freeway between downtown and the Los Angeles and Long Beach port complex, causing minor traffic delays, authorities said.

"Disrupting thousands of commuters and disrupting thousands of lives is not the way to get support for your cause," patrol Officer Ron Burch said.

Later in the day, hundreds of truckers took the day off. They rallied near the ports of Los Angeles-Long Beach and Oakland to protest high fuel costs and other issues they said are cutting into their profits. The ports reported significantly fewer trucks arriving, although Friday usually is a lighter day.

Bush sees brighter future in Iraq; Democrats disappointed in gains

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush says the United States will successfully pursue its work in Iraq in the face of a violent insurgency that seeks to undermine a peaceful transfer of power to Iraqis on June 30.

"Despite many challenges, life for the Iraqi people is a world away from the cruelty and corruption of Saddam's regime" and "we will finish our work," Bush said Saturday in his weekly radio address.

Bush's comments come exactly a year after his declaration that major combat operations in Iraq had ended, a point he noted.

The Iraqi resistance has become a major issue in the presidential campaign, with public doubts growing about Bush's handling of the war, according to the latest polling data. Americans are split evenly on whether taking military action in Iraq was the right thing to do, a CBS News-New York Times poll found this week.

In the Democratic response to Bush, Iraq war veteran Paul Rieckhoff expressed disappointment with the president.

"Our troops are still waiting for more body armor. They are still waiting for better equipment. They are still waiting for a policy that brings in the rest of the world and relieves their burden," said Rieckhoff, an Army National Guard first lieutenant who was a platoon leader in Iraq.

Rieckhoff called his comrades in Iraq "men and women of extraordinary courage and incredible capability. But it's time we had leadership in Washington to match that courage and match that capability." Democratic Sen. John Kerry's presidential campaign distributed Rieckhoff's comments.

Two more deaths on the final day of April raised the U.S. death toll to at least 136, making it the deadliest month for American forces since March 2003.

Militias, remnants of the regime and foreign terrorists "have found little support among the Iraqi people," the president said.

"The failure of Iraqi democracy would embolden terrorists around the globe, increase dangers to the American people, and extinguish the hopes of millions in the Middle East."

—President Bush

Bush is pursuing twin goals on Iraq's future, trying to ensure an atmosphere of security as Iraqis move toward self-government and returning sovereignty to the people of Iraq on June 30.

He addressed the two biggest problems facing coalition forces, saying he is prepared to let local Iraqis negotiate the disarmament of "radicals" in the city of Fallujah while insisting that militias in the city of Najaf and elsewhere "must disarm or face grave consequences."

On Friday in Fallujah, Iraqi troops replaced U.S. Marines and raised the Iraqi flag at the entrance to the city under a plan to end the monthlong siege there.

"American and coalition forces are in place, and we are prepared to enforce order in Iraq," Bush said.

U.S. officials say military commanders won't wait forever for local political efforts to quell the insurgency in Fallujah.

Their words foreshadow the possibility of a strong fight to gain control of the city, if joint Iraqi-American efforts fail to halt the violence.

The United Nations' envoy to Iraq, Lakhdar Brahimi, has said that ordering American troops into Fallujah and Najaf "is not the right thing to do" and would anger the Iraqi people. Coalition soldiers surround both cities.

Bush said the bigger picture in Iraq is somewhat brighter.

Electricity is now more widely available than before the war, he said, and Iraq has a stable currency with thriving banks, renovated schools and clinics and rebuilt power plants, hospitals, water and sanitation facilities and bridges.

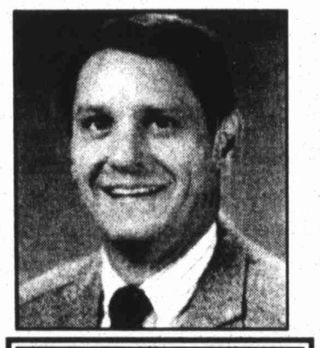
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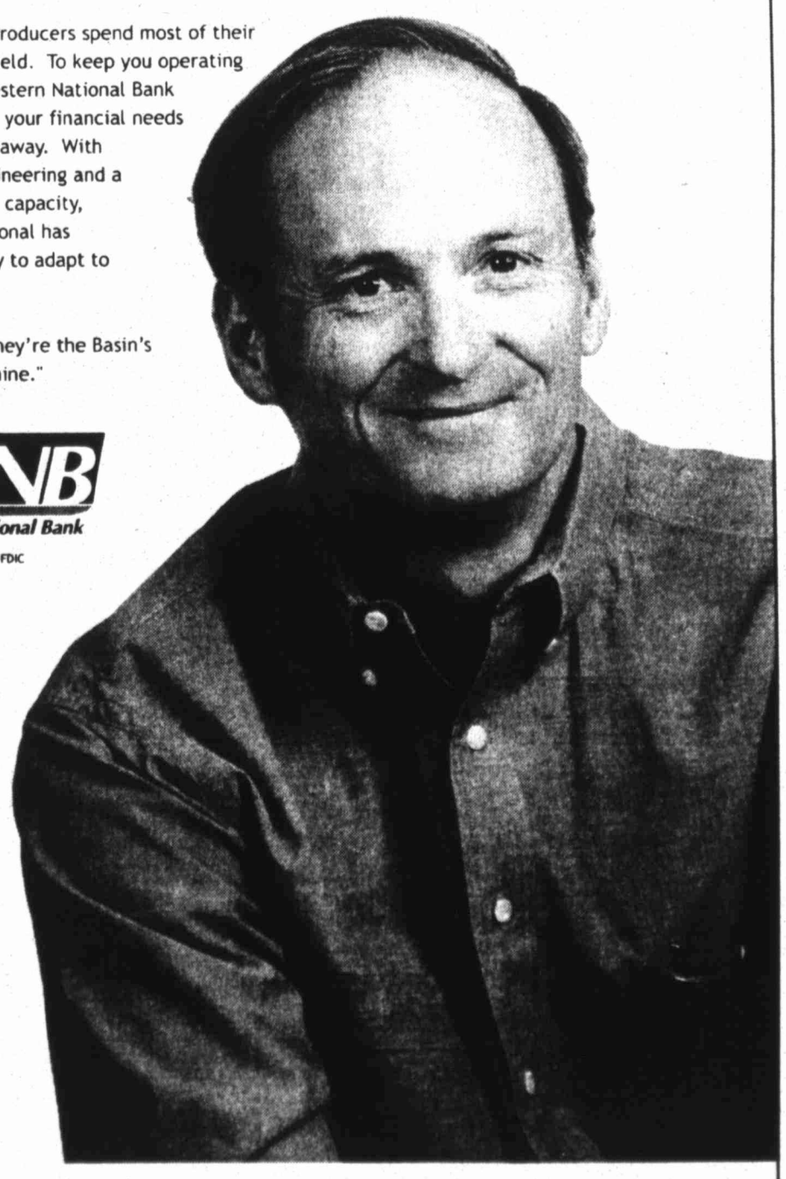


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Bakersfield school official charged with killing family

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. (AP) — A school vice principal long a suspect in the deaths of his wife, three children and mother-in-law last July was arrested and charged with five counts of murder, police said. Vincent Brothers was taken into custody without incident Friday morning near his house. He pleaded innocent at his arraignment in Kern County court later in the day and was being held without bail.

"It is our present intention to seek death" if Brothers is convicted, District Attorney Ed Jagels said. He added that no official decision on Brothers' potential punishment had been made.

Brothers' estranged 39-year-old wife, Joanie Harper; their children, Marques, 4, Lyndsey, 2, and Marshall, 6 weeks; and his mother-in-law, Earnestine Harper, 70, were found shot and stabbed in their home in the community 100 miles north of Los Angeles. They had last been seen in church two days earlier.

Brothers' attorney, Kevin Little, said his client was out of state when the killings occurred. "We contend he was not present and after a full and fair trial, he will be exonerated," Little said outside court. He would not comment further.

Brothers had said he was in Ohio visiting his brother, then traveled to visit his mother in North Carolina when the five were killed. Police say a witness spotted Brothers at the home in Bakersfield the last day the victims were seen alive.

"He went to Ohio and came back to Bakersfield by car," Jagels said.

Brothers was under police surveillance for weeks after the attacks and was put on leave by the school district.

Brothers was a teacher and vice principal at a middle school before switching to the vice principal job at Fremont Elementary School in 1996. He was well-respected in the inner-city Bakersfield neighborhood where the school is located, winning praise as a mentor to children.

IRS warns taxpayers of fradulent e-mail

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Internal Revenue Service on Friday warned consumers about an identity theft operation that tries to elicit personal information from taxpayers by sending e-mails alleging they're the subject of a tax investigation.

Neither the Treasury Department nor the Internal Revenue Service send e-mails to taxpayers about issues related to their accounts.

The official-looking e-mail tells recipients they can dispute the tax fraud charge by logging onto a web site and providing detailed personal information like Social Security numbers, credit card numbers and driver's license numbers.

Identity thieves use individuals' personal data to create false identification documents, to purchase goods and to apply for loans, credit cards or other services in the victim's name.

The Internet service provider that hosted the Web site shut it down at the request of the Treasury Deparment's inspector general. The IRS warns that new versions may surface.

Taxpayers who receive suspect e-mails should call the Treasury Department toll-free fraud hot line at 1-800-366-4484, or the IRS at 1-800-829-1040.

Texas town changing policy after arrest of 97-year-old

HIGHLAND PARK (AP) — The police department is changing its arrest practices after a 97-year-old woman was detained for an outstanding traffic warrant, provoking a flurry of response, officials said.

Public safety officials said in a news release Friday that officers and supervisors have been granted broader discretion on arrests on traffic warrants until the policy is reviewed.

Former teacher Harriette Kelton was arrested, handcuffed and taken to jail last month after officers stopped her car for having an expired registration and inspection sticker.

She was in custody about two hours before her attorney arrived and she was released on her own recognizance.

Police said then that officers had no choice but to arrest Kelton. But the department was inundated with e-mails and phone calls — with mixed opinions on the arrest — and officials added a comments feature to the department's Web site.

The plan to review arrest policies sounds like a good move, Kelton said.

Thank You
Big Spring Community

Approximately 2 years ago my wife Geri became ill with an undiagnosed neurological disorder. In that time we have seen over twenty doctors in seven different cities. The last ten doctors were seen over a three-week period at the Mayo Clinic in Phoenix Arizona. After a multitude of tests, we left, without a diagnosis and with a hand full of prescriptions to treat the symptoms. With in the past six months she has lost almost fifty pounds and is confined to a wheel chair. Her illness forced her to resign her position as secretary to the principal at Big Spring Junior High. During this time the Big Spring Community has come to our aid in every way possible. This letter is to thank this community for the tremendous support they have given my family over the past two years.

Trinity Baptist Church
Brother Randy Cotton and the members of the Trinity Baptist Church (which I am a member) have been very special to our family. Thank you for the cards, meals, phone calls, plants and gift baskets. The very generous love offerings have been a tremendous help with traveling expenses and medical bills. Most of all I thank you for your love, prayers and friendship.

The following Churches have sent cards, meals and have prayed diligently for Geri. Thank you very, very much.
Hillcrest Baptist, College Baptist, Eastside Baptist, East Fourth Street Baptist, First Baptist Church of Coahoma, First Baptist Church of Big Spring and Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Thank you:
K'leigh Fowler, a 12 year old Coahoma student who sent a letter (written in pencil) while we were in Phoenix, stating that she would pray for her and offered to help any way she could. Geri and I were deeply moved by her letter.

Big Spring Independent School District
To all the employees who donate to the sick leave pool, your contribution was greatly appreciated. The thirty-days of sick leave enabled Geri to remain on the payroll while we were in Phoenix. We had hoped she would be able to return to work after seeing the doctors at the Mayo Clinic. A special thanks to Mr. Neel and the staff and teachers of the Big Spring Junior High for all of your love, prayers and support.

Southwest Tool
Jimmy Johnson and Richard Knocke
For donating the material to build a wheel chair ramp.

My neighbors:
Bill Jennings for building the perfect wheel chair ramp that is worthy to be patented.

Tim and Debbie Dunn, Doug and Sandy Lloyd and Robert and Nomie Finn for helping with our children while we were in Phoenix.

Evelyn Dawson and Sherry Nichols for coming to our home each week to give Geri her injections.

Dr. John Myers for the dental work, for my daughter Amanda. (refused payment)

Becky Wash for coming to our home to cut Geri's hair. (refused payment)

Mike and Anna Evans for allowing us to use their Suburban to travel to Phoenix in, so Geri could travel more comfortably.

Employees of the Texas Department of Public Safety for their prayers, support and friendship.

When Geri and I moved to Big Spring newly wed almost 22 years ago, we had no idea that we would be received into this community as we have. This letter falls short of expressing my families deepest heartfelt appreciation for everything this community has done for us during this very difficult time. I don't know which direction God will go concerning Geri's health. However, I do know that God loves her more than I do, and He has already reached through the Big Spring Community and touched the Lasater family in a way we will never forget and for that we are very grateful.

My prayer for this community is that God will richly bless each and every one of you in a very, very special way.

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Big Spring volleyball clinics announced

Big Spring high school volleyball coach Revis Daggett has announced a volleyball clinic available for incoming seventh-graders.

The clinics will take place this Monday and Wednesday, as well as Monday, May 10 and/or Wednesday, May 12.

Athletes may attend one or all five clinics.

Each clinic runs from 4-6 p.m. and takes place at the Big Spring Junior High School Gymnasium.

The cost is $10 for any or all of the clinics and those interested may pay at the door at any one of the clinics.

Checks should be made payable to the Lady Steers Booster Club.

Seventh-grade volleyball tryout dates set

The Big Spring junior high will be holding volleyball tryouts in May. The dates for tryouts have been set for May 17-19 from 4-6 p.m. each day.

The tryouts will take place in the Big Spring Junior High Gymnasium and are free to all incoming seventh-graders.

Attendance is required at least two of the three days in order to make the 2004-2005 team or prior arrangements need to be made with Coach Daggett. She can be reached at 816-9560 or rldaggett@esc18.net.

Lady Steers Athletic Banquet announced

This year's Lady Steers Athletic Banquet will take place Thursday, May 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the Big Spring Junior High Cafeteria.

Tickets will be $10 each and can be purchased through Kay Cook at the ATC, Faye's Flowers or All-District Screen Printing. Tickets must be purchased by Wednesday, May 5, at 5:30 p.m. The banquet will be catered by Cowboys Restaurant.

Please make all checks payable to Lady Steers Booster Club.

Longhorns Ragball Tournament set

This first annual Longhorns Ragball Tournament will be held at Comanche Trail Park Saturday, May 8.

The cost of the co-ed tournament is $110 per team. Each team must have five guys and five girls age 16 years and up. Contact Sally Grant at 268-4728 or 393-5237 or Mike Hilario at 267-6619.

Howard College announces banquet

Howard College has scheduled its athletic banquet for May 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the East Room of Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

ON THE AIR

Sports Broadcast Schedule

Today

Event, Time	Station
Astros vs. Reds, 12:40 p.m.	1490

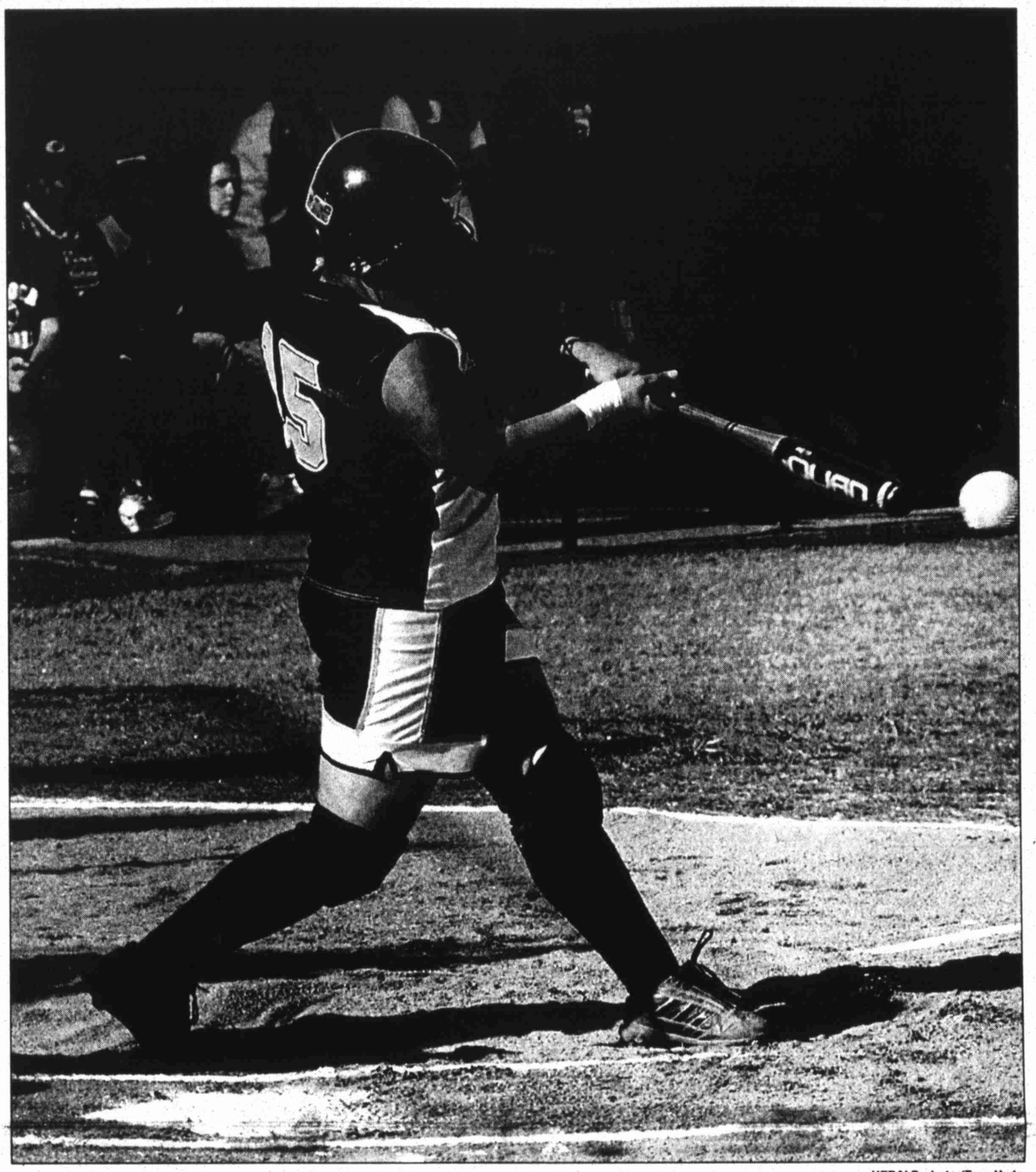
Monday

Event, Time	Station
Rangers vs. Devil Rays, 6:30 p.m.	1490

Tuesday

Event, Time	Station
Astros vs. Pirates, 6:40 p.m.	1490

Lady Steers breeze through opener



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde

Big Spring senior Laura Olague drives the ball into play during her first at bat at the Lady Steers' bi-district win over Amarillo Caprock Friday night. Big Spring took an early 7-0 lead after four innings before the game was delayed nearly 45 minutes due to lightning and then rain. The Lady Steers then added four runs in the top of the fifth inning to earn the run-ruled victory over the Lady Longhorns, 11-1. Big Spring will now play El Paso Irvin in Alpine Friday beginning at 7 p.m.

By JEFF LANE
Special to the HERALD

Senior Erica Stewart went four-for-four at the plate with one RBI as she helped the Big Spring Lady Steers defeat Amarillo Caprock, 11-1, Friday in their Class 4A Region 1 bi-district round game in Lubbock.

Big Spring improves its record to 30-4-1 heading into Area play against El Paso Irvin next Friday at 7 p.m. in Alpine.

Big Spring faced not only Amarillo, but also some nasty weather. Lightning, chilling winds and rain caused a near 45-minute delay sending players and fans looking for cover and warmth.

But it wasn't enough to stop the Lady Steers as the well coached team maintained composure and focus to secure the victory. Stewart wasn't the only Lady Steer who came in with a big bat. Fellow senior Leina Braxton pounded the Lady Longhorns unmercilessly, forcing them to commit three errors on her four at bats.

Senior Whitney Hufford, junior Heather Vassar, senior Laura Olague and junior Chelsea Abner also chipped in as Big Spring collected 11 hits in five innings.

Braxton started off the first inning with a smashing hit that went past the left fielder and reached the fence. She slid safely into third and reached home as Stewart sent her first hit to left field. That was all the scoring the Lady Steers could muster through the second inning.

In the top of the third, Big Spring came to life, scoring five runs.

Once again Braxton led off the inning with a shot up the middle. She rounded the bases for an inside

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Howard upsets Temple, loses to Midland in semis

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

The Howard College Lady Hawks reached the semifinals of the Region 5 softball tournament in Midland before losing to the host team, 3-2.

Howard defeated 17th-ranked Temple in the second round of the tourney, 3-1, before losing to seventh-ranked Midland, 3-2, in the semifinals.

HOWARD 3
TEMPLE 1

Jennifer DeMay pitched the Lady Hawks to a 3-1 upset win against 17th-ranked Temple Friday afternoon as she gave up one earned run on just four hits. Temple came into the tournament as one of the top offensive teams in the tournament, but could not get anything going.

Howard scored all three runs in the first two innings of the game and then held on for the victory after a nice effort on defense, said Coach Derek Clapp.

The most exciting, and perhaps controversial play, came in the second inning when sophomore Analisa Arlenno laid down a bases-loaded squeeze bunt that scored a run for the Lady Hawks. Temple Coach Larry Hennig argued the call at the plate and was eventually ejected.

HOWARD 2
MIDLAND 3

The Lady Hawks struck first against seventh-ranked Midland, but Midland got the final tallies to knock off Howard College, 3-2, Saturday morning.

Howard scored both of its runs in the first inning against the tournament's top pitcher, Earya Shembreva, who came into the tourney with a 0.26 ERA on the mound.

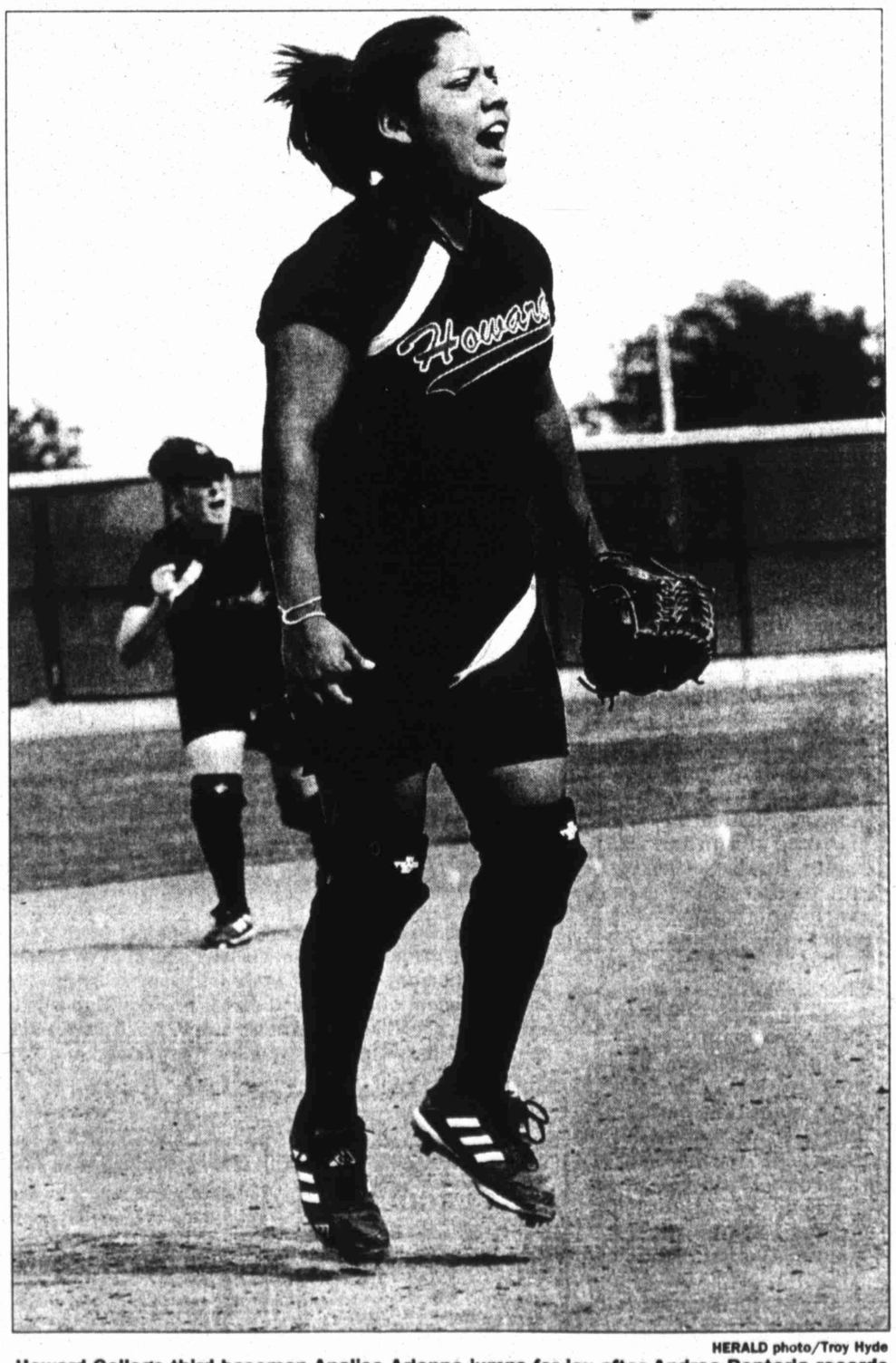
"(Shembreva) is getting strong consideration for all-American honors," said Clapp.

The Lady Hawks used three pitchers in this contest and gave up only one earned run. Unfortunately, it was the two unearned runs that hurt in the end.

Erin Mulvey started the game and gave up the only earned run for Howard. DeMay entered in the third inning and with two runners on base, Midland came through at the plate with a shot down the left field line. Then, an error by the left fielder allowed two runs to cross the plate, giving Midland the lead for good.

"It is questionable whether one run would have scored anyways, but after the bobble in the outfield, both runs

See **LADY HAWKS**, page 3B



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde

Howard College third baseman Analisa Arlenno jumps for joy after Andrea Renteria records a strikeout against McLennan College Thursday at the Region 5 Tournament in Midland. The Lady Hawks defeated McLennan and also upset 17th-ranked Temple College Friday afternoon. However, Howard was defeated by seventh-ranked Midland in the semifinals.

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Butler earns third trip to Austin, Brown reaches finals

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

Senior Cierra Butler placed second in the discus competition at the Region 1-4A track meet in San Angelo Friday and earned her third consecutive trip to the state meet in Austin.

Butler's qualified throw covered more than 136 feet in distance.

Also competing in the discus was Amisha Vanderbilt. Vanderbilt's throw was marked at 114 feet even, which secured her fifth place overall.

Both Butler and Vanderbilt each had another shot to advance to state Saturday in the shot put.

The shot put took place Saturday at 3 p.m., but results from that event were unavailable at press time.

Michael Rodriguez competed in the boys 3200 meters Friday night and finished fourth overall, but failed to qualify for state.

Rodriguez's time was clocked at 10:05.14. Jesus Huerta of Hereford and Levelland's Roland Morin advanced to state with first and second place finishes, respectively.

The Lady Steers were featured in several other events Friday, as well.

Freshman Katy Abner competed in the pole vault and placed seventh overall out of 16 participants. Abner and two other girls cleared bar at 9-4, but Abner was given seventh based on misses at 10 feet.

Airienne Brown participated in two open events Friday. She qualified for the finals in the 200 meters with a top eight finish, but was disqualified in the 100 meters after leaving the start line too early.

The Lady Steers' 4x400 meter relay team was also disqualified after Elida Rodriguez was called for a false start. Besides Elida Rodriguez, other members of the 4x400 meter team include Abner, Carmen Lewis and Raegan Ritchey.

The 4x100 meter relay team of Elida Rodriguez, Lewis, Abner and Brown finished one spot away from qualifying for Saturday's finals as they crossed the finish line in ninth place.

The Lady Steers turned in a time of 49 seconds, but it wasn't enough to advance.

Brown ran in the 200 meter finals Saturday, but results of the race were unavailable at press time.

Also competing for the Lady Steers Saturday was Lewis in the triple jump.

Big Spring also had two athletes on the boys team that participated at the regional meet.

Jeremy Williams performed in the 200 meter preliminaries Friday night and Jacob Marquez ran in the finals of the 800 meters Saturday night.

However, results from both events were unavailable at press time.

LADY STEERS

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the park home run off a Caprock throwing error. Stewart then reached base on a single to left. A double by Hufford then sent Stewart to third.

After Stewart stole home on a wild pitch, Olague cranked an RBI single into center to score Hufford. Vassar then came to the plate with Olague on second and ripped a double into left landing the RBI. Abner ended the the five-run third inning with an RBI single that scored Vassar.

A one-run fourth inning saw Braxton again befuddle the Caprock defense with a hard hit into left field. After Stewart reached base with a single, Hufford drove in Braxton with yet another single.

The top of the fifth inning saw the winds and rain come and sent the girls to the dugouts while officials watched the weather and waited to continue. Both teams anxiously waited as UIL rules state that five complete innings must be played for a game to be official.

As if knowing how close the Lady Steers were to victory, the rain moved on and play resumed. With Vassar on base after drawing a walk, Abner flied out to right and senior Katie Policky was hit by a pitch. With runners now on first and second, sophomore Courtney Rodriguez hit a single to right, which loaded the bases.

Caprock's day with Braxton and Stewart continued as Braxton laced one into left, scoring two runs. Stewart then cranked an RBI single into right, ending the scoring for the Lady Steers.

Alex Watkins did her part on the mound allowing only three hits, while fanning nine Caprock batters. Watkins especially came through in the third inning as she got out of a good scoring chance for the Lady Longhorns.

Watkins gave up hits to Leticia Ballin and Alex Bustos and hit Jessica Terry with a rare wild pitch, but maintained her composure to strike out three in the inning, including a bases loaded strike out of Tiffany Martinez.

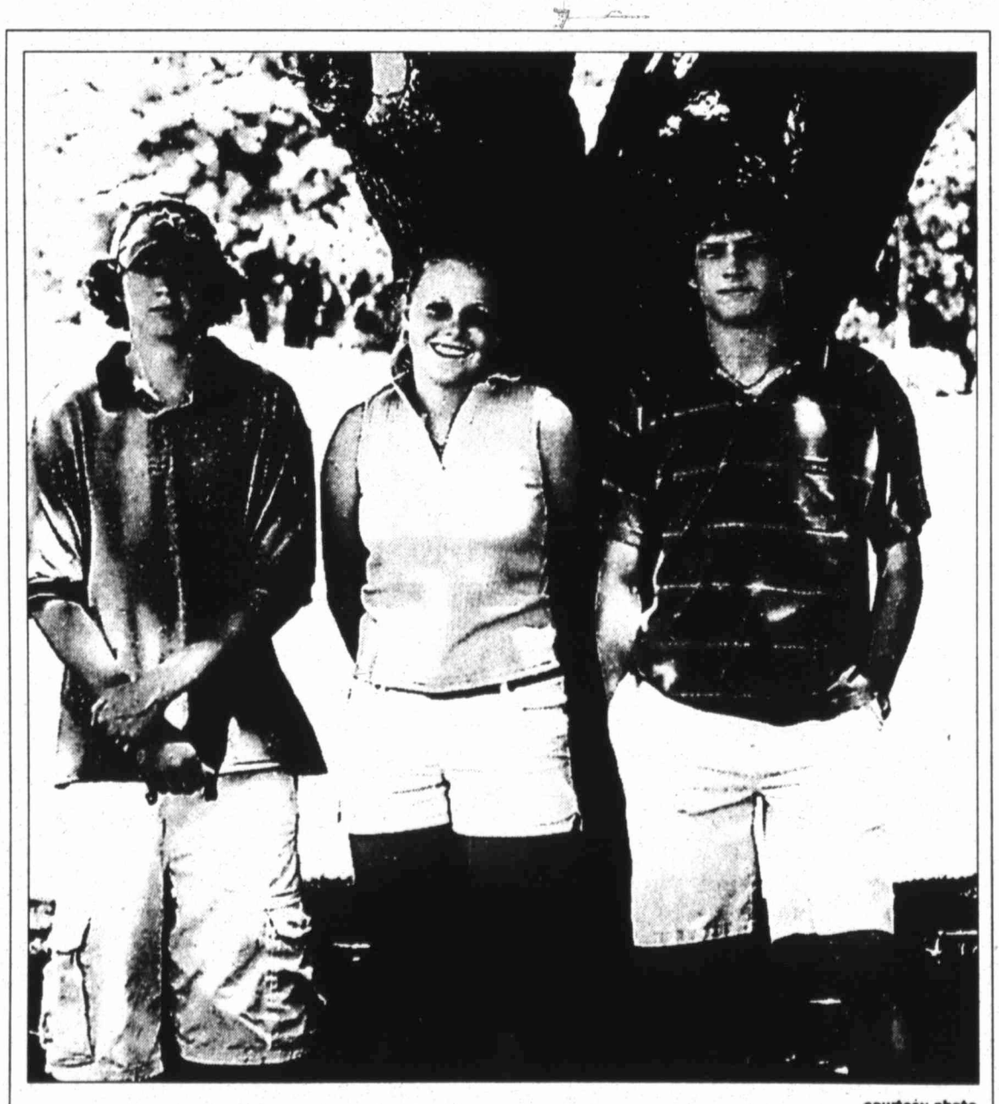
Amarillo loaded the bases again late in the bottom of the fifth, scoring its only run of the game. The threat was ended as Braxton scooped up a grounder and threw to first for the final out.

The Lady Steers return to Big Spring to begin preparations for the Friday matchup with El Paso Irvin. The game will be a rematch of last year's 12-2 Big Spring victory.



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde

Senior Leina Braxton comes into third base during the Lady Steers' 11-1 bi-district victory over Amarillo Caprock in Lubbock Friday night. The ball got by the third baseman and Braxton scored on the play. The win improves the Lady Steers' record to 30-4-1 on the year. Big Spring now travels to Alpine Friday to begin Area play against El Paso Irvin. Big Spring defeated Irvin, 12-2, in last year's regional playoff game.



courtesy photo

Forsan and Coahoma's varsity golf team had three golfers qualify for the regional tournament as medalists. Regionals was played at the Baird Golf Course Wednesday, April 21 and Thursday April 22. From left: Junior Darrick Shifflett of Coahoma, sophomore Shiloh Sanders of Forsan and senior Brandon Burleson of Forsan. Shifflett and Sanders have each qualified for regionals twice, while Burleson has gone three times. Burleson shot a 160 in two rounds, while Shifflett turned in a 165 and Sanders scored a 201.

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Burleson, Gee advance to finals at regional track meet

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

Forsan senior Brandon Burleson was the lone representative at the Region 1-2A track meet in Abilene this year, but after day one, Burleson's quest to advance to state in Austin may still be reality as he reached the 100 meter finals Saturday after qualifying fourth in Friday's preliminaries.

Also, qualifying for Saturday's finals was Coahoma's Sterling Gee. Gee tied for eighth overall in the girls 100 meter hurdles as she crossed the line in 17.09.

Burleson's preliminary time was clocked at 11.19, which was just .19 seconds behind the leader.

Both Burleson and Gee competed in the finals of their respective race Saturday, but results of the races were unavailable at press time.

Several other track athletes from Stanton and Coahoma competed at regionals Friday and Saturday, as well. Here are results from those athletes.

Stanton

Stanton's Robert Saenz ran in the 3200 meter Friday morning, but did not place in the top eight. Clyde Eula swept the event with two runners moving on to state. Bryce Pickens won the race with a time of 10:02.93, while teammate Cory Higgins took second in 10:03.20.

Saenz got another chance to advance to state Saturday in the 1600 meters, but results of that race, which started at 4:30, were unavailable at press time.

Stanton also saw Blake Anderson perform in the finals of the shot put Friday. Anderson, however, was unable to advance to state. Anderson's throw and place was unknown at press time, but he did not place in the top eight, overall. Josh Berry of Canadian won the event with a throw of 54-feet five-inches, while Auston English also qualified for state with a toss of 53-feet, four inches.

Neither Bobby Gutierrez (300 hurdles) nor Stanton's 4x200 meter relay team of Tanner Riley, Darryl Williams, Guttierrez and Eric Giddens was able to reach Saturday's finals in their respective events. The final qualifying time in the 4x200 was ran by Tahoka in 1:34.41.

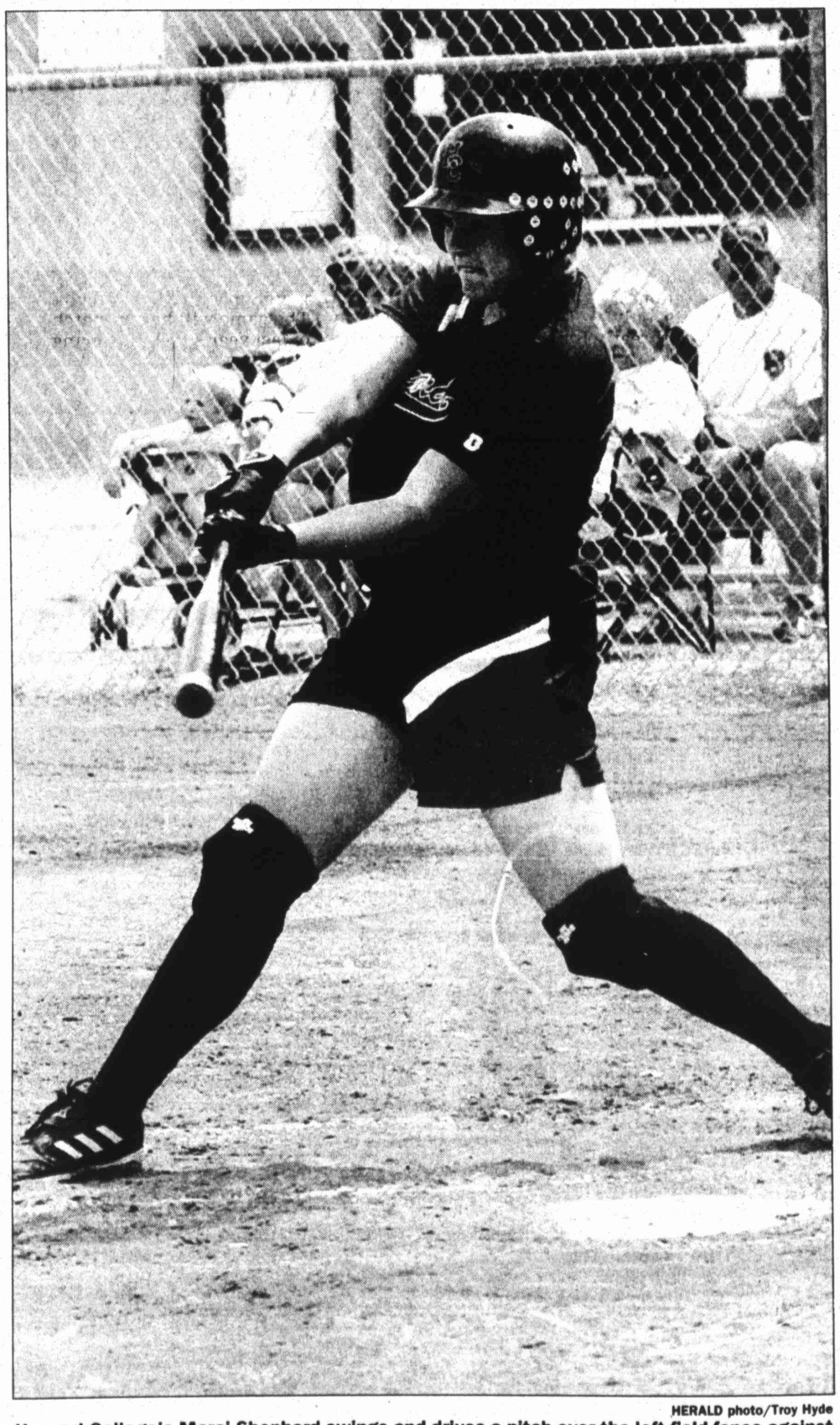
Barton Gonzales and Williams performed Saturday, as well, in their last chance to qualify for state, but results were unavailable at press time. Gonzales competed in the 800 meter, while Williams took part in the triple jump.

Coahoma

Sam Tindol and Miranda Hester each ran in the 400 meter preliminaries Friday, as well, but neither was able to advance to Saturday's final round.

Joe Holguin competed in the high jump Friday, but did not place in the top eight. Holguin qualified for regionals with a jump of 5-11. Todd Parker of Electra won the event Friday with a jump clearing 6-9.

Sarah Bartlett's first chance to qualify for state ended Friday as she failed to finish in the top two of the 3200 meters. However, Bartlett got another chance Saturday in the 1600 meters, but results of the race were unavailable at press time. Also competing with Bartlett in the 1600 meters was Monica Morelion.



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Howard College's Marci Shepherd swings and drives a pitch over the left field fence against McLennan College Thursday in the first round of the Region 5 Tournament. Shepherd's three-run home run put the Lady Hawks up 7-0. They won the game, 11-3, and then knocked off 17th-ranked Temple Friday, 3-1. Seventh-ranked Midland College defeated Howard in the semifinals, 3-2, Saturday morning. Final results were unavailable at press time.

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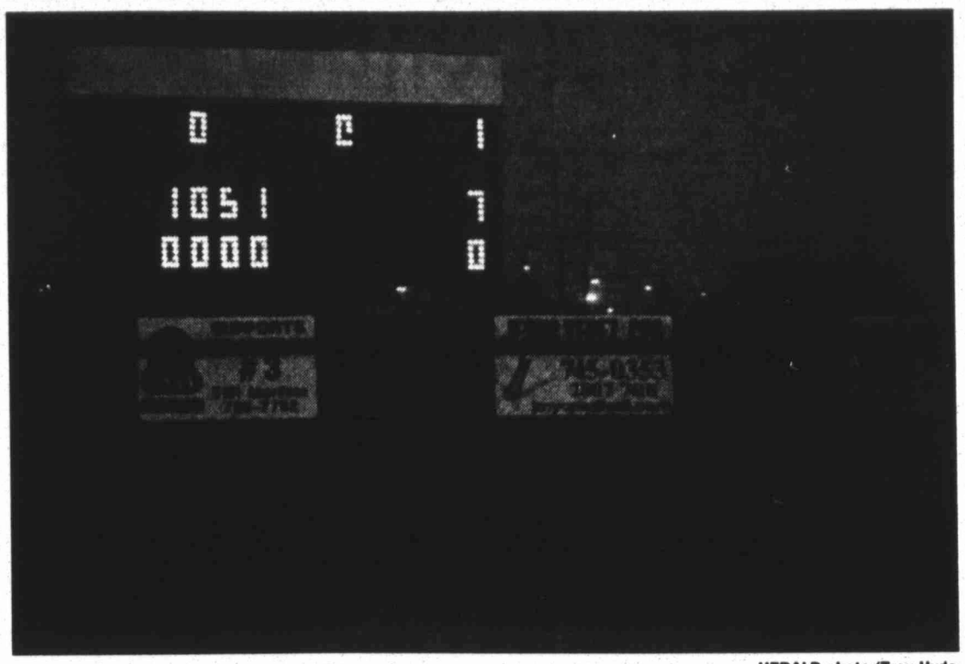
scored," said Clapp.

Andrea Renteria pitched the final two innings and held Midland scoreless, but the damage was already done.

Dion Lopez and Michelle Teller scored Howard's runs and Marci Shepherd and Angela Piper recorded one RBI apiece.

"We have played with great intensity and heart throughout the entire tournament," added Clapp. "This has been a total team effort and I am completely happy and proud of our team."

Howard played the winner of the North Central Texas and Temple game Saturday afternoon, but the result was unavailable at press time. Midland advanced to the championship against the winner of Howard and either North Central Texas or Temple.



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Big Spring's bi-district opening playoff game took place Friday night in Lubbock. The Lady Steers won the game 11-1 in five innings, but not before dealing with a near 45-minute rain delay.

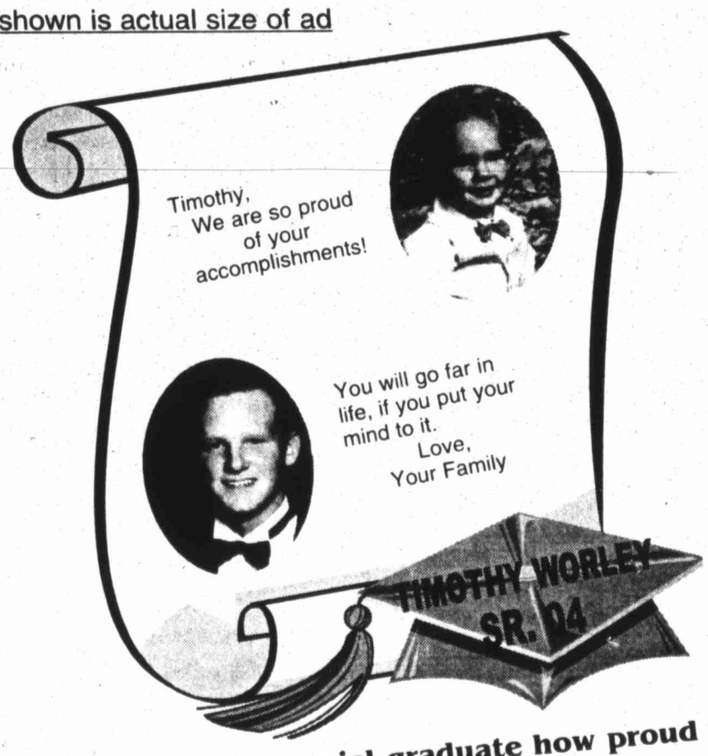


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Rice president to face Foreman in charity bout

By BETH HARRIS
AP Sports Writer

LOUISVILLE, Ky. - Eighteen horses are heading for the starting gate at Churchill Downs — and they better like mud.

A sloppy track in Saturday's Kentucky Derby could favor Imperialism, Pollard's Vision and the undefeated Smarty Jones.

The National Weather Service forecast a 70 percent chance of thunderstorms for Saturday afternoon. Showers and thunderstorms were expected to continue into Saturday night.

"We're ready to dance," said John Servis, who trains Smarty Jones.

Todd Pletcher believes a wet track helps Pollard's Vision, but isn't a factor for Limehouse, his other starter.

"An off-track is going to help some horses and hurt some others," Pletcher said. "You've just got to go out there and do it."

Nick Zito might be the trainer who is happiest about the prospect of stormy weather.

His horses, Strike the Gold in 1991 and Go for Gin in 1994, were the last ones to win on rainy Derby days. He'll saddle early 4-1 favorite The Cliff's Edge and Birdstone.

Then there's Borrego, whose sire El Prado is known for producing colts who like off-tracks.

If it rains, mud could obscure the corporate logos that several jockeys plan to wear for the first time in the Derby on their right pants leg, where the most TV exposure is possible.

"I see what it's done for NASCAR and the PGA Tour and they've risen to the forefront way beyond horse racing," said Jerry Bailey, who lost his Derby mount on injured Wimbledon. "It's a good thing for everybody involved."

It could be a good day for bettors, too, since a winning Derby ticket was expected to bring a handsome payoff. The 3-year-old picture was muddled all winter, with 25 different horses winning the 28 stakes races on the Derby trail.

Bobby Frankel is one of the best handicappers among trainers, and even he was uncertain.

He'll saddle Master David in pursuit of his first Derby victory after finishing second last year.

"Quintons Gold Rush looks like the kind of horse to me who is going to go early" to the lead, he said. "I think Smarty Jones will go, too. If Lion Heart takes enough heat early, it opens the race up for everyone else."

Smarty Jones was the 9-2 second choice. He had more at stake than his 17 rivals.

He could earn a $5 million bonus from Oaklawn Park for sweeping the Rebel Stakes, Arkansas Derby and Kentucky Derby.

Smarty Jones and jockey Stewart Elliott are both in the Derby for the first time. So are Tapit's trainer Michael Dickinson and jockey Ramon Dominguez.

No first-time trainer and jockey duo has won since Bud Delp trained and Ronnie Franklin rode Spectacular Bid in 1979.

With 18 starters, the purse is $1,154,800, with the winner's share $854,800.

The race lost Wimbledon (leg injury) and St Averil (tender feet).

Don't look for trainers Bob Baffert and D. Wayne Lukas in the winner's circle. Baffert, a three-time winner, trained Wimbledon. Four-time winner Lukas didn't have a good 3-year-old this year. It'll be the first Derby since 1980 that one or both didn't have a horse in the race.

"This is part of the business we never get used to," said Baffert, who hasn't missed the race since sending out his first starter in 1996.

San Antonio hopes Horry's experience will lead Spurs

By T.A. BADGER
Associated Press Writer

SAN ANTONIO - Robert Horry left Los Angeles with at least four valuable souvenirs from his six-plus years with the Lakers — three championship rings and a playbook.

The rings are history, but the San Antonio Spurs will likely tap into Horry's insight on the Lakers, not to mention the postseason shooting touch Horry became known for with Los Angeles.

The teams open the best-of-seven Western Conference semifinal series on Sunday, with Game 2 scheduled for Wednesday in San Antonio.

"I know their plays — I can help our team out when they call something," said Horry, who signed with the defending champion Spurs last summer after the Lakers declined to pick up his $5.3 million option.

Los Angeles coach Phil Jackson suggested that Horry's insider information regarding the Lakers might be outdated.

"Rob will know what we are doing out there, there's no doubt. He's a smart player," Jackson said. "Sometimes we say a little knowledge is dangerous. Maybe we can use his knowledge against him."

Former teammate Kobe Bryant looks at the matchup with Horry in purely competitive terms.

"It's going to be fun," Bryant said. "He knows our offense, he knows what we like to do. But we know what his strengths and weaknesses are."

Horry, nicknamed Big Shot Bob by Bryant because of his timely shooting in the playoffs, was an important cog in the Lakers' three straight championships from 2000-02.

In 2001, he went 8-for-13 on 3-pointers in the NBA Finals against Philadelphia, and in 2002, he hit a game-winning 3-pointer to clinch the Lakers' first-round series over Portland.

He made an even bigger splash in the 2002 Western Conference finals against Sacramento. He tied the series 2-2 by making a jumper behind the arc with 0.6 seconds left for a 100-99 win. Los Angeles won that series in Game 7, with Horry making a pair of late 3-pointers that helped rally the Lakers.

But in last year's playoffs he went 2-for-38 on 3-pointers, one of those misses being one of the most-remembered shots in Spurs history that didn't go in.

With the Western Conference semifinals tied 2-2, San Antonio had squandered a 25-point lead in Game 5, but was clinging to a 96-94 advantage in the waning seconds.

Horry was wide open when he got the ball behind the 3-point line on the left wing.

He let go a shot that appeared on target, but the ball rattled around inside the rim and bounced out.

David Robinson grabbed the rebound with three seconds left to preserve the win for the Spurs, who wrapped up the series one game later.

Horry says his Spurs teammates still talk about that shot, but he doesn't.

"What am I going to say — 'Whoa, I almost sent y'all home,'" he says. "They got the most important thing."

Horry poked along during the regular season before lifting his game in San Antonio's four-game playoff sweep of Memphis.

He averaged 11 points and 8.3 rebounds, both well above his regular-season marks, and made six of his 10 3-pointers.

Teammate Tim Duncan says Horry would be a go-to guy if the Spurs found themselves in the same spot as the Lakers in last year's Game 5.

"He has so much confidence in himself and is playing so well right now," Duncan said. "I'd love to see him in that situation. I'd love for him to take that shot."

Despite wanting to stay with the Lakers, Horry insists that this series will not be a grudge match.

"It's business as usual," said Horry, whose five championships (the other two with Houston) rank second to Scottie Pippen's six among active NBA players. "We've got to do what we have to do to move on to the next round."

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Many have discovered that when they come together to eat, they share lots more than a meal. Even though sitting down together links body and soul of a family in a special way, it's also important to spare the cook a major production. That's what's behind this collection of easier-than-it-looks dishes. The shortcut is using some of that frozen dough you can find in your grocer's freezer. It cuts preparation time, but still gives you that homemade in minutes, yeasty-good flavor everyone wants.

These ideas are sure to produce brunch bravos, and if truth be told, some of these simple dishes work as well for dinner as they do for brunch. So, spring-clean those old recipes and sample some neat, new ones.



Cheddar Bread

1 loaf Rhodes™ Frozen Bread Dough or 12 Rhodes™ Dinner Rolls, thawed
1 egg, beaten
1 cup grated sharp cheddar cheese
3 tablespoons dry ranch dressing mix

Cut dough into 1-inch pieces. In a medium sized bowl, toss dough pieces with egg. Add cheese and ranch dressing and mix well. Place mixture on a cutting board and chop with a sharp knife into smaller pieces. Make sure mixture is well combined. Place in a 4½-inch x 8½-inch bread pan sprayed with non-stick cooking spray. Cover with plastic wrap and let rise to the top of the pan. Remove wrap and bake at 350°F 20-25 minutes or until golden brown. Makes 8 servings.

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½ cup flaked coconut
½ cup chopped pecans

Remove rolls from pan. Microwave caramel packet on high for 20 seconds (or thaw in hot water). Squeeze softened caramel into bottom of pan and spread evenly. Sprinkle with coconut and pecans. Return frozen rolls to pan, arranging evenly on top of caramel, coconut and pecans. Put pan on a baking sheet and place in center of cold oven, then turn oven on to 350°F. Bake 30-35 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from oven and immediately invert onto serving platter. Spoon any caramel, coconut or pecans left in pan over rolls.

*If using Anytime!™ Cinnamon Rolls use recipe below for the caramel sauce.

2 tablespoons butter, softened
1/4 cup brown sugar
2 teaspoons water
2 tablespoons light corn syrup

Combine above ingredients and spread evenly in bottom of pan. Follow recipe above for Coconut Pecan Caramel Rolls. Makes 6 servings.

Nutrition facts per serving: 455 cal., 22g total fat (8g sat. fat), 20mg chol., 327mg sodium, 62g carbo., 2g fiber, 5g pro





Monte Cristo Biscuits

10 Rhodes™ Anytime! Buttermilk Biscuits, thawed
6 oz. sliced turkey breast
6 oz. sliced ham
6 oz. sliced Swiss cheese
⅓ cup strawberry jam
powdered sugar

Press 5 biscuits into an 8-inch square pan sprayed with non-stick cooking spray to form a crust. Layer half of the turkey, ham and cheese on top of crust. Spread strawberry jam to ½-inch from the edge of the pan. Repeat layers of meat and cheese. Press remaining 5 biscuits together to form a top crust and place on top of the cheese. Bake at 350°F for 30-35 minutes or until golden brown. Let stand for 5 minutes. Sprinkle lightly with powdered sugar before serving. Makes 8 servings.

Nutrition facts per serving: 459 cal., 24g total fat (9g sat. fat), 46mg chol., 924mg sodium, 42g carbo., 1g fiber, 20g pro

Easy Cheesy Chicken Rolls

6 Rhodes™ Crusty Rolls
12.5 oz. can chicken breast, drained
½ cup sliced celery
½ cup grated cheddar cheese
½ cup mayonnaise
3 green onions, chopped
1 jalapeno pepper seeded and chopped, if desired
crushed red pepper and seasoned salt

Place 6 crusty rolls on a plate. Cover with plastic wrap and microwave on high 20 seconds. Combine chicken, celery, cheese, mayonnaise and onions. Add jalapeno pepper if desired. Cut rolls in half lengthwise and spread mixture over the cut side. Sprinkle with crushed red pepper and seasoned salt, then toast under the broiler until cheese is melted and lightly browned. Makes 6 servings (2 rolls each).

Nutrition facts per serving: 372 cal., 28g total fat (6g sat. fat), 60mg chol., 465mg sodium, 21g carbo., 1g fiber, 19g pro

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Weddings



Mrs. Brad Lane Wilber (Keri Brooke Caffey)

Caffey-Wilbur wed in Nassau, Bahamas

With the brilliant blue of the ocean in the foreground, Kori Brooke Caffey and Brad Lane Wilber were united in marriage by the Rev. Robert Smith on Saturday, April 10, 2004. The ceremony was conducted at the Radisson Cable Beach Golf Resort in Nassau, Bahamas.

The bride is the daughter of Roddy and Jann Caffey and the granddaughter of Robert and Patty Caffey of San Angelo and Dean and Joanne Forrest of Big Spring.

The grooms parents are Frank and Lois Hatcher of High Island and the late Charles "Beau" Wilber.

The bride was escorted to the flower-draped gazebo at the shoreline by her father. She wore an exquisite Enduring Visions gown by Oleg Cassini. The two-piece A-line gown was constructed of ivory silk organza.

Both the strapless bodice and flowing hemline were embellished with multi-colored, hand-beaded embroidery. A fingertip veil of ivory illusion fell from the bride's gold tiara. She wore embroidered wedding beach shoes.

The bride's bouquet of long-stemmed calla lilies and white roses was tied with a fine batiste handkerchief that had been her baby cap. Entwined in the bow were necklaces belonging to her maternal grandmother and her late great great grandmother.

In keeping with tradition, the bride borrowed her mother's pearl necklace and grandmother's pearl earrings. For something new she wore a silver ankle bracelet adorned with a small heart. A blue, satin garter, a family heirloom, completed her ensemble.

The bride's attendants were maid of honor, Kim Williams of Nederland and bridesmaid Lindsey Heith of San Marcos, cousin of the bride. Their dresses of sage shimmer-silk chiffon were empire styled with tiny spaghetti straps. Flowing back panels were caught with tiny tropical blossoms. They carried long-stemmed calla lilies. Both were barefoot and wore fresh tropical flowers in their hair.

Reagan Brook Ream, the bride's niece, of Midland, was flower girl. She wore a gown of ivory with a flowing silk organza skirt and lace bodice. Her tiara and shoes were miniature versions of those worn by the bride.

Kylor Wilber served as his father's best man. Stacy Ream, the bride's brother of Midland, served as groomsman. Forrest Ream, nephew of the bride, was the ring bearer. The groom and his attendants all wore black tuxedos with matching ties and vests.

Following the ceremony, a champagne reception was held on the Cascade Pool Patio. Here the three-tiered Bahamian wedding cake embellished with "Happily Ever After" and hors d' oeuvres were served. While music played their favorite songs the bride and groom had their first dance followed by the bride's dance with her father, before being joined by other family members.

Following the reception, a wedding dinner was served in the Tropicana Room of the Radisson. Tables were decorated with tropical candles, garlands of flower petals, chocolate frogs and golf balls. Each guest's place at the table was marked with small silk organza beaded bags filled with tropical favors including golf tees with the names and date of the newly-wed's ceremony. Miniature pastel bags held heart-shaped wedding rice.

In addition to the couple's attendants, parents and grandparents, these special friends and family who made the trip to the Bahamas for the ceremony were: Tammy Ream of Midland, Terry and Coy Broussard of Fannett, Debi Stuteville of Big Spring, Nick Parras of Bryan College Station, Bobby, Jill and Gage Heith of Buda, Trey Gardner, Jim and Cecilia Wright of San Angelo and Donald and Nancy Nunn of Junction.

The bride is a 1997 graduate of Coahoma High School. She attended Howard College and Lamar University. She is self-employed as a registered massage therapist.

The groom is a 1994 graduate of Hamshire-Fannet High School and is employed by Chambers County as a geomatics engineer.

The couple currently live in Hamshire with plans to make their home in West Texas in the future.



Mrs. Lane Hale (Kara Lynn Evans)

Evans and Hale exchange vows

Kara Lynn Evans and [illegible] served as Lane Hale, both [illegible] Austin, exchanged [illegible] ding vows at 2 p.m. [illegible] Saturday, May 1, 2004 [illegible] the First Baptist Church [illegible] with Roger Stafford [illegible] cousin of the bride, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Bob and Pee[illegible] Evans of Big Spring.

The groom is the son of Steve and June Hale of Plano.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Bob Evans, and wore a strapless satin gown with an asymmetrical waist and corset back with a sweep train, embellished with bugle beads. She carried a hand-tied bouquet of calla lilies, hydrangea and curiosa roses.

Shelly Brasel, cousin of the bride, was the maid of honor. [illegible] Crossley, bridesmaids were Kristy [illegible] and Kim [illegible], sisters of the bride; Taylor Robertson, cousin of the bride, was the junior bridesmaid.

The best man was Steve [illegible], father of the groom. Groomsmen were Marc [illegible], brother-in-law of the groom, and Tyser Robertson, nephew of the bride.

A reception was held at The Big Spring Country Club.

The bride is a graduate of Texas Tech University. The groom is a graduate of North Texas University and Baylor University.

Following a honeymoon to Hawaii the couple will make their home in Austin.

Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Dean and Edna Holland

Dean and Edna Holland celebrate 50 years of marriage in Big Spring

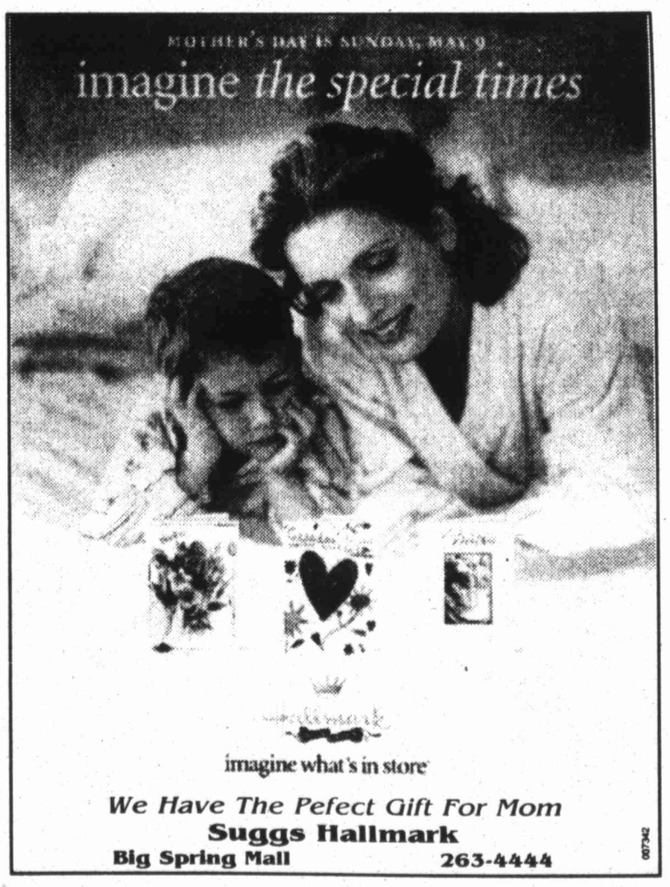
Dean and Edna Holland of Big Spring celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in San Angelo in April at Western Sky Steak House.

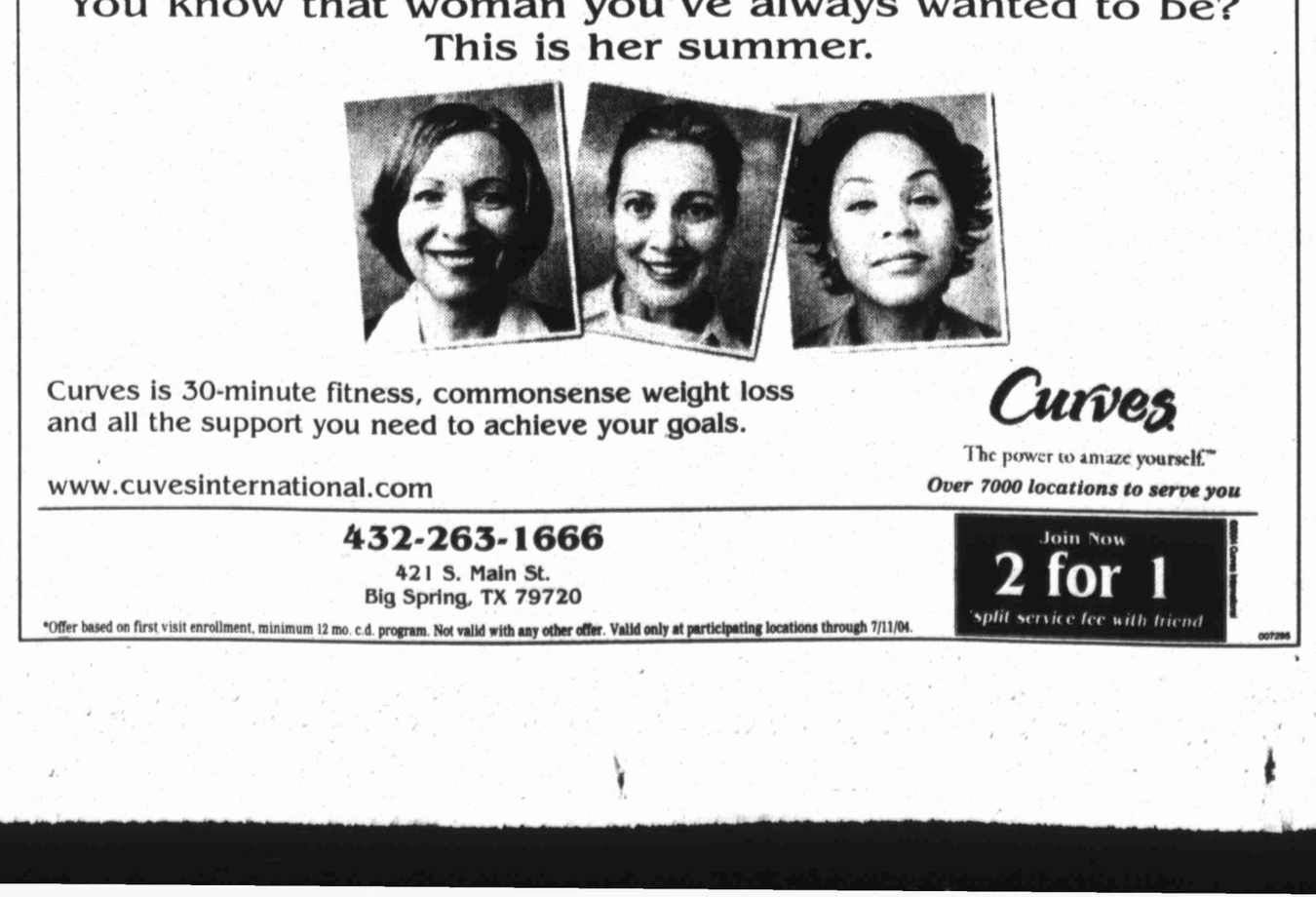
Their children Kaye Holland Edwards of San Angelo, Judy Holland Robertson of Midland, and Linda Holland Hale of Collinsville gave the party. The couple also have a son, Loy Holland, of Talkeetna, Alaska.

They married April 17, 1954, in Big Spring.

Dean and Edna were born in Big Spring. Dean retired from Cosden Oil and Chemical Co. and Johnnie Edna McCartney Holland retired from the Big Spring State Hospital. They have lived in Big Spring all their lives.

They have six grandchildren and five great grandchildren.



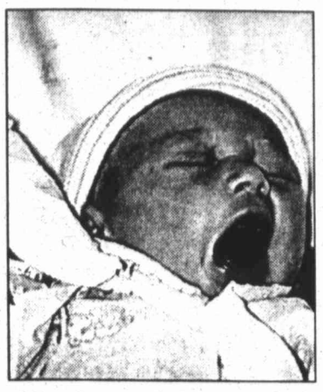


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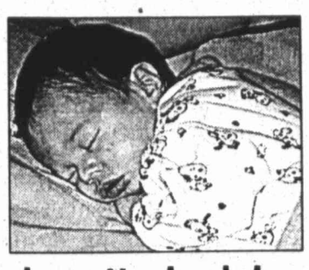
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Births



Nathan Matthew DeMine

Nathan Matthew DeMine, a boy, was born on April 2, 2004, at 9:34 a.m. weighing 6 pounds, 15 ounces and was 18 inches long. His parents are Brett and Amanda DeMine of Big Spring. His grandparents are Ronald and Marsha Gross of Big Spring, Jerry and Sarah Wahrmund of Austin, Donnie Malone Asberry of Austin and Ed and Ester DeMine of Jonesboro, Ga. His big sisters are Destiny and Hailey DeMine.



Jarrett Josiah Martin

Jarrett Josiah Martin, a boy, was born on April 7, 2004, at 3:05 p.m. weighing 5 pounds, 3 ounces and was 19 inches long. His parents are Misty Denise and Jason Ray Martin of Big Spring. His grandparents are Lawrence and Angela Hein of Big Spring and Jack and Janet Martin of Water Valley. His great grandparents are Jim and Jan Baker of Baird and Dale and the late Bonnie Hein of Big Spring. His great great grandmother is Gizella Brack of Abilene. His big brother is Jayden Nicholas Martin.



Benjamin Jose Rios

Benjamin Jose Rios, a boy, was born April 16, 2004, at 11:47 p.m. weighing 5 pounds, 9 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long. His parents are Jessica and Luis Rios III of Big Spring. His grandparents are Luis and Janie Rios and Virginia Moreno of Big Spring and Hector and Luz Moreno of Frankfort, Ind. His big brother, Luis Rios IV, welcomed him home.

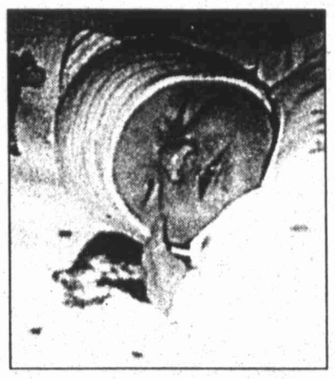
Ky Eugene Kemper, a boy, was born April 19, 2004, at 2:52 p.m. weighing 7 pounds and was 21 1/4 inches long. His parents are Chad and Kelli Kemper of Coahoma. His grandparents are Boyce and Laura Kemper and Spot and Cathy Paige, all of Big Spring.

Elizabeth Hope Garcia, a girl, was born April 20, 2004, at 7:50 p.m. weighing 8 pounds, 5 ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long. Her parents are Frances Alcantar and Jacob Jack Garcia of Big Spring. Her grandparents are Frank and Rosa Alcantar and Ernesto and the late Esperanza Garcia.

Elrich Alvin Haliburton, a boy, was born April 22, 2004, at 11:11 p.m. weighing 6 pounds, 12 1/2 ounces and was 20 inches long. His parents are Patricia Rodriguez and Richard Haliburton III of Big Spring. His grandparents are Precilla and Juan Rodriguez and Gloria and Richard Haliburton II.

Hope Juanita Lopez, a girl, was born April 22, 2004, at 7:55 p.m. weighing 4 pounds, 12 1/2 ounces and was 17 inches long. Her parents are Melinda Norman and Lucas Lopez of Big Spring. Her grandparents are Habacue Lopez and Vern and Juanita Smith, all of Big Spring.

Joshua James Pearson, a boy, was born on April 23, 2004, at 11:11 a.m. weighing 6 pounds, 12 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long. His mother is Melissa Pearson of Big Spring. His grandparents are Cheryl and Joel Pearson, June and the late Charlie Pearson and Bobby and Sharon White, all of Big Spring, and Carl and Sondra Littlepage of Silsbee. His big sister is Faith Pearson.



Joshua James Pearson

Menus

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

MONDAY - Chicken fried steak, potatoes, carrots, salad, milk, rolls, fruit.

TUESDAY - -Bar-b-q chicken, beans, potato salad, cornbread ,milk, pie.

WEDNESDAY - Beef enchiladas, rice, beans, salad, milk, cornbread, fruit.

THURSDAY - Chicken & dumplings, mixed vegetables, salad, milk, cobbler.

FRIDAY - Ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, salad, milk, rolls, fruited gelatin.

WESTBROOK ISD

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Donuts, cereal, juice, milk.

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

WEDNESDAY - Scrambled eggs, Texas toast, jelly, cereal juice, milk.

THURSDAY - Pancake pups, cereal, juice, milk.

FRIDAY - HOLIDAY

LUNCH

MONDAY - Mini corndogs, mustard, macaroni & cheese, ranch beans, pears, milk.

TUESDAY - Chicken pattie on bun, salad, scalloped potatoes, peaches, milk.

WEDNESDAY -Tacos w/cheese, salsa, salad, corn, chocolate pudding, milk.

THURSDAY - Barbeque on bun, fries, vegetable salad, cherry cups, milk.

FRIDAY - HOLIDAY

STANTON ISD

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Bagel French toast, syrup, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk.

TUESDAY - Cheese omlet, sausage, biscuit, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk.

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

THURSDAY - Biscuit, scrambled egg patty, bacon,c ereal, buttered toast, juice, milk.

FRIDAY - Cinnamon roll, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY - Steak fingers (manager's choice), macaroni & cheese, seasoned vegetables, fruit cup, bread, milk.

TUESDAY - Chicken nuggets (manager's choice), mashed potatoes, seasoned vegetables, fruit cup, bread, milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pepperoni pizza (pizza cheese sticks), seasoned vegetables, garden salad, fruit cup, milk, ranch dressing.

THURSDAY - Chicken fajita (manager's choice), seasoned vegetables, salad, fruit cup, bread, milk.

FRIDAY - Cheeseburger or hamburger, French fries, hamburger salad, fruit, milk.

BIG SPRING ISD

MONDAY - Rib sandwich, potato rounds ranch style beans, trail mix.

TUESDAY - Pig in blanket, baby carrot, okra, rosy applesauce.

WEDNESDAY - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, English peas, spiced apples, wheat roll.

THURSDAY - Fish nuggets, broccoli w/cheese, blackeyed peas, grapes, hushpuppies.

FRIDAY - Hamburger, salad, French fries, pork & beans, cookie.

FORSAN ISD

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cereal, yogurt, juice, milk.

TUESDAY - Donuts, juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY - Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk.

THURSDAY - Biscuits, sausage, juice, milk.

FRIDAY - Sausage on a stick, juice, milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY - Pizza, corn, mixed fruit, milk.

TUESDAY - Corndogs, baked beans, pears, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Chicken & noodles, crackers, peas, peach cobbler.

THURSDAY - Ham sandwich, pickle spears, apple wedges, chips, milk.

FRIDAY - Beef stroganoff, pease, pears, garlic bread, milk.

COAHOMA ISD

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - French toast, ham, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY - Oatmeal, sausage, juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY - Waffles, sausage, juice, milk.

THURSDAY - donuts, sausage links, fruit, milk.

FRIDAY - HOLIDAY

LUNCH

MONDAY - Beef/cheese nachos, ranch beans, peaches, milk.

TUESDAY - Chicken patty, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, rolls, milk.

WEDNESDAY - Spaghetti (burritos, pickle spears), corn, salad, bread, milk.

THURSDAY - Pizza, salad, strawberries, milk.

FRIDAY - HOLIDAY

West Texas Opportunities sets community meeting

West Texas Opportunities, Inc. will be holding it's second Community Meeting of 2004 at 10 a.m. on May 11 at Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster,

The public is invited.

Pattie Linsey, Midland office for the Area Agency on Aging is the guest speaker. She will provide information about the programs offered by the agency. She will also give information on the new changes in Medicare and Medicaid.

Area Agency on Aging offers assistance in getting prescriptions at a reduced price. While she is here, she can make appointments for the elderly who need assistance with their medicine.

Bake sale to benefit Relay for Life set

Canterbury Retirement Home has set a Relay for Life fundraising bake sale from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday at 1700 Lancaster. Donated items of baked goods are requested. Call 263-1265.

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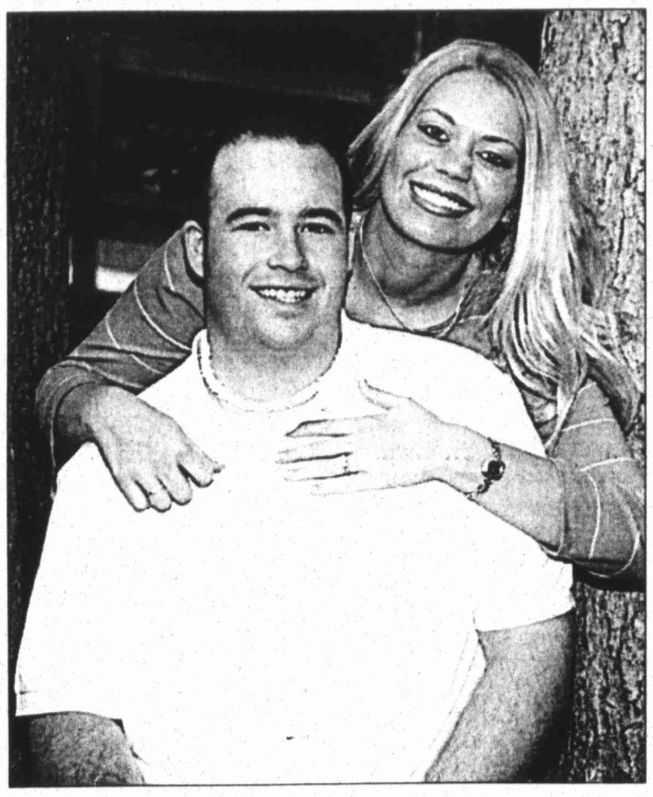
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Engagements



Misti Nicole Mansfield and Jason Bradley Mims

Mansfield and Mims

Misti Nicole Mansfield and Jason Bradley Mims, both of Lubbock, will exchange wedding vows at 4 p.m. on May 29, 2004, in College Baptist Church.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Benny and Jayne Mansfield of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Chuck and the late Dannabel Meachem of Brownwood and Mr. & Mrs. B.H. Mansfield of Big Spring and the late Peggy Mansfield. She holds a bachelor of science degree in early childhood education and is employed by Texas Tech University.

The groom is the son of Alisa Chaney of Big Spring and the grandson of the late Bill and Bonnie Mims and Evelyn and the late Bob Zellars all of Big Spring. He holds a bachelor of arts degree in political science and is employed by J. Keith's Jewelry.



Tiffany Michelle Shaw and Joshua Randall Carnett

Shaw and Carnett

Tiffany Michelle Shaw and Joshua Randall Carnett, both of Austin, will exchange wedding vows at 5 p.m. on June 4, 2004, at the Colovista Country Club in Bastrop.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Jay and Dorothy Shaw of Greenwood and Michael and Audrey Monahan of South Korea, and the granddaughter of Roosevelt and Patsy Shaw of Big Spring. She is currently a senior at the University of Texas in Austin, pursing a bachelor of science degree in communication studies and business foundations.

The groom is the son of John and Yolanda Carnett and Anita Proctor of Houston. He is currently a senior at UT—Austin pursuing a bachelor of science degree in computer science and business foundations.

Who's Who



Jonathan and Sarah Burnett

Burnetts' graduating with honors

Jonathan Burnett has been named salutatorian for the Arlington Baptist College 2004 graduating class. His wife, Sarah, will also graduate with honors.

Jonathan is the son of Deanna Burnett of Midland and the late David Burnett. Sarah is the daughter of Wayne and Bonnie Graham of Euless and Kathy and Steve Spurgin of Ferris.

During his college career, Jonathan has received numerous academic honors including Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities, co-winner of the highest Greek award, Dean's list for the previous seven semesters which is based on a 3.5 or better GPA. A Stanton High School graduate, he served on the yearbook staff for one year and served as treasurer of the senior class.

Arlington Baptist College will hold commencement at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 20, at the Arlington Baptist College Gymnasium. Speaker will be the Rev. Dr. Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring, which is Jonathan's home church.

Austin Barton receives award during conference in New York

Austin Barton, a graduate of Coahoma High School and the son of Debra and Don Barton, and an Austin College student, participated in the recent student-based Model United Nations Conference in New York.

His group of delegates representing the Republic of South Korea won a Distinguished Delegation award and an Outstanding Position Paper.

For the past 21 years, Austin College students have participated in Model United Nations Conferences nationally in New York City, and in regional locations.

These conferences are hands-on simulations of an actual United Nations conference. Students received their delegation assignments in January and began researching all aspects of the nation assigned, from positions on health care and economy to security and humanitarian issues.

Students were assigned to United Nations committees represented by their country or non-governmental organization (NGO), so they could adequately prepared background on specific areas.

Three thousand students, which included schools from 15 countries, made up the largest National Model United Nations Conference in it's history. The conference was held at the New York Hilton on the Avenue of the Americas.

Meghan Fernandez wins first at TIPA awards

Meghan Fernadez of Big Spring won first place for information graphics for the Sul Ross literary magazine *The Sage* during the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association's (TIPA) annual conference April 1-3 in Austin.

Fernandez is a Howard College graduate and past editor of Thistles Literary Magazine.

The Brand yearbook was awarded with the first place Sweepstakes Award, while *The Skyline* took second place for student newspapers. Sweepstakes is the overall award recognition for student publications.

More than 500 journalism students and advisors were present at the annual convention.

In addition to the Sweepstakes Awards, many individual awards were given to Sul Ross students for their excellence in photography, layout, graphic design, and copywriting.

Heinis named to national honor roll

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Chad Heinis from Big Spring has been named a United States National Award Winner in Honor Roll.

Heinis is the son of Mark and Dianna Heinis of Big Spring and the grandson of Eugene and Joyce Heinis of Russell, Minn., and Elzy and Marcella Davis of Big Spring.

Heinis, who attends Big Spring High School, was nominated for this national award by Barbara Walling, a registrar at the school.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, executive director of the United States Achievement Academy.

Heinis will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook.

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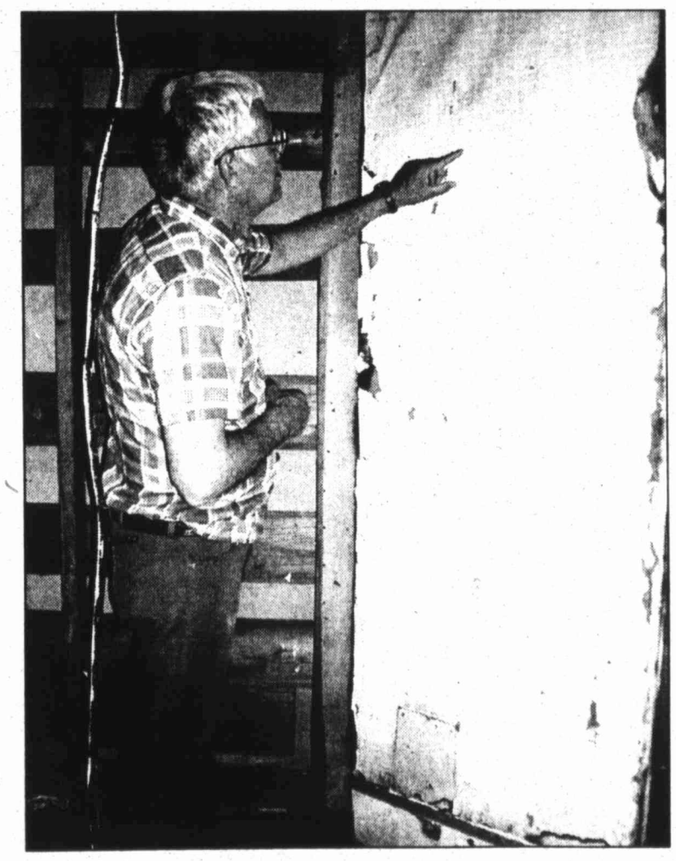
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55 Alive Driver Safety Program class will be held 8 a.m. until noon on May 27 and 28 at the Senior Center in Stanton. This class is taught by a state certified instructor and is a two-day course of four hours each session with frequent breaks. You must attend both days to receive a certificate which will be accepted by most insurance companies for a reduction in the premiums for a three-year period. The cost is $10.00 per person. Please call 325-728-2392, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. to pre-register for the class.

This class is not a defensive driving class and cannot "forgive" traffic violations. AARP's 55 Alive Driver Safety Program is the nation's first and largest classroom refresher for motorists age 50 and older.



Herald photo by Marsha Sturdivant

In the photo above, Milton Laird, a volunteer with the House of Hope project on Scurry, points out three- and four-digit telephone numbers found on wallpaper inside the house during renovations. One of the telephone numbers lists the sheriff. Laird, a former teacher with Big Spring Independent School District, has a passion for history, and theorizes the telephone numbers may have been written at a time when Big Spring used operators to dial telephone numbers. The House of Hope project renovations continue, although Birthright Inc., a non-profit, independent outreach program to pregnant teen-agers, moved into their newly remodeled offices this past week.

Military News



Courtesy photo
Howard County Sheriff Dale Walker attends his daughter Melissa's graduation from the Air Force academy.

Walker graduates from US Air Force academy

Melissa Ann Walker, daughter of Howard County Sheriff Dale L. Walker, graduated April 23, 2004, from the United States Air Force Basic Training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio.

She will go on to Wichita Falls now for her specialized training in the pharmaceutical field.

Walker's sister, Shana Nicole Watts, who is also in the U.S. Air Force, stationed in Louisiana, attended the ceremony, as did her her mother, Sarah Brewster of Anson, and her cousins, Stephen and Theresa Walker of Georgetown.

The Sheriff attended her graduation and said he is very proud of both of his daughters, who are active members of the Air Force. Melissa has a younger brother, Dillon Walker and a stepmother, T.J. Walker of Big Spring. Her grandparents are Joyce Walker, and Bob and Sarah Barton of Howard County. She also has many aunts, uncles and cousins in Howard County.

Capt. Jacky Howard receives Bronze Star for service in Iraq

Army Capt. Jacky S. Howard has been decorated with the Bronze Star Medal for supporting the mission of Operation Iraqi Freedom and participating in Operation Northern Delay in Iraq. The soldier returned to Vicenza, Italy, where he is a member of the 173rd Airborne Brigade.

The medal is awarded to an individual who, while serving in the U.S. armed forces, has performed a heroic act, meritorious achievement or distinguished service during armed conflict or ground combat while engaged against an armed enemy of the United States.

During Operation Northern Delay at Bashir Airfield, paratroopers of the 173rd Airborne Brigade established the northernmost coalition offensive boundary and created a stable logistical intersecting point to allow the introduction of equipment and troops into the theater.

The operation was the largest airborne assault since World War II and forced Iraqi army to maintain approximately six divisions in the area to protect their northern flank, providing strategic relief for the Coalition Forces advancing on Baghdad.

The multiple operations missions accomplished by the brigade paratroopers included seizing the city of Kirkuk, the northern oil fields and several military airfields, thousands of enemy weapons and explosives, millions of dinars worth of terrorist funds, and defeated organized military resistance and arrested hundreds of terrorist and former regime loyalists.

Howard, who has ten years of military service, is an airborne field artillery regiment commander.

He is the son of Dena Howard of Big Spring and Jack Howard of Estancia, N.M.

The captain graduated in 1989 from Forsan High School and received a bachelor's degree in 1994 from East Central University, Ada, Okla.

Army Pvt. Samantha Castro

Army Pvt. Samantha Castro recently graduated from Advanced Individual Training, where she received training as a petroleum fuel specialist.

She is the daughter of Sam and Christy Castro. She has a brother, Chris Castro and two stepbrothers, Chance Urias and Taylor Castro, all of Big Spring

Now home after she graduation, Castro will soon return to her permanent station at Fort Hood.

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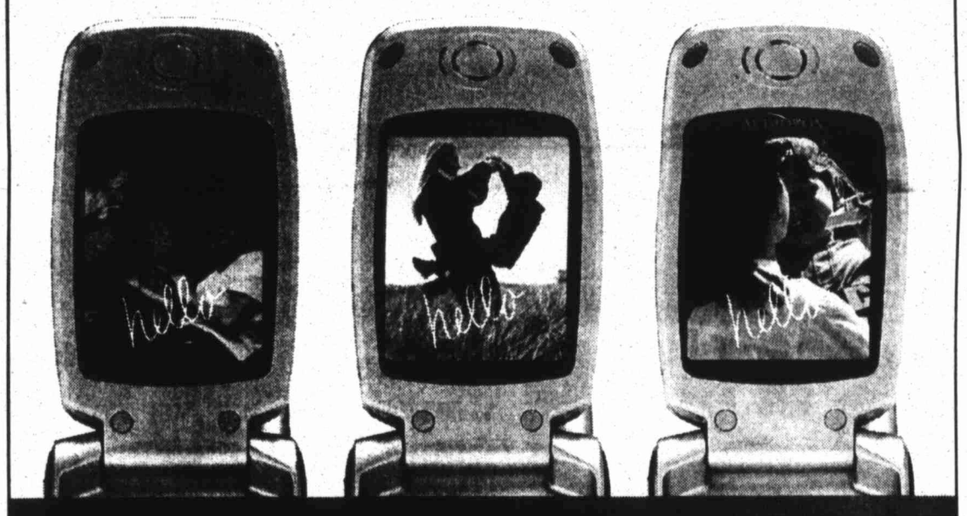
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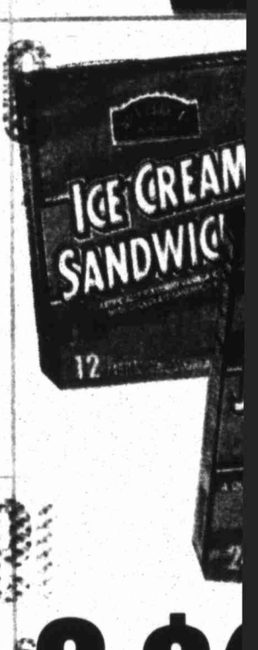
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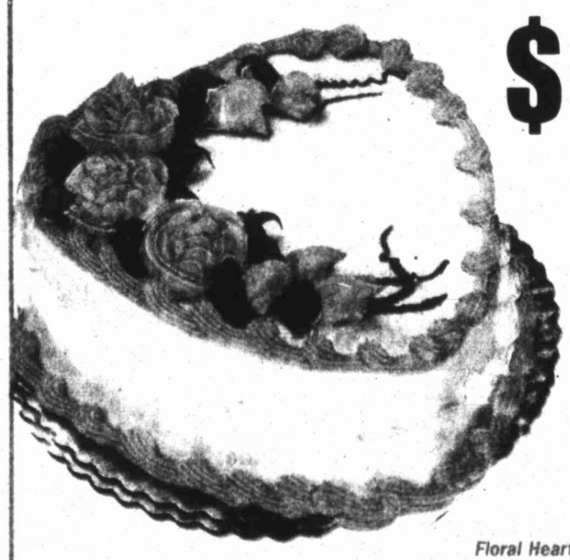
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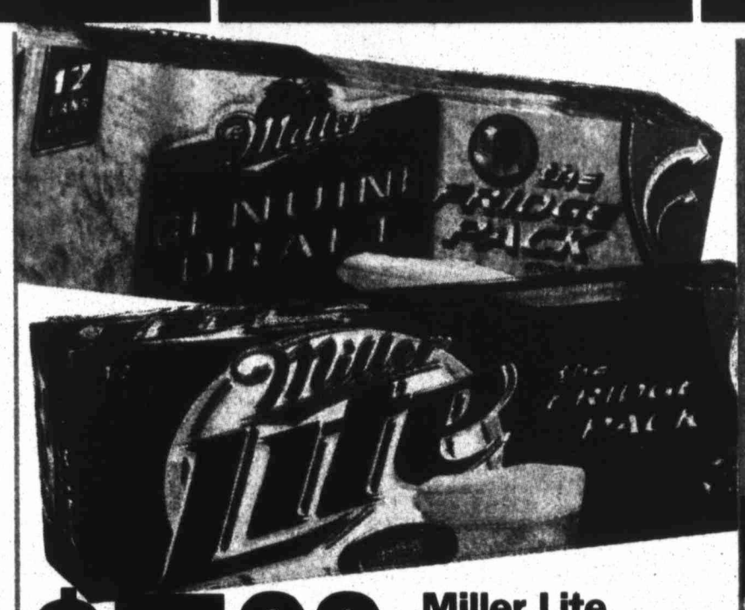
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Efficient, effective and conscientious

McCullough named top employee at BSSH activity therapies building

By VALERIE AVERY
Special to the HERALD

When Carlla McCullough's husband took off one day for another weekend at the golf course, the weekend widow decided she needed to get her hands dirty and spend some time outside too.

She enrolled in and graduated from the extensive Master Gardeners class and spends time with her ever-evolving landscape, while husband, Rawleigh, does his best to find the greens at area golf courses.

But each weekday, during regular business hours, and sometimes later, there's only one place you can find Carlla McCullough and that's at her administrative assistant's desk in the Activity Therapies Building at Big Spring State Hospital.

Every business has its catch-all employee: the one who knows how to track down someone within seconds, how to unjam the copy machine and respond to any unexpected emergency and do it with unflappable energy and enthusiasm.

Those trademarks, and many more earned her this year's Employee of the Year for the ever-busy ATD department.

Activity Therapies is one of the liveliest departments at Big Spring State Hospital – it's where patients participate in a milieu of classes, houses the snack bar and recreation area, and where many come to relax.

Working in its hub for the past 13 years takes someone who is spontaneous who can stay on task despite numerous interruptions, said her supervisor, Gail Zilai, Director of Activity Therapies.

> ***"There are many great employees who work in this department, and I am truly grateful to receive this recognition"***
>
> —Carla McCullough

"Carlla is recognized by many of our patients and is always helpful to them — she finds the resources they need or answers to their question," Zilai said. "She is a tremendous asset to the ATD and the hospital itself because of her knowledge and her willingness to share her knowledge with staff and patients."

Patient e-mail privileges were established by McCullough and require day-to-day maintenance because of the changing patient population, Zilai said.

During the past year she has immersed herself in establishing the "Internet Café" for patients.

"This is a favorite of the patients," Zilai said.

McCullough trains at a level above what is required for her position to give her the ability to work directly with the patients, Zilai said.

She often is one of the first employees to fill in on evenings, weekends and holidays when the need arises.

Not only was McCullough selected as ATD Employee of the Year, but received a hospital-wide Leadership Award, which is a hospital-wide recognition for her accomplishments and exemplary performance of her duties.

"I am truly honored to receive this award," McCullough said. "There are many great employees who work in this department, and I am truly grateful to receive this recognition. I love working with the staff of this hospital. I enjoy the patients and learn from them every day."

Her day-to-day duties include compiling quality management data for the department, serving as the department's data coordinator, and serves as the Additional Duty Safety Officer.

"Carlla makes my job easier," said Lorie Dunnam, ATD Coordinator of Rehabilitation. "She is efficient, effective and conscientious. We wish everyone had a Carlla."

McCullough received a plaque recognizing her award.

Big Spring State Hospital is a psychiatric hospital serving patients with mental illness in 78 counties in West Texas and the Texas Panhandle.



Courtesy photo

Big Spring State Hospital Activity Therapies Department Administrative Assistant Carlla McCullough receives the ATD Employee of the Year plaque from ATD Director Gail Zilai, LMSW, and Rehabilitation Coordinator Lorie Dunnam. McCullough has worked at the hospital since 1991.



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Randy Gee, Bob Brock Ford general manager, presents Erica Cayless, left, Jill Nix and Donna Mitchell, 2004 graduates of Lamesa High School, with a $1,000 scholarship each. The scholarships were among 626 awarded by Ford Division, Ford Motor Company Fund and the Ford Dealers to FFA members who are high school seniors planning to attend college in the fall of 2004.



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FAA members Jesse Metcalf Jr., left, Trevor Bibb and Jeff Bartlett, 2004 graduates of Coahoma High School, were each the recipient of a $1,000 scholarship from Bob Brock Ford, presented here by General Manager Randy Gee.

Search engine king Google to go public

By MICHAEL LIEDTKE
AP Business Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Internet search engine leader Google Inc. filed its long-awaited IPO plans Thursday, thumbing its nose at Wall Street's traditions even as the company prepares to cash in on its meteoric success.

Without specifying a price per share, Google said it hopes to raise $2.7 billion with an initial public offering that has created the biggest high-tech buzz since the dot-com bubble burst four years ago.

The IPO is expected to give Google a market value of at least $20 billion, creating scores of new Silicon Valley millionaires — including many of the company's 1,900 employees.

"Feels great!" Google employee Edwina Beaus said as she walked between buildings at the company's Mountain View headquarters — a hub known as the "Googleplex."

But even as it prepared to dance with the Wall Street bankers who will take it public, Google warned investors that it won't take its marching orders from the markets.

"Google is not a conventional company. We do not intend to become one," co-founders Larry Page and Sergey Brin wrote in an open letter included in the IPO filing.

As expected, Google said the price of its IPO will be determined through an auction designed to give the general public a better chance to buy its stock before the shares begin trading, most likely in late summer or early autumn. IPO shares traditionally have been restricted to an elite group picked by the investment bankers handling the deal.

Google picked two long-established investment bankers — Morgan Stanley and Credit Suisse First Boston — to manage its populist IPO approach.

> ***"Someone could still come out of left field and blow Google out of the water. What they are doing isn't rocket science. Everyone talks about how they have become one of the biggest successes since the dot-com bust, but they still could become one of the biggest flops, too."***
>
> —Rick Broadhead
> industry analyst

Although Google's stock won't be sold for several more months, the filing represents a significant milestone in the 5 1/2-year-old company's evolution from a fun-loving startup to a corporate adolescent that will be held more accountable for how it manages its money.

Google has done well so far, according to a filing that shined a light on the privately held company's finances for the first time.

Depending almost entirely on advertising linked to online searches, Google earned $105.6 million, or 41 cents per share, on revenue of $962 million last year. Google got off to an even better start this year, with a first-quarter profit of $64 million, or 24 cents per share — more than doubling its earnings of $25.8 million, or 10 cents per share, at the same time last year.

By going public, Google will be under greater pressure to produce steady earnings growth — an expectation that some executives say leads to shortsighted management decisions.

As a public company, "you become sharper in some respects, but it also can cause you to make some decisions just so you can show growth from quarter to quarter," said Steve Berkowtiz, chief executive of Ask Jeeves Inc., a Google rival and business partner.

But Google says it won't fall into that trap, striving to remain true to the vision of the iconoclastic Page and Brin, former Stanford University graduate students who founded the company in 1998. In one of its first rebellious steps, Google will refuse to project its earnings from quarter to quarter, according to the letter signed by Page and Brin.

See **GOOGLE**, Page 9C

PUBLIC RECORDS

Hot Checks/Warrants Issued:

Tamara Berner, 31, of 908 E. 13th St., Big Spring

Kerrie Bhuiyan, 34, of 538 Westover No. 257, Big Spring

Travis Bradley, 50, of 108 E. Robinson, Big Spring

Dan Brewster, 35, of 408 N. Mss Lake Road, Big Spring

Loretta Brymer, 25, of 2119 Zephyr, Ingleside

Billy Burns, 40, of 2608 26th St., Snyder

Vanes Caleron, 20, of 538 Westover No. 232, Big Spring

Maria Campos, no age given, of 751 Agua Pesada, El Paso

Mart R. Clem, 28, of 10911 Woodmeadow, Dallas

Lewis Dodson, 51, of 610 F. Jack Lamert, Sweetwater

Jimmie Foster, 40, of 2506 Albrook, Big Spring

Lori Ann Franco, 33, of 1008 NW Second, Big Spring

Rosemary Garica, 33, of 2605 Westridge, Snyder

Alexander Gusman Jr., 25, of 1109 S. Lancaster, Big Spring

Jess Hernandez, 20, of 2202 S. Runnels, Big Spring

John Hernandez, no age given, of 4405 N. Garfield, Midland

Irene Hinojosa, 39, of 234 E. 23rd, San Angelo

Buster William Keaton Jr., 34, of 1101 Blackmon, Big Spring

Ryan Kendrick, 27, of 1425 E. Sixth, Apt. 34, Big Spring

Mich Marbeiter, 29, of 1209 Dicken, Big Spring

Shan Marksbury, 29, of P.O. Box 163, Petersburg, Tx.

Kevin Matteson, 43, of 203 Hatch Road, Big Spring

Mark Mead, 48, of 692 W Fifth St. Denver City

Sharion Moore, 55, of 1404 Lexington, Big Spring

Brandi Neuser, 29, of 4301 Raleigh, No. 10, Midland

Michael J. O'Callaghan, 23, of P.O. Box 292, Coahoma

Johnny Ray Payne Jr., 24, of 1509 Stadium, Big Spring

Elva Perkins, 38, of 2414 N. Anderson Road, Big Spring

Lori Pichon, 39, of 62159 Sylve St., LaCombe, La.

Andre Regalado, 19, of 724 Vine St., Colorado City

Rick Robertson, 41, of 683 Bucknell, Big Spring

Igna Rodriguez, 35, of 689 N. Sam Houston, Odessa

Debra Ruth, 43, of 1311 Mobile St., Big Spring

Ricky Webb, 37, of Rt. 1, Box 64, Ackerly

District Court Filings:

Banks of America, N.A. vs. Oreste Seino, accounts, notes, payable

Herbert H. Semmes Jr. vs. Linda Semmes, divorce

Kristi Dawn Hines vs. Roman Wolfe Hines, divorce

State of Texas vs. Brittany Vaughan, Habeas Corpus

Marriage Licenses:

Virginio Salazar Verde, 26, and Brenda Michelle Puga, 28, both of Big Spring

Martin Sanchez Yanez, 33, and Jamie Marie Gunter, 24, both of McCamey

Daniel I Vernon, 28, of Indiana and Melissa Mae Harrison, 26, of Big Spring

Warranty Deed:

Grantor: Glenodene Williams, as independent executrix of the estate of Vernie Dwain Williams, deceased.
Grantee: Beall Farms Inc.
Property: A tract of land out of the north 1/2 of the southwest 1/2 of Sec. 42, Block 32, T-3-N, T&P Ry. Co.
Date: April 7, 2004

Grantor: Robert Levesque and Alice Levesque
Grantee: Amado Trevino and Julia Trevino
Property: Lot 10, Block 1, Edwards Heights Addition, city of Big Spring
Filed: April 5, 2004

Grantor: Vicki S. Dahmer, as independent executrix of the estate of Carroll L. Dahmer, deceased.
Grantee: Michael H. and Barbara P. Hall
Property: .018 acre tract of land out of the east part of a .5 acre tract as described in Volume 413, page 505 of Howard County Deeds Records in the southwest 1/4 of Sec. 44, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co.
Filed: April 13, 2004

Grantor: Helen Galbraith and Robert Galbraith
Grantee: Mary Ellen Eckert
Property: All of Lot 2 and south 14 feet of Lot 1, Block 4, Highland South Addition to the city of Big Spring
Filed: April 15, 2004

Grantor: Elva Puentes
Grantee: Leslie Lloyd
Property: Lot 1, east 25 feet, Block 17, McDowell Heights Addition to the city of Big Spring.
Filed: April 16, 2004.

Grantor: Robert Gilmore and Susan Gilmore
Grantee: Swartz & Brough Inc.
Property: South half of Lot 8, Block 1, Morningside Addition to the city of Big Spring
Filed: April 16, 2004

Grantor: Rebecca Lynn Overby
Grantee: Albert Dwane Overby
Property: .529 acre tract of land out of a 5.30 acre tract of land out of the north 1/4 of Sec. 29, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co.
Filed: April 19, 2004

Grantor: Leslie Lloyd
Grantee: Jerry L. Phifer and Brenda Sue Phifer
Property: Lot 1, less east 25 feet, Block 17, McDowell Heights
Filed: April 19, 2004

Grantor: Shirley Burgess, individual and as independent executrix of the Estate of John A. Burgess, deceased
Grantee: Marcellous Weaver
Property: Land located in Block 1, Hathcock Heights Addition and Block 98, Original Town of Big Spring
Filed: April 20, 2004

Grantor: Johnny Edmondson and Karla Dyess
Grantee: Glenda Kennedy
Property: All of lot 10, Block 9, Cole and Strayhorn Addition to the city of Big Spring
Filed: April 20, 2004

Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien:

Grantor: Kyle L. Ware and wife, Jill A. Ware
Grantee: Gary Feaster
Property: Lot 41, Block 3, College Park Estates, a subdivision of the city of Big Spring
Filed: April 7, 2004

Grantor: James H. Leonard; Lawrence E. Leonard by and through his attorney in fact, James H. Leonard, and Bobbie J. Richey
Grantee: Joe S. Aleman and Beatrice Aleman
Property: Lot 12, Block 2, Wright's Second Addition to the city of Big Spring
Filed: April 14, 2004

Grantor: Ronda Halfmann, Travis Halfmann and his wife, Maria Halfmann
Grantee: Gene Villarreal and wife, Marisela Villarreal
Property: All of Lot 9, and the south seven feet of Lot 10, both in Block 4, College Heights Addition to the city of Big Spring
Filed: April 15, 2004

Grantor: Rodney K. Ferell and Toni L. Ferrell
Grantee: Dan Earl Lusk and Wife, A. Katharine Lusk
Property: Lot 2 and the west 50 feet of Lot 3, Block 1, Cedar Ridge Addition to the city of Big Spring
Filed: April 15, 2004

Grantor: R.L. Guevara
Grantee: Nicolas Portocarrero and wife, Griseldina Portocarrero
Property: Lot 8, Block 6, Hillcrest Terrance Addition to the city of Big Spring
Filed: April 16, 2004

Grantor: Aye Koko and Nwe-Nwe Aye
Grantee: Klint Kemper
Property: Lot 12, Block 2, Jordan Park Estates No. 1 Addition to the city of Big Spring
Filed: April 16, 2004

Grantor: Carl A. Knappe and Carletta Knappe
Grantee: Felisha D. Cevallos
Property: All of Lot 7, Block 6, Kentwood Addition to the city of Big Spring
Filed: April 16, 2004

Grantor: Alphonso Jackson, Acting Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
Grantee: Marshall S. Louder
Property: All of lot 15, Block 1, amended East Park Addition to the city of Big Spring
Filed: April 19, 2004

Grantor: Matthew Turner, individually, acting by Gary Turner, attorney-in-fact, Stanley Partee and Melinda Sue Partee, co-trustees for the Matthew Turner Trust and Lindley Turner Trustee under the will of Dorothy Ann Turner, Deceased
Grantee: Rick Morrow
Property: Tract No. 1 in Block A of Boydstun Addition to the town of Big Spring; Tract 2 out of Lot 2, Block No. 57, Original Town of Big Spring; Tract 3, the north 70 feet of the west 506 feet of Lot No. 2 in Block No. 57, Original Town of Big Spring.
Filed: April 21, 2004



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Cutting the ribbon for Air Xtreme SportZ are, center left, Roman Hines and Gaylon North, co-owners. The business is located at 519 Hillside (near H-E-B) and can be reached by calling 432 267-1571 or on the Internet at www.airx-tremesportz.com. Air Xtreme SportZ features "taking fun to the Xtreme" rentals for parties and other occasions.

German launches offensive against 'fiscal dumping'

BERLIN (AP) — On the eve of the European Union's historic enlargement, Germany unleashed an attack on "fiscal dumping" by incoming EU members and sought to revive a controversial tax

Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder, Economy Minister Wolfgang Clement and Finance Minister Hans Eichel took turns bringing the issue up for discussion.

"We must be careful of a one-way fiscal competition to the detriment of net contributors to the EU budget," Schroeder told lawmakers in Berlin.

Germany currently contributes the most to the budget.

"If new member states maintain low tax levels and get infrastructure financed by the EU, we will have to have a discussion," he had said earlier in an interview with the economic daily Handelsblatt and the Wall Street Journal Europe.

Clement threatened to put EU subsidies for new members into question if they refused to raise business tax levels.

In a bid to attract foreign investment, most of the eastern European countries that are to join the EU Saturday slashed corporate tax levels.

Business profits in those countries are subjected to taxes that are often below 20 percent, compared with a median 33 percent in the existing EU countries.

Schroeder has termed the situation "fiscal dumping" and suggested in his interview that the new countries agree to a "tax corridor," in fact a minimum level.

In Frankfurt, Eichel called for fiscal harmonisation that would "help reinforce our internal market."

The problem is that EU decisions must be unanimous, and that "in addition to the 10 new members, we have a problem with Great Britain," Schroeder said.

Winn-Dixie to cut 10,000 jobs, close or sell 156 stores

By RON WORD
Associated Press Writer

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Struggling supermarket operator Winn-Dixie Stores Inc. plans to cut 10,000 jobs from its payroll by closing or selling 156 stores and three distribution centers and selling several manufacturing businesses over the next year, the company announced Friday.

The job cuts will reduce its work force by about 10 percent.

The announcement came as the company reported a sharp decline in its third-quarter profit as sales fell 5.5 percent.

But investors pushed its shares up 30 cents, or 4 percent, to $7.77 in morning trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

The company said it plans to close 45 unprofitable or poorly located stores and put another 111 stores up for sale and close them if it cannot find buyers. Its stores are mostly in the Southeast and Midwest.

In addition, Winn-Dixie said it would exit distribution centers in Sarasota, Fla., Raleigh, N.C., and Louisville, Ky.

It will also try to sell its Dixie Packers, Crackin' Good Bakery/Snacks, and Montgomery Pizza manufacturing operations and consolidate its Greenville Ice Cream and Miami Dairy operations into its other dairies.

The closings and sales will leave the Jacksonville-based supermarket chain with 922 stores.

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"A management team distracted by a series of short-term targets is as pointless as a dieter stepping on a scale every half hour," they wrote.

Industry veterans, though, doubt Google will be able to buck Wall Street once it goes public.

"After the IPO, they're going to have to think in terms of predictable quarterly results and momentum," said Gordon Eubanks, who took software maker Symantec Corp. public in 1989 and now is CEO of Oblix Inc., a security startup. "You have to have a level of predictability and experience to warrant being a public company."

To insulate themselves from outside pressure, Page and Brin are creating a two-class stock hierarchy designed to give them effective veto power. The company is selling Class A common stock to the public, but Page and Brin will control Class B stock, which will have 10 times the voting power.

The setup is similar to systems used by several major media companies and Berkshire Hathaway Inc., run by stock market sage Warren Buffett.

Thursday's filing didn't spell out how large the founders' stakes will be after the offering, although they are listed as the company's largest individual shareholders. Both are expected to become billionaires after the IPO. Google paid each man $356,556 in salary and bonuses last year.

The filing also emphasized that both Page, 31, and Brin, 30, intend to remain Google's hands-on leaders, making all key decisions with CEO Eric Schmidt, a former top executive at Sun Microsystems Inc. and Novell Inc. who joined the company in 2001.

Google is already one of the world's best-known brands, with an online search engine that processes more than 200 million queries daily.

Despite its rapid success, Google faces an uncertain future as it tries to fend off stiffening competition from two much larger rivals, software giant Microsoft Inc. and Yahoo! Inc (Nasdaq:YHOO - news)., which runs the world's most popular Web site.

Through February, Google held a 35 percent share of the search engine market, with Yahoo at 30 percent and Microsoft's MSN at 15 percent, according to comScore Networks, a research firm.

"Someone could still come out of left field and blow Google out of the water," said independent technology industry analyst Rick Broadhead. "What they are doing isn't rocket science. Everyone talks about how they have become one of the biggest successes since the dot-com bust, but they still could become one of the biggest flops, too."

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Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE ANNOUNCEMENT FOR KBTS (FM)

On April 16, 2004, there was tendered for filing with the Federal Communications Commission an application for consent to the assignment of radio station KBTS(FM), 94.3 MHz, Big Spring, Texas, from Equicom, Inc. to Rhattigan Broadcasting (Texas), L.P. The officers, directors, and 10% or greater stockholders of Equicom, Inc. are: Randall B. Hale, J. Brent Humphries, Faith Vincent, Dain L. Scchult, Dan Ginzel, Equus II Incorpated, LBJ Capital L.P., and Texas Growth Fund - 1995 Trust. The members of Rhattigan Broadcasting (Texas), L.P. are: Rhattigan Broadcasting (Texas), Inc. and Rhattigan Broadcasting, LLC. The officers, directors, and 10% or greater stockholders of Rhattigan Broadcasting (Texas), Inc. are: Michael Rhattigan, Jerrome Rhattigan, and Guy Gill. The members of Rhattigan Broadcasting, LLC are Michael Rhattigan, Jerrome Rhattigan, and Guy Gill. A copy of this application and related materials are available for public inspection at the KBTS(FM) main studio located at 608 Johnson St.
#4197 April 25, 26, & May 2, 3, 2004.

PUBLIC NOTICE ANNOUNCEMENT FOR KBST-FM

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#4198 April 25, 26 & May 2, 3, 2004.

Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE ANNOUNCEMENT FOR KBST (AM)

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#4199 April 25, 26 & May 2, 3, 2004.

Region 18 Education Service Center is issuing three (3) "Open Catalog" bids on behalf of approximately thirty-nine (39) Texas school districts. The bid categories are:
1. School and Office Supplies, Instructional Materials and Furniture (R18C036)
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Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., May 17, 2004 at Region 18 ESC, PO Box 60580 Midland, TX 79711-0580 (for overnight mail 2811 LaForce Blvd., Midland, TX 79706). Bids will be opened and recorded as they are received. All bids, meeting the bid criteria, will be formally approved by the Region 18 ESC Purchasing Committee at a special meeting to be held after all bids have been received and recorded at the above address.
Bids forms are available from Gary Bond, Region 18 ESC at PO Box 60580, Midland, TX 79711. Please call 432-567-3258 should you have any questions.
#4200 April 25 & May 2, 2004.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON

The Libra moon says, "Get together, people!" as she gives a nod to Mars, and we have a bubbly, entertaining experience. It's just as easy to make new friends as it is to feel right at home with the old ones. With Mars in Gemini, it's easy to grasp the concept of the Now Moment — which is, of course, the only moment we can really control!

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Because of your driving need to be acknowledged by certain people, some of your heart's wishes have fallen to the wayside. There's no time for regret, but take back your power today. You help loved ones by inspiring them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Family members stick by one another. No one is alone if he or she doesn't want to be. Even though you are skeptical, love will develop out of a long-distance relationship. Be patient with it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You crave new experiences. Travel is an excellent remedy for whatever ails you. Don't be too daring or take unnecessary risks, or you could find yourself in hot water. Financial problems are the easiest to solve.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Romance is everywhere, no matter how far you go. Flirt to your heart's content. There are more pitfalls at work than you think, so take precautions. Cheering up someone older is a small gesture with long-term benefits.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Cook, clean, organize — honestly, it's fun! Family gatherings are enjoyable for all ages, as the different generations communicate beautifully. All you have to do is listen to be helpful. Feasting tonight is a big pleasure.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Tremendous change and growth through a relationship is inevitable for someone with your courage. You need the space to do things your way. Impulsive ideas squeeze your pocketbook — exercise restraint.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). When you're doing your thing, you're a love magnet. Everyone needs you, and some demand more attention than you can deliver. If an action feels awkward, it only proves that you are stretching yourself to be better.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Wrap it up! The end of a project will make room for something (or someone) special to drop into your life. The politics of friends and family get complex. Your talent sways the crowd tonight.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your romantic spirit makes you bold, but the object of your affection needs you to move slowly. Your biggest fans are Capricorn and Aquarius. Tonight, candles and meditation help focus you on what you really want.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Let people know what you stand for! You'll be excited when they donate help, encouragement and even money to your purpose. Family members show respect for your knowledge and position.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Take initiative, and you'll win politically important friends; you are expanding your realm of influence. A simple gesture means everything to family members. Don't reveal too much to anyone who has not yet proven trustworthy.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Life on the other side of the fence looks better than it really is — stop worrying about what others are doing, and find out what pleases you. Leave personal decisions to their rightful owners.

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Annie's Mailbox ·: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: I am 46 years old and have three children, ages 16, 14 and 11. I have been married to a great woman for 22 years. My problem? I am bored and tired of being married.

I find that I am constantly wishing I were single again, not so much to see other women, but to be able to make my own decisions and live the way I want without my wife's approval or influence. I have no intention of abandoning my kids and will continue to support my wife. She can have all the money. I just want my freedom.

I know you will tell me to get counseling, etc., but I really would like to hear from other men who have been in this situation. Did they leave their wives? Did they regret it? I am getting older and believe that if I am going to make a change, I need to do it now before I am regretful and bitter. — Restless in St. Louis

Dear Restless: You are certainly not alone, but that doesn't mean you should rely on the reasons other men give for wanting out of their marriages. Every situation is different. Some people would describe your feelings as a midlife crisis, a time when men see that they are getting older, their dreams are fading and this could be their last chance to bring renewed excitement and energy back into their lives.

Do you still love your wife? If so, try to rekindle your romance. Plan a vacation to an exotic location. If you are looking for thrills, take up a new hobby, like skydiving or bungee jumping. If you can afford it, quit your job and find something more fulfilling. If this doesn't work, a separation may give you time to assess your situation, but please don't walk away without a fight.

Dear Annie: Recently, some of my college buddies and I went out for a nice dinner. After being seated, we were almost completely ignored by our waiter. While other tables seemed to get their complimentary items refilled regularly, we had to ask several times for more water and breadsticks.

I'm betting this waiter assumed we were ignorant as to proper tipping protocol and didn't want to bother with us if there wasn't anything extra in it for him. Would it be appropriate to nip this in the bud? I'm thinking of quietly saying something like, "Sir, we want to assure you that we will properly compensate you for your service tonight." What do you think? — Frustrated in Fresno, Calif.

Dear Fresno: You could certainly try it, although it shouldn't be necessary. Smart servers know better than to generalize about patrons. Your server could learn this by receiving decent tips from college students, or you could discuss his rude service with the restaurant manager, who will then educate the waitstaff.

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Newsday Crossword

SATURDAY STUMPER by S.N.
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ACROSS
1 Tools
9 Clip-on device
15 Intimated
16 Run out
17 Role originated by Celeste Holm
18 FDR's successor as New York governor
19 Link
20 Pants part
21 Gag
22 Convenience-store feature
23 1994 PGA Rookie of the Year
28 Boris and Natasha's boss
33 Station manager's statement
34 Blitz activity
36 Treasure-trove
37 Licorice sticks
39 Drop off
40 Equivocal answer
41 Half of MIV
42 Large headline
50 Financial crime
53 Spinal column terminus
54 Pleistocene Epoch, e.g.
55 Mythical hunter
56 Ravioli relative
57 Assayed again
58 Plan
59 Hooligans, at times

DOWN
1 South American region
2 Irish saint
3 Intermediate security
4 With "de," French writer
5 Markka fraction
6 Iran-Contra name
7 Pa Walton portrayer
8 Drove
9 Singing style
10 Strains
11 Not long
12 Shirt material
13 Times
14 Peace Nobelist Cassin
24 Rack contents
25 German article
26 Kick back
27 Rebuke
28 *Miracle on 34th Street* role
29 Steam
30 Armand's arm
31 Shed light on
32 Approaching
33 Literally, "delight"
35 Distressed
38 Initially
43 Snuffy Smith's kid
44 Catcher of a sort
45 They, in Marseilles
46 Ruffle
47 Italian Alp
48 Record
49 Goes over
50 *Apteryx australis*
51 Object of reverence
52 Loose dress



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Answer to previous puzzle

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