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Yuletide to begin with a bang

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Santa and Mrs. Claus, pictured here during the 2008 Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade, will again be on hand Saturday when the parade's 24th edition gets under way. The parade's route will be different than usual, as a result of road renovation on Gregg Street. The parade will begin at the corner of Eighth and Scurry Streets, proceed to Fourth Street where the procession will turn east on Fourth to Benton Street, turn left one block to Third Street and proceed west on Third to the Howard County Courthouse where the parade will end.

Weekend kicks off season

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

The Christmas season in Big Spring will start with a bang this weekend.

The Big Spring VA Medical Center will kick-start a weekend full of Christmas activities when it holds its annual "Lighting of the Lights" ceremony. The event, which will conclude with the lighting of thousands of lights decorating the hospital, will begin at 6 p.m. Friday.

"Holiday carols will be led by veterans, refreshments will be served and, last but certainly not least, Santa will visit with all children," said Lauri Phillips, acting public affairs officer for the medical center.

VAMC Director Daniel Marsh, assisted by children in the audience, will light the lights on the indoor Christmas tree, simultaneously illuminating the display of outdoor lights.

"We invite the community to join in this festive occasion," Phillips said.

Christmas Parade Saturday Preparations are almost

complete for the 24th annual Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade, which will take a different route this year thanks to road renovation on Gregg Street.

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DID SOMEONE SAY GINGERBREAD DOG BISCUITS?



Holiday shopping off to mildly encouraging start nationwide

ANNE D'INNOCENZIO AP Retail Writer

NEW YORK — After shoppers

gave retailers a somewhat encouraging start to the holiday shopping season, stores now turn their attention to the online promotions known as Cyber Monday and bringing back customers the rest of the season. The good news is that holiday shopping held steady through the Thanks-

giving weekend after retailers saw a huge crowd of bargain shoppers for early morning deals Friday.

But economic worries about jobs were still apparent as shoppers mostly stuck to their lists and focused on practical items for themselves and for their loved ones. The big worry is

that consumers may not return until the final hours before Dec. 25.

According to preliminary figures

research firm that tracks more than 50,000 outlets, sales rose 0.5 percent to \$10.66 billion Friday, compared with a year ago. That was on top of a 3 percent increase last year. Online sales Thursday and Friday, however, rose 11 percent to \$913

released Saturday by ShopperTrak, a

million, according to data released Sunday by comScore, an Internet research firm. Online business got the Thanksgiving weekend.

a big boost as stores pushed online promotions the week leading into The National Retail Federation

trade group said Sunday it's sticking to its forecast for holiday sales to decline 1 percent from last year. A year after suffering the biggest sales decline in four decades, the nation's merchants pulled out all the

stops in stores and online to keep

the momentum going for the holiday

between their Web-based and landbased businesses. Major merchants including J.C.

weekend, further blurring the lines

Penney Co. and Sears Holdings Corp. broke new ground by making many of their Black Friday specials available on their Web sites at the same time. The heavy online push could steal some thunder from sales on Cyber

Monday, the day when sellers unveil another raft of discounts online to lure shoppers looking in after returning to work. Marketing gurus have started calling the season a "Twitter Christ-

mas" as merchants have been tweeting deals and previewing discounts on Facebook pages. tweeted Sears bargains

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Sands loses quarterfinal game to Borden Co.

Herald Staff Report

Sands hoped this was the week it figured out how to beat Borden

As it turned out, this was not that

Sands dropped an 86-36 decision at Lowrey Field in Lubbock on Saturday, ending the Mustangs' season at 11-2. Borden County moves on to face Motley County this week in the state semifinals.

The Mustangs turned the ball over five times in the contest, two of which resulted in Borden County interception returns for touchdowns.

"Going into it we knew they had the better athletes and the overall better team, that's why they're defending state champions," head coach Wayne Henderson said. "But you can't turn the ball over five times and expect to beat anybody."

Daniel Armendariz led the way for the Sands offense, rushing 14 times for 132 yards and two touchdowns. He threw for 100 yards and one touchdown with one interception.

"We take the second play from scrimmage and score, and then recover the onside kick, but from there it was all downhill," Henderson said. "I thought legitimately they made some good plays out of the five turn-

"I just hate that it ended that way. You put all that time and effort into it, and I don't care how deep you get,

it's just not good."

With realignment, Henderson said Sands may move up to Division I six-man, where the team will rely on a strong class of what will be juniors next season.

"We have a good group of sophomores, and they got lots of playing time this year, so we'll have to see what happens," he said.

Borden County 86, Sands 36 Sands 12 16 8 0 -- 36 Borden Co. 26 14 24 22 -- 86

DOUBLE TROUBLE



Tevian Parnell reaches for the end zone Saturday in Mineral Wells. Parnell had nine grabs for 160 yards.



HERALD Photo/Tony Claxton

Matt Ritchey and Kyler McGee tackle Everman running back Cory Franklin on Saturday in Mineral Wells.

Everman 49, Big Spring 18 Everman 14 14 14 7

First Quarter E- Browning 3 run (Abston kick)-9:13

E- Fletcher 1 run (Abston kick)- 4:43 BS- Straughter 15 pass from Tannehill (Tannehill kick)- 3:06 Second Quarter

E- Franklin 51 run (Abston kick)-11:01

E- Jones 50 pass from Browning (Abston kick)- 6:39

BS- Tannehill 26 field goal- 1:38 **Third Quarter**

E- Bellazin 21 punt block return (Abston kick)- 10:36

BS-T. Parnell 45 pass from Tannehill (Tannehill to Yanez conversion)- 8:28 E- Sanders 11 pass from Davis (Abston kick)- 3:28 **Fourth Quarter**

E- Bailey 2 run (Abston kick)- 9:54 Statistics Rushing- Everman, Franklin 15-143,

Browning 11-101, Fletcher 9-54, Cook 2-4, Bailey 2-0. Big Spring Anderson 17-74, Ritchey 2-9, Tannehill 6-(-2)

Passing- Everman, Browning 3-6-104-0, Davis 1-1-11-0. Big Spring, Tannehill 29-46-320-3 Receiving- Everman, Franklin 2-54,

Jones 1-50, Sanders 1-11. Big Spring T. Parnell 9-160, Straughter 5-45, Ritchey 5-35, Plakhotny 3-23, Anderson

Everman ends Steers' season again in 49-18 decision

By JOE ZIGTEMA

Sports Editor

MINERAL WELLS — One chain

That piece of metal in Mineral Wells on Saturday played a key role in Big Spring's 49-18 loss to Everman on Saturday at Ram Stadium in Regional action.

Late in the third quarter, Everman faced a fourth down and inches from the Big Spring 44 yard line. The Steers appeared to stop Everman running back Cory Franklin short, and after the chain crew measured for the first down, the Big Spring sideline erupted only as the referee awarded a first down to the Bulldogs.

Was he short? The Steers said yes. The referees said no.

"I saw it short," head coach Phillip Ritchey said. "That's all I saw. I didn't think it was a first down. He said the ball broke the plane of the stick, and I disagreed with him."

The Steer sideline was flagged for a personal foul following the measurement, and Everman's Shawn Sanders caught a touchdown pass from Robert Davis a few plays later to put the game effectively out of reach for the Steers.

"That's an enormous moment right there because we were still in the game," Ritchey said. "(If) we get the ball right there and go score, it could have been a different result. The game was not over at that point for sure."

That wasn't the only moment that doomed the Steers on Saturday. Franklin and quarterback Barry Browning both ran for 100 yards on Big Spring's defense, a blocked punt return for a touchdown to begin the second half and five turnovers were all factors in ending the Steers' sea-

"We had to play a really good game today to have a chance to win the game," Ritchey said. "Our kids played hard, we prepared hard, we were well-prepared for what they did. "You just have to make plays and we just didn't make plays.

"It just wasn't meant to be."

The loss finishes Big Spring's season at 10-3 and at the hands of Everman for the second consecutive

The Steers were overwhelmed with Everman's speed on both sides of the ball and the Bulldogs' power running attack.

"We like our running game," said Everman coach Dale Keeling, whose team moves on to face Aledo in Burleson on Saturday at 3 p.m. "Our backs ran really hard tonight, we blocked well, they're a good football team and to score like that against them is saying a lot about our kids."

Likewise, the Bulldogs held running back Monte Anderson to just 74 yards on 17 carries.

"It was real tough," Anderson said. "They're just a big, fast, physical team. There was nothing we could do about it, but you just hope for the best."

Receiver Tevian Parnell was a bright spot for the Steer offense, hauling in nine balls for 160 yards, including a 45-yard touchdown reception on a fourth down in the second half. Quarterback Tyler Tannehill threw for better than 300 yards, including a pair of touchdowns, and kicked a field goal for Big Spring.

they did with the pass, but again when you're playing a good football team you can't stop everything they do," Keeling said. "We just don't want to get in one of those 48-46 games because that's not what we do."

Everman scored on its first possession of the game on a three-yard run from Browning, helped out by a 35-yard pass from Browning to running back Cory Franklin down to the three.

After Tannehill threw his first interception, fullback Ruben Fletcher plunged in from one yard out to cap an eight-play drive, and Everman led 14-0 eight minutes into the game.

The Steers fought back from there as Anderson broke free on a 32-yard run to set up a 15-yard touchdown pass from Tannehill to Thaddeus Straughter, cutting the lead to seven.

Two big plays in the second quarter led to two Everman touchdowns, a 51-yard run from Franklin and a 50-yard pass play to Josh Jones. A Big Spring field goal just before half made the score 28-10 at the break.

"They had a bunch of athletes that could run the ball well and make plays, and they're real fast and they got us on big plays," linebacker Matt Ritchey said. "They just beat us."

Big Spring gave up another big play on its first possession out of the locker room, when the Steers went three and out and punted from their "I hoped we could stop more what own 23. Everman's Tevin Jenkins blocked Matt Ritchey's punt, and Aaron Bellazin took it 21 yards for the score to make the game 35-10.

"We told our kids at half this first series is a game breaker or maker for them," Keeling said. "If they come out and score on us, they're right back in it and things are not good. If we get a three and out then we're in good shape, and we got better than a three and out."

The Steers did respond to that touchdown with Parnell's touchdown reception, but the Bulldogs' next possession, where the spot argument occurred, all but sealed the Steers' fate.

"I look back on everything, and it was an incredible season," Anderson said. "I'm very proud to be a part of this team and the senior leadership. I love my senior class, and I love this team."

Phillip Ritchey echoed Anderson's sentiments.

"They're going to look back on this season and remember being a part of one of the best Big Spring teams that's ever been," he said of the team's 18 seniors. "That's something that they'll be proud of forever."

Sports in brief

Coahoma Little Dribblers sign-ups coming up

The Coahoma Little Dribbler sign-ups are coming up this week.

Sign-ups will begin on Tuesday from 5-7 p.m. at the Coahoma Elementary Gym. They will be held again Saturday from 5-7 p.m. at the Coahoma Elementary Gym.

The last chance to sign up with be Dec 7 from 6-8

p.m. at the Coahoma Dairy Queen. For more information, call Brian and Karen Moore at 517-4006, or Derek and Mendy Ward at 394-4128.

Howard College wins two games in Florida

The Howard College men's basketball team is 11-1 after sweeping three games in Florida over the weekend.

The team beat Gulf Coast Community College, Northwest Florida State College and Chipola College by scores of 87-80, 76-72 and 52-50, respectively.

The team is off until Jan. 1, when it takes on Moberly Area Community College in tournament action in Kansas City.

Big Spring Alumni seeking former gridders

Former Big Spring football players have one more chance to play in a full gear, full contact football game with other Big Spring Alumni.

The cost to play is \$75 and this includes all football equipment. The game will be played sometime in February or March against an opponent TBD.

The next practice is at 10 a.m. next Saturday at the football field.

Interested alumni can contact team captain Arthur Barrera at 816-6418.

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and

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Brooklyn,

Madison,

Thibeault

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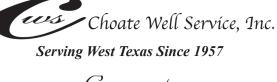
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Obituaries

Kandace Lynn Mullins



Kandace Lynn Mullins died Saturday, Nov. 28, 2009. A memorial service is set for 4 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, 2009, at The Innerchange, 22478 Bucksville Rd., in McCalla,

She was preceded in death by her father, Dewaine Mullins.

Survivors include her grandfather ,Winford Mullins; fiancée, Seth Minter; mother, Ronda Anderson, a former Big Spring res-

ident; stepfather, Bill Anderson; siblings Brian and Teresa Mullins and Kade Anderson; and uncle, Gregg Williamson.

Stella 'Nanny' Hull Lee Stella "Nanny" Hull Lee, 100, of Big Spring, died

Saturday, November 28, 2009 at her residence. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of Simler. One person was transported to SMMC. TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of Randolph and March. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 900 block of FM 2599. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the area of the State Hospital. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.MEDICAL was reported in the 600 block of
- State. One person was transported to SMMC. TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 100 block of 11th Place. Service refused.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 3600 block of Boulder. One person was transported to SMMC. • TRAUMA was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 100 block of Loyd. One person was transported to SMMC. • MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of
- Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC. MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of Westover Road. One person was transported to
- MEDICAL was reported in the 4000 block of W. Highway 80. One person was transported to • MEDICAL was reported in the 2300 block of
- Wasson. One person was transported to SMMC. MEDICAL was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson. One person was transported to SMMC. • TRAUMA was reported in the 900 block of Mountain Park Drive. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 800 block of Marcy. One person was transported to SMMC. • TRAUMA was reported in the 2700 block of Wasson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 600 block of N. Gregg Street. One person was transported to
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
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- Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC. • TRAUMA was reported in the 600 block of Bucknell. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 1400 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of Harding. One person was transported to SMMC.

Support Groups

- Encourager's Support Group for all widows and widowers meets the first and third Monday of the month. For more information, call Nancy Hale at
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. at the First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 213-1342 or 263-6819.

TUESDAY

- Grief share, sponsored by Home Hospice and the First Presbyterian Church, Seventh and Runnels (north end door), meets at 6 p.m.. Drop-ins are welcome. For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7599.
- The Path, faith-based addiction recovery, meets at 6:30 p.m. at Spring Tabernacle Ministeries, 1209 Wright St.



Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 9 a.m. Saturday and 7

- MARY ANN GARZA, 32, of 1204 Frazier, was arrested Saturday on a charge of driving while license suspended.
- GABRIEL LEE MARTINEZ, 21, of 1611 Owens, was arrested Sunday on two local warrants.
- MARTIN ALVARADO, 28, of 1603 Cardinal, was arrested Sunday on a local warrant.
- CASEY LYNN SMITH, 17, of 1200 Johnson, was arrested Sunday on a charge of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- ROBERT MATA, 28, of 1101 Mesa, was arrested Sunday on a Parmer County warrant.
- THEFT was reported in the 4800 block of Highway 80.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported: in the 1400 block of Sixth Street. In the 1600 block of Lincoln.

• POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA – TWO

- OUNCES OR LESS was reported in the 1100 block of Lamesa. CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported:
- in the 1900 block of Martin Luther King Blvd. In the 1600 block of Lincoln.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1600 block of Settles.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 77 inmates at the time of this

- MARTIN ALVARADO, 28, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of debit card abuse. KORLEY DAVID BENNETT, 24, was trans-
- ferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication. • LARRY RAY BOUNDS, 44, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of
- public intoxication. • GUADALUPE Y. CANALES, 25, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a
- GARY LEW CHRANE, 58, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of terrorist threat.

previous conviction.

- ERNEST WILLIAM CLARK, 69, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on charges of criminal trespass and public intoxi-
- JESSE JAMES COLLINS, 22, was arrested Wednesday by DPS on a charge of injury to a child/elderly/disabled with intent to cause serious bodily injury. • MELISSA CRAWFORD, 34, was transferred to
- the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of failure to appear (two counts), failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to yield at an intersection.
- ALLISON REDDING EDMONDSON, 37, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of driving while intoxicated and driving while license invalid with a previous conviction.
- MANUEL ESCAMILLA, 24, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a charge of assault Class C – family violence.
- MARY ANN GARZA, 32, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
- JOSE ALFRADO GOMEZ, 26, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- RUSSELL GREY GRANT, 25, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- HOWARD JOHNSON, 25, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of failure to identify – giving false information.
- JEFFERY NATHAN JONES, 24, was arrested Wednesday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- GABRIEL LEE MARTINEZ, 21, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on contempt charges for consumption of alcohol by a minor (two counts).
- JERRY MARTINEZ, 39, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of criminal mischief, disorderly conduct - language and public intoxication.
- ROBERT MATA, 28, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of failure to appear.
- MARK ANTHONY MOLINA, 45, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- CHRISTOPHER LEE MYRICK, 33, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on charges of violation of parole, possession of marijuana – two ounces or less, possession of a dangerous drug and possession of drug parapher-
- ALEX FERRELL PAREDEZ, 18, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on contempt charges for no seat belt and violation of a promise to appear.

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- Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- JENNIFER NICOLE SALINAS, 23, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on contempt charges for failure to appear (two counts), failure to maintain financial responsibility, no driver's license and unrestrained child under the age of 5 years.
- CASEY LYNN SMITH, 17, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- ASHLEY LESHEA STILES, 20, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for possession of marijuana – two ounces or less. • JESUS ACOSTA TARIN, 49, was transferred to
- the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of a dangerous drug and contempt charges for parent contributing to the nonattendance (three counts).
- WALLACE TERRY VIASANA, 55, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of aggravated assault with a weapon.
- LITTLE JOHN WINFIELD, 47, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction.

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'12 Days of Christmas' items' cost would top \$87K

Associated Press Writer

PITTSBURGH — Making one's true love happy will cost a whopping \$87,403 this year, a minuscule increase from last year, according to the latest cost analysis of the items in the carol "The Twelve Davs of Christmas."

That's the grand total for the single partridge in a pear tree to the 12 drummers drumming, purchased repeatedly as the song suggests, according to the annual "Christmas Price Index" compiled by PNC Wealth Management. The price is up a mere \$794, or less than 1 percent, from \$86,609 last year.

The cost of buying each item just once is increasing this vear to \$21.466, up 1.8 percent from last year's \$21,081.

Jim Dunigan, managing ex-

Wealth Management, which has been calculating the cost of Christmas since 1984, attributed the modest increase to lower energy costs and fewer wage increases.

It's the smallest increase since 2002, when the cost actually decreased, according

The main driver behind the higher cost is that the price of

gold has increased 43 percent, bringing the five gold rings up \$150 to \$500.

Although wage increases were modest, nine ladies dancing, at \$5,473 per performance, is the costliest item, surpassing that of any of the material goods.

The most expensive goods are the seven swans a-swimming at \$5.250, but their cost decreased 6.3 percent from

said their cost tends to be the most volatile because of supply and demand; they were up 33 percent last year over

Costs for the 10 lords a-leaping (\$4,414 per performance), 11 pipers piping (\$2,285 per performance) and 12 drummers drumming (\$2,475 per performance) remained the

same as last year.

SEASON

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Plans call for the route to begin lining up south on Scurry Street at the intersection of Eighth Street. The procession will actually begin at Scurry and Eighth, proceed north on Scurry to Fourth Street, turn east and proceed to Benton Street before turning north for one block and then proceeding west on Third Street and ending at Scurry Street.

More than 40 entries have been received to

"This is going to be

one of the best Christmas parades the Herald has ever put on," Herald Advertising Director Rick Nunez said. "The route for this year's parade may be different, but we promise it will be as exciting as ever."

The theme for this year's event is "A Cotton Pickin' Christmas.' Grand Marshal will be Kathryn Wiseman.

Entrants are eligible for three cash prizes — \$100 for the Best of Show Award (for best interpretation of theme); \$75 Mayor's Award (for best use of lighting); and \$50 Grand Marshal's Award (for best costuming).

In addition, first-place plaques will be awarded in the following categories — individual or family; civic group, school or church; commercial; and industrial. Also, a special award will be presented to the best sheriff's posse, riding club or other mounted entry.

Only entries received prior to the deadline will be considered for prizes, but additional participants will be welcomed right up to the start of the parade. Nunez said that persons wishing to participate need to show up in the vicinity of 12th and Scurry streets by 4:30 p.m. the day of the

Officials promise community residents a colorful start to the season.

"We are very excited to once again be hosting the Community Christmas Parade," Herald Publisher Ron Midkiff. "This is our Christmas gift to Howard County and we're hoping for another successful event."

For more information, contact Nunez at 263-7331.

Living Christmas Tree The 31st annual Liv-Christmas Tree will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at First United Methodist Church, located at Fourth and Scurry. It is free to the public, but tickets must be obtained at the church office. A dress rehearsal at 2 p.m. Saturday also is open to the public.

The Living Christmas Tree, for the uninitiated, is exactly that a three-meter tall, 2,000-pound Christmas tree populated by more than 70 singers dressed as ornaments.

While the event will be familiar to those who have attended before, the program is tweaked every year to provide something new. Aside from long-time classics, newer holiday standards will be performed.

Christmas Tree Forest

annual The third Christmas Tree Forest will debut Saturday and run through Jan. 5 at Heritage Museum, Director Nancy Raney said.

"We're calling it 'A Homespun Christmas' this year," Raney said.. "We'll have quilts on display throughout the museum and the various Christmas trees on display will be decorated with that theme in mind."

Also Saturday, the museum will hold "Breakfast With Santa," in which local youngsters will get a chance to meet St. Nick.

"Each year, when we do our Christmas program, we try to add something new or make some changes," said Tammy Schrecengost, Heritage Museum curator. "This year we were looking for something new and just asked ourselves, how much fun would it be for the children to be able to have breakfast with Mr. And Mrs. Claus?

"We'll have doughnuts and other breakfast finger foods, and we'll also have coffee and refreshments for the parents. I think it will be a lot of fun for everyone."

Schrecengost said the children will allowed to break bread with the big guy in red in 30-minute intervals, beginning at 8 a.m. there's And while

no admission being charged to participate, Schrecengost said they are suggesting donations be made. "We're asking for a

donation of either a new toy, which will go to Spring Tabernacles annual toy giveaway, or a non-perishable food item to go to the Isaiah 58 food drive," she said. "We're not going to turn any children away, but we're hoping we can use this opportunity to help out both local charities that are big parts of the holiday season for many local families."

Schrecengost said local baking expert Gale Pittman will also be on hand to help children design a special treat for the holiday season between 11 a.m. and 1 "They are going to be

making gingerbread men," she said. "There is a \$3 charge to cover material costs, and the kids will get the chance to decorate their own large holiday cookie. It's always a lot of fun and Gale is so good at working with the kids. And what could be better than being able to take home your own gingerbread man for the holiday? Parents need to call ahead and reserve a spot for their child for this activity."

Also during the daylong event, kids will get the chance to have their picture taken with San-

ta, said Schrecengost. Throughout the days leading up to to Christmas, the museum will host a variety of holiday events, including a visit from Santa Claus and his missus and classes to teach children the finer points of decorating a gingerbread man cookie.

The event, which Raney and other organizers call a huge success, was actually started by local baker Gale Pittman in the 1990s. After a hiatus of several years, he suggested to Raney and Curator Tammy Shrecengost that the museum could revive the display and the two women readily agreed.

"We always did something around Christmas, but nothing to this extent," Raney said. "We thought it would be a great project for the museum and a great partnership between us and Gale."

Raney said the best thing about the exhibit is that it serves as kind of a kick-start for the holiday season.

"I feel like we kind of kick off Christmas here in Big Spring," she said. "It works out really well. You have the Community Christmas Parade and the Living Christmas Tree on that same weekend, and here we are in the middle of those two events."

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SHOPPING

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through the weekend, spokesman Tom Aiello noted Sunday.

"Forget Black Friday for bricks and Cyber Monday for clicks — this year it's all about making it easy for customers to satisfy their shopping fix ... wherever and whenever," said John Long, a retail strategist at Kurt Salmon Associ-

Long, however, noted that "we're still seeing cautious spending. The pie isn't increasing whether you decide to buy in the stores or online."

Laura Gurski, a partner in the retail practice at A.T. Kearney, a global management consultant, believes the weekend's results offered signals that consumers, many of whom had cut spending all year to bare-bones necessities, had saved up for the holidays and were opening their wallets — even if just a little.

Shoppers' cautious mood was evident.

Allentown, Pa. resident Jamie Sandrock, said. "This year, I didn't 27, who was visiting have to shower. I didn't New York City on Saturday and was outside toy store FAO Schwarz, said she got up at 7 a.m. Friday and took advantage of online deals on Amazon.com, American Eagle Outfitters and Sephora.

That's a big change from the Black Fridays of years past, when Sandrock would get up at 3:30 a.m. to head to Tar-

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"Last year, I was part of the stampede," she have to get dressed. All I had to do was click."

But Sandrock, who has been trying to find a job in nursing since she graduated from college in May, said she's slashing her holiday spending to \$350 from last year's \$500.

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Our View

Remember to shop at home first

"t's that time again — the holiday shopping season. Virtually each of us is thinking about what would make good gifts. Well, that's the case, unless you are one of those organized souls who do their shopping ahead of time, taking advantage of sales throughout the year or making purchases the minute you spot the right gift.

But few of us can admit to being that organized.

In fact, a great many of us wait until the very last moment to begin purchasing Christmas gifts. Those of us in that group are still waiting for that boost of adrenaline we need to begin tackling the task at hand.

At some point, however, we'll all have reached the

Then it's simply a matter of where we'll do our

And like we do in this space every year, we strongly suggest shopping at home.

Yes, we know, we're always championing that cause, but the reason we do so is that it's a very, very important matter.

We know there are always those who are convinced bigger is better and will be heading to shopping malls in larger cities. And there are those who've opted for the supposed convenience of sitting at home and making selections over the Inter-

It seems to us, however, that passing up on what Big Spring has to offer makes little or no sense.

First of all, many of those sales prices touted by stores in larger cities are no real bargain when one adds the cost of making a trip out of town. It's not just the gasoline expense, which is no laughing matter with prices at the pump these days, but such strips often involve other costs like a restaurant

In fact, in many cases, such shopping expeditions prove to be anything but economical ... both financially and physically.

More importantly, tough, we all need to remember that any purchase made elsewhere does nothing to benefit our local economy. So, if you're still in the midst of your holiday shop-

ping or preparing to get started, take a minute and look around our community first. Make sure you help your friends and neighbors

stav in business. Big Spring has plenty of interesting and diverse

shops with a variety of gift items — everything from the hottest item to hit the stores to antiques is right here at home.

As a result, for the most part we are only limited by our imagination and, hopefully, on what we can

So, shop Big Spring. We're convinced you'll be impressed with what you find.

In the process, you'll not only be helping local mer-

chants. You'll be helping yourself. In other words,

you'll be helping us all.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we observe all the wonderful blessings You, Lord, have given us.

Playing politics with security

wo recent events right here in Texas provide a stark reminder that the War on Terror has not ended. On Nov. 5, Nidal Malik Hasan, an apparent jihadist terrorist, coldly gunned down 13 soldiers and

one unborn child in a murderous rampage at Fort Hood. On Sept. 24, another accused terrorist, Hosam Smadi, was arrested for plotting to blow up a Dallas skyscraper. Despite these

horrific incidents, too many people remain complacent and fail to

recognize the true nature of the threats we face as a country. The Obama administration's

recent decision to transfer Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, the alleged mastermind of the 9/11 attacks, and four other 9/11 conspirators to federal criminal court is a glaring example of today's complacency. Just a few months ago, the

U.S. Senate voted 87-7 in favor of a Sense of Congress resolution that terrorists should be tried by military commissions. Indeed, in a 2006 speech, then-

Senator Obama insisted that Mohammed would get a "full military trial" and that was how it should be. Now President Obama is re-

versing his position. And as a result, Mohammed and his alleged co-conspirators will be tried

near Ground Zero and afforded greater Constitutional protections in our civilian courts than those provided to U.S. military personnel charged in a U.S. court-martial.

Most dangerous of all, Mohammed will now be able to demand that the government reveal the evidence against him in open

The problem, of course, is that evidence against Al Qaeda members includes highly classified intelligence information. It is critical that this information remains secret if we are to protect ourselves and our allies.

That's exactly why Congress created military commissions: to provide a fair trial when the evidence against a defendant also includes vital national security

Reportedly, the 1993 World Trade Center bombing trial — which was conducted in a civilian court — proved to be an intelligence bonanza for Al Qaeda.

Prosecutors were forced to hand over critical information that the U.S. government had collected on jihadist operations.

While the President's decision's concerning Mohammed is alarming, it is not the end of our worries. Next month, three parts of the PATRIOT Act that facilitate critical intelligence gathering capabilities will expire unless Congress acts to renew

These capabilities, which were created to help fix gaps in our intelligence gathering after 9/11, include the "roving wiretaps"

that were critical to the investigation and the capture of Hosam Smadi. If this authority expires, the government will lose its abil ity to listen in on known terror suspects who change phones, among other things.

So what are the Democrats in Congress doing? While they have agreed to reauthorize these critical surveillance capabilities, it is only on the condition that we make a host of changes. Their bill (S. 1692) will create major problems for the FBI, DEA and other intelligence-gathering and law enforcement agencies and harm their ability to protect

The events of the last few weeks leave no doubt to the imagination: we are facing a continued threat of terrorism both at home and abroad.

reauthorize the expiring intelligence-gathering capabilities without the changes that tie the hands of those who protect us. Even now, there are terrorists

That's why the Senate must

like Hosam Smadi and Nidal Hasan who are plotting to do us harm. We need to be able to find them, investigate them, capture them, and prosecute them.

The attack at Fort Hood was the deadliest terrorist attack on U.S. soil since 9/11. We can never go back to our 9/10 complacency. We must get serious about national security again.

Kay Bailey Hutchison is the senior U.S. Senator from Texas and is the Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation.



Bush-style spending not over yet

hought the Bush years were over? Not so fast. The main "accomplishment" of those years, apart from getting our country handed over to the big banks and corporations, was of course

launching two wars. The cost of those wars so far is staggering, but these amounts are dwarfed by the so-called "regular" defense budget.

Most of what we spend on the military — including hundreds of high-tech planes that are churned out every year and

then sit idle isn't spent on the wars we're actually fighting. And under cover of war, these "regular" budgets have risen right along with the war funding bills.

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Enter the Obama administration. It's having trouble fulfilling its promises to end those wars. But it's also having trouble bringing "regular" military spending under control.

Every year a group I lead, the Task Force on a Unified Security Budget, looks at overall U.S. security spending. We analyze the balance between spending on what we call "offense" (mili-

tary force), "defense" (home-

Amen land security measures such as

screening baggage and cargo). and "prevention" (preventing wars through diplomacy, peacekeeping troops, and economic development).

In the Bush administration's last year, it devoted 87% of our security dollars to the military. In the first Obama budget that figure is: 87%. The needle hasn't moved. At all.

Why not? In his first speech to Congress, President Obama promised to "reform our defense budget so we're not paying for Cold War-era weapons systems we don't use." To their credit, his administration did manage to knock off a few this year. Though short, it was a longer list than at any time since the period of defense cuts following the end of the Cold War.

The biggest prize was the F-22 fighter jet. F-22s, which cost \$350 million each, were designed to fight planes the Soviet Union planned to build and never did. The F-22 is too exotic and costly ever to have been used in the wars we are actually fighting. It deserved to die.

It took a furious battle to keep this plane from coming back from the dead: The F-22's contractor has craftily placed jobs building the plane in 44 states. The Obama administration had to threaten to veto the entire defense spending bill if Congress reversed its plans for the F-22's

demise.

But while the Obama administration successfully cut about \$10 billion in spending on such turkeys, it then added about \$20 billion in additional military spending. He got a lot of deserved credit for increasing spending on the tools of prevention — diplomacy, peacekeeping, and economic development among them. But the end result was the same wildly out-of-balance security budget the Bush

team handed off. Obama also took a stab at reforming the weapons-contracting "system" that hides billions every year in padded contracts and outright fraud. It won't fix the problem — truck-sized loopholes remain — but it's a start.

To his credit, Defense Secretary Robert Gates has been lamenting that "America's civilian institutions of diplomacy and development have been chronically undermanned and underfunded for far too long, relative to what we spend on the military." The Obama administration's good intentions to fix this are still mostly unrealized.

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Divided Senate opens health care debate

RICARDO ZALDIVAR

Associated Press Writer WASHINGTON With the Senate set to begin debate today on President Barack Obama's signature domestic issue, the allhands-on-deck Democratic coalition that allowed the health care reform legislation to advance is coming apart.

While majority Democrats will need 60 votes again to finish, some in the party say they'll jump ship from the bill without tighter restrictions on abortion coverage. Others say they'll go unless a government plan to compete with private insurance companies gets tossed. Such concessions would enrage liberals, the party's heart and soul.

There's no clear course for Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev.. to steer legislation through Congress to the president's desk. You can't make history unless vou reach 60 votes, and don't count on Republicans helping

But Reid is determined to avoid being remembered as another Democrat who tried and failed

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Senate Majority Leader Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., speaks during a news conference on health care reform on Capitol Hill in Washington.

to make health care access for the middle class a part of America's social safety net.

"Generation generation has called on us to fix this broken system," he said at a recent Capitol Hill rally. "We're now closer than ever to getting it done."

His bill includes \$848 billion over 10 years to gradually expand coverage to most of those now uninsured. It would ban onerous insurance industry practices such as denying coverage or charging higher premiums because of someone's poor health. Those

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and small businesses could buy a policy in a new insurance market, with government subsidies for many. Older people would get better prescription coverage.

Most people covered by big employers would gain more protections without major changes. One exception would be those with high-cost insurance plans, whose premiums could rise as a result of a tax on insurers issue the cover-

The public is ambivalent about the Democrats' legislation. While 58 percent want elected officials to tackle health

age — the self-employed those supporters say they don't like what they're hearing about the plans, according to a new Kaiser Family Foundation poll.

The Senate debate risks alienating more people because much of the discussion probably will revolve around divisive issues that preoccupy lawmakers.

care now, about half of debate will be spent on issues that aren't important to the workability of health reform," said Paul Ginsburg, president of the Center for Studying Health System

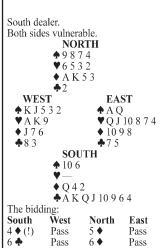
Change. The debate should start off modestly, with each side offering one amendment. No votes

are scheduled Monday. Reid wants to finish by "A large portion of the Christmas; he may not



By Steve Becker

Famous Hand



Pass Opening lead — king of hearts. It is unlikely that the bidding shown would ever be approved by the FBI (Faultless Bidding Institute). But that's exactly how it went when

the hand was played, believe it or

The deal was reported by a Texan named Travis White in a book he wrote back in 1934 called "Odd Tricks" (republished in 1978). It featured a collection of interesting hands, and Mr. White chose this particular illustration for his closing chapter - partly because he was a participant in the deal (he was East),

and partly because he was the victim of one of the oddest occurrences ever recorded in a rubber-bridge game.

Apparently, South was so excited by his gorgeous club suit that instead of opening with four clubs, which he intended to do, he inadvertently bid four diamonds.

It is hard to blame North for raising to five diamonds - he was only doing what came naturally. South now tried to correct his miscue by running to six clubs, but the intended meaning of this bid sailed right over North's head. Instead, he retreated to six diamonds, as probably most other Norths would have done.

This contract still didn't appeal to South, who might have passed under these strange circumstances. Instead, he tried seven clubs, hoping his partner would finally catch on. However, North blithely bid seven diamonds, which became the final contract. West could have led a spade, a

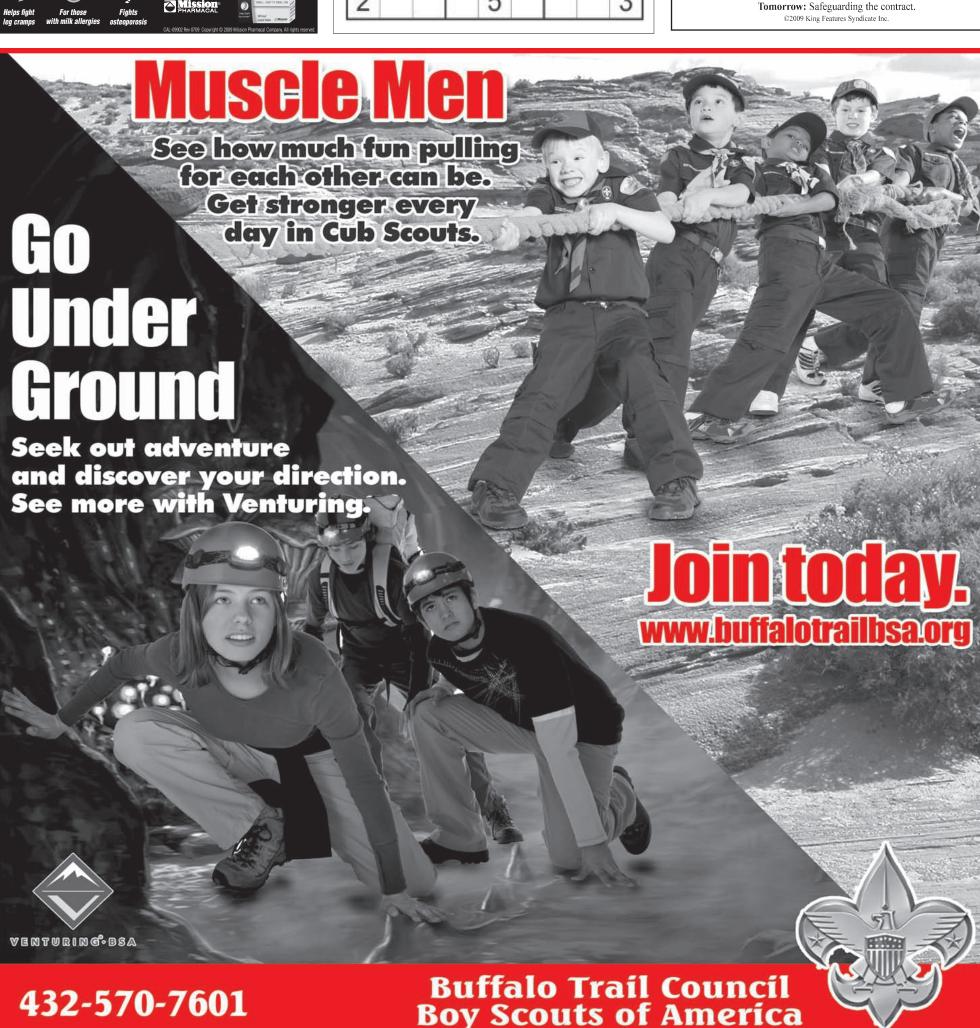
diamond or a club and defeated the grand slam, but he quite naturally led the king of hearts. After that, there was nothing much to the rest of the play. Declarer ruffed, cashed the Q-K-A-5 of trumps, discarding his 10-6 of spades, and then took eight club tricks to score 2,140 points for bidding and making the grand slam!

Ironically, seven clubs could not have been made against any lead, but after the heart lead, seven diamonds turned out to be cold!

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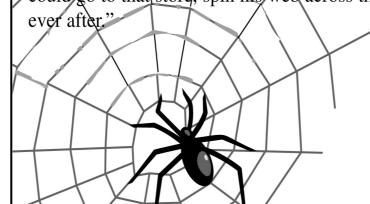
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Police: Suspect in police deaths hurt, maybe dead

MANUEL VALDES

Associated Press Writer SEATTLE — A suspect in the slaying of four police officers who were gunned down in a suburban coffee shop was surrounded by police at a Seattle house early Monday, wounded and possibly dead, police said.

Negotiators were trying to communicate with Maurice Clemmons, 37, using loudexplosions speakers, and even a robot to try to prod him from hiding. At one point, gunshots rang through the neighborhood, about 30 miles from the original crime scene.

"We have determined that in fact he has been shot," said Ed Troyer,

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a spokesman for the Pierce County Sheriff. "He may be deceased from his gunshot wound."

Clemmons, who has a long criminal history including a long prison sentence commuted by former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee nearly a decade ago — became the prime target Sunday in the search for the killer of Lakewood police Sgt. Mark Renninger, 39, and Officers Ronald Owens, 37, Tina Griswold, 40, and Greg Richards, 42.

Authorities had speculated early Sunday that the gunman might have been wounded at the coffee shop by one of his victims. Troyer said interviews with others



Police team up at the site where four police officers were killed in an ambush at the Forza Coffee Company in Parkland, Wash., Sunday.

detained in the investigation confirmed that theory.

Police surrounded the house late Sunday, and

a negotiator used a loudspeaker early Monday to call him out by name, saying: "Mr. Clemmons, I'd like to get you out of there safely. I can tell you this, we are not going away."

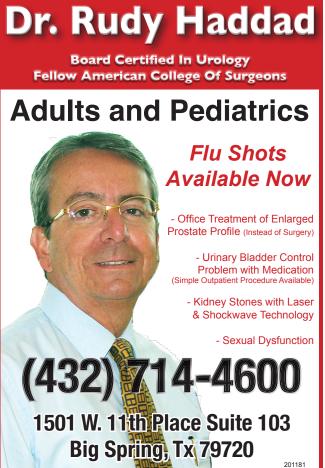
Any response from inside the house was inaudible from the vantage of a photographer for The Associated Press. But shortly thereafter, police began using sirens outside the house, and there were several loud bangs before the negotiator resumed speaking, saying: "This is one of the toughest decisions you'll make in your life, but you need to man up."

By 3 a.m. Pacific time, the loudspeakers and explosions had fallen silent. Seattle Police spokesman Jeff Kappel said Clemmons has never responded.

Clemmons is believed to have been in the area of the coffee shop around the time of the shooting, but Troyer declined to say what evidence might link him to the shooting.

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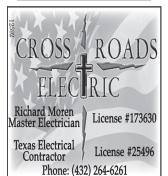
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It's the day before the full moon, and a great deal of tension has been building up. To make matters more interesting, Mercury in passionate Sagittarius

squares Uranus in spiritual Pisces. People who not share the same belief systems



to rub each other the wrong way or touch a nerve with their choice of conver-

sation. Tread lightly. ARIES (March 21-April 19). Another one of your roaming moods kicks in. As a rule, you'd prefer not to do the same thing, day in and day out. You'd rather stay away from routine, even if it does

take more energy. For

you, the adventure is

worth it.

(April **TAURUS** Strike 20-May "should" from your vocabulary. You have a choice to do something or not to do it. Today you'll be inclined to leap into each choice you make with all your heart, and that's why people will follow you. **GEMINI** (May 21-June

21). Making lemonade from lemons is too passe for you. You'll turn your lemons into something more exciting — a flaming sorbet or a fancy pie. With a twist and a flourish, you create magic and entertainment. **CANCER** (June

22-July 22). Poet Emily Dickinson said, "Hope is the thing with feathers/That perches in the soul Your sense of hope right now is so strong you feel it could lift you off your feet.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). This road you're traveling on is about to fork. You can't go down both paths, but know this: Either one you pick will turn out to be the right decision. Be confident and know all will be

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). A step taken in pursuit of your dreams is a bold step indeed. When you think your efforts are wasted, you take stock and press on. You cannot give up, and you won't. What's more, you're closer than you think.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Travel is on your mind. And if you are planning into the far-off future, you'll get a deal, too. You are attracted to remote locations that don't usually appeal to the average tourist. **SCORPIO** (Oct.

24-Nov. 21). How many times do you need to be told you're beautiful before you believe it? You light up a room with your smile, and if people aren't saying it to you, they're saying it to each other. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov.

22-Dec. 21). Be patient with yourself: The path you're on isn't an easy one, and you can't make it better by hurrying. Building the pyramids wasn't a weekend project. True success takes CAPRICORN (Dec.

22-Jan. 19). When you find something funny, don't hold back. Lose yourself in laughter. Hold the sides of your belly and laugh maybe even to the point of snorting. That's the way your heart hits the reset button. **AQUARIUS**

PISCES

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Someone needs to give you a highfive. This work you've done really couldn't have been done any better, and the results just speak for themselves. Enjoy the adulation. If it hasn't come, it will.

19-March 20). When you

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see something you like, it's normal for you to tell a friend, or all your friends. And lucky for them, you have great taste. Today you'll share a few tips and insights and enrich a few lives in the process. T O D A Y 'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 30).

From the outside, many aspects of your life appear the same, and yet your life is definitely different this year happier. You are getting better at knowing what makes you feel good and sticking to it. Hard work and sweat are featured in December. February brings financial uplift. May offers travel and fun. Gemini and Pisces people adore you. Lucky numbers are: 40, 25, 11, 24 and 18.

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do it often: Relax. Have

a glass of champagne or

a hot bath. Take an hour

to zone out or 20 minutes to walk or meditate. Doing these things daily through the holidays, no guilt, ensures a merry ole time for Virgo.

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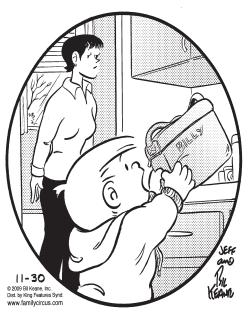
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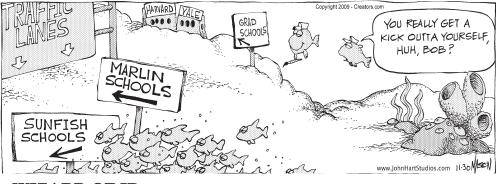
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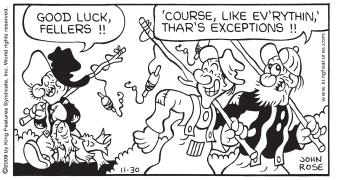






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This Date In History

Today is Monday, Nov. 30, the 334th day of 2009. There are 31 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight History:

On Nov. 30, 1939, the Russo-Finnish War, also known as the Winter War, began as Soviet troops invaded Finland. (The conflict ended the following March with a Soviet victory.) On this date:

In 1782, the United States and Britain signed preliminary peace articles in Paris, ending the Revolutionary War.

In 1803, Spain completed the process of ceding Louisiana to France, which had sold it to the United States.

In 1835, Samuel Langhorne Clemens — better known as Mark Twain — was born in Florida, Mo.

In 1874, British statesman Sir Winston Churchill was born at Blenheim Palace.

In 1936 Lond Crystal Palace, constructed for the Great Exhibition of 1851, was destroyed in a fire. In 1949, Chinese communist

troops captured Chongqing. In 1962, U Thant of Burma,

who had been acting secretarygeneral of the United Nations following the death of Dag Hammarskjold the year before. was elected to a four-year term.

In 1966, the former British colony of Barbados became independent. In 1981, the United States and

the Soviet Union opened negotiations in Geneva aimed at reducing nuclear weapons in Europe. Ten years ago: The opening

of a 135-nation trade gathering in Seattle was disrupted by at least 40,000 demonstrators, some of whom clashed with police. Today's Birthdays: Historian

Jacques Barzun is 102. Actor Efrem Zimbalist Jr. is 91. Actor Robert Guillaume is 82. TV personality and producer Dick Clark is 80. Radio talk show host G. Gordon Liddy is 79. Country singer-recording executive Jimmy Bowen is 72. Movie director Ridley Scott is 72. Singer Rob Grill (The Grassroots) is 66. Movie writerdirector Terrence Malick is 66.

Rock musician Roger Glover (Deep Purple) is 64. Playwright David Mamet is 62. Actress Margaret Whitton is 59. Actor Mandy Patinkin is 57. Musician Shuggie Otis is 56. Country singer Jeannie Kendall is 55. Singer Billy Idol is 54. Historian Michael Beschloss is 54. Rock musician John Ashton (The Psychedelic Furs) is 52. Comedian Colin Mochrie is 52. Former football and baseball player Bo Jackson is 47. Rapper Jalil (Whodini) is 46. Actordirector Ben Stiller is 44. Rock musician Mike Stone is 40. Actress Sandra Oh is 39. Country singer Mindy McCready is 34. Singer Clay Aiken is 31. Actress Elisha Cuthbert is 27.

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- **5** Offend 9 Handbag part
- 14 Take a chance
- **15** Doing nothing
- **16** Dilutes
- 17 Former Italian
- currency
- 20 Steam-emitting
- appliance 21 Outdoor
- 23 Japanese
- miniature tree
- **26** Tales **30** That woman
- 33 Spicy bean dish
- **38** Furnace output
- 39 Lower-level shopping site
- 42 One of the
- **43** Bridle
- attachment
- **44** Inn kin
- **46** Unpleasant
- information
- 48 Cashew, e.g.
- 49 Fix, as an appliance
- **61** How some tuna is packed
- to me"
- 65 Shed tears 66 Dressed (in)

- 67 Stopwatch,
- swimmers

- 18 Chimney dust
- 19 Has a lease

- shopping site
- 25 Female sheep
- 37 Refuses to
- **Great Lakes**

- 45 Streets: Abbr.

- **54** Neighborhood shopping site
- **60** Take the bus
- **62** Diva's solo **63** "Makes sense
- 64 Kitchen appliance

for example **68** Window part **69** Snakelike

- DOWN 1 Stray from
- the script
- 2 Egypt's capital
- the side of caution
- 4 College
- officials 5 Social outcast
 - 6 Adored celebrity
- **7** Big sheet of ice
- 8 Crumbly Greek cheese
- 9 Milkshake

yet?"

inserts **10** "Are we

venue 12 Poker-hand starter

11 Ice-hockey

- 13 Soft "Hey you!"
- 22 Is introduced to 46 Army-camp
- 24 China's continent
- **27** Held the
- deed to **28** Springtime
- songbird
- 29 Silly **30** Bird-feeder
- food
- **32** Suffix for major 33 "Ten-four"
- sayer
- 34 Difficult
- 36 Big sweater size: Abbr.
- 35 Colored part of the eye

38 Patient-care 40 Furious

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DOLLAR STRETCHERS by Gail Grabowski

- **41** "So what __ is new?"
- musician **47** December door

decoration

- 48 Too trusting 50 Cost
- **51** Theater walkwav
- **52** Absolutely perfect
- 31 Install on a wall 53 Marsh grasses **54** Main idea
 - **55** Prefix for freeze **56** Kitchen or den
 - 57 Wood-cutting tools
 - 58 Region
 - **59** "My __ are sealed!"

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