

Court to decide on legal protections for private prison guards

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today agreed to decide whether guards at privately run prisons, a booming business in some states, enjoy the same legal protections as do guards at state-run prisons.

The justices will review a ruling that said guards at a private prison in Tennessee are not entitled to the immunity against lawsuits state prison guards sometimes enjoy.

Federal courts are split on that issue and the justices' decision, expected sometime by July, should resolve the conflicting lower court rulings.

Private prisons now are located in

about one-third of the states, often under contracts to exercise all the police powers and traditional public functions exclusively reserved to a state government.

In 1986, the Tennessee Legislature authorized state prison officials to enter into such contracts. The state's Department of Corrections signed an agreement to have the Corrections Corporation of America run a prison in Clifton, Tenn.

Ronnie Lee McKnight, an inmate at the prison, sued guards Darryl Richardson and John Walker in 1994, alleging that they violated his rights by

subjecting him to bodily restraints that were excessively tight while he was taken to Clifton from Nashville.

McKnight's civil rights lawsuit contended that the restraints caused him extreme pain and swelling, and required hospital treatment. The lawsuit said the two guards taunted McKnight when he complained about the restraints.

Richardson and Walker sought to have the lawsuit dismissed before it reached trial, but a federal judge refused.

The judge ruled that guards working for a private, for-profit corporation are

not entitled to the "qualified immunity" that shields state employees who are sued over actions taken in the good-faith belief that no one's rights are being violated.

The 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld that ruling last July.

"The rule falls somewhere short of qualified immunity for these privately employed officers," the appeals court said.

It acknowledged that its ruling "will result in increased litigation costs, which may ultimately be passed on to the state in the form of an increased contract price."

In the appeal acted on today, lawyers for the two prison guards said the appeals court ruling leaves guards and other employees at private prisons too vulnerable to frivolous lawsuits.

"The public has a significant interest in having those individuals that serve in these facilities do so free of the threat of unnecessary litigation," the appeal said.

It noted that private prison guards "perform the same discretionary functions in their daily interactions with violent criminal offenders" as do state prison guards.

State officials get challenge to sign pledge

AUSTIN (AP) — Elected officials are being challenged to sign an ethics pledge by a task force including religious, environmental and citizen group representatives.

"We're hoping that these principles will be signed and will be hung in every state legislator's office," said Tom Smith, state director of Public Citizen and part of the Texas Ethical Standards Task Force.

But the task force may strike out at the top of state government, at least as far as getting signatures.

Gov. George W. Bush, while supporting high standards, "as a matter of practice ... doesn't sign pledges sent to us by organizations," his spokesman Ray Sullivan said Wednesday.

Texas House Speaker Pete Laney and Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who presides over the Senate, haven't had a chance to review the proposed pledge but support high ethical standards, according to staff members.

The principles of ethical conduct include a vow to treat public office as a public trust, use campaign contributions only for direct campaign expenses and avoid conflicts of interest.

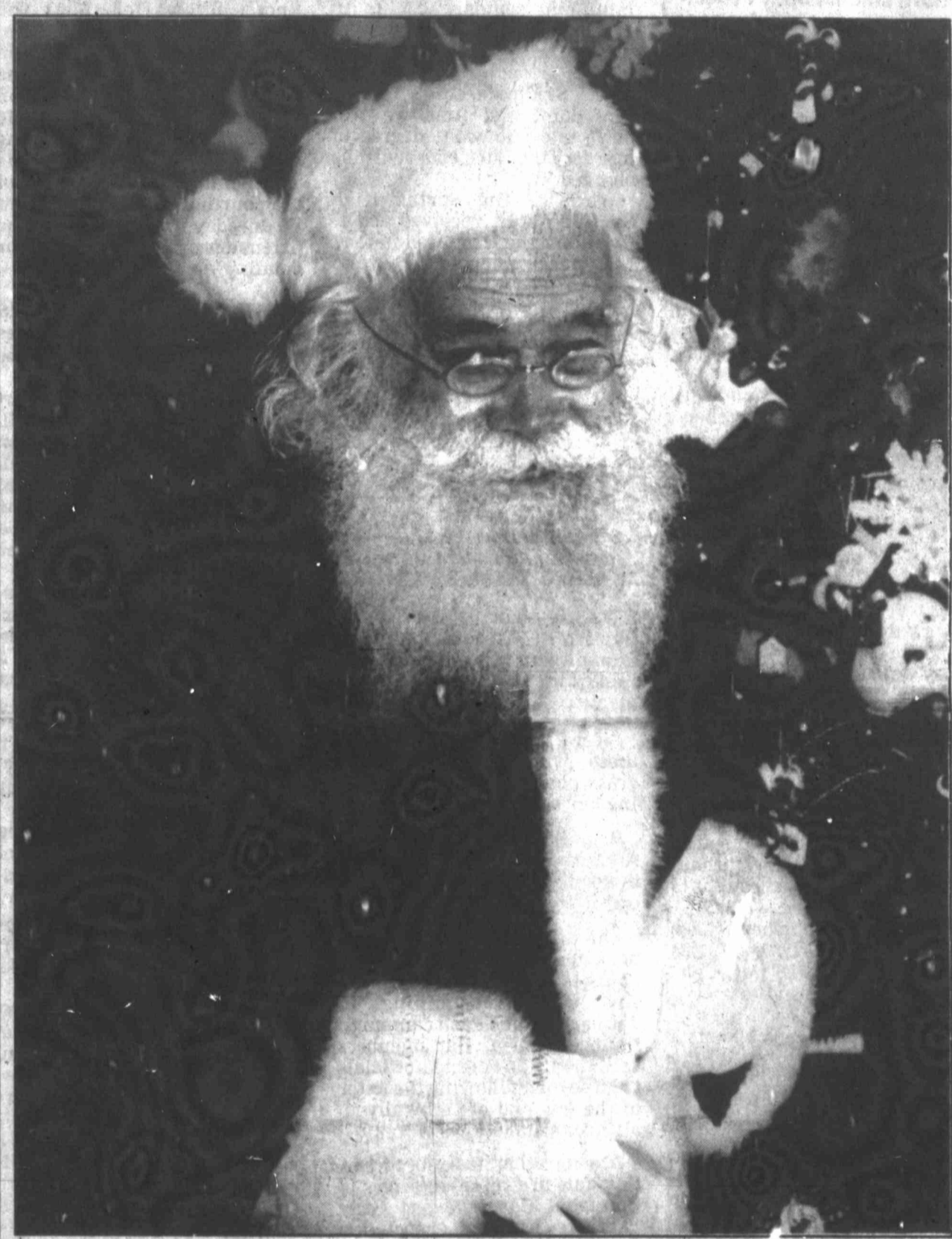
Task force participants say they want members of their groups to meet with state and local officials to urge adoption of the principles.

"It's going to have to come from the community. If people are as fed up as we keep hearing about the lack of moral compass that is perceived among some lawmakers then it's time for them to step in and say these are our standards," Smith said.

"We know that most members of the Legislature are people of good intent and really want to do the right thing. And what we're hoping to do is to help

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'TIS THE SEASON



The Christmas shopping season officially begins tomorrow, but Big Spring's Toxey Cathey has been in the spirit for some time now. Cathey, who is one of the area's most sought after Santa Clauses, will get plenty of work between now and Christmas Eve.

COURTESY PHOTO

Remembering true importance of Thanksgiving

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Mention Thanksgiving and most people automatically think about turkey, dressing and all the trimmings of a Thanksgiving feast, or for a moment, the first Thanksgiving feast involving the Pilgrims and Indians at Plymouth Rock.

But, as time has passed, Thanksgiving has turned into much more than a time to feast.

It is truly an American holiday and with that has come American traditions such as parades, reruns of the Waltons, football, and other than Christmas Day, a time when families come together to enjoy each other's company and relive old memories.

Statistics estimate that the average family of four will spend about \$32 dollars (seems a bit low) for the traditional Thanksgiving meal and that a total of about 45 million turkeys will dress dinner tables across America.

The same is true for the last couple of Thanksgiving holidays. Of the approximately 300 million turkeys that are raised each year, about 45 million have found their way to the Thanksgiving table, 22 million

are served during Christmas and about 19 million are served during Easter.

Most people think of holidays such as Thanksgiving as a time to be happy, but that's not always possible because of the unexpected tragedies we all face at one time or other.

To me, the first half of the word Thanksgiving is what the holiday is all about — what we have to be thankful for.

First and foremost, we must be thankful for the life God has given us.

I'm especially thankful for the opportunity to be with family. I'm also mindful that other families will be without loved ones this holiday season for various reasons.

The real meaning of Thanksgiving has to be that we should be mindful that no matter what hardships we face, there are people all over the world who get through life with far less than would many of us consider the bare minimum.

I don't think I would trade places with anyone for any reason, as far as socioeconomic status is concerned whether it be up or down.

I don't know what I would do

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Army has soldiers in custody charged with Waters' murder

Herald Staff Report

Three soldiers have been arrested and charged with murder in last week's death of 19-year-old Dustin Waters of Big Spring. Waters, a standout athlete, honor student and 1995 graduate of Big Spring High School, was a soldier stationed at Fort Riley in Kansas at the time of his death.

A fourth suspect, identified only as a civilian, was being investigated by the FBI and was not in custody, Fort Riley officials reported Tuesday in a news release.

Waters, a private second class at Fort Riley was found dead on the post last Thursday evening.

Wednesday afternoon, Fort Riley media relations officer Deb Skidmore said the post has not yet released the official cause of Waters' death.

Charged with murder under the Uniform Code of Military Justice were Pfc. Shawn H. Richards, 20; Pvt. Rohan Wilson, 19; and Pfc. Clinton L. Samuels, 20.

Richards and Samuels were released to their units, and Wilson was being held at the Geary County Jail, the post said.

Waters was assigned to Battery B, 4th Battalion of the 1st Field Artillery at Fort Riley. He had been at Fort Riley since January and worked as a field artilleryman.

Fort Riley had announced as early as Saturday that the suspects had been apprehended in Waters' death.

Skidmore said punishment for the suspects will depend on a conviction and on what degree of murder they are charged.

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Rushing finds 'church explosion' in Argentina

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

What Lee Rushing, pastor of Big Spring's CrossRoads Community Fellowship, found in the Argentine cities of Buenos Aires and Mar del Plata was much more than he ever imagined.

Rushing was in Argentina from Oct. 25 through Nov. 3 to attend the sixth annual Harvest Evangelism International Institute.

Prior to his trip, Rushing said, "What's happening in Argentina is a church explosion. Approximately 25,000 peo-

ple per day are becoming Christians. That's about the number of people in Big Spring and it's happening everyday there."

Churches are growing so fast in Argentina that some are having services every two hours around the clock seven days a week, according to Rushing, and a couple of churches have grown from 500 members to between 150,000 and 200,000 members in just a few years.

"Many churches are coming together to reach their cities and that's what I'd like to see in Big Spring," Rushing said.

According to Rushing, more

than 7,000 people from 40 different countries including Ireland, Japan, Canada, and several South American countries attended the institute.

"The thing that impressed me the most was the size of the churches in terms of people and the small size of the facilities as compared to ours in the U.S.," Rushing said. "I saw much better and maximum use of church facilities than I see here in the U.S."

"One church has 180,000 members, but met at 142 (campuses) locations."

Why is this Christian explosion occurring in Argentina?

Argentina has been Roman Catholic for many, many years if not centuries, according to Rushing, not leaving much room for the Evangelical church, which has been persecuted through the years.

"Less than 20 years ago, the largest Evangelical church in Argentina has only 120 people," Rushing said. "Now many of the same churches are 10,000 members strong and several are more than 100,000 members strong."

"Something else that impressed me was the length of

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Kentucky farmers send hay to drought-stricken Texas cattlemen

CORSICANA (AP) — Katie Worthy, an 88-year-old widowed dairy farmer, has never sought assistance to feed her cattle, until now.

She says she planted plenty of hay for baling that didn't yield because of the severe drought. But thanks to a truckload of hay donated by Kentucky farmers, her cows will be eating better on Thanksgiving.

Members of Kentucky's Community Farm Alliance gathered Tuesday to load 34 bales into a tractor-trailer for Mrs. Worthy. It was expected to arrive in Corsicana, about 50

miles southeast of Dallas, on Wednesday.

"It's about doing what you can for your neighbors," said Edith Wright, a Marion County (Ky.) dairy farmer who donated money to help provide the hay. "It's farmers helping farmers, families helping families."

Said Mrs. Worthy: "I think it is the most wonderful thing I've ever heard of."

The local project is part of a national "Farmer to Farmer Haylift" effort coordinated by Farm Aid. The goal is to get enough hay donated to dairy and cattle farmers in Texas,

where severe droughts this spring and summer left them struggling to feed their herds.

This week, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service reported that hay supplies in Texas are low and with the onset of winter, producers should be prepared to face the worst.

"It shows the folks that have are thankful for what we have," said Donald Smith, a Marion County farmer who organized the donation. "And those who don't have, we think they should."

More than 280 farmers in

Texas have asked for help, said Norman Hein, coordinator of disaster response for Lutheran Social Services in Austin, Texas. That group is helping Farm Aid with relief efforts.

So far, 70 of those farmers have received donated hay from South Carolina, Georgia, Missouri and Oklahoma.

"The people that we're helping are mostly elderly who use their cattle as a supplement to their retirement income or those persons who are really, completely dependent on agri-

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TODAY'S WEATHER

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Today: Cloudy with a chance of freezing rain. High in the mid 40s. Low in the lower 30s.

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Extended outlook: Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. High in the mid to upper 50s. Low in the upper 30s. Sunday, fair. High in the lower 60s. Low around 30.

CANNED FOOD DRIVE FOR NEEDY



Runnels Junior High School students (from left) Shawn Simmons, Jamie Valdez, Vivan Bennett and Valeria Aguirre display the 4,672 cans of food the school's student body collected in four days. The food will be donated to underprivileged families during the holiday season.

ON THE RUN

Holiday

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On Thanksgiving if I couldn't visit my family.

Thanksgiving is the one time when families are together, not all, but a majority. It's a time for healing and remembering that the family is what the holiday symbolizes.

At a time when so many families are caught up in the business of being busy, it's nice to know that there is still one day that can make us remember that the most important thing outside of life itself is Thanksgiving.

Case

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According to Skidmore, unpremeditated murder carries a sentence of life in prison, and premeditated murder carries a minimum sentence of life in prison and a maximum sentence of death.

"This is not a death penalty case," Skidmore said, "and at this point and time we still don't know to what degree of murder the suspects will be charged."

While at Big Spring High School, Waters received academic honors and lettered in football, basketball and track and field.

Funeral service for Waters was Wednesday afternoon at First Baptist Church in Big Spring. He was buried with military honors at Trinity Memorial Park.

Pledge

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define what the right thing is," he added.

Weston Ware of the Texas Baptist Christian Life Commission also stressed the importance of local involvement.

"If we do not communicate these principles down to the grassroots, then we're just wasting our time," he said.

Brigid Shea of Texas Citizen Action said the task force plans to keep a scorecard of lawmakers' votes on ethics legislation.

The task force indicated support for specific ethics law changes in the regular legislative session beginning in January, such as campaign finance reform. But members said they want elected officials to go beyond following the letter of the law and act ethically in all circumstances.

Among other task force participants are representatives of Common Cause-Texas, Gray Panthers, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Lone Star Chapter of the Sierra Club, Center for a New Democracy, Texas Catholic Conference, Texas Conference of Churches and United We Stand America.

IN BRIEF

TICKETS FOR FIRST UNITED Methodist Church's 18th annual presentation of the Living Christmas Tree will be available to the public Monday, Dec. 2 at 10 a.m. These tickets are free but necessary in order that everyone have a place to sit. The tickets will be given out on a limited basis and those holding tickets for either Saturday or Sunday's performance who discover they can't attend are asked to return the tickets if possible.

The church office, Fourth and Scurry, will be giving out the tickets beginning at 10 a.m. Monday. Those planning to attend the dress rehearsal Saturday afternoon do not need a ticket.

THE HOWARD COUNTY EXTENSION Service is sponsoring a Pecan Food Show in conjunction with the Annual Pecan Show Dec. 5 at the Howard County Courthouse. Entries for the Pecan Food Show will be accepted in the lobby area of the courthouse on Thursday, Dec. 5, from 7:30-10 a.m. while pecan entries for the show will be accepted at the extension office, first floor of the courthouse, anytime before Wednesday, Dec. 4. Contact the extension office at 264-2236 for details.

THE SALVATION ARMY'S ANGEL Tree project continues with about 390 angels left to be adopted.

Trees are located at Wal-Mart Supercenter, Big Spring Mall, Al and Son's Barbecue, Cosden Federal Credit Union, Taco Bell and Scenic Mountain Medical Center. There is a tree for elderly residents set up at La Vair's D'Elegance Coiffures Beauty Salon as well.

Items needed are clothes, shoes, pajamas and undergarments. Do not wrap the packages and return the items to a participating merchant in a box or package.

A WORLD AIDS DAY Memorial Service is Sunday, Dec. 1, in the lobby of the VA Medical Center.

Families and friends wishing to honor loved ones who died of AIDS are welcome to participate in the service. They may wish to bring photographs, special candles, red ribbons or other mementos to place at the AIDS Memorial Tree.

The World AIDS Day 1996 theme is "One World - One Hope." For more information contact AIDS Coordinator Les White, R.N. at 263-7361, extension 7328.

BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL students involved in Distributive Education Clubs of American (DECA) are currently selling a Big Spring Steer card for \$10 offering discounts at various merchants. The owner of the card can use it once a day for a full year to receive such discounts as buy

one food item, get one free, discounts on oil changes and dry cleaning, free second set of prints and buy one bowling game and get one free.

For more information and to purchase a card, contact DECA Sponsor Lee Lowery at the high school at 264-3641, extension 151.

LEARN HELPFUL DO'S AND don'ts along with some safety tips when it comes to babysitting at a babysitting clinic sponsored by Texas Student Nurses Association at Howard College. The clinic is Saturday, Dec. 7, 9 a.m. to noon at the Horace Garrett Building in Room 205. The cost is \$15 per student. Open to girls and boys ages 12 and older.

Call Lisa at 264-5070 to reserve your spot. Space is limited and payment is due the day of the clinic. Proceeds go to benefit future community service projects and annual TSNA convention in San Antonio.

THE BIG SPRING SYMPHONY office will be open to the public Saturday, Dec. 7, from 5 to 7 p.m. in conjunction with the parade and Trail of Lights. Refreshments and tickets for the Nutcracker and the Christmas Tour of Homes will be available for sale.

SPRINGBOARD

IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRINGBOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 2 P.M. All Springboard items must be submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7205.

TODAY - Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Support Group for Depression, 7 p.m., Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Third and Lancaster.

Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.

Alcoholics Anonymous, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles. Closed meeting, 8-9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.

FRIDAY - Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Bible study. Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.

SATURDAY - Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open meetings at noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Open birthday night, covered dish, 7 p.m. and birthday meeting 8 p.m., 615 Settles. This is to celebrate AA sobriety yearly birthdays.

OBITUARIES

Alta Lee Underwood

Alta Lee Underwood, 87, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Nov. 27, 1996, in a Farmersville nursing home.

Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring.

Hay

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culture for their livelihood," Hein said. "What we're doing is trying to get them to hold a herd together for the winter."

In Mrs. Worthy's case, she has spent all her money trying to buy feed for her 100 milk cows. She also grows crops, like cotton and corn.

"I can't sell my dairy cows off," she said. "If I did, it would take me too long to build the herd back."

Doug Corbin, a Russell County farmer and Community Farm Alliance organizer, found out about Mrs. Worthy's plight from his relatives in Texas.

He then told other Kentucky farmers, who were all too familiar with her struggle. During a drought in the early 1980s, they depended on the generosity of other farmers from across the country who shipped them free hay.

That's why Marion County farmer Richard Sullivan agreed to give the 34 bales of hay. Other Kentucky farmers paid Sullivan \$30 per bale for 33 of the bales so he wouldn't bear too much of the burden.

Truck driver Terry Waddell of Danville turned down several good-paying jobs and agreed to haul the load for \$1,300. That's about \$700 less than the going rate for the 870-mile trip. Farm Aid and donations to Community Farm Aid are paying transportation costs.

Rushing

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the services. There was no anticipation of when services would end," Rushing said. "The shortest service I attended was three hours and the shortest singing service I saw was one hour."

One of the biggest differences Rushing said he noticed between the American style of worshiping and that in Argentina is the structure.

"Sometimes I think we quench the spirit of God by the way we structure and plan our services. We need to be a little more flexible."

Rushing believes there are three reasons for the overwhelming move to Christ in Argentina.

"I think prayer and understanding spiritual warfare; the devastating financial condition of the country, which has caused much heartache; and the fact that people have been starved for a real relationship with God contribute to the spiritual explosion in Argentina," Rushing said.

Perhaps the greatest highlight for Rushing was being one of 200 guests to visit the inmate church at Olmos Prison, one of the most notorious prisons in Argentina, which used to house mafia members, drug lords and even a Church of Satan.

The prison houses Argentina's 3,200 most notorious prisoners. According to Rushing, it's the Alcatraz of Argentina.

Rushing said those influences are no longer in the prison and now more than 1,300 men serve the Lord through constant and persistent intercessory prayer.

Thirteen years ago in Olmos Prison there was one guard for every inmate, now there's only 30 guards at the prison and 1,540 inmate members of the prison church.

The church has a world wide intercessory prayer ministry. Members read their bibles two hours a day, pray two hours a day, minister two hours a day and fast two days a week.

"There is no television, no smoking, no cursing and no chewing tobacco, if an inmate wants to be a member of the church," Rushing said. "All 1,540 members of the church meet three times a week for church service."

He added, "I personally attended a church service for about

300 inmates and not one guard was present. I was ashamed of the level of commitment that I've given to God."

Of all the prisoners who have become Christians in the last 13 years through Olmos Prison and have been released, less than 1 percent return to crime, according to Rushing.

"I had read about it and heard about the prison ministry there, but to see it for myself was life-changing," Rushing said. "The churches there are working together to reach their cities for Christ."

"I saw, with my own eyes, kids sit in a church service that was four hours long and they didn't need a snack, a video to entertain them or to be put in a separate room," Rushing said. "They were as much a part of the church as the adults. Yes, it can be done."

As for what can be done in America, as well as Big Spring, Rushing said, "I'm tired of seeing what I call sheep shifting (jumping from one church to another). There are thousands of people in Big Spring without faith that need to be brought to Christ."

"I know it can be done because I've been renewed by what's supposed to be the worst elements in Argentine society," Rushing said.

Rushing, who keeps a journal of his trips, shared some of the thoughts he had as he watched what was happening in Argentina.

He wrote, "I could go on and on! God, forgive me for not believing you can really use the down and out of my society, for not loving them like you do and for not going to them with the good news of the gospel."

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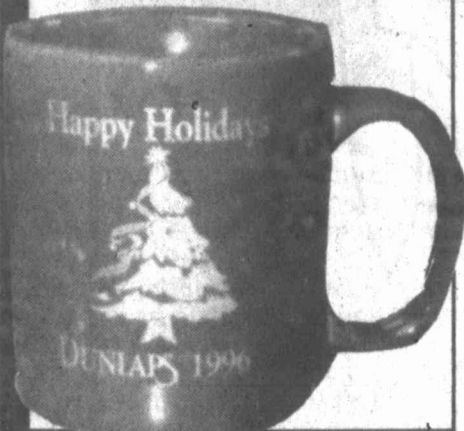
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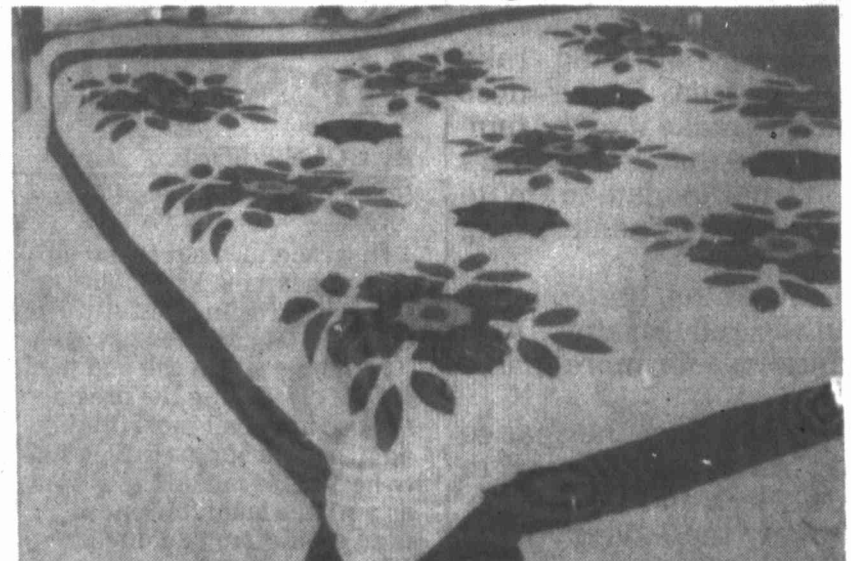
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-Colette

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OUR VIEW

Our wish for you all:
Happy Thanksgiving!

Thanksgiving — a day to give thanks for all the blessings and joys in your life. The tradition was begun by the colonists of Plymouth, Mass., in 1621, and can be traced back to the English harvest festivals; according to the New American Desk Encyclopedia. It has been a national holiday since 1863.

This is the day to be thankful for your family, health and home. It's a good time to let old family feuds die and come together to celebrate the joy of living. Take the time out of your busy schedule today to call those you know who are alone or couldn't make it to the family gathering to say hello and you are thankful they are a part of your life. Better yet, it's not too late to invite a single or widowed person over for the Thanksgiving meal.

Remember not to thaw the turkey on the counter; instead thaw it in water or in the refrigerator. Don't keep the turkey and all the trimmings for more than a few days so it doesn't spoil.

Tomorrow is the busiest shopping day of the year so be patient as you stand in long lines or get delayed in traffic. Be courteous to the sales clerk and other shoppers - a little smile goes a long way these days. While shopping, pick up an extra little something for a needy child and donate it to the Northside Community Center or Salvation Army so those youngsters can experience the joy of the holiday season as well.

Happy Thanksgiving from the staff of the Big Spring Herald!

OTHER VIEWS

China, the nation with which America is running its largest trade deficit, thankfully is softening its position on membership in the tariff-busting World Trade Organization. A factum of Chinese President Jiang Zemin talks about "flexibility." Good. China has long sought WTO admission as a "developing country," meaning that Beijing could continue to heavily subsidize its exports, putting similar products made by non-Chinese firms at a market disadvantage. As though this were Gabon the world were trading with.

In fact, the People's Republic is an economic powerhouse, widely expected to be the globe's largest economy early next century. It makes sense for China to abandon the developing-nation pretense. If it indeed does so, and respects other trade norms, it should be welcomed into the WTO. Usually, extensive trading relations work to tame a country. The theory may not be foolproof, but it is worth pursuing to avoid the alternative: an isolated, angry and economically powerful China set upon mischief.

But what of Taiwan, the nation that China claims is but a renegade province? Taiwan also seeks WTO admit-

tance, and forthrightly as a (ital.) developed (endital) nation. However, rather than stir China's wrath over the island, which only months ago Beijing menaced with in-your-face military exercises, most countries oppose allowing Taiwan in the WTO before the Mainland joins.

Taiwan's case deserves consideration on its merits — which are considerable. Technically, the WTO includes "separate customs territories" rather than countries, which is why Hong Kong, a British colony, is a member. Moreover, Taiwan's establishment of democracy, under which a president and legislature are freely elected, gives it the moral credentials to join. Finally, integrating Taiwan (already the sixth-largest market for U.S. exports) fully into global trading arrangements would boost many economies, especially those of Asia.

There's surely a place in the WTO for both China and Taiwan. But while one country has historically angled for unfair advantage, the other is qualified right now for induction. When President Clinton meets Jiang in a few days, he should gingerly make this point.

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He should be ashamed for dissing Janet Reno

By BONNIE ERBE
Scripps Howard News Service

Disgraceful. That is the only way to describe President Clinton's treatment of Attorney General Janet Reno.

I find myself in the odd position of criticizing the president (whose actions I most often admire) and supporting Reno (who strikes me on the whole as a nice woman but more than a bit of an odd duck.)

Despite my contrary proclivities, it must be said that his handling of her tenure and disrespect for the fact she is the top female appointee in his Cabinet is clumsy at best and inept at worst.

Reno is a tough woman to dissect — or, for that matter, to like. She is a true loner who adores the outdoors. She never tires of deriving anecdotes from her last job as a state prosecutor in Florida. In a society of transparent self-promoters, she's shy and totally opaque. She yields few clues as to her inner being. And the impression one gets after having covered her for four years is that she is a hard-working, slow-moving, overly cautious, intensely bright but almost completely humorless individual.

After four years as the nation's top "lawman," one might think she would have outgrown her propensity for anecdotes from her days as a legal Cub Scout. Instead, she regularly points to incidents that took place during what you have to assume she sees as her glory days.

Whenever she says, "When I was a prosecutor in Florida..." reporters scurry into the corners of the press room, squealing, "Janet, get over it, you're in the big leagues now."

Nonetheless, she revels in harking back to her small-time days. She did so last week after the New York Times ran a front-page story with the headline, "Star Fading at White House, Reno is Twisting in the Wind."

Most high-level officials would have taken the opportunity to lash out at the leaker of such an obviously cutting story, the would-be perpetrators of such a cowardly, back door, anonymous attempt to oust her. Instead, in her normally dogged and totally forthright manner, she said, "I know my father (a now-deceased Florida newspaperman) would never have printed stories like this, quoting

sources who are quoting other sources, who could not be traced."

The week before, when asked about reports that White House insiders did not want her serving a second term, she responded, "No one has said anything bad to my face."

She is able to play the Washington game as well as anyone. But she won't. If the president wants her out, he'll have to fire her, face to face. But he won't. And he shouldn't, unless he wants to incur the wrath of a bizarre coalition: liberal women's groups and congressional Republicans.

The Republicans like Reno because she's appointed four independent counsels to investigate Democratic scandals. That's also the reason why the president's peeved. Liberal women like her because she's one of them. She has endeared herself even further, crisscrossing the country speaking to just about any group that asks. They love her too, of course, because she's the first female attorney general and therefore an historical figure.

The president should be more forgiving of her flaws, and more grateful for the times she did him proud. She took all the blame in the Waco incident,

when FBI and Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents set fire to the Branch Davidian compound, killing the adults and children remaining inside. She took on the television networks over the broadcasting of violent programs and prodded them to cut back the amount of violence on TV shows, particularly at times when children might be watching. She labored ceaselessly to push Congress into passing a crime bill that included the president's prized COPS program, which puts 100,000 more police on the streets by 2000. Then she met with an unending parade of local sheriffs and police groups, urging them to make use of this new federal grant program, and touting their lower crime rates after they did.

She's not the woman I'd choose as my attorney general. But the president did. She may be an odd duck, but she's his odd duck and he should take note of that.

(Bonnie Erbe, host of the PBS program "To the Contrary" and legal affairs correspondent for the Mutual/NBC Radio networks, writes this column weekly for Scripps Howard News Service.)

Breaking the baton on the glass ceiling

By MARIETTA CHENG
Scripps Howard News Service

Amazingly, there are still no women music directors of any of the major orchestras. And only 5 percent of all orchestras — community orchestras on up — have women music directors, according to the American Symphony Orchestra.

That amounts roughly to about 70 women in the entire country who are conducting paid musicians. There aren't many fields in which the statistics are so eye-opening.

Modern conductors have a relatively short history, only 150 years out of centuries of music-making, and women did not enter the conducting scenario until this century.

In 1930, Antonio Brico debuted with the Berlin Philharmonic to rave reviews. She returned to her home in the United States and received no offers to conduct at all. So for 40 years Brico conducted a community orchestra called the Denver Businessman's Orchestra. Only after a documentary film by Judy Collins was made about Brico in 1974

did she begin to conduct widely, but by then she was in her 70s.

Women musicians only broke through the glass ceiling at many of the major orchestras in the last two decades. The Berlin Philharmonic was traumatized by the first woman to join their ranks as principal clarinet in the 1980s. Up until then, they were all men. The Vienna Philharmonic is still all men.

Most of the major orchestras in the United States have a fair percentage of women, but generally not approaching the 50 percent mark. However, we still have no women who are the music directors — in other words, running the orchestra full-time — of any orchestra of a large urban area.

Why? As late as 1967, Harold Schoenberg penned the following criticism in his book, *The Great Conductors*: "As for women conductors, a musician knows when the upbeat starts because that is when the slip starts to show." He was attempting humor, but he was also echoing a commonly held view at the time: a woman was not somehow suited for the job. Orchestras accept women

music directors only if they have, without any possibility of question, absolutely extraordinary music gifts. Some musicians in the orchestra will not easily accept a woman as their leader unless it is proved that she is a superior musician to them.

Next, the board of the orchestra worries about the financial and administrative side of the organization. Will the woman music director have box-office appeal? Will she be good at public events, at fund-raising, at controlling the budget?

They often want to appoint experienced conductors as music directors and, of course, not many women yet fall into that category. Only a handful are leading even metropolitan orchestras such as Long Island or Grand Rapids.

Another issue is the nonexistence of the equivalent of the old-boy network for women. In business, there are still so few women who have reached the top. In conducting, the problem is severe. All women conductors are still struggling.

Although I studied orchestral and choral conducting in college and graduate school, I had to wait for my first opportuni-

ties to conduct an orchestra until my mid-20s. I then was hired to conduct in succession and simultaneously, the Colgate University Orchestra, the Haverford and Bryn Mawr Orchestras and the Binghamton University Orchestra.

Then, in 1986, I was appointed music director and conductor of the Corning Philharmonic Orchestra over a field of 140 other conductors, and I am also the music director and conductor of the Orchestra of the Southern Finger Lakes, a regional orchestra with a full subscription season.

Whether for symbolic reasons or Harold Schoenberg's quip, I avoid skirts or dresses to conduct in rehearsal. Pants offer more authority.

Women conductors are making steady progress today. The doors are slowly opening. What we need now is a flood to break the doors down completely. With more and more women entering the conducting ranks, success for more will certainly follow.

(Marietta Cheng is professor of music at Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y.)



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Hom find
DALLAS (AP) hoped to find Dallas: a job, assistance and four children at homeless shelter walking around city.
"I knew it was easy, but I never be homeless," she who stepped off bus from Louisiana ago. "I figured projects, I could my mom could kids."
Ms. Collins, 21, is among the growing population in Dallas and women and children.
According to the Alliance to End Homelessness, almost one-third of the homeless population in Dallas is up from 10 percent a year ago.
The city estimates 5,000 adults and 1,000 children are in homeless shelters or vacant buildings, in part any given night.
Those who are homeless don't sleep because, homeless are displaced and numbers are increasing. Dallas estimates when experts tell the people with no residences who live on the streets.
"It's a like a said Nan Roman Alliance. "We know, but we've been hearing that women are the fastest-growing. Studies show less women are evicted and don't get or keep provide benefit money to survive."

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Homeless women with kids find aid can be inadequate

DALLAS (AP) — Lois Collins hoped to find a better life in Dallas: a job, more government assistance and a home for her four children and her mother.

The reality has been nights in homeless shelters and days walking around a big, unknown city.

"I knew it wasn't going to be easy, but I never thought we'd be homeless," said Ms. Collins, who stepped off a Greyhound bus from Louisiana a few weeks ago. "I figured we'd get in the projects, I could get a job and my mom could take care of my kids."

Ms. Collins, 22, and her family are among the fastest-growing population of the homeless in Dallas and nationwide: women and children.

According to National Alliance to End Homelessness, families with children make up almost one-third of the U.S. homeless population. In Dallas, the picture is about the same, up from 19 percent three years ago.

The city estimates that 4,000 to 5,000 adults and more than 1,000 children sleep in shelters or vacant buildings, under bridges, in parks or in cars on any given night.

Those who work with the homeless don't rely on the numbers because, they say, the homeless are difficult to count, and numbers fluctuate. The Dallas estimate often doubles when experts take into account the people without permanent residences who aren't seen on the streets.

"It's a like a bottomless pit," said Nan Roman of the National Alliance. "We don't really know, but anecdotally we've been hearing for a few years that women and children are the fastest-growing segment."

Studies show that most homeless women are young, undereducated and don't have the skills to get or keep jobs that would provide benefits and enough money to survive with a family.

Experts say that although they believe welfare reform is needed, they fear that without more components such as continuing education, transportation and child care, the numbers of homeless women and children will climb rapidly.

"The need is there already, and I think welfare reform can be a positive impetus for change, but some planning needs to take place on the part of the city and agencies," said Donna Baker of Interfaith Housing, a transitional program for homeless families that is planning to add a phone line to handle increased calls. "Otherwise, there are going to be a lot more mothers and children on the street."

Ms. Collins said maneuvering through the maze of overburdened services can be frustrating for someone new on the street.

"We got so desperate one day we stopped a police officer and asked him for help," she said. "He said there's not much for women and children, and I said, 'But women and children need it more!'"

Every day during her first two weeks in Dallas, Ms. Collins held her five-week-old daughter, took her other three children by hand and left the Salvation Army homeless shelter to look for something more permanent.

She contacted several programs that help homeless women, filled out what seemed like endless forms to get on long waiting lists for affordable housing and helped her mother — who recently suffered a minor stroke — find free and better medical treatment.

The shock of being unable to find a place to stay took a few days to sink in, said Ms. Collins' mother, Rita Collins.

"We'd live in a garage if we have to," she said. "Once we get stabilized, we're going to do for ourselves. It seems like there's more help for drug addicts than

homeless women and children."

Salvation Army directors tried to help Ms. Collins find a job as a cook. They also hoped to persuade her to use their child care services while she interviewed. But Ms. Collins did not want to let her children out of her sight.

"We're in a strange place, and I worry about my kids," she said.

But without a job and no means to pay the \$7-a-day fee, Ms. Collins would not be able to stay forever. And just last week, she voluntarily left the shelter, giving workers little information about where she was going.

"I don't know what we're going to do next," Ms. Collins said before walking out. She left no forwarding address, but later said she found an unfurnished low-income apartment where the landlord would give her a couple weeks before making her pay rent.

"So I can get on my feet again," she said.

The Salvation Army hadn't heard from her since and hoped it would work out. "We see them come and go," said Carol Frank, director of homeless services. "We try to give them as much assistance as we can. We don't give them the third degree."

Since February, 31-year-old Jacqueline Taylor has struggled to raise her three children and keep a roof over their heads. Last spring, after a knee injury led to the loss of her \$14-an-hour job with a caterer, she found herself with no place to go.

She and her children — ages 16, 14 and 12 — wound up moving from friend to friend, staying at a Motel 6 and even living a few days in their 1986 Buick Riviera.

"It all happened so fast," Ms. Taylor said. "It was real depressing. I felt like I was letting my kids down. They were supportive, though, and we

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Judge rules commission failed to meet obligations

AUSTIN — When more than 500 people were laid off at Tyler Pipe Inc., the Texas Workforce Commission didn't do enough to help workers find new jobs, a state administrative judge has ruled.

In the 24-page opinion, Senior Administrative Law Judge Sarah Ramos said the "needs of the Tyler Pipe workers were ignored for so many months."

During an October hearing, the Texas AFL-CIO argued that the state did not fulfill its obligations under the Job Training Partnership Act, which includes using federal funds to help dislocated workers.

The Texas AFL-CIO represents the members of United Steelworkers of America Local 1157, who testified last month that they never received information about the services available to them, despite a petition signed by the laid-off workers requesting such information.

"This ruling is an important across-the-board victory for laid-off workers in Texas," said Joe Gunn, Texas AFL-CIO president. "It is hard enough for a worker to deal with the trauma caused by the loss of a job as a result of NAFTA and the changing economy."

The judge found that procedures carried out by the TWC after the layoffs seemed "guaranteed to confuse and frustrate workers." The federal act requires the commission to provide job training and other services in a timely manner when mass layoffs occur.

Nursing home expert says shortfall reaches millions

AUSTIN — The Medicaid rate increase given nursing homes to address the higher federal minimum wage is about \$27.5 million short of the amount needed annually, an expert has testified in federal court.

"The adjustments provided are inadequate," said Larry Tonn, a researcher and financial analyst who previously worked for the state human services agency.

Tonn testified for the Texas Health Care Association, which represents nursing homes and hired him to do the calculations. The association is suing Texas Department of Human Services officials who set Medicaid rates. The lawsuit is an effort to boost Medicaid payments, which are given for care provided to low-income patients.

According to Tonn, the increase approved by the DHS board amounts to about \$6.5 million a year, while the higher minimum wage will cost nursing homes about \$34 million annually.

Creditors file fraud suit against FoxMeyer Health Corp.

CARROLLTON — Unsecured creditors of subsidiaries of FoxMeyer Health Corp. have sued the company for \$198 million, alleging fraud contributed to the subsidiaries' insolvency.

The suit, filed in New York by the creditors' committee of FoxMeyer Corp. and FoxMeyer Drug Co., alleges that assets were fraudulently transferred to the parent company two months before the subsidiaries filed for Chapter 11.

The parent company, based in Carrollton, did not file for bankruptcy protection.

The committee alleges that FoxMeyer Health orchestrated the transfers and that they were made without any legitimate business justification, according to a statement released by the committee's lawyers, Dewey Ballentine of New York.

Unsecured creditors of the subsidiaries are owed an estimated \$450 million.

FoxMeyer Drug, a franchiser of drug stores with 23 distribution centers across the United States, filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection Aug. 27. FoxMeyer Health Corp. agreed last month to sell the business to McKesson Corp. for just \$80 million. McKesson said it expected to invest a total of \$400 million to satisfy FoxMeyer Drug's creditors and other financing arrangements.

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talked as a family about how we would get through this together."

They found shelter through Dallas Housing Crisis Center. With the help of its West Dallas Shelter, she has managed to stay in court-reporting school and is on a waiting list for subsidized housing.

"We don't try to get our clients into any apartment because they may not be able to

afford it after awhile," said Tina Irving, director of the West Dallas Shelter. "We work hard to get them into something they can afford."

"Otherwise, if they lose a job, they're doomed and right back where they started."

Ms. Taylor has a better chance than a lot of women, Ms. Irving said. She has a high school equivalency diploma, has taken courses at El Centro College and is working toward a

higher-paying job and a career with a future.

"She has a lot of ambition and motivation," Ms. Irving said. "She wants to be proud of herself and for her children to be proud of her, and she wants her children to go forward and do better. Sometimes we see generations who stay in the projects because they don't know another way."

According to a recent study by the Institute for Children

and Poverty, homeless mothers are usually single, are younger than 25, have not completed high school and have children younger than six.

Getting off welfare and finding work is easier said than done, even with job-training programs, many experts say.

Many available jobs pay only minimum wage with no benefits and no real means of providing self-sufficiency.

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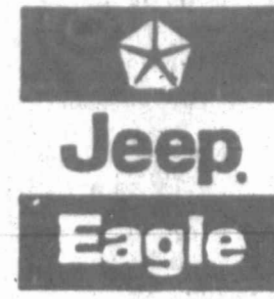
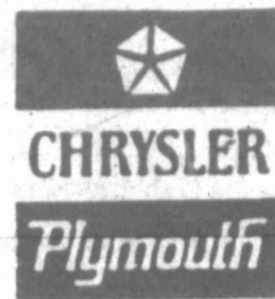


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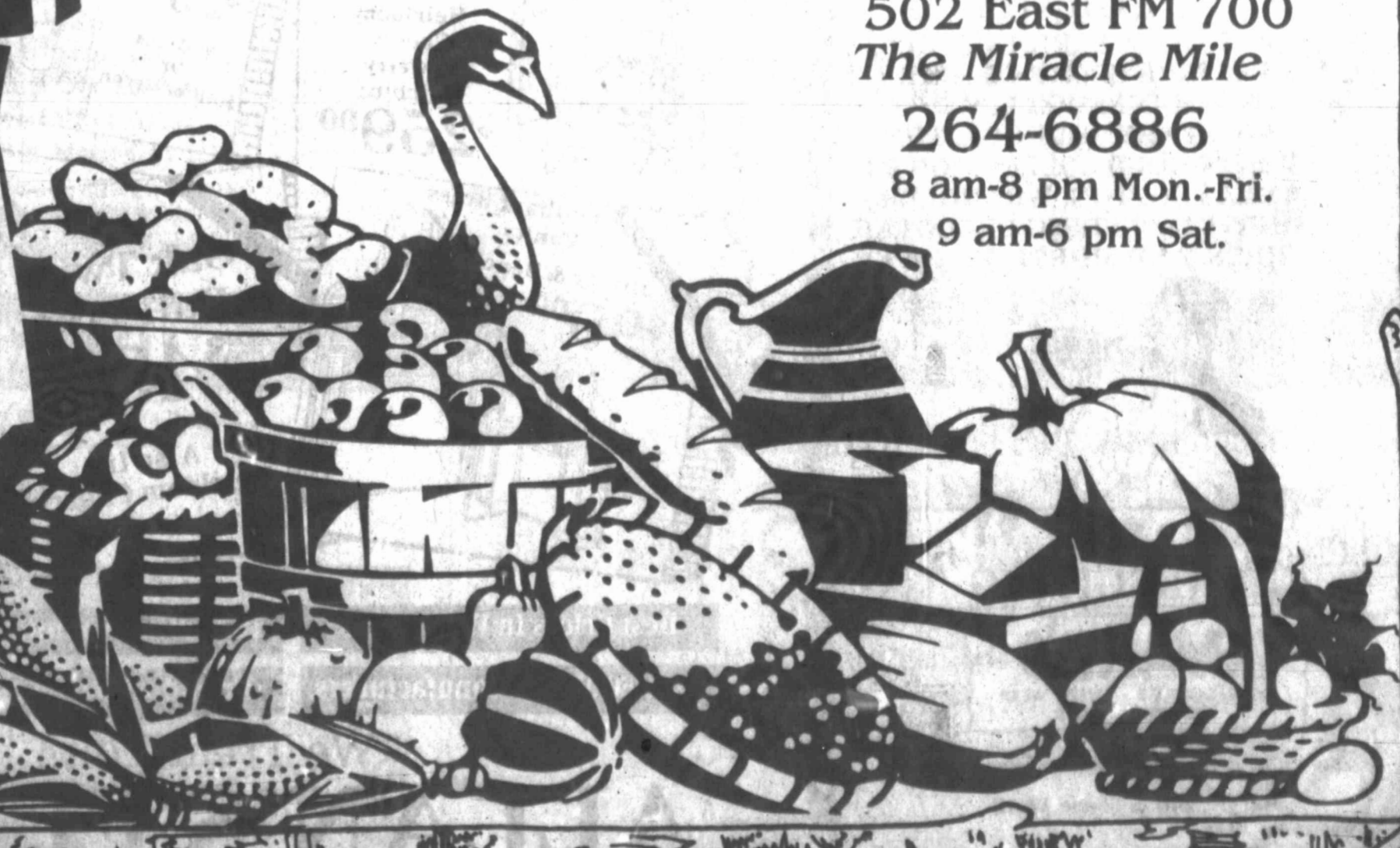
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Bordello museum a 'still life' of world's oldest profession

WALLACE, Idaho (AP) — The girls upstairs in the Oasis Rooms still dress like hookers, and it costs \$4 to see them.

These days, though, customers can look but they can't touch. The girls are mannequins and the former bordello is a museum.

Midday at the Oasis, tourists roam the halls.

It's a strange kind of tourist trap, combining a cartoon version of sexuality with Wallace's long history as the sin capital of the Inland Northwest.

"It's a fine line between making it interesting and not being offensive," said owner Jack Mayfield, retired from the nearby Lucky Friday silver mine. "You see more (sexuality) on TV than you do up here."

The museum opened in 1993 and immediately caught people's attention.

"I got a call from a prostitute who wanted her old job back," recalled Michelle Mayfield,

Jack's wife. "I told her we don't do that in Wallace anymore."

"She says, 'How can you make a museum out of a whorehouse?'"

Well, the Mayfields bought a former house of ill repute whose interior was left intact after it closed in 1988. They added a little history, some folklore and sentimental memories from those proverbial hookers with hearts of gold.

The original Oasis opened in 1895 — museum receipts mention "A Century of Service." It was one of five bordellos that operated along Cedar Street, the red-light district of this mining town 70 miles east of Spokane, Wash.

"There were so many men and so few women," Michelle Mayfield said. "Almost any two-story building with a bed was used sooner or later as a bordello."

Prostitution was outlawed in 1973, but the houses remained

open. When the Oasis was raided by law officers for the umpteenth and last time in 1988, the working girls grabbed their purses and little else, Mayfield said.

The house never reopened — leaving a sort of still-life rendering of the world's oldest profession, circa 1980s.

The first floor, which serves as the museum gift shop, offers a glimpse of 19th-century prostitutes — the "soiled doves" who were often the only women in boom towns. Visitors can leaf through a biography of 19th-century hooker Molly b'Dam, who tended the sick before dying at age 35 in nearby Murray in 1888.

The shop is decorated with gaudy red wallpaper, red velvet furniture and a piano. Its wares include glow-in-the-dark panties, double-entendre T-shirts and, for \$32.95, a commemorative silver coin depicting Ginger, the "Last Madam of

the Oasis Bordello."

Near the front of the gift shop are steep, narrow stairs to the second floor. It costs \$4 to pass through the door with its nine locks and into the dingy, wood-paneled bordello.

"It's changed since I was last here," said one visitor, drawing laughter from the others.

Bordello customers were taken to one of three waiting rooms, where they would be visited by a number of scantily clad ladies, tour guide Michelle Mayfield said.

After the customer made his choice, he'd be led down the hall to the prostitute's tiny room for a few minutes of business.

According to a price list posted on the wall of the madam's room, it cost \$15 for eight minutes of sex, a standard time limit in the business, Mayfield said. A "half and half deluxe" cost \$25, while "Straight French" was \$30. She didn't

explain the terms.

For \$50, clients could spend half an hour with their selection and take a bubble bath with her.

"They used a lot of Mr. Bubble," Mayfield noted.

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Much of the information on the tour was provided by former prostitutes who came for a visit, Mayfield said.

The lone bathroom, on the second floor, is still stocked with toiletries, including powder to kill lice.

Business transactions were logged in the kitchen-dining area. Each prostitute was assigned a wooden box, where she deposited her earnings between customers. There's an egg timer atop each box. When the timer rang, the

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Despite Iraq's threat, OPEC set to maintain its production ceiling

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — OPEC ministers, shrugging aside the threat of Iraq's return to the oil market, opened their winter meeting today with expectations they will maintain their current production ceiling.

Oil prices have hovered above OPEC's target of \$21 a barrel since September. OPEC could soon see Iraq resume oil sales, and the organization's president cautioned that markets could stay volatile after catching traders off guard with the highest sustained prices in years.

"We must guard against the situation being taken for granted," said Rakadh Bin Salem Bin Hamed Bin Rakadh. "As we are well aware, market fortunes can change radically and rapidly in a short space of time."

The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries met for about an hour this afternoon and planned to resume tomorrow morning. Ministers had little immediate comment about what they discussed, but Rakadh, oil minister from the United Arab Emirates, predicted the meeting would end Thursday.

OPEC has had to confront fresh questions this week about Iraq's return to the oil market after a six-year absence. Iraq was barred from selling oil after it invaded fellow OPEC member Kuwait in August 1990.

Analysts say resumed Iraqi oil sales could push prices lower, harming OPEC and helping oil consumers, but not everyone is convinced Iraq will soon be back after several false starts.

And if Iraq does return, some OPEC ministers said a combination of strong demand and low stockpiles will let the world market absorb extra crude without a price collapse.

Oil futures prices held firm early today, rising about 20 cents a barrel on the London and New York futures markets.

Iraq's former oil minister, Osama Abdul Razzak al-Hiti, said Iraq could restart its oil production within weeks.

The new focus on Iraq cast shadows over OPEC's recent success at finally exceeding its target price.

Swiss lawmakers OK probe into bank accounts of Nazi victims

BERN, Switzerland (AP) — A government-appointed commission to investigate whether Swiss banks are harboring money from Nazi victims could begin as early as January, after lawmakers gave their approval today.

The Council of States unanimously approved a bill, proposed under international pressure, that would open an independent investigation of the role of Swiss banks in the Holocaust.

The National Council, the other house of Parliament, also voted unanimously, on Sept. 30, in favor of the bill. Final parliamentary approval is expected

Dec. 13 after technical differences in the two versions of the bill are resolved.

Once the bill is approved, the Cabinet will be able to appoint a commission of investigation in time for it to begin work in January, government officials said.

Switzerland has previously

attempted to satisfy claims from World War II allies and Nazi victims, but the issue was reopened with 50th anniversary observances of the end of World War II.

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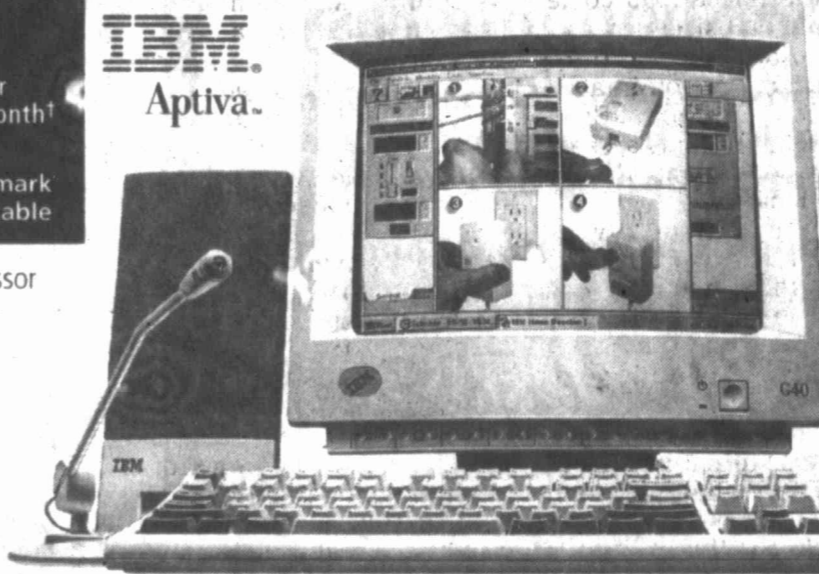
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Hawks host annual Thanksgiving Classic starting Friday

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

Take one team that's big and strong, add another that's small but quick and throw in another two that are searching for their identity and you've got the Howard College Thanksgiving Classic.

Howard and New Mexico Junior College from the Western Junior College Athletic Conference, Garden City (Kan.) Junior College and Trinidad (Colo.) College will participate in the annual classic, which runs Friday and Saturday at Garrett Coliseum. New Mexico and Garden City

will kick off the classic with a 6 p.m. game Friday, followed by Howard and Trinidad at 8 p.m. Saturday, New Mexico plays Trinidad at 6 p.m., with Howard and Garden City playing the finale at 8 p.m.

In host Howard and New Mexico, fans will see two traditionally strong teams trying to overcome their youth. Both are freshman-dominated and have struggled at times this season.

New Mexico in particular is in a rebuilding phase. The Thunderbirds (3-5) went to the national junior college tournament the past two years, but four players from both those squads are gone, as well as a

prize recruit who was supposed to smooth the transition this year.

But Howard assistant coach Bobby Brasel believes it is only a matter of time before the T-Birds reload.

"They're searching for the right combination right now," Brasel said. "B. the time conference comes around, they'll know who they're going to war with."

The same could be said of the host Hawks, who bring a 5-4 record into the classic. But Brasel also sees a silver lining in his team's season, and recent developments back up his optimism.

The Hawks come into the classic on a three-game winning streak, including wins over Lamar (Col.) and Barton County (Kan.) at last weekend's Chap Classic in Midland.

"They're starting to mature and they're getting the hang of what we want them to do," Brasel said of the Hawks.

"We're just now beginning to learn the system. We've got nine guys who never practiced together before Oct. 15 ... This team is more talented than last year's (regional finalist), but they really haven't learned yet what it takes to play a complete game."

Despite the team's youth, nei-

ther Brasel or head coach Tommy Collins are pleading for patience from the fans.

"I don't think we're going to be real patient, because this team is so talented," Brasel said. "I really feel confident that this team is about to turn the corner and be very tough to beat."

In opposition to the young Hawks and T-Birds, Garden City and Trinidad bring experienced teams that will pose different threats.

Trinidad, Howard's first opponent, is on the smallest side, but make up for that with superior team speed, Brasel said. Paced by 6-foot-5 swingman

Kevin Taylor from Canada and 6-2 guard Curt Jackson from Broomfield, Colo., Trinidad will try to lure their opponents into an up-and-down-the-court game for a full 40 minutes.

In contrast, Garden City — which features 7-foot-1 post Igor Nikolic and 6-9 Emil Mullic, both from the former Yugoslavia republic — relies more on its height.

"They're huge," Brasel said. "They're going to pose some problems. One thing we've heard about them is that they're not very deep ... and that the transition game will hurt them and wear them down in the second half."

What's in a name? Mascots range from bland to strange

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

From Aggies to Zebras, the list of mascots used by Texas high school football teams offers a little bit of something for everyone.

There are enough different breeds of animals to fill the state's biggest zoo, several historical and literary references and a load of stuff that's just too wacky to classify.

Overall, there are 189 different nicknames used by the 974 teams sanctioned by the University Interscholastic League to play in Classes 1A through 5A this season.

Of those, 103 mascots were used only once, which means 86 were shared by the remaining 871 schools.

Bulldogs is the most popular choice, with 75 schools picking the snarling canine to embody its image. Eagles came in second at 68, followed by Tigers (65), Panthers (47) and Wildcats (45).

Panthers moved past Wildcats this year with the opening of Colleyville Heritage and Fossil Keller Ridge, both of which decided to be known as the Panthers.

"That's how we do things in the school business. Somebody does something innovative and we all copy it," joked Louis Henry, the community relations director for the Grapevine school district, which includes Heritage.

A third newcomer this year is Rowlett, which is part of the Garland school district. Officials there also bypassed being creative and instead picked Eagles.

Actually, the choice was made by a group of fifth-graders.

"The English teacher at one of the elementary schools asked her kids to select a mascot and write us a letter recommending it," said Mike Boyd, the vice-president of the school board and chairman of the facilities committee.

"We thought it was a worthwhile project and we didn't have a name in mind yet anyway. Besides, a lot of those

kids will go to Rowlett High so they'll feel like they had a part in deciding the nickname."

According to local legend in Itasca, a student from the late 1920s helped them come up with one of the state's most unusual nicknames: Wampus Cats.

Nancy Bowman, a lifelong Itasca who runs the school's special services, explains that the team was having trouble finding a nickname until the perfect one erupted from a post-game lockerroom celebration.

"Wow, we were really Wampus Cats tonight!" shouted Trav Burks, the story goes.

Immediately, every one knew a nickname had been born. Amazingly, a school in Louisiana and another in Arkansas has the same nickname.

While the Arkansas school's mascot depicts an animal with six legs, the Itasca logo comes in all shapes and sizes.

"I think that's the neat thing. It can be whatever you imagine it to be," Bowman said. "Every year, the yearbook has all sorts of pictures, some comical, some real fierce-looking."

One alumnus made a wood carving of a cat head that sits in front of the school. An even bigger image is painted on the fieldhouse.

But the biggest of all is yet to come.

A local tool & die shop — which made national news recently with its half-size replica of a British Airways concord jet that will soon be suspended above New York's Times Square — is making a 10-foot Wampus Cat that likely will provide a defining image.

Still, that probably won't end the local game of "Wampus Cat hunting."

"Every once in a while, some old coots will say they caught a Wampus Cat. Everyone will get in their cars and go out there to see it, then they'll say, 'Aw, it went away,'" Bowman said, laughing. "Boy Scouts will go out camping and we'll tell them 'Don't let the Wampus Cat get you.'"

"It's just a great thing to talk about."

The imaginary mascot has made Itasca recognizable to people who don't even know the town of 1,600 is 45 miles south of Fort Worth. ESPN has done a story on it, as has The New York Times. A Dallas radio station has called it the "quintessential" Texas high school football nickname.

An equally bizarre fictional name is Voks, used by San Antonio Lanier.

Assistant principal Sarah Croft said that name harks back to the school's roots as a vocational program. It was San Antonio's only such program until the early 1970s.

Nowadays, Lanier is known for its magnet program in international banking and business. Yet the nickname — and logo — remains.

"It's a mechanical moving gear," Croft said. "Our emblem is round like a donut, but on the outside it has a little cog-looking thing."

There are hundreds of more stories, at least one for each nickname.

But another way of enjoying the state's mascots is by delving into the idiosyncrasies within the overall list.

For example, there are 17 Yellowjackets and five Yellow Jackets, six Lobos and two Loboes, plus one Wildkats to go with all those Wildcats.

Surprisingly, there's not much of a story behind that intentional misspelling.

"I attended grade school here, graduated high school here and have been working here for 36 years and all I can say is that's just the way it's always been spelled," said Ruth Castleschouldt, the assistant superintendent for human resources for the Willis Wildkats.

"No one has ever asked that question. I don't even know how I'd research it because I'm the oldest one up here."

Castleschouldt said her best guess is that someone was trying to emulate nearby Sam

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Cowboys know Thanksgiving, but Turner knows the Cowboys

IRVING (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys hope their huge advantage of hosting at Thanksgiving Day game will outweigh Norv Turner's special magic when they play the Washington Redskins in an NFC East division showdown.

The Cowboys are 19-8-1 on Thanksgiving, a mark aided by the fact they don't have to travel on a short workweek.

"It's very difficult for a team to come here with such a short turnaround," quarterback Troy Aikman said. "It definitely serves as an advantage to us and a disadvantage to the team we're going to play because they have to travel."

"After the game we get a weekend off and are well-rested for the next team we play. It helps energize us for a late-season run."

Dallas is 21-7 on the Sunday week after Thanksgiving.

"The Thanksgiving Day game has helped give us our notoriety," said safety Bill Bates. "Everybody is sitting around eating their turkey and watching the teams with the star on

the helmet. It's a national tradition. Some people hate us. Some people love us. But we're on television. That's the way it is."

Turner, the Cowboys' former offensive coordinator, showed the Cowboys last year what they are missing with a two-game sweep.

Now he has the 8-4 Redskins a game ahead of the 7-5 Cowboys in the NFC East.

"That sweep was big last year," Turner said. "People in Washington felt a lot better about me because we beat Dallas twice. We struggled last year but we played very well against the Cowboys."

Turner said if anything, the two wins over Dallas showed the Redskins the Super Bowl champions can be had.

"It gave us a world of confidence, which we used going into this season," Turner said. "Now we'll find out about ourselves on Thursday with John Madden, Fox TV, and the whole world watching. It's something you have to really enjoy."

Turner has proved he can

whip his old team. He just hasn't proved he can do it on Thanksgiving.

Washington is 0-4 on the holiday against the Cowboys, including the memorable 1974 game when Clint Longley came off the bench for an injured Roger Staubach and led the Cowboys to a 24-23 victory.

The latest Redskins loss to the Cowboys on Thanksgiving was in 1990 when a rookie named Emmitt Smith ran for 132 yards and two touchdowns in a 27-17 win.

Smith, who has captured four NFL rushing titles since then, has been struggling this year, averaging only 3.7 yards per carry. He had just 18 yards on 11 carries in a 20-6 loss to the New York Giants.

Smith has been listed as probable all week because of a sore ankle. He won't learn until game time whether his injury has responded well enough to treatment to let him be in the starting lineup. "Emmitt still looks pretty good to me," Turner said. "We'll get his best shot."

NCAA: Arkansas violates 7 rules

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — The NCAA allegations against Arkansas' basketball program now are spelled out. Next comes speculation about possible sanctions or self-imposed penalties.

Those answers may be months away.

The NCAA letter of inquiry outlined seven violations and Arkansas chancellor Dan Ferritor said the university would respond to those allegations within 90 days. After that is a likely meeting with the NCAA infractions committee.

"Based upon a review of the alleged violations set forth in this inquiry, this case appears to be 'major' in nature," the NCAA letter said.

Asked about possible penalties, athletic director Frank Broyles said, "That is the \$64 question."

The NCAA letter is half of the equation, Ferritor said. "The other half is our response. This response is critically important, since it is our opportunity to present our case."

Three of the alleged violations involve Kim Wood, Ferritor's daughter who resigned in September as an academic counselor, and appear to overlap.

Other allegations involve such things as summer jobs, improper certification of some junior college athletes and giving a prospective student-athlete tickets to various basketball tournaments.

One of the allegations is that the "scope and nature of the violations in this official inquiry demonstrate a lack of appropriate institutional control in the monitoring of the institution's men's basketball

program and in the certification of prospective student-athletes during the 1995-96 academic year."

Coach Nolan Richardson's program has been the most successful in the country this decade. The Razorbacks have won 196 games during the 1990s. They won the NCAA tournament in 1994 and reached the finals in 1995. Arkansas was 20-13 last season but made its fourth straight trip to the Final 16 of the NCAA tournament.

Each of the allegations is followed by requests for information. For instance, the allegation concerning institutional control asks for a statement describing the structure of the athletic department, including the identities of those responsible for the supervision of the basketball program.

Rangers laud labor deal as good for baseball

ARLINGTON (AP) — Texas Rangers managing partner Tom Schieffer uses an analogy to illustrate how annoying baseball's ongoing labor problems have been to the game's most important people: the fans.

"I've often thought it was like being in a restaurant while the couple at the next table was fighting," Schieffer said Tuesday after peace was finally reached with players. "You're not really interested in how the fight comes out, but you would like to have dinner be enjoyable."

"I think that's how baseball fans are. They're not really interested in who wins and loses on the labor front; they just want to have baseball."

Baseball will continue for the next five seasons with a collective bargaining agreement, thanks to a pact approved by a 26-4 vote of owners Tuesday in Chicago.

Once players accept it — as they're expected to do — the

game can try reclaiming its status as the top game in the country.

"Baseball is a game of history, nostalgia and romance," said Schieffer, who was in Chicago earlier in the day to cast the Rangers' vote in favor of the agreement.

"Both sides did about everything they could to destroy that in this process. Hopefully now that this is over we can get back to talking about baseball and the players we're going to sign instead of labor negotiations."

The talk in Arlington is mostly positive, as the Rangers are coming off their first division title in franchise history.

That's why the team has been such a proponent of getting a deal done. Texas was among the minority when the same offer was rejected 18-12 three weeks ago.

"We have felt for some period of time that once we got things settled on the national level, we

could do great things on the local level," he said. "I feel even more like that today."

The deal will be costly for the Rangers, who must pay about \$3 million toward a revenue-sharing pool benefiting small-market clubs and who are close to being among the five teams subject to a luxury tax.

Texas had baseball's eighth-biggest payroll last year at \$41.08 million, a figure that could rise dramatically next year as players are rewarded for the division title. The tax would be 35 percent of any amount over \$51 million in 1997, with the bar jumping to \$55 million in 1998.

"There were obviously some things that cut to our disadvantage, but it's over with now and we can go forward," said Schieffer, who estimated the team already has lost nearly \$30 million because of the labor strife. "I think that is probably more important than any specific of the deal."

The pact also grants service time to players for games wipped out by the 1994 strike. That makes free agents out of several players, including Rangers second baseman Mark McLemore. The status of left-handed relief pitcher Ed Vosberg also has changed.

Schieffer said he's confident both can be re-signed. He said a long-term deal with McLemore already was being negotiated.

The flip side of McLemore's liberation is the number of other players who now can be pursued. The one most interesting to Texas likely is Montreal reliever Mel Rojas, who probably would cost less than John Wetteland of the New York Yankees, the other top closer available.

Local fans are begging the Rangers to at least pursue Wetteland, but they mainly have their sights set on Boston's Roger Clemens, who already was on the market.

Wuerffel wins Camp, Unitas football awards

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Florida quarterback Danny Wuerffel, leader of the nation's most prolific offense and the No. 1 team, was chosen winner of two prestigious awards Wednesday.

Wuerffel, who has completed 164 of 277 passes for 2,862 yards and 30 touchdowns for the top-rated Gators, was selected winner of the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award and the Walter Camp Football Foundation Player of the Year Award.

He is currently second in passing efficiency among Division I quarterbacks with a 176.0 rating. His career pass efficiency rating of 164.4 is the best in NCAA history and his 178.4 rating last season was the highest ever.

The Gators offense is ranked

first in the nation in scoring, averaging 49.3 points per game, and second in total offense, averaging 513.4 yards per game.

Wuerffel, a senior, has led the Gators to a 31-2-1 record as a starter, including 26-1 in the Southeastern Conference. He holds 25 Florida, eight SEC and two NCAA records.

The Unitas award, given annually to the top senior quarterback, will be formally presented in Louisville, Ky., Dec. 13. Unitas, a Hall of Famer and former University of Louisville and NFL quarterback, will make the presentation.

The Camp award was selected by Division I-A coaches and sports information directors and honors the year's outstanding college player.

SPORTS EXTRA

FOOTBALL

Playoff pairings

Class 5A
Division I
Region I
Lawsville (12-0) vs. Lubbock
Coronado (11-1), 6 p.m., Saturday,
Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

Region II
Tyler John Tyler (11-1) vs. Temple
(10-2), 7:30 p.m., Friday, Floyd Casey
Stadium, Waco

Region III
Richardson Lake Highlands (11-1)
vs. Waco (5-7), 1 p.m., Saturday,
Texas Stadium, Irving

Region IV
Houston Madison (11-2) vs. Aldine
(11-1), 2 p.m. Friday, Pritchett
Stadium, Houston

Region V
Houston Yates (12-0) vs. Aldine
Nimitz (7-5), 5 p.m. Saturday, Rice
Stadium, Houston

Region VI
Austin Westlake (11-1) vs. Victoria
(9-0-1), 7:30 p.m., Friday, Tully
Stadium, Houston

Region VII
San Antonio Churchill (10-2) vs.
Harlingen (12-0), 2 p.m., Saturday,
Corpus Christi

Division II
Region I
Abilene Cooper (9-3) vs. Irving
Nimitz (8-4), 7:30 p.m., Friday,

Shotwell Stadium, Abilene
Flower Mound Marcus (9-3) vs.
Midland Lee (11-0), 2 p.m., Saturday,
Memorial Stadium, Midland

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NFL
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Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	9	3	0	.750	257	202
New England	8	4	0	.667	310	262
Indianapolis	6	6	0	.500	219	264
Miami	6	6	0	.500	278	249
N.Y. Jets	1	11	0	.083	211	333

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Green Bay	8	3	0	.750	291	174
Minnesota	6	6	0	.500	202	228
Chicago	5	7	0	.417	185	220
Detroit	5	7	0	.417	239	261
Tampa Bay	4	6	0	.333	153	219

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
San Francisco	9	3	0	.750	291	188
Carolina	8	4	0	.667	268	164
St. Louis	3	9	0	.250	220	324
Atlanta	2	10	0	.167	224	359
New Orleans	2	10	0	.167	174	265

BASKETBALL

NBA

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Miami	10	4	.714	—
Orlando	8	3	.667	1 1/2
New York	8	5	.615	1 1/2
Washington	7	6	.538	2 1/2
Philadelphia	5	8	.385	4 1/2
Boston	3	8	.273	5 1/2
New Jersey	2	7	.222	5 1/2

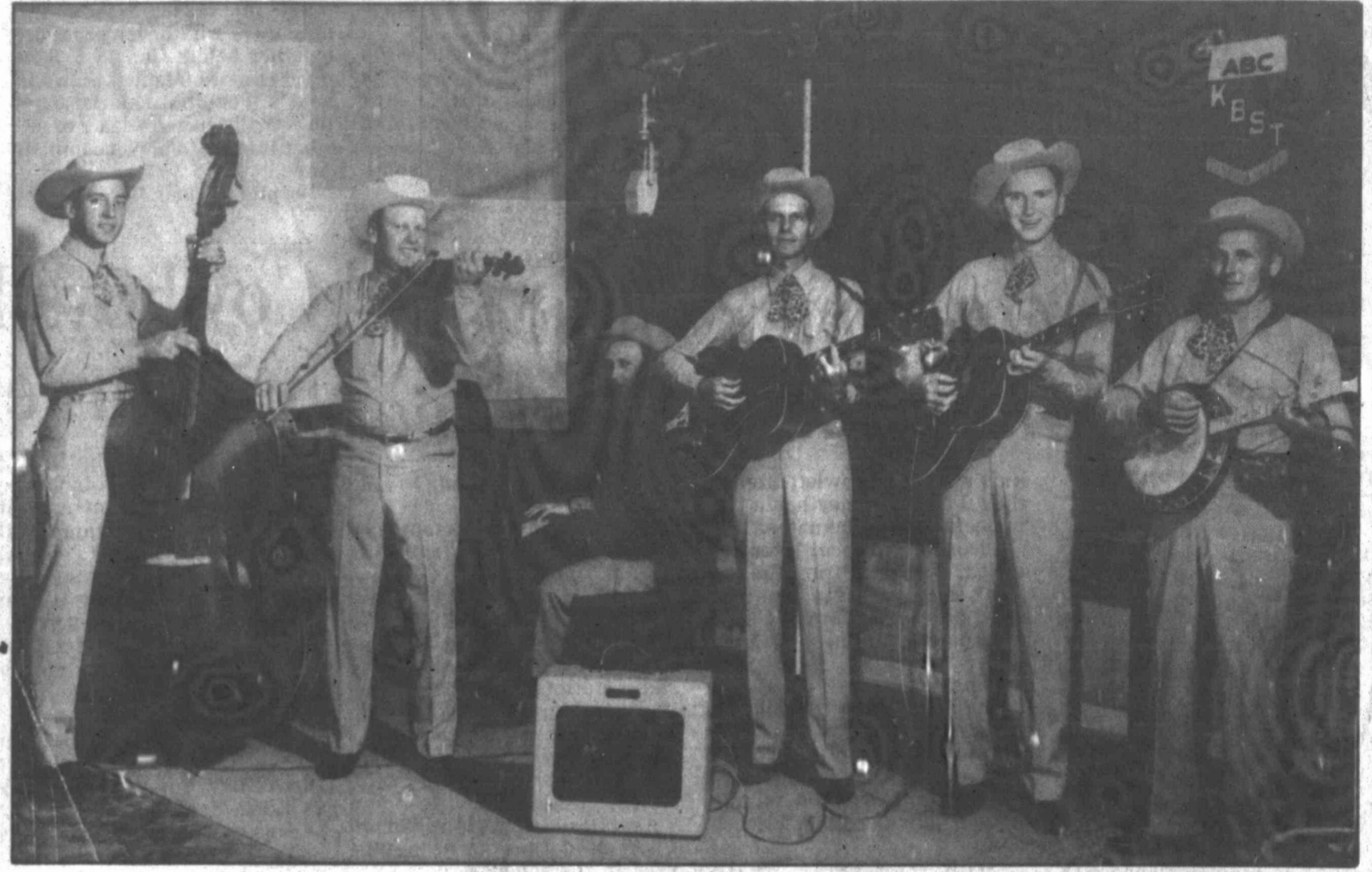
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	13	1	.929	—
Utah	9	2	.818	2 1/2
Minnesota	5	7	.417	7
Denver	5	9	.357	8
Dallas	4	9	.308	8 1/2

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	2	11	.154	10 1/2
Vancouver	2	12	.143	11
Seattle	12	9	.571	—
L.A. Lakers	10	5	.667	2
Portland	8	6	.571	3 1/2
L.A. Clippers	6	7	.462	5
Sacramento	5	9	.357	6 1/2
Golden State	3	10	.231	8
Phoenix	0	13	.000	11

Mascots

Continued from page 11A
Houston State University, which goes by Bearkats.
Four schools use that nickname, while 11 others go by the more-accurate Bearcats.
One school goes by Bumblebees, another by Bumble Bees. There are four Broncos and one Bronchos; seven Brahmas and one Brahmans; two Buckaroos and two Bucks.
Eleven schools go by Cowboys, but only one is the Vaqueros (the Spanish equivalent). There are 24 Pirates and three Buccaneers.
Who'd have thought two schools would pick Stingarees? Or Sandies?
Three schools are Jackrabbits, while only one is the Rabbits. The three Roughriders are one more than the two Roughnecks. The 17 Longhorns easily outpoint the two Shorthorns.
There are Golden Bears, Golden Cranes, Golden Eagles, Golden Panthers and Golden Tornadoes.
School colors also are easy to decide for the Maroons, Silver Foxes and Purple Warriors. Likewise for the Blue Devils, Blue Raiders, Bluecats and Bluejays; or the Red Ants, Red Devils, Red Raiders and Redskins.
The most natural nicknames are taken from within the city name, such as the Deer Park Deer, Eagle Pass Eagles, Elkhart Elks, Farmersville Farmers, Hawkins Hawks, Muleshoe Mules and the fore-

mentioned Crane Golden Cranes.
Playing off the name of the city or school also led to some of the more creative mascots.
Some — like the Buffalo Bison — are obvious; others — like the Troy Trojans — show varying degrees of thought.
Pick your own favorite from among the Cameron Yoe Yoemen, Mesquite Skeeters, Shamrock Irish, Tom Bean Tomcats, Van Vandals, Wolfe City Wolves, Winters Blizzards and Frost Polar Bears.
As promised, here's a historical reference: of the three teams nicknamed Roughriders, only one school is named after Theodore Roosevelt (San Antonio Roosevelt).
And, for literary aficionados, please note that the town of Hamlin goes by the Pied Pipers in tribute to the Robert Browning poem about the mythical strolling minstrel from the German town of Hamelin.
Another source for nicknames is geography.
Somerville's location near Yegua Creek led to the name Yeguas. Being alongside the Gulf of Mexico made Tarpons a natural for Port Isabel. Ditto for the Port Lavaca Calhoun Sandcrabs.
It's pretty easy to read into the names behind some West Texas schools: the Roscoe Plowboys, the Lubbock Monterey Plainsmen and the Sundown Roughnecks (a nod to the offfield workers in the area).



John Menick, Hoyle Nix, Laren Warren (piano), Ben Nix, Wayne Walker, Charles Smith (banjo)
Circa-1946, Picture Charles Smith

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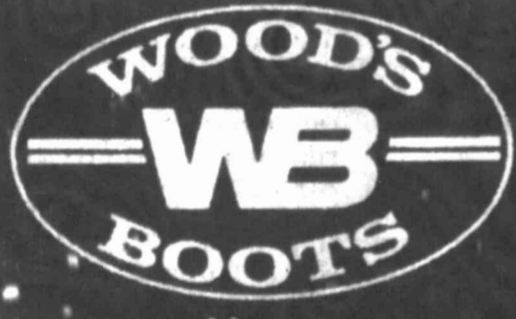
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Cowboys should hold off Redskins

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Maybe Jerry Jones is doing a good selling job in Las Vegas. Despite their loss to the New York Giants, despite all sorts of offensive troubles and despite two defeats to a lesser Washington team last season, the Dallas Cowboys are a nine-point favorite for their Thanksgiving game against the Redskins.

Washington at Dallas is one of the NFL's traditional rivalries, more so this year with the Redskins leading the Cowboys by a game in the NFC East.

The game also has a way of producing upsets. In 1989, Dallas' one win was in Washington, and the Redskins got two of their six last season against a team that won the Super Bowl.

The '95 wins were attributed

PRO PICKS

to the knowledge of the Cowboys by Norv Turner, the former Dallas offensive coordinator now coaching the Redskins.

So far this season, the Cowboys have won the big ones and lost the little ones.

One more time.
COWBOYS, 19-13
New England (plus 2) at San Diego

Two enigmas.
CHARGERS, 27-24
New York Giants (plus 6) at Philadelphia

Ray Rhodes' Eagles have lost three straight — two at home and last week's disaster in the desert. Rhodes will jump off the sidelines to tackle someone before he lets them lose another.

EAGLES, 13-10

Arizona (plus 4 1/2) at Minnesota

Until the last three weeks, Boomer Esiason was playing like he was five years older than Warren Moon instead of five years younger. Now ...

CARDINALS, 20-13
Kansas City (minus 2) at Detroit (Thursday)

Wayne's last stand?
CHIEFS, 17-14

Tampa Bay (plus 6) at Carolina

The Buccaneers go for four straight for the third year in a row. Not in Ericsson Stadium, where the Panthers have never lost.

PANTHERS, 17-7
Chicago (plus 9 1/2) at Green Bay

After three games on the road, Lambeau Field will seem like heaven.

PACKERS, 24-10
Buffalo (minus 4) at

Indianapolis

The Bills are learning how the injury-riddled Colts have felt all year. Jim Kelly, Thurman Thomas and Steve Tasker are all question marks. But Paul Justin is the Colts' quarterback.

BILLS, 10-0
San Francisco (minus 9 1/2) at Atlanta (Monday night)

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49ERS, 34-11
Seattle (plus 10 1/2) at Denver

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STEELERS, 30-19

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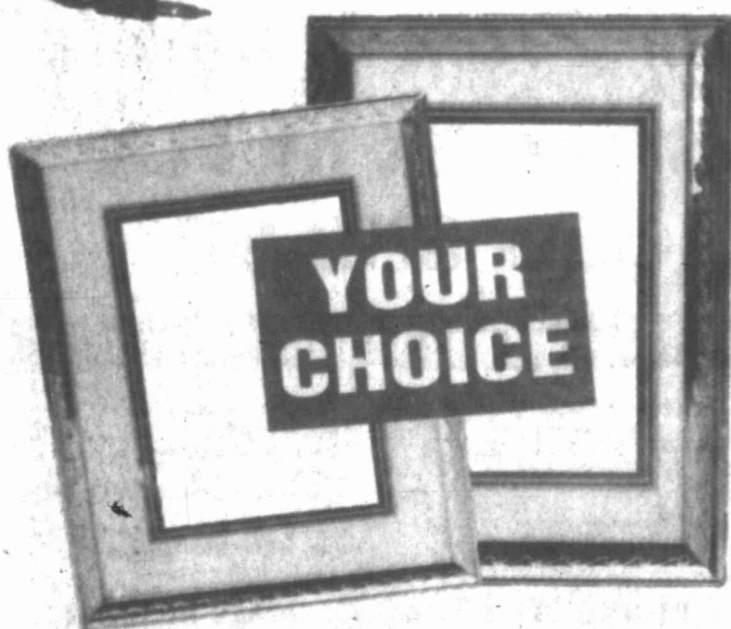
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◆ Dalmatian puppies are pure white when they are born. The spots appear when they are three or four weeks old.

Do you have a good story idea for the *life!* section? Call 263-7331, Ext. 235.

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Thursday, November 28, 1996

W.C. Taylor: Cowboy, farmer, gentleman and patient

By KELLIE JONES
Features Editor

Editor's Note: This is the second in a three-part series about Family Hospice and two area residents who are their patients.

W.C. Taylor has lived in Ackerly for 60 years, a fact he wants you to know in case you don't recognize the name. When you meet Mr. Taylor, he looks healthy on the outside and gets around pretty good for a man who is almost 80 years old. Inside, his body has been battling prostate cancer for quite some time.

He was first diagnosed with cancer in 1981; it went into remission, came back in 1984 and then again in 1994, that's

when he became a patient with Family Hospice. From February to July of this year he was taking a lot of medicine and was getting worse instead of better but he stopped the treatments and is feeling good now.

Donna Patrick, alternate delivery site manager for Family Hospice, said in fact, they thought about discharging W.C. as a patient because he was getting better. However, his doctor recommended the friendly man to remain with Family Hospice.

A nurse only needs to come by only once a week to check on him because he is feeling OK. He recently went hunting and killed one deer. "I sat while

I hunted." He visits his children on the weekends, three sons and a daughter who all live in the area. Patrick said unlike home health agencies, patients of Family Hospice do not have to be homebound.

W.C. was a farmer most of his life and expresses disappointment that he can't get outside to at least tend to a garden. "I can hardly get around now to water it," W.C. said. He likes wagon wheels, that's evident when you drive down his street because his fence is made of them, white with red trim. He and one of his sons built it. There's even a swing out front made with the wheels.

In 1995, he won Best of Show for his Big Bush tomatoes at

the Martin County Fair. He was a calf roper in the rodeos for many years, his best time was 11 seconds. "There are some faster ropers now. I did pretty good at smaller shows."

Back to the patient, W.C. said his nurse comes by to take his vital signs and check and see if he's doing OK. If they have to, they will call his doctor to change his pain medication. He recently had to say goodbye to a nurse who moved to Lubbock. He wrote her a nice card that made her cry. There's even a picture of the two of them on his fireplace mantel.

During the interview, he asked Donna to let his former nurse know when he was going to Lubbock for a check-up with

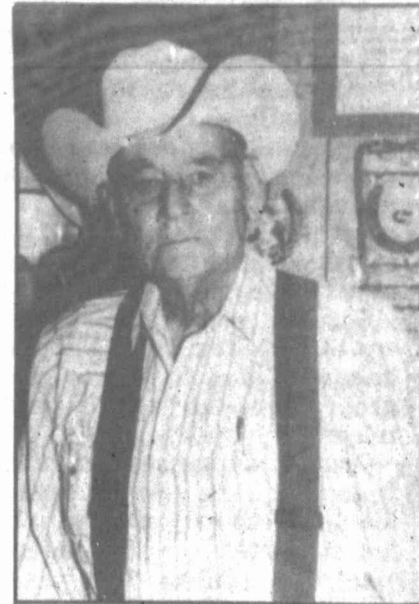
his doctor so she could meet him there. Donna said she would take care of it.

W.C. is still a cowboy at heart. He was dressed in starched jeans, western shirt, red suspenders and boots. When he was ready for his picture, he said, "I gotta get my hat. I like to wear it."

Patrick said oftentimes, the nurses and patients develop strong bonds because of the amount of time they spend together.

Patrick said, "The patients often ask you about your children, parents or cats, whatever is going on in your life."

Part three of the series will focus on a woman who lost her battle with liver cancer.



W.C. TAYLOR

Time to give thanks for all the blessings of 1996

Christmas is just around the corner

Inside today's life! section:

• Who's buying what and when - B2

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• Ideas on making wreaths for Christmas - B8



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Left: Students at St. Mary's Episcopal School participate in their pow wow. For the last few weeks, they have been learning the customs of Indians and pilgrims in anticipation of this event. Below: Clem Jones, center, drops in a donation at the Salvation Army's annual bell ringing event while (from left) Major Roy Tolcher, Carl Rockmore, Al Eichelberger, Curtis Shaw, Annette Castro, Roy Davis, Mickey Hunter, Doyle Cotterill, Deloris Albert and Mrs. Major Mary Dell Tolcher look on. Bottom left: Eldred "Ed" Gray (center) receives a fruit basket for Thanksgiving from students in the Coahoma Homemaking Community Service class. They are (left to right): Reba Freeman, Kelli O'Daniel and Sara Lovett. On the other side of Ed is (left to right): Danelle Castillo and Mrs. Major Mary Dell Tolcher, both with the Salvation Army and Pat Johnston, director of Canterbury.



Just a reminder: There are 398 angels left to be adopted through the Salvation Army's Angel Tree project. The organization is piloting a new addition to their annual Christmas cheer program by adding some elderly residents from local retirement homes to the angel trees. They qualified for the project if they are alone with no family to spend the holidays with. They have asked for items such as hair care products, clothes, haircuts or perms, house shoes and powder. The tree is located at La Vair's D'Elegance Coiffures at 2105 S. Gregg and is open Tuesday through Saturday. When you choose your angel, fill out your donor card and leave it in the box provided, then take your angel and shop for it, return your package to La Vair's and register to win free autographed memorabilia. Also it is important to note that no one from the Salvation Army goes door-to-door to solicit funds or food. If a person is representing the Salvation Army, they will be wearing either a uniform or a badge. If someone comes to your door claiming to be from there, ask for the person's name and contact the Salvation Army to see if that person works for them. If the Salvation Army is soliciting funds, they do so by first notifying the local newspaper and radio station.



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Pets for Christmas

(NAPS) - Things to consider first:
•Is giving a pet as a gift that may not be loved or appreciated by the recipient? Remember, it is not a tie or robe. These living, breathing "people" need a lifetime commitment. Although they bring a lot of joy, they are a lot of work. Make sure your gift will be well taken care of.
•If you decide to give a pet that was previously owned, make sure it was well cared for, they were spayed or neutered, well fed, watered, loved and taken for regular visits to the vet.
•Never surprise someone with a pet for a present. Do your research. Find out if pets are permitted in their residence, if they are financially able to maintain the expense of a pet or if they are allergic to animals.
•Take the person to the pound or humane society and let him or her pick out a new best friend. Then you can pay for the adoption fees and pet supplies.
•Think about including the cost of a visit to the veterinarian. Find a vet whose prices are affordable and let the new owner know about the vet.
•Puppies or kittens are precious but older adult dogs and cats are delightful pets, too. Their maturity and affectionate, loyal behavior is a joy to behold. They know when they are rescued from death and truly appreciate it.
•Don't wait until Christmas Eve to give a pet. Holidays are so hectic the new pet will have a hard time adjusting to their new family without the excitement of holiday visitors. Give an early gift or a later one.
•Offer to pay for spaying or neutering. Each holiday, give a gift certificate from a vet for shots or to the grooming salon.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

AIDS memorial service

A world AIDS Day Memorial Service is Sunday, Dec. 1, in the lobby of the VA Medical Center. Families and friends wishing to honor loved ones who died of AIDS are welcome to participate in the service. They may wish to bring photographs, special candles, red ribbons or other mementos to place at the AIDS Memorial Tree. The World AIDS Day 1996 theme is "One World - One Hope." For more information contact AIDS Coordinator Les White, R.N. at 263-7361, extension 7328.

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However rare true love is, true friendship is rarer.
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Surveys show who's buying what and when this Christmas season

Scripps Howard News Service

Baby boom women are expected to be the biggest spenders this Christmas season, and a lot of men still hate to shop.

These and other less-than-surprising items are among the revelations being churned out by the pre-Christmas seasonal survey mill.

As retailers move into their busiest shopping season, economists and analysts making predictions start to sound like sports commentators handicapping the playoffs.

Surveys are a way for retailers to get a handle on shopper behavior, and they provide a great excuse to issue a news release.

One of the biggest pre-holiday indicators is the National Retail Federation's annual mood survey, conducted by Deloitte & Touche. This year, the survey predicts a 12 percent increase in consumer spending, \$764 on average compared with \$685 last year. That's the biggest increase in four years.

Deloitte & Touche's trade retail and consumer products group surveyed 500 retailers from all sectors by mail in October. That information was coupled with a telephone poll of 1,000 consumers by an independent research firm from Oct. 4 to 6.

A majority of the retailers — 84 percent — are expecting comparable-store sales to increase or remain the same, and they're projecting an increase of about 5 percent.

Deloitte & Touche and the retail federation think the healthy economy and the optimism from the consumers surveyed will produce a sales increase of 6 percent. That translates into holiday sales of \$466 billion, compared with \$440 billion last year.

Tim McCarty, senior manager of Deloitte & Touche's trade retail and distribution practice, says the good October compara-

ble-store sales results validate his firm's predictions.

McCarty notes that much has been made of the shortened selling season this year — five fewer days between Thanksgiving and Christmas than last year.

"Everyone talks about the selling pressures," McCarty says. "But there are also five less days for people to take markdowns. What will be positive this year is that the bottom of the barrel today is higher than the bottom was last year."

Christmas 1995 generally is regarded as the worst in recent times. Many chains were liquidating, and their sales brought down prices by forcing healthier retailers to compete, McCarty says.

With those companies out of business, the remaining stores are healthier, and retailers are running tighter ships this year.

Two-thirds of the retailers in the Deloitte & Touche survey are projecting increased profits, in part because of better management and cost controls. Overall, 30 percent will be tightening inventories, compared with 22 percent last year.

Where will people shop?

Department stores are doing a little better in this year's survey, with 48 percent of consumers expecting to shop them, compared with 39 percent last year. But discount stores remain the top choice, with 60 percent of consumers indicating they'll go there.

The Deloitte & Touche survey has catalogs in fourth place, with 26 percent of consumers saying they'll use them. That ties with off-price and factory outlet stores.

That's a much lower figure than is being reported by Lands' End. The Dodgeville,

Wis., catalog giant is touting its own survey, conducted among 1,000 adults by TeleNation of Arlington, Ill. TeleNation's poll puts catalog shopping at 55 percent.

When will people shop?

In the Deloitte & Touche survey, 47 percent said they plan to do their heaviest shopping between Thanksgiving and the beginning of December. If that's true, the parking lots at the malls will be a nightmare this Thanksgiving weekend.

The Lands' End survey found that 22 percent of men — which probably includes the 17 percent who hate to shop — will wait until Dec. 15 to start shopping. Five percent of men and 2 percent of women won't even start shopping until Christmas Eve.

What will they buy? Women's apparel tops Deloitte & Touche's survey list, with 59 percent naming it as a gift category; followed by kids' and men's apparel and toys, all at 54 percent.

There was no "must have" item on this year's list, but Barbie remains at the top of Deloitte & Touche's preferred list, followed by Beanie Baby, Nintendo 64, cigar humidors and golf wear and accessories.

Target Stores, a division of Dayton Hudson Corp. in Minneapolis, is donating \$3 million for a new Target House at St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis. The house will provide a place to stay for the families of kids being treated at the hospital.

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Dalmatians: Cute, but not always the right gift for everyone

Scripps Howard News Service

At the top of many a child's wish list this Christmas, Santa's going to see polka dots.

That's because the soon-to-be-released live-action Disney movie, "101 Dalmatians," is expected to cause a holiday rush on America's movie theaters — and a veritable stampede on breeders of the adorable spotted pooches.

"Everybody who comes over to look at our puppies mentions that movie," says Thomas Graves, whose family breeds and sells Dalmatians. "We had a family come by the other day and that was all the little girls talked about, how they couldn't wait to see it."

Before Mr. Claus starts filling his toy bag with living, breathing, dotty dogs, however, he might want to stop ho-ho-ing for a minute and give that notion some serious thought.

Dalmatian lovers across the land fear too many of the puppies will go from the Christmas stocking to the local humane shelter.

"Anyone with Dalmatians is concerned about that," says Marie Hill, a member of the Birmingham Kennel Club in Alabama who makes the dog show rounds with her year-old Dalmatian, Delta.

"Dalmatians already are a popular breed, and the movie's just going to make it worse," she says. Mrs. Hill worries that "backyard breeders" will start turning out as many pups as they can in order to meet the demand, thus endangering the integrity of the breed.

"101 Dalmatians," which

opened around the United States Thanksgiving week, is a live-character version of Disney's beloved animated classic about pups Pogo and Perdy and the wicked Cruella De Vil, played in the new movie by Glenn Close. Animal trainer Gary Gero, of "Ace Ventura: Pet Detective" fame, used hundreds of 8-week-old Dalmatian puppies, working them a week or two at a stretch, and then bringing in a new batch as the others outgrew their roles.

Molly Martin, a Montgomery, Ala., Dalmatian breeder and member of the Dalmatian Club of America, says the national organization is trying to educate people about the realities of the breed, especially points Hollywood has overlooked.

"Dalmatians are wonderful dogs, but they're not ideal for every situation," says Ms. Martin, who is also a licensed American Kennel Club judge.

"Young children will be taken with them because of the movie, but I don't recommend them for small children unless the dog is trained and the children and dog are supervised."

Children younger than 8 are probably too small to handle the frisky puppies, which are extraordinarily strong and love to jump up on people. The dogs, which grow to weigh 40 to 60 pounds, can easily knock over a small child or elderly adult.

"They were originally bred to run with horses and coaches," Ms. Martin says. "These dogs have a lot of energy."

Mrs. Hill agrees. "They're too much to handle for the average person. These are not dogs to be left in the back yard all day. Unless you plan to take the dog to obedience training and be with it most of the day, you're going to have a berserk Dalmatian when you come

home at night."

Before you rush out in search of your own Pogo or Perdy for your child's Christmas, take your crash course in dotty dogs, which we'll call Dalmatians 101:

- Dalmatians tend to be wound-up, often hyper pets for the first few years, and sometimes for a lifetime.

- They'll shed black and white hairs all over your house.

- They often dig and chew, especially if left unattended in the yard.

- They need lots of exercise. An apartment is too small for this breed, which requires a fenced-in yard to romp in.

- If you buy from a pet store rather than a licensed breeder, check the store out. "Most of those dogs come right out of the puppy mills," says Molly Martin, a Montgomery, Ala.,

Dalmatian breeder and member of the Dalmatian Club of America. "They're bred for profit, with no real concern for the puppy's development and personality. And they cost more. I've seen them in stores for as much as \$500."

- If you buy directly from a breeder, make sure he is reputable. You can find one by contacting the local kennel club or most area veterinarians.) Expect to pay \$250-\$350 for a well-bred puppy. You can probably find them cheaper through a so-called backyard breeder — people who have a Dalmatian pet and allow it to have puppies. But most backyard breeders don't understand the importance of matching a puppy to a family, Ms. Martin says.

- Don't assume a dog with AKC papers is of good health and temperament. All the AKC certification means is the dog

comes from full-blooded, registered parents.

- Dalmatians often have hearing problems; some are deaf in one or both ears. They also have a tendency toward kidney ailments.

- They come in two colors — white with black spots, which is what you'll see in the movie, and less often white with liver-colored spots, caused by a recessive gene. In temperament and health, the two varieties are equal.

- Dalmatians tend to be clingy, protective, one-owner dogs, which is fine until your children's playmates come over and start rough-housing and the dog makes a move to protect "his" kid. Again, supervision is a must.

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Because tea is experiencing a resurgence in the United States, hot tea drinks are being promoted as festive holiday beverages. Tetley is about to launch a raft of cartoon characters serving tea to emphasize that today's tea times can be casual.

No longer must you own a teapot and matching porcelain cups; mismatched mugs are just fine for sharing these tea inventions from Tetley:

Apricot tea: Bring 4 cups water and 3 cups apricot nectar to boiling. Pour over 8 tea bags. Cover and brew 5 minutes. Remove tea bags. Makes about nine 6-ounce servings.

Bag Juice: Bring 1 quart cranberry-apple drink, 2 cups water, 4 cinnamon sticks and 8 whole cloves to boiling. Cover and simmer 5 minutes. Pour over 8 tea bags. Cover and brew 5 minutes. Remove bags and spices. Makes about eight 6-ounce servings.

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This year's hot gifts will be hard to wrap

Scrrips Howard News Service

Many of this year's Christmas gifts may be the type that defy festive holiday wrapping.

"People will be buying not so much products but services as gifts," predicts Audrey Guskey, who tracks retail trends as a marketing professor at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh.

That's because while although the economy is growing modestly, many consumers are still jittery about it and their job security. If Guskey's hunch holds up, this year's shopping season, like last year's, will be a bit sluggish.

"Gifts are going to be plentiful but more thought-out," she says. "What that means is that people are going to be more innovative and more creative

about what they are buying." Many service-related gifts, such as cleaning services, also prove practical throughout the year.

Other ideas: golf packages; vacation or weekend getaway packages; health club memberships; massage therapy; and educational seminars and videotapes.

Guskey also expects home-improvement products to enjoy popularity this Christmas. "More people are staying home, cocooning, so they're looking to get into more hands-on things," she says.

Home electronic products will again be big this year. But there will be no single item newly reaching the marketplace that will dominate sales. Among electronic items drawing attention are:

- Global Positioning Systems (GPS) from Magellan and others, a navigational aid that uses satellites to determine your location. It's a gift especially useful for hikers, fishermen seeking out remote lakes and weekend sailors.

- Key seekers from The Sharper Image, a key chain that responds with a repetitive beep to a clap of the hands, helping those who are always misplacing their keys locate them.

- Shiatsu massagers that can take away some of the kinks in the neck of that workaholic you know.

The Conroy Research Group each year compiles a guide to what's hot for the holidays — and this year they're the Big C's. Among them:

- Cigars and cigarettes:

Smoking is on the rise among young people even as it's on the decline among adults. But an exception to that trend is the "phenomenal" growth in cigar sales, Conroy says. Even women have picked up on the fad, he says, and some restaurants have started "cigar nights."

- Clothing: Casual is the key. Outerwear, sportswear and the "business casual" look — especially ties — will be popular, Conroy says. One inexplicable fad: big, long brass zippers on items such as turtle-necks. Fur and leather, however, will be out. Most department stores now play down fur because of animal-rights concerns, Conroy says, and many big-city stores have closed their fur salons.

- Consumer electronics and communications: Cellular

phones and pagers are almost ubiquitous in the marketplace, Conroy says, and will continue to be so. The latest units combine a cell phone, a cordless phone, a pager and an answering machine. "With our fascination with communication, there's no reason to believe it won't succeed," Conroy says.

Direct satellite dishes, meanwhile, are sprouting from rooftops everywhere. The miniature dishes cost about

\$300, thanks to rebates, while the satellite service itself is dropping. "There are deals and probably will continue to be," Conroy says.

• Catalogs: If you're looking for that perfect "niche" gift, this is where you'll find it. The "Up to Par" catalog, for example, carries gifts just for women golfers. The Museum of Modern Art catalog offers a watch with a discreet built-in magnifying glass (\$65).



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Some practical advice on buying living Christmas trees

Scripps Howard News Service

Some people have a ball, literally, when it comes to choosing their Christmas tree.

They're the ones who buy a live tree, the kind with the heavy ball of earth around it, and plant it after displaying it in their home for a few days over the holiday.

It's a method that's becoming more popular. As many as 3.5

million of the Christmas trees bought this year will be living trees.

But it's not something to be taken lightly, especially when the burlap ball on a 6-foot tree can weigh 75 to 150 pounds. Living Christmas trees — which generally cost 25 percent to 50 percent more than a cut tree — aren't for everybody.

They can be a chore, although growers point out that if the

consumer doesn't mind the extra effort, the rewards can be worth it. Not only do you improve your landscaping, you plant a fond memory.

You need to purchase a tree that has enough of an earth ball on it to support the livability of the tree, say experts, who add that the ball should have 8 to 10 inches of soil per caliper inch of tree.

For example, a 3- to 4-foot-tall

tree should have a 20- to 24-inch earthball. Experts recommend people buy a smaller tree with a large ball than a large tree with a small ball.

Nurserymen sometimes reduce the size of the ball to make it easier for customers to carry, but this can cut down chances of the tree surviving.

It's also important to select a tree that will do well in your particular climate. Ask a nurs-

eryman or landscaper for help.

Alpine fir and concolor fir are two of the most popular living trees, followed by Colorado spruce.

Most mistakes are made soon after purchase, with the tree being left inside too long or not watered properly.

Here are some other tips:
• Be sure to dig the hole for the tree when you get it home in late November or early

December; don't wait until the ground may be hard frozen.

• Pick a species suited to your area. Choose a tree with long full branches and a large root ball that is not frozen.

• Store it in an unheated area sheltered from the wind, sun and freezing temperatures. Keep the root ball slightly damp and covered.

Please see TREE, page B6

Tips to make your yule tree holiday-friendly

Scripps Howard News Service

Tips for safe handling of Christmas trees:

• Buy a fresh tree that smells of pine and has needles that are difficult to pull from branches.

• Keep the tree outside with the trunk in water, wet dirt or sand until it is ready for use.

• Cut two inches from the tree bottom and mount it in a sturdy, water-holding stand with widespread legs.

• Keep water in the stand while the tree is inside.

• Keep the tree away from fireplaces, radiators, stoves or other sources of heat.

• Keep the tree away from room exits or pathways. Discard the tree when needles start to fall.

• If an artificial tree is used, buy one tested and labeled as

fire resistant.

• If electric light strings are used to decorate the tree, use only those that show the mark of Underwriters Laboratories. Check each set for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires or loose connections. Discard any set that is worn or damaged.

• Turn off all lights and decorations when you leave the house.

• Do not put lighted candles on a tree or near any flammable materials.

• Do not put breakable tree ornaments or those with small detachable parts on lower branches where children can reach them.

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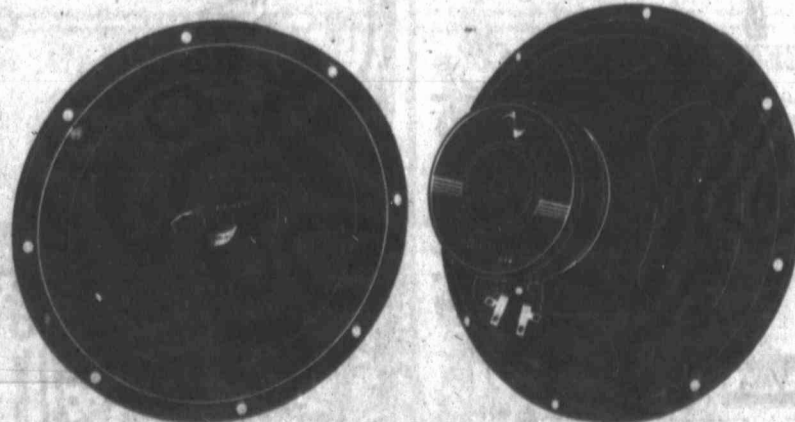
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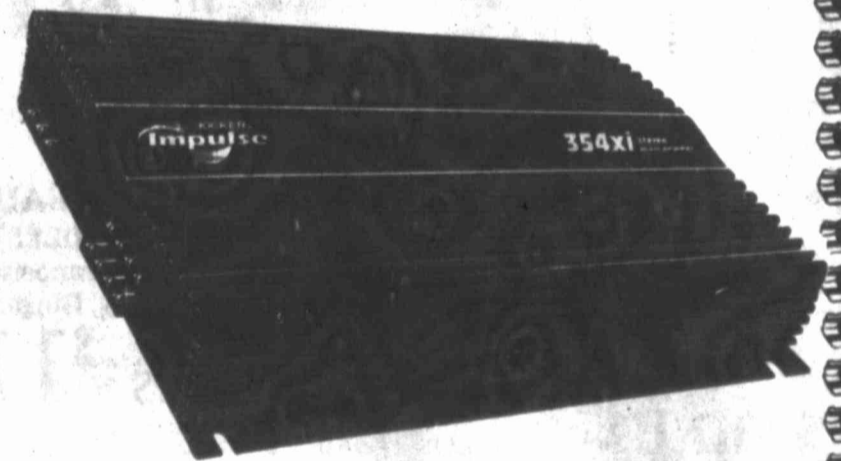


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Neiman Marcus catalog isn't quite so trendy this year

Scrapps Howard News Service

To those who might dare to murmur concern about over-spending at Christmas time, the famed Dallas emporium Neiman Marcus has an answer: Let 'em eat cheesecake.

You can see its version on page 35 of its 1996 Christmas Book: a 4-1/2-pound square mocha cheesecake wrapped and tied in creamy French white chocolate, studded with gold — a mere \$135.

Recently shipped to 3 million eager shoppers, this book of dreams signals the beginning of serious holiday shopping. For the first time ever, some 100,000 Japanese consumers have plucked their own copies from mailboxes.

Shoppers brandishing credit cards with spending limits as high as the ozone layer can flip through 140 glossy pages from which, like scratch-and-sniff perfume samples, wafts the siren song promising that money does buy happiness.

What began as a modest greeting card to favored patrons in 1915 has morphed into an American phenomenon: some 10,000 different catalogs now fill mailboxes; sales from them generated \$74.6 billion last year.

Success breeds imitation, and this year Neiman's rivals include Saks Fifth Avenue with its Mercedes-Benz convertibles; J. Peterman Co.'s Bugatti race cars; Hammacher Schlemmer, now dealing in London taxicabs, and Victoria's Secret, peddling a \$1 million diamond-and-jewel-encrusted bra.

Still, as first with the most, it's hard to touch Neiman Marcus.

Credit Neiman Marcus with launching the his-and-her gift idea in 1960, with a pair of Beechcraft airplanes. In 1974 it was twin hovercrafts; in 1979 a matched set of dirigibles, and in 1991 significant others could race in Hummers, military vehicles linked with Operation Desert Storm. One-of-a-kind items are offered by auction, and last year top bidders could write their names on the nose of a new Boeing 777.

For the 1996 catalog, planners returned to earth, offering, perhaps inadvertently, some droll, even ironic gift ideas. In fact, His and Her 1996 is a long way from Ho and Hum. Call it throwaway chic; this year's special is an Airstream trailer, the capsule-shaped aluminum land cruiser that has come to symbolize Middle America on the road.

Oh, but this is Neiman

Marcus, so the price tag here is \$195,000, to cover the costs of its outlandish interior, sort of a Victorian bordello on wheels, laden with hand-painted murals, antique rugs, tapestried pillows, beads, tassels and patchwork quilts.

Still, for real satire, find the Fish Condos on page 135. Designed by New York artist Joey Skaggs, these are aquariums with attitude: fitted with laminated backdrops and miniature plastic furniture that recreate New York apartments: living room, parlor, kitchen, and bedroom.

Even underwater there's no place like home, but at \$5,000 per room — filter, tank and light included — only yuppie guppies need apply. And that is the point, says Skaggs, a self-described media maverick who earns a perilous yet amusing living tweaking the headline-driven press with well-engineered hoaxes.

Skaggs, who has made magazine covers by announcing spurious products, including a portable confessional, brothels for dogs and a celebrity sperm bank, teaches at New York's School of Visual Arts and Parsons. He says the fish tanks originated as a satirical commentary on the gentrification of neighborhoods.

Tree

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- When you bring the tree in the house, stand it in a large container and pack sawdust, peat moss or old newspapers around the trunk. Put it near a window and away from heat or air vents.

- Don't overwater; that could cause the tree to come out of dormancy.

- Don't keep the tree in the house longer than a few days. After displaying the tree, acclimate it in a basement, garage or sheltered area. After five to seven days, you can plant it.

- Mulch heavily over the top of the planted root ball to prevent it from freezing. Water only as needed; a flooded tree may die.

- Stake the tree to prevent wind-tipping or damage during the first growing season.



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- Baby Go Bye Bye, \$23
- Baby Wiggles 'n Giggles, \$19
- Barbie, various dolls, \$12 and up

- Batman Total Justice, Batman Forever, \$6
- Beetleborgs, \$6

- Choosy Baby All Gone With Magic Treats, \$19
- Dragon Flyz, \$10
- Fort Legoredo Wild West Set, \$76
- Goosebumps Games, \$15
- Juice 'n Cookies Baby Alive, \$28
- Micro Machines Star Wars Action Fleet, \$9.50
- MMPR Zeo Rangers, \$6
- NFL All Stars, \$7
- Nintendo Ultra 64, \$200
- Primal Rage Dinosaurs, \$7
- Sheriff's Lockup Wild West, \$19

- Set, \$22
- Singing Bananas in Pajamas, \$20
- Star Wars Action Figures, 6 inch, \$5
- Star Wars Action Figures, 12 inch, \$17
- Take Care of Me Twins, \$32
- Talking Whiz Kid Animated, \$46
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Tenth grade - Jarrod Fishback, Jay Humphreys, Kalle Kim, Cade Park, James Sartor
Eleventh grade - Amanda Burton, Gary Edmondson, Amanda Epley, Erin Purcell, Brooke Reed, Carrie Robinson, Derek Tant
Twelfth grade - Nicole Johnson, Kathleen Meador
A and B honor roll
Sixth grade - Brandon Baldwin, Candice Brewer, LaDawn Burt, Carol Covart, Kara Covey, Robert Gomez, Laura Harsh, Olga Hernandez, Richard Long, Wesley Longoria, Lee Meadows, Mandy Murphy, Anetta Pena, Ashley Pierce, Terry Smith, Cody Snead, Colin Stanley, Ricci Ward, Kaci West, Porsha Yarbar
Seventh grade - Blake Alderton, Kendra Burch, Korte Covey, Maegan Crough, Lori Ellis, Jerrell Fortenberry, Stobhan Garity, Brad Gillman, Zachary Johnson, Cody LeFevre, Kyle Nichols, Steve Nobles, Vanessa Ochoa, Ryan Tant, Caleb Walker, Deonna Wilkinson, Megan Knight
Eighth grade - Jonathan Becarra, Amy Braddock, Travis Colvin, Adam Dunlap, Cliff Dunnam, David Garity, Amy Jackson, Amber King, Johnathan Pena, Steven Rains, Charles Sherman, Thomas Savell, Chance Sherman, Chase Shultz, Amy Smith, Samantha Stapp, Melissa Starke, Sisto Sibus, Brian Watt, Monica Yzaguirre
Ninth grade - Javier Becerra, Amanda Breyman, Callie Burt, Kimberly Cain, Julia Cox, Jessica Howg, Tonnie Loera, Mandy Lozano, Howard Osburn, Jessica Paredes, Leslie Patterson, Tiffany Sayles, David Stone, Kristen Thidon, Daniel Whetsel
Tenth grade - Jason Anderson, Melanie Crouch, Arnie Evans, Jaylen Everett, James Farguson, Heath Farber, Stobhan Hedges, Porsha Kimble, Brandon Marino, John McDiffitt, John Newton, Wesley Osburn, Daryl Richardson, Stephanie Robbins, Cory Walker, Wendie Wallace
Eleventh grade - Casey Bristow, Daniel Davis, Kori Hughes, Marlena Light, Ted Lipham, Stormee Nix, Gregory Williams, Janella Williamson, Terra Proctor
Twelfth grade - Wm Bailey, James Dunlap, Brenda Franklin, Stacey Gibbs, Adam Guerra, Wesley Harrison, Daniel Higginbotham, Aaron Keesse, Shannon Lepard, Dan Riley, Veronica Serrano, David Trowbridge
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Seventh grade - Landon Adkins, Stephen Broussard, Brittany Bryant, Cody Burson, Ernest Carr, Emily Carr, Bethany Curran, James Ferguson, Emily Florio, Kall Fronberger, Shasta Fuqua, Jacob Garcia, Raul Garza, Chelsea Haisley, Rian Jensen, Alicia Kremsky, Jamie Long, Amber Mayes, Christopher McGee, William Morgan, Willis Morrison, Anthony Nelson, Ashley Newton, Keith Newton, Tracy Padilla, Ragan Phillips, Jason Pineda, Melissa Ray, Gene Rollers, David Ross, Laura Russell, Amanda Sheedy, Jacqui Simmons, Nathaniel Smith, Shelby Tissue, Nadia Torres, Jobi Vela, Jessica Weir, Brian Wingert, Tony Wyck

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Sixth grade - Billy Acosta, Sally Arguello, Seneca Arguello, Laotsha Banks, Joshua Barnett, Meyer Bobo, Dominick Boiles, Jerod Boyd, Amber Bustamante, Zach Butler, Jennifer Cadena, Kassandra Cantu, Carla Castaneda, Joanne Cervantes, Eric Chavez, Derek Churchwell, Crystal Clark, Maranda Clark, Adam Cobos, Jennifer Collins, Leanna Cook, Wesley Cox, Scott Difrancia, Marissa Escobedo, Michael Fernandez, Jonathan Flores, Armando Franco, John Gallagher, Cyndra George, Melissa Gonzalez, Amanda Gray, Rachelle Guinn, Ashley Hamm, Kathy Haro, Stephanie Hernandez, Samantha Herrera, Chelsea Higginbotham, Roy Holland, Sharneka Johnson, Tanya Jones, Jeremy Knight, Jonathan Larez, George Leatham, Dana Lockhart, Nicholas Lombardo, Krystle Long, Crystal Martinez, Jesse Martinez, Cody McCann, Karen Mendoza, Kelly Navarro, Kyle Newton, Destin Noble, John Ontiveros, Chancella Parrish, Victoria Patterson, Donna Payne, Victoria Perez, Alonso Pina, Cody Plowman, Stefanie Pointon, Eitel Portocarrero, Yael Portocarrero, Nicholas Reed, Wolfgang Robinson, Andy Rodriguez, Crystal Rodriguez, Sydney Rojas, Kassie Rubio, Nichole Rushin, Ikie Scholes, James Sexton, Jay Shroff, Christopher Silva, Mandi Simmons, Stacey Spier, Alice Trevino, Ashley Tuttle, Sabrina Valencia

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Third grade - Heather Hale, Kayleigh Hale, Patricia Howard.

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Sixth grade - Daisy DeLucas, Sally Flores, Margaretta Friesen, Jamie Madison, J. T. Springer, Eric Tunnell.

Seventh grade - Audra Cooper, Samantha Yates.

Eighth grade - Brandi Hale, Kristyn Hamblenton, Clint Schuelke, Hall Tubb, Joshua Tunnell, Kelsey Tubb.

Ninth grade - Baile Greenhaw, Caroline Madison, Meagan Mims, Sherree Rivas, Becki Sweeney, Lucy Torres.

Tenth grade - Gregory Gibson, Jim Bob Haggerton, Anthony Swift, Shanna Wells, Sherra Wells, Katie Jo Yates.

Eleventh grade - Jessica Holloway, Sarah Rivas.

Twelfth grade - Alison Cooper, Brad Cox, Michael Madison, Cody Peugh, Jonathan Robles, Sarah Schuelke, Angela Welsh.

A and B honor roll Second grade - Joe Edward Rivas, Gabriela Rodriguez, Israel San Juan, Katy Sweeney.

Third grade - David Friesen, Leland Medina, Cole Mitchell.

Fourth grade - Daniel Briseno, Nayeli Medina, Cole Mitchell.

Fifth grade - Brent Madison.

Sixth grade - Carmen Briseno.

Seventh grade - Lacey Cox, Bryan Creech, Jennifer Haggerton, Sammsy Torres.

Eighth grade - Garrett Greenhaw, Kim Johnston, Haley Madison, Scott Swift.

Ninth grade - Rebekah Adams, Steven Hewitt, Jedediah Himpjosa, Casey Ramirez, Jose Ramirez.

Tenth grade - Marissa Hewitt, Christy Rivas, Rebecca Robles.

Eleventh grade - Marti Mims, Cheyenne Romine.

Twelfth grade - Philip Hamblenton, Frances Jimenez, Brian Tubb, Manuel Rodriguez.

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Fourth grade - Kendal Adams, Cheridan Felty, Paige Galney, John Marino, Crystal Sturm, Heather Vassar.

Fifth grade - Amy Hanes, Samantha Newton, Kristine Vassar.

A and B honor roll Third grade - Krista Chesworth, Maegan Fox, Amy Grant, Brian Hale, Courtney Hecker, Jared Hudgins, Dustin Lloyd, Logan Moore, Kacy Smith, Dustin Thomas.

Fourth grade - Krysta Atwood, Jessica Brown, Amanda Burcham, Brad Fuqua, Rachel Gas, Heather Kruppe, Carlissa Matsson, Allen Riser, Spencer Roberts, Jessica Tipton, Kyndra Watson.

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Fourth grade - Felicia Aldridge, Tony Campos, Cody Carpenter, Toni Coronado, Hannah Garcia, Daniel Garcia, Amanda Hughes, Nichole Kennedy, Elias Ledesma, Ryan Mackowsky, Raul Marquez, Nicholas McLahan, Zachary Moody, Crystal Morrison, Nieves Ortega, Corey Ramey, Jacob Rios, Sarah Salazar, Vanessa Torrea, Kory Webb, Randy Yanez.

Fifth grade - Israel Aguirre, Leina Braxton, Emily Holguin, Andrea Levario, Jeanette Leyva, Robert Loftie, Jacob Marquez, Natalie Nava, Valerie Ontiveros, Ashley Ornelas, Zachary Watkins.

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Second grade - Raul Aguilar, Morgan Anderson, Ashley Baker, Cody Carnes, Blazie Carroll, Ashley Diaz, Eden Forrest, Desmond Garcia, Marissa Guzman, Ryan Harris, Tiffany Hodges, Brittany Horton, Katie Junkin, Morgan Metcalf, Aaron Mendoza, Gino Porras, Sydney Robertson, Juan Rodriguez, Rosie Rodriguez, Nick Ross, Ryan Tannehill, Todd Woodridge, Matthew Ybarra.

Third grade - Kandice Belcher, Jessica Burbach, Elizabeth Cervantes, Lynsey Chaliker, Kyle Conley, Amanda Deanda, Ashton Evans, Meredith Fillingim, Scott Fowler, Valerie Garcia, Kerl Green, Joshua Junkin, Laci McCullough, Blake Myers, Colby Newton, Ashley Phinney, Kasey Pointon, Staci Rios, Courtney Rodriguez, Jared Sanchez, Kerl Silen, Brennan Swinney, Heath Wilkerson, Kelly Wingard.

Fourth grade - Amanda Appel, Lisa Beavers, Brandon Boling, Kasey Forman, Marcus Garcia, Jennifer Hernandez, Pamela Inghassi, Joey Lloyd, Maleah McGee, Ashley Martinez, Curtis Osburn, Tony Rodriguez, Amber Tovar.

Fifth grade - Dallin Anderson, Zack Angel, Ryan Beall, Jacquelyn Bowen, Randi Carson, Lauren Chesworth, Justin Ferrell, Mallory Gerhardt, Beatrice Gomez, Kim Green, Jessica Hicks, Landon Jenkins, Darak Martinez, Seth Minter, Allison Moore, Morgan Morrison, Jasmine Nieto, Joshua Pedigo, Ivan Pina, Crystal Ramirez, Krystal Smith, Vance Stevens, Crystal Wingard, Jordan Woodridge.

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Third grade - Megan Belcher, Priscilla Bustamante, Collin Carroll, Maura Chavez, Amanda Farmer, William Gamel, Amy Garcia, Kristopher Garcia, Jennifer Garza, Mario Gonzales, Keoyka Hawkins, Jose Kelley, Kristina Moorhead, D. J. Rios, Brandon Sandridge, Jamie Serrato, Shalyn Walton.

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Fifth grade - Mike Arellano, Lance Brockman, Imari Brown, Tiffany Burke, Joshua Caudill, Heather Chandler, Patrick Coker, Emily Copeland, Valerie Deleon, Raymond Franco, Vaudelio Garcia, Porsche Gordan, Nely Ibarra, Brandee Johnston, Andrea Juarez, Samantha Juarez, Terence Lewis, George Martinez, Marcus Porras, Jarrod Reed, David Rodriguez, Duncan Sanchez, Ashlee Thurman, Lisa Viasana, Preston Wigginton.

SANDS ISD All A's First grade - Eloy Garcia, Ronnie Peacock, Lydia Teichroeb, Crystal Ybarra.

Second grade - Guy Dean Barnett, Erik Gutierrez, Carol Martinez, "Arrett Nichols, Samantha Peacock.

Third grade - Dan Campbell, Peter Enns, Lucy Esperza, Jesus Gonzales, Helen Koewen, Trent Rogers, Santos Ybarra.

Fourth grade - Len Campbell, Franz Enns, Audra Kennemer.

Sixth grade - Cornelius Enns, Hollie Gibbs, Tinsy Grigg, Amanda Watkins.

Seventh grade - J.D. Grigg, Blythe Long, Chance Nichols, Brandi Woods.

Eighth grade - Shell Blagrove.

Ninth grade - Jerry Covarrubias.

Eleventh grade - Nikki Daniel, Mendi Floyd, Jason Froman, Katie Gaskins, Hollie Zant.

Twelfth grade - James Stovall.

A and B honor roll First grade - Kayla Gomez.

Second grade - Alberto Briseno, Jacob Gonzales, Kenneth Peacock.

Third grade - Dee Fryar, Clemente Gomez.

Fourth grade - Marlena Gomez, Shaunessy Peacock, Travis Roberts.

Fifth grade - Steven Barraza, Krista Blagrove, Neta Loewen, Devin McNew, Ana Plata, T'Auna Reed, Emy Sanchez, Kevin Wiley, Brandon Woods, Chelsey Ybarra.

Sixth grade - Ashley Newell, Stephanie Reddin.

Seventh grade - Stacey Bodine, Dusty Floyd, Aubrey Foster, Steven Nichols, Jaci Ybarra.

Eighth grade - Leann Miller, Jessica Ybarra.

Ninth grade - Stuart Beall, Kari Hambrick, Trisha Nichols, Amanda Richter, Laci Webb, Cal Zant.

Tenth grade - Starr Hopper.

Eleventh grade - Jerrod Beall, Merla Reed.

Twelfth grade - Laura DeLeon, Jordan Hall, Justin Hambrick, Jordana Hardgrave, Jody Howard, Virgil Keys, Melissa Snel.

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Second grade - Jarrett Galaviz, Manuel Gonzales, Richard Hecke, Christina Helady, Geoffrey Hughey, Sean McAleer, Karl Nettles, Amber Ritz, Kevin Thomas, Kayla Torres.

Third grade - Joe Aguilar, Terry Coates, Stacey Covington, Joel Flores, Samuel Gammon, Ashley Gantry, Lyndsey Kelly, Jessica Olivias, Matthew Posey, Angie Solis, Justin Weatherby, Grayson Wagner.

Fourth grade - Keisha Brown, Tasha Castaneda, Patricia Franco, Eba Graves, Jessica Hughey, Eric Kelly, Joseph Noble, Jason Vela, Melissa White.

Fifth grade - Anthony Fuentes, Cole Furquero, Melissa Guerra, Rachel McSwain, Rosanna Sanchez, Erica Stewart, Juan Vargas, Sarah Vela, Kristina Wodruft.

A and B honor roll First grade - Thomas Canales, Adrian Carrillo, Ashley Carrillo, Florencio Carrillo, Rachel Gonzales, Kathryn Howard, Julie Martinez, Adam Nieto, Zzane Olyer, Jennifer Peterson, Tracey Ramey, Christopher Richards, Richard Rodriguez, Amber Simer, Trance Solitis, Lloyd Swanson.

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Third grade - Moses Canales, Layla Constanco, Jessica Cox, Jerry Duffer, Melissa Franco, Starla Hernandez, Jessica Jonnings, Misti Mathis, Bernardo Monjaraz, Randy Solis, Ruben Solis, Alexander Urias, Jade Walker, Chrissie Walters, James Wrye, Laura Yanez.

Fourth grade - Robin Anderson, Vanessa Bustamante, Rachel Childs, Courtney Davis, Benjamin Deanda, Ginger Fugate, Neomi Haro, Jenna Mathis, Michael Moore, Yal Moreno, Brandy Olivas, Lisa Padron, Elizabeth Peterson, Whitney Schwertner, John Solis, Kristi Tolson, Cristie Uribe, Jesse Vidal, Johnathan Volker.

Fifth grade - Deanna Acuff, Sarah Anderson, Andy Arguello, Tony Arguello, Keiona Ausbie, Bobby Barber, Nicholas Corney, Tammy Fann, Laura Fiero, Patrick Gonzalez, Samuel Gonzalez, Toby Gray, Nathan Hannum, Natalie Hernandez, Alice Jimenez, Betarica Juarez, Bobby Lopez, Alicia Martinez, David Parlow, Erin Posey, Brittany Price, Destiny Roach, Jacly Smith, Amanda White, Robbie Wilkinson, Cody Will.

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A wreath for the holidays Scripps Howard News Service The wreath, especially one of evergreen boughs, symbolizes the strength of life overcoming the forces of winter. In ancient Rome, wreaths signified victory and celebration. Today they're used around the world to decorate the home at Christmas. Making a wreath from fresh greens is easy, inexpensive and a fun, fragrant way to begin the holiday season. Traditionally, wreaths hang on the front door of the home, but they can be used as a centerpiece with a candle or a bowl of fruit inside. They also can decorate a mantle or hang from a chandelier or hanging light fixture. Wilt Pruf spray will preserve the wreath for long periods, depending on its location. People should be as creative with their wreaths as they are with their Christmas trees. Anything you do on a Christmas tree, you can do on a wreath. Angels and metallics also are popular. Still, traditional wreaths don't have to be boring. To enrich texture and color, try berries, juniper, princess pine and sprigs of hemlock. Pine cones, cranberries and glass bulbs can add interest.

THE FOLLOWING SALE ENDING DATES ARE INCORRECT IN SEARS INSERTS ON THE FOLLOWING DATES, 11/28, 12/1 & 12/6. THE CORRECT DATES ARE: SONY CAMCORDER #55806 12/7. ZENITH VCR #55746 12/28. GOLDSTAR VCR #55126 12/7. MAGNAVOX CAMCORDER #55916 11/30. LXI VCR #55156 11/30. RCA VCR #55226 11/30. THE \$50 GIFT CHECK WITH PURCHASE OF PANASONIC TV #40645 12/14. MAGNAVOX PROJECTION TVS #54413, #54223, #54493 12/28. PLEASE NOTE THE PRINTED END DATE FOR THE PROJECTION TV BONUS OFFER OF A FREE HI-FI VCR AND 0% FINANCE CHARGE IS CORRECT. BRAND NEW NEC 810 Cellular Phone 39.95 + Tax Expires 11-30-96. *Requires new Activation with Westex Cellular. SOUND DECISION 2601 Wasson 267-6863

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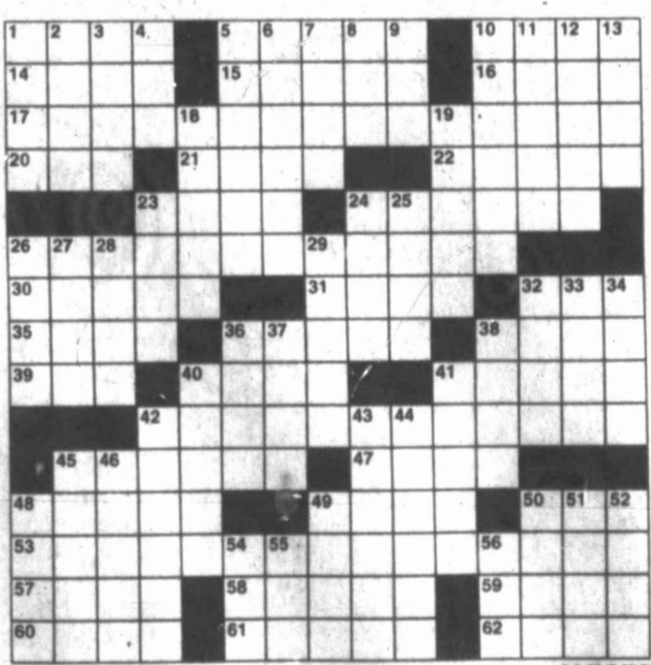
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Thanksgiving Day. Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 28th, 1520, Portuguese navigator Ferdinand Magellan reached the Pacific Ocean after passing through the South American strait that now bears his name. On this date: In 1895, the first automobile

race took place between Chicago and Waukegan, Ill. In 1925, the Grand Ole Opry, Nashville's famed home of country music, made its radio debut on station WSM. In 1942, nearly 500 people died in a fire that destroyed the Coconut Grove nightclub in Boston. In 1943, President Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Josef Stalin met in Tehran during World War II. In 1958, the African nation of Chad became an autonomous republic within the French community. In 1964, the United States launched the space probe Mariner 4 on a course to Mars. In 1975, President Ford nominated Federal Judge John Paul Stevens to the U.S. Supreme Court seat vacated by William O. Douglas. In 1985, the Irish Senate approved the Anglo-Irish accord concerning Northern Ireland. In 1990, Margaret Thatcher resigned as prime minister of Britain during an audience with Queen Elizabeth II, who conferred the premiership on John Major. In 1994, serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer was killed in a Wisconsin prison by a fellow inmate.

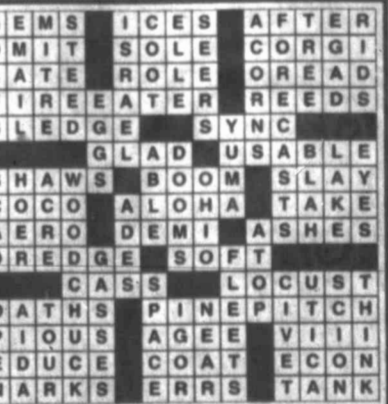
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR FRIDAY, NOV. 29:

Finances are out of control this year. A steady and sensible approach is instrumental to changes. You might want to be flexible and spend more. But a conservative budget is important. Walk a cautious path with funds. An opportunity for travel and greater learning is irresistible. Take small leaps that bring you emotional and spiritual growth. If you are single, desirability will be high after January. However, you might need to be more selective. If attached, your relationship develops to a deeper level. Work on improving the quality of your communications. LEO helps you see problems in new ways.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your more lively side emerges with others. Demonstrate a steady influence with a child, who may be out of control. News from a distance is intriguing. Call a loved one who is at a distance; you might decide to take off at the last minute. Tonight: Go with wild times! *****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Communications are shaky. Realize that holding a critical discussion would be ill-timed. You are full of fun and handle changes well. Be more in touch with what others want. Light conversations are exciting. Go with the spontaneous. Tonight: Dance to another's tune. *****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Be extra cautious with money dealings. You find that extravagance is catching up to you. Remain in touch with your limits, and you'll be happier. Initiate get-togethers for later

in the afternoon. The unexpected affects plans. Tonight: Go where the fun is. *****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be more in touch with feelings. Loosen your collar. Ease up with a partner. Surprising changes occur with others. Listen to your instincts in a money matter. Start your Christmas list. Begin shopping soon. Tonight: Spend money. *****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) In the morning, you feel the need for more rest. You might even want to hide out. By afternoon, you are rejuvenated. Come out of your cocoon. Your sunny personality draws others like a magnet. Ask, and you shall receive. Tonight: The party surrounds you. *****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Get in touch with your deepest feelings. A friend may shock you. Examine your objectives. Becoming a recluse is an attractive idea. Think through what is troubling you. Find a peaceful place. Take a walk in the country. Tonight: Get extra sleep. *****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Be more on top of a change. Clarify what you want. Visit a parent or older relative, who could be out of sorts. Allow time for pleasure and the good life this afternoon. Let go of responsibilities for a while. Tonight: Be where the gang is. *****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Settle a question about plans in the morning. You become annoyed by what occurs. Take a stand, and then help others sort out what they hope to accomplish. A "must" appearance later in the day helps you on several levels. Tonight: Go out on the town. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) A partner is contradictory.

Understand your limitations with this person. Avoid perpetuating a problem. A day trip or a weekend away seems appropriate. You need to detach. Some of you might do this by going Christmas shopping. Tonight: Do something different. *****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You need space. Others may be in an off mood. Recognize that it isn't always important to be with others. You might opt for some time alone this afternoon, or you might seek out a relaxing friend. Tonight: Give yourself a mental health break. *****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Get projects cleared early in the day. Clock out from the hectic pace. You could use more socializing in your life, especially given how nurturing and diligent you have been. Make plans with a chum for a leisurely afternoon and dinner. Tonight: Hang with your buddies. *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Let a loved one know you care, without condoning off-the-wall behavior. Consider what is important to you in the long run. A steady approach to an important matter smooths out your day-to-day life. Start making your Christmas list. Tonight: Put your feet up. *****

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Sharing is the secret sauce to make this day special

DEAR READERS: Today is Thanksgiving Day, so here's my traditional Thanksgiving column.

Take a few minutes to think about what you have to be thankful for:



Abigail Van Buren
Columnist

How's your health? Not so good? Well, thank God you've lived this long. A lot of people haven't. You're hurting? Thousands — maybe millions — are hurting more. (Have you ever visited a veterans hospital? Or a rehabilitation clinic for crippled children?)

If you awakened this morning and were able to hear the birds sing, use your vocal cords to utter human sounds, walk to the breakfast table on two good legs and read the newspaper with two good eyes, praise the Lord! A lot of people couldn't.

How's your pocketbook? Thin? Well, most of the world is a lot poorer. No pensions. No

welfare. No food stamps. No Social Security. In fact, one-third of the people in the world will go to bed hungry tonight.

Are you lonely? The way to have a friend is to be one. If nobody calls you, call someone. Go out of your way to do something nice for somebody. It's a sure cure for the blues.

Are you concerned about your country's future? Hooray! Our system has been saved by such concern — Concern for fair play under the law. Your country may not be a rose garden, but it also is not a patch of weeds.

Freedom rings! Look and listen. You can still worship at the church of your choice, cast a secret ballot, and even criticize your government without fearing a knock on the head or a knock on the door at midnight. And if you want to live under a different system, you are free to go. There are no walls or fences — nothing to keep you here.

As a final thought, I'll repeat my Thanksgiving prayer; perhaps you will want to use it at your table today:

O, heavenly Father,
We thank thee for food and remember the hungry.
We thank thee for friends and

remember the friendless.
We thank thee for freedom and remember the enslaved.
May these remembrances stir us to service.

That thy gifts to us may be used for others. Amen.
Have a wonderful Thanksgiving, and may God bless you and yours. — LOVE, ABBY

An afterthought: Want an instant high? The surest cure for the post-holiday blues is to do something nice for someone. Why not call someone who lives alone and invite him (or her) over for dinner?

Better yet, call and say, "I'm coming to get you, and I'll see that you get home." (Many older people don't drive, and those who do don't like to go out alone after dark.)

Try it. And let me know the results.

P.S. Special greetings to those of you in the military who wrote from remote corners of the world to tell me that you are using my Thanksgiving prayer on this Thanksgiving Day.

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