

Groundwork completed for Permian Basin Boll Weevil Eradication Zone

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

The groundwork has been completed for the Permian Basin Boll Weevil Eradication Zone and

the ball in now in Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry's court, according to Zone Chairman Eddy Herm.

"We've sent a proposal to Commissioner Perry's office," Herm said. "They have received it and listed

HERM

is in the Texas Register and have started a 30-day comment period, which will probably run through December."

"We're just a proposed zone until the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) recognizes us," Herm said. "Anyone with a comment on the proposed zone can attend the public meeting scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Dec. 11 at the Ackerly Co-op Gin."

According to Herm, a TDA representative will conduct the meeting.

"The last vote (on a boll weevil eradication zone) failed by a pretty wide margin," Herm said. "That tells me the producers didn't think it was a workable, affordable program. All we're trying to do is set up a program that pro-

ducers want."

When we get to a referendum process, it will take a two-thirds vote to the issue," Herm added. pass Commissioner Perry will have 21 days to make a final decision on whether the Permian Basin Boll Weevil Eradication Zone actually becomes a zone."

If TDA approves the proposed zone, local producers will engage in a series of meetings to decide what type of eradication program to have and what the assessments will be, according to Herm.

Howard County Extension Agent David Kight expects the current harvest to be complete by by mid-

December, but looming in his mind as in the minds of area producers is the situation with the boll weevil.

If current plans to form the Permian **Basin Eradication Zone are successful** for producers in Howard, Martin, Midland and Dawson (southern part) counties, future boll weevil eradication efforts could be voted on as early as March 1998.

Because of the failed vote during the Aug. 1 referendum to establish a boll weevil eradication program, for the first time in 34 years, the 29-county Texas High Plains region is unprotected from the full effect of unchecked boll weevil overwintering.

As for the Howard County area,

Herm said the boll weevil was a problem for the current crop depending on the age and location of the cotton.

"We didn't see a tremendous amount of boll weevil activity because we didn't have much of a cotton crop last year," Herm said. "Because of that, we didn't have a lot of diapause weevils to overwinter this year."

Other zone officers to help Herm oversee the zone operation include Vice Chairman Foy O'Brien, Dawson County; Secretary Gene Hendon, Martin County; and Treasurer Brad Vaughn, Martin County.

"If the zone is established, this will be the board that will oversee its operation," Kight said.

Saturday promises to be full of activities

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

If you can't get into the Christmas spirit this weekend. you just might qualify for the Ebenezer Scrooge Hall of Fame.

Three events planned to usher in the Christmas season hit Big Spring this weekend — the 11th annual Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade, the Downtown Trail of Lights and the First United Methodist Church's Living Christmas Tree.

And organizers say all three events will be among the best ever held.

By sheer numbers, the 11th Herald Christmas Parade, which begins marching down Gregg Street at 5 p.m. Saturday, should easily be the biggest ever, and organizers think it will easily be the best, as well.

A caravan of more than 2,000 people, 125 vehicle and three



of candidates, former sheriff playing wait and see game

Candidates

First filing day brings flurry

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

Speculation is over and the first day to file intentions to seek local elective office has already yielded several new names in Howard County's political arena.

County Judge Ben Lockhart, a longtime Democrat, is filing for reelection as a member of the Republican party.

No one has officially filed to oppose Lockhart, as the filing period is still in the early stages, but informed sources have indicated that former Sheriff A.N. Standard has picked up the necessary paperwork and is thinking about opposing Lockhart for county judge. Earlier today, Standard declined to confirm or deny those reports. Also tossing him name into the hat for reelection is Precinct 2 County Commissioner Jerry Kilgore. The first name to surface as opposition for Kilgore is Howard County farmer Donnie Reid. One name that will not be on the primary ballot is that of County Precinct 4

position is local musician Jody Nix.

Another name that will be missing on the primary ballot is that of County Clerk Margaret Ray, who decided earlier this year that she will not seek another term to the position she has held since 1975.

Ray has actually been a part of the county clerk's office since she was 18 years old, and, by the time her term expires in December 1998, she will have served Howard County for 45 years.

"I've enjoyed it, but it's time for me to do some other things," Ray said. Donna Wright, a longtime employee in the county clerk's office, has filed her campaign chairperson designation and is the first person to indicate she intends to seek Ray's position **District Clerk Glenda Brasel** and County Treasurer Bonnie Franklin have also filed their campaign chairperson designations and intend to seeks reelection to those offices. Also on the ballot will be Justice of the Peace seat for Precinct 1, Place 2 currently held by Marilyn Carson, who will seek reelection. The first challenger for Carson's JP seat is Howard County Sheriff's Deputy Bennie Green. Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Jack Buchanan is also up for reelection, but has not indicated whether or not he will run. Interested candidates for local office will have until Jan. 2, 1998 to declare their candidacy for one of the offices on the primary ballot.

bands is expected to make up the parade. The Rev. Floyd Green family, chosen Big Spring's family of the year by Samaritan Counseling Center, will be this parade's grand marshall.

The parade will feature a

year, and more than 20 entries have been submitted for that

category. "I think its going to be an out-

standing parade," said Herald



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett

Rex Hopper puts up the first tree in the Trail of Lights Christmas Tree Forest at the corner of 3rd and Runnels. The tree belongs to the American Business Women's Association

managing editor John H. lighted category for the third Walker. "It will be the largest

Randy Haymes (from left), Trish Haymes, Amber Long and Nina Marquez work on Girl Scout Troop 183's float, which will be part of the 11th annual Herald Community Christmas Parade on Saturday.

parade in community history." The theme for this year's parade is "Our Favorite Christmas Carols," and Publisher Chuck Williams said there were some unique entries.

The annual Festival of Lights will kick off soon after the parade ends Saturday night. The action will center around the courthouse area in downtown Big Spring, starting with the lighting of downtown approximately 30 minutes after the parade ends. Christine Brockman, co-chair

of the Trail of Lights, said many other activities will be taking place in the downtown area Saturday. Food and craft vendors will set up shop on the north side of the courthouse, live entertainment - including a barbershop quartet — will be offered and the pocket park area to the east of the courthouse will feature decorations from Anderson Kindergarten Center students.

"The vendors will be fabulous," Brockman said. "There's definitely going to be plenty to

eat. We'll have about 20 food and craft vendors, and entertainment for children, too."

Also, face-painting and "oldfashioned horse-drawn buggy rides" will be available, Brockman said.

One of the major events associated with the event will be the Christmas Tree Forest at the old Schwarz building on Third and Runnels streets. The forest, which Brockman described as a "wonderland of Christmas trees," will be open to the public daily through Thursday.

Today is expected to be the last day to be able to get tickets to The Living Christmas Tree, an annual production by First United Methodist Church. Tickets will be available, for as long as they last, at the church office.

The live musical performances will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the church. A dress rehearsal, which is open to the public (tickets are not needed) will be held at the church at 2 p.m. Saturday.

Commissioner Sonny Choate. Choate says he never intended to stay in office forever and he is returning to civilian life and will spend more time with his family.

The first person to file a campaign chairman designee for Choate's position is county extension office employee Fredi Frank. If successful, Frank will be the second woman on the five-member commissioners' court.

Also fining for the Precinct 4

Chamber of Commerce slates Newcomers Gathering for Thursday afternoon

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Features Editor

Karen Brewer was a stranger to Big Spring when she attended last April's Newcomers Gathering sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

"It was great to meet people from the different businesses in town," said Brewer. "It was planned as a way for us to meet people, and it worked."

Brewer was one of three women who, at that event, decided to form a



22 shopping days left Snoopy's Christmas Countdown sponsored by **Barcelona Apartments**

Newcomer's Club. They began with seven members this summer, and now have 25.

The chamber's Welcome Home Committee will sponsor another Newcomers Gathering Thursday, 5-6:30 p.m. at This Old House, 503 Johnson.

"It's a cooperative effort of the chamber and the Moore (Development for Big Spring) board," explained Katie Grimes, of the Welcome Home Committee. The gatherings are targeted for spouses of new employees at

Thurs:

businesses that belong to the chamber. Those spouses are sent invitations, followed up by a call to confirm, Grimes said.

"All different organizations come that need volunteers, and people can meet others who share their interests," Grimes said. Another outgrowth of the gathering earlier this year was a bridge club.

That event was followed by tour of various sites throughout town, including the historic spring and Howard College.

"Moving into town, you don't know where anything is - doctors, dentists," Grimes explained. "And you may be not so excited about leaving everything behind. It can be difficult."

To help with the adjustment, those who participate in the gathering are given a "contact person" to help them find whatever they need locally.

"The idea is that the employee coming in is a lot happier with their job when things are good at home when the spouse is happy in the community," Grimes said.

If businesses can retain their employees, it improves the local business climate, Grimes said.

Brewer said she plans to attend Thursday's event to help more recent newcomers adjust to the community where she now feels at home. She also might be recruiting for the Newcomer's Club, which offers various activities to help new residents.

For more information about the newcomer's gathering, call the chamber at 263-7641.

Sat: <u>Fri:</u> Staff Writer

Tonight, mostly clear. Lows 26-32. Thursday, sunny. Highs 58-67. Thursday night, clear. Lows 25-30. Extended forecast, Friday through Sunday, Dry. Lows in the 20s. Highs 45-55.

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Rudy Issard to again challenge Stenholm

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Getting close the first time was enough motivation for den-

tist Rudy Izzard seat by Charles Stenholm.

IZZARD

Izzard was in Big Spring Tuesday to address the media and a group of Republican leaders as part of a 30-city, three day need new leadership. I know swing through the district kick-

ing off his campaign. "I'm more convinced than ever before that the people in the 17th District are ready for a change in leadership," Izzard said.

Izzard said the district has been represented by two Democrats for the last 55 years and it will be hard to defeat a 20year incumbent, but he feels like he has a good chance.

"I have a vision of the future of See IZZARD, Page 2A

a small, constitutionally-based but effective government," Izzard said. "But to do this, we what the 17th District needs."

If elected, Izzard says he would serve on the Agriculture Committee and the National Security (Armed Services) Committee.

"Serving on the Agriculture Committee will put me in touch with some key economic issues." Izzard said. "I've seen hard times and a lot of young people

Congressional District held Stamford Democra

for a second run at the 17th

to toss his hat into the ring





OBITUARIES

Lillie Mae Barnard Frvar

Service for Lillie Mae Barnard Fryar, 67, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 5, 1997, at Nalley-Pickle Welch Rosewood Chapel with **Rev.** Darrell Hendrickson, pastor of First Church of God, officiat-

FRYAR ing. Interment

will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Fryar died Tuesday, Dec. 2, in a Midland hospital.

She was born on March 29. 1930, in Knott, and married Dale Fryar in 1946. She attended school in Knott and moved to Big Spring in 1945. She and her husband farmed at Fairview and later at Lenorah and then moved back to Big Spring in 1965. Mrs. Fryar worked for Hemphill-Wells, Dunlaps, Swartz, Custom Ag and retired from Security State Bank in 1995. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include: two sons, Kevin Fryar, Plano, and Mike Fryar, Big Spring; her mother, Stella Barnard, Big Spring; one brother, H.G. Barnard, Abilene; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Lola Sheppard

A memorial service for Lola Sheppard, 88, Big Spring, will be 1:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, 1997, at First Baptist Church with Dr. Kenneth Patrick and Rev. James Liggett officiating.

Mrs. Sheppard died Monday, Dec. 1, at Mt. View Nursing Home following a short illness. She was born on Nov. 12, 1909, in Merkel, Taylor County. she married W.J. "Bill" Sheppard, Jr. on Nov. 5, 1932, in Merkel. He preceded her in death on Dec. 26, 1976. She and her husband moved to Big Spring in 1939. She was a member of the First Baptist Church. Lola had worked at Big Spring High School, Malone & Hogan Clinic and Cowper Hospital. After retiring she worked at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel. Survivors include: two sons, Bill Sheppard, Big Spring, and Rodney Sheppard, of Austin; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. The family suggests memorials to the Heritage Museum of Big Spring; 510 Scurry; Big Spring, Texas; 79720, the First Baptist Church; 705 Marcy; Big Spring, Texas; 79720. St. Mary's

Episcopal Church; 1001 Gohad; Big Spring, Texas; 79720; or to the donor's favorite charity. Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith

Funeral Home & Chapel. **Agnes Gilmore**

Service for Agnes Gilmore, 53, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She died Tuesday, Dec. 2, 1997, in a local hospital.

Dean White

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Audrey Lucille (Berg) Covell

A memorial service for Audrey Lucille (Berg) Covell, Spokane, Wash., was 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1, 1997, at the Good Samaritan Village with Dr. G. Don Gilmore officiating. Mrs. Covell died Tuesday, Nov. 25, at Sacred Heart

Medical Center, Spokane, Wash. She was born on Feb. 5, 1911,

in Gardner, N.D. She grew up in the Midwest and graduated from Sioux Falls High School in South Dakota. After moving to Montana with her family, she began her lifelong career as a bookkeeper at Goan Motor Company in Billings, Mont. She married William R. (Scove) Covell in 1935. He preceded her in death. They moved to Spokane, Wash., in 1948 where Audrey volunteered at the Davis School for the Deaf. After her retirement, she volunteered at Sacred Heart Medical Center and the Corbin Senior Center.

Survivors include: one son, Richard Covell, Midland, an instructor at SouthWest **Collegiate Institute for the Deaf** in Big Spring; a sister, Marie Kittle, Camano Island, Wash.; three grandsons; three greatgrandchildren; and three nieces and one nephew.

Police charge one with earlier burglary of Flo's HERALD Staff Report

LOCAL

One of three Big Spring residents charged in the Monday burglary and arson at Flo's Yellow Rose has been charged with an earlier burglary at the establishment.

James White Jr., 21, was arrested along with Marie Piercefield, 17, and Kevin Lee Dunlap, 20, in connection with a burglary/arson that occurred at the tavern Monday evening.

About \$400 in cash and "a barrel full of wine coolers and beer" was taken in the crime, Sheriff's Deputy Ray Allen said. While White was in custody, however, sheriff's deputies charged him with a burglary that occurred at the tavern earlier this year, Allen said.

White was released Tuesday on bonds totaling \$20,000, while Dunlap was free on bonds totaling \$15,000. Piercefield was in custody in lieu of bonds totaling \$15,000.

IZZARD

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moving away from the district. I want to ensure a good future for rural America."

Izzard said America's military is in a weakened state.

"We now have a presence in more than 100 countries without a formal agenda for being there," Izzard said.

Tax reform will also be one of the issues Izzard discusses during the campaign.

"I won't be a wild-eyes reformer when it comes to the tax system, but \$200 billion being spend just to comply with the current tax code is too much," Izzard said. "I encourage accountants to get involved with this issue and find some tangible talking points and bring the forth.'

Family is also an issue Izzard plans to make part of the campaign.

"One thing I will always keep in mind is strengthening the family unit," Izzard said. "On a limited basis, I support some of the new education reforms, but I will oppose any legislation that recognizes same sex marriages." Izzard says he feels good about particular campaign this because it will have a strong Republican ticket with both Gov. George W. Bush and **Agriculture Commissioner Rick** Perry running for reelection.

BIG SPRING ROUND THE TOWN

SPRINGBOARD

YOU HAVE ANY IF CHANGES IN A SPRING-BOARD ITEM OR FOR **MORE INFORMATION, CON-**TACT GINA GARZA, 263-7831 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8:30 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 •Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Archie Kountz, 267-3821.

•Line dance classes, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, following lunch. For more information call 398-5522 or 267-1628. All ages welcome.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. 12&12 Study.

THURSDAY •Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

•Spring Tabernacle Church. 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon.

•Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older.

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

•NA meeting, 6 to 7:30 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

 Alcoholics Anonymous, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles. 8 to 9 p.m. closed meet ing at Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.

 Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard **County Library.** Call Bernice Cason at 267-8542 or 267-7236. •Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30

p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Ron Long, 267-8715. FRIDAY

•Spring City Senior Citizens ern dance 0 to 211, Social Order of the Beauceant, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 211 1/2 Main with a 6:30 p.m. dinner.

Texas Lottery

•Howard County NAACP, 7 p.m., Chamber of Commerce conference room. Call Stephanie Horton, 264-0306.

 Alzheimer's Support Group, 6:30 p.m., Marcy House, 2301 Wasson. Call 268-9041. TUESDAY

 Beginning line dance class will be taught at 9 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. Call 267-1628 for more information. All ages welcome.

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 68.30, up 10 points; Jan. crude 18.82, up 6 points; Cash hogs steady at \$1 lower at 44; cash steers steady at \$1 lower at 44; Dec. lean hog futures 62.20, up 12 points; Dec. live cattle futures 67.10, down 5

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RECORDS

BIG SPRING HERALD

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POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m. Wednesday: ALBERT ORTEGA, 30,

arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.

 DANIEL HECKLER, 44, arrested on Howard County warrants.

DARRELL BURKEEN, no age given, arrested on charge of unlawfully carrying a weapon.

 JAMES BUTTS, 39, arrested on charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

 LONELL LOTT, 37, arrested on a charge of failure to • ROBERT KRITZMIRE, 55, arrested on a charge of public

intoxication. **BILLIE WRIGHT**, no age

given, arrested on a charge of theft. • RUDY ORTEGA, 17, arrest-

ed on a charge of no driver's license.

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• BUDDY CUNNINGHAM, 28, arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.

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MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL 24th & Johnson 267-8288

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NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH **Funeral Home** Trinity Memorial Park



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Officials continue investigation into death

HERALD Staff Report

Officials are still investigating the Sunday night shooting death of a Big Spring woman.

At about 10:30 p.m. Sunday, BSPD officers responded to the 700 block of Andree in reference to a gunshot. Inside the residence, they found Kathy Redding, 40, with a gunshot wound to the head.

Justice of the Peace China Long pronounced Redding dead at the scene and ordered an autopsy.

Early this morning, BSPD Det. John Stowers said autopsy results were not available and that the investigation was ongo-

Long said she would wait until the police complete their investigation before ruling on cause of death.

"They have to complete their investigation first, then we'll take a look at what it revealed. That's when I'll make my determination," Long said.

Long would not rule out either homicide or suicide in the case

"It could go one way or another," she said.

BRIEFS

FREE EYEGLASSES WILL BE available for adults Dec. 13 at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club Bingo Building, 1607 E. Third St. from 9 a.m.noon.

All adults needing glasses who don't have income to purchase them are welcome. A doctor's prescription is recommended. Call the Lions at 267-3068 for more information.



If elected, Izzard promised he will open full-time district offices in Big Spring, Mineral Wells and Abilene.

Izzard believes his chances of defeating Stenholm are better the second time around because he says Stenholm's influence has diminished.

BRIEFS

BIG SPRING STATE HOS-PITAL will have a craft sale featuring crafts from Therapeutic Arts & Crafts and the Sheltered Workshop. This event will take place in the **Activity Therapies Building** Thursday, noon until 5 p.m. and Friday Dec. 5 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The public is invited to come out and shop for Christmas decorations and unique Christmas gifts.

For more information call 268-7484.



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ODESSA REGIONAL HOSPITAL

Tuesday, Dec. 2nd.

Thursday, Dec. 4th.

Wednesday, Dec. 3rd..

10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.

•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 •Candlelight NA meeting, 10 to 11:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open meetings at noon,

8 p.m. and 10 p.m. SUNDAY

•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting. MONDAY

•Big Spring Evening Lion's Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Al Valdes, 263-6810.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241.

•TOPS Clubs (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:15 p.m. weigh in and 6:15 p.m. meeting, Best Home Health Care, 1710 E. Marcy Dr.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.

•Big Spring Commandery NO. 31, stated meeting, 7:30 p.m. Masonic Temple, 211 1/2 Main with a 6:30 p.m. dinner.

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The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following incident between 8 a.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m. Wednesday: PHONE HARASSMENT on Alice Road.

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FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Big Spring Fire **Department/EMS reports:** Tuesday

1:22 a.m. — 500 block Donley, medical call, patient transferred to Scenic Mountain, Medical Center.

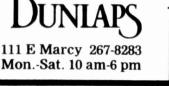
5:53 a.m. - 900 block W. 12th. medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.

12:46 p.m. - 2500 block W. FM-2230, structure fire, extinguished by responding units. 2:21 p.m. - 400 block E. 4th, medical call, patient trans-

ferred to SMMC. 4:23 p.m. - 1900 block S. Johnson, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.

5:36 p.m. - 1800 block Alabama, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.

9:22 p.m. - 300 block Business 20, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.



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Committee hears testimony on access to public information

mation should be readily available via paper documents or new technology, but some laws and government officials limit access, open government advo-cates have testified.

Despite what some individuals believe, public information is for mem-bers of the public, not just for newspa-pers," said Thomas A. Stephenson, senior vice president for operations and administration at the San Antonio Express-News.

Stephenson was the first of about a dozen witnesses to testify Tuesday before the Texas Senate Interim Committee on Public Information,

dence and suggesting that

someone else should be on trial

for the Oklahoma City bomb-

Moments after the prosecu-

tion rested its case Tuesday,

defense witnesses testified that

before the bombing they saw

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Some witnesses were shown a

sketch of John Doe 2, a shad-

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ed seeing with McVeigh before

the April 19, 1995, blast that

killed 168 people. One said she

was sure John Doe 2 was with

The government rested its

Vicki Beemer, a former

employee at Elliott's Body Shop

in Junction City, Kan., testified

that she was certain that two

days before the bombing, two

people picked up the Ryder

truck that exploded outside the

Alfred P. Murrah Federal

number on a shattered axle.

coaster case of English au pair

Judicial Court has frequently

rejected the shortcut in the

Justice Ruth Abrams could

refuse to hear the case - send-

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case after calling 98 witnesses

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Public infor _ chaired by Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San mation about a graffic wreck must Antonio.

The committee is holding hearings throughout the state before issuing its final report in October 1998. Stephenson provided in update on a lawsuit filed by the Texas Daily Newspaper Association and Texas

Press Association challenging a new state law limiting public access to traffic accident reports.

A state district judge in Austin is expected to decide Friday whether to make permanent a temporary order blocking parts of the law from taking effect, Stephenson said.

Under the law, anyone seeking infor-

know the name of at least one person involved and either the location or date of the wreck. The two also limits access to motor vehicle-records containing personal information and makes it ille-gal for that information to be posted on the Internet.

The city of San Antonio supports the law.

City Attorney Frank Garza said a few businesses that sell wreck reports to lawyers and medical providers have turned the city's accident reports department into a "flea market," creating such congestion that it is difficult for all citizens to get service.

The city wants to charge for personnel costs associated with providing the reports, Garza said.

Reggie: James, director of the Southwest office of Consumers Union, told the committee some government agencies try to circumvent the Texas Public Information Act by seeking opinions from the Texas attorney general's office on whether information is public even when they already know it

Some also classify information as related to pending litigation even though it is only vaguely connected to a lawsuit, James testified.

Both tactics delay the release of infor-

mation, he said.

James suggested the attorney general's office "act at the earliest opportunity" to declare whether information is public to avoid delays.

Robert Rivard, editor and senior vice president of the San Antonio Express-News, said governmental entities should release public information through new technology such as the Internet to allow for quick access.

"It should no longer be necessary for there to be a human gateway between you and that government document." said Rivard, who also spoke in his role as a director of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas.

At bombing trial, Nichols' attorneys raise specter of phantom John Doe 2 DENVER (AP) — With their



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fake signature on the truck client's life at stake, attorneys rental agreement belonged to for Terry Nichols opened his McVeigh. defense by questioning key evi-

The man who accompanied McVeigh "just blended in," said Ms. Beemer, the shop's office manager at the time. "He was a man, and that was about it."

Defense attorney Ron Woods asked Ms. Beemer if Nichols. seated in the courtroom, was the second man. "I really don't know," she replied.

More testimony was scheduled for today, with shop owner Eldon Elliott expected to take the stand. At McVeigh's trial, he said he vaguely remembered a second man with McVeigh someone wearing a baseball hat with lightning bolts on it.

Lea McGown, the owner of **Dreamland Motel in Junction** City, testified that she heard McVeigh speaking with one or possibly two other people in his room one night. But she said she couldn't identify them.

Prosecutors say McVeigh was registered at the motel the weekend before the bombing.

McGown also said she had never seen Nichols and couldn't identify the sketch of John Doe 2. She did remember seeing McVeigh with a large Ryder rental truck.

Building. The truck was traced The sketch of John Doe 2 was to the shop through a serial created shortly after the blast She couldn't identify either and purportedly showed some

McVeigh when he rented the Ryder truck. At McVeigh's trial, prosecutors said the man portrayed in the sketch was not involved in the bombing, but the defense contends that people other than McVeigh were involved.

Former motel maid Hilda Sostre testified that she saw a man resembling the sketch. But she said she didn't see McVeigh with anyone.

"I believe he's the one," she said when a defense attorney held up the drawing of John Doe 2, which included a lightning-striped hat.

Sostre said she saw the man walk to a Ryder truck parked at the motel the morning of April 17, but prosecutors contend McVeigh didn't pick up the truck until 4:15 p.m. that day. The defense also called four witnesses who said they saw another Ryder rental truck parked outside the motel. FBI chemist Steven Burmeister, who had testified for the prosecution, conceded no proof was found that the bomb contained blasting caps or nitromethane,

as prosecutors contend. Nichols, 42, could face the death penalty if convicted of murder, conspiracy and weapons counts. His former Army buddy, McVeigh, has appealed his conviction on identical changes. In gin un.

Winnie Mandela now expected to testify Thursday, not today

Africa (AP) Madikizela-Mandela ordered the killings of suspected police informers in the late 1980s, her former chief bodgyguard testified today before a commission investigating apartheid-era political crimes.

Convicted murderer Jerry Richardson said his hands were "full of blood" from carrying out orders from President Nelson Mandela's former wife to kill police informers.

Richardson, who acknowledged he had been a police informer, told the Truth and **Reconciliation Commission he** committed two murders on orders from Madikizela-Mandela — that of 14-year-old Stompie Seipei and a woman named Kuki Zwane.

"I killed Stompie under the instructions of Mami," he said, referring to Madikizela-Mandela by the name used by many at the time for the woman known as the mother of the nation. "Mami never killed anyone but she used us to kill a lot of people. She does not even visit us in prison, but she used us.'

The Truth Commission is investigating 18 human rights abuses allegedly committed by Madikizela-Mandela's gang. known as the Mandela United Football Club. The commission

JOHANNESBURG, South nal charges, but it can turn frica (AP) — Winnie over evidence to police for investigation.

Madikizela-Mandela, 63, was expected to testify Thursday.

She has long denied the accusations against her and the football club and requested the public hearings to clear up the charges, which allegedly happened in the black township of Soweto during the late 1980s.

At the time, she was married to Mandela, then an imprisoned activist. Mandela was released in 1990.

The couple separated in 1992 and divorced last year, after which Madikizela-Mandela added her maiden name to her married name.

Richardson provided chilling details of how Seipei and three other young men were whipped, beaten and thrown in the air to land on the ground by football club members led by Madikizela-Mandela in December 1988.

"We started torturing the youths in the manner that was used to torture freedom fighters," he said.

"The first thing that I did to Stompie was to hold him (on) both sides and throw him up in the air and let him hit the ground.'

He said Madikizela-Mandela was watching, and he also described how she beat others with her fists and a whip.

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Seipei was thrown in the air "about seven times" until he was injured so badly "I was sure he would soon die," Richardson said.

"There was a lot of things we did to Stompie. We kicked him. We just kicked him like a ball," he said.

At that point, Seipei's mother, Joyce, began weeping in the audience and briefly left the hearing.

Richardson said he took the badly beaten Seipei to a field and killed him by stabbing him in the neck.

Richardson is serving a life sentence for the murder of Seipei, who was accused of being a police informer.

Madikizela-Mandela was convicted in 1991 of kidnapping Seipei and three other young men, who were beaten at her house by members of the football club.

Initially sentenced to six years in jail, Madikizela-Mandela eventually paid a \$3,200 fine on appeal.

A former apartheid government agent testified last week that Madikizela-Mandela was monitored constantly by informers, telephone taps and bugging devices, but the government was reluctant to arrest her for fear of causing political instability, such as a backlash in the black community.

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Judicial Court, or stay the trial Louise Woodward has reached the start of what promises to be judge's order, which would return Ms. Woodward to prison, a long appeals process. The appeal, expected to be as the prosecution has requestconsidered at a hearing today, was filed under a state law that

Whatever her decision, it is not expected to be made immeallows prosecutors to avoid the traditional stop in appeals diately. court. But the state's Supreme

A jury convicted the 19-yearold au pair on Oct. 30 of seconddegree murder in the shaking death of Matthew Eappen, her host family's 8-month-old son. Nearly two weeks later,

BOSTON (AP) - The roller- ing prosecutors back to appeals Superior Court Judge Hiller Zobel reduced the verdict to manslaughter and, Ms. Woodward was freed after serving 279 days in prison.

Prosecutors argued that Zobel exceeded his authority by composing his own theory to explain the baby's death. They said he made several other errors, including not following state guidelines.

But the principal issue for now will be whether any of this qualifies for an emergency appeal.

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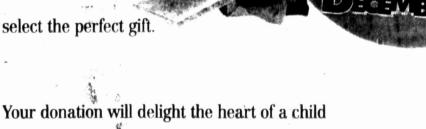


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Full parking lots are a sure sign of the season

f local store parking lots are any sign, the shopping season is definitely here. Some local merchants are offering special sales and holiday-oriented bargains, others plan later hours for the convenience of shoppers.

It's a good time to take advantage of what our busi ness community has to offer: Explore the stores you don't normally patronize, and take advantage of the special offers at those you do.

While you are out, participate in the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's Home for the Holidays program, a unique way to patronize our local businesses with a chance to win \$1,000 in prizes.

In Home for the Holidays, shoppers need to pick up a flier at a participating merchant and have it stamped at stores throughout the community. Completed forms need to be turned in at the chamber by Friday or before 6 p.m. on the east side of the Courthouse Saturday.

A drawing for contest winners will take place at the courthouse lawn Saturday after the Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade.

As Sue Bagwell, chamber vice president for retail development, pointed out: Who wouldn't want to win gift certificates and prizes? This is a win-win situation.

Merchants win because local residents patronize their stores. Participating shoppers win because they not only discover the bargains to be found locally, they

Some news stories are just too strange to believe

With apologies to John Moseley, who seemingly had the franchise on finding weird stories on the Associated Press wire, but

today's wire offerings were just too much to pass up. Take, for example, the story Peoria, Ill. John H. about the Walker woman

from

who

greased her kitchen floor so that her live-in boyfriend - who happens to have just one leg would fall down the stairs and kill himself. It's true.

Christina Mack greased the kitchen floor in order to send her one-legged boyfriend tumbling to his death, according to police. But she slipped up --literally.

Police were called to the couple's home late Sunday to find Mack, 35, unconscious-after falling on the slippery kitchen floor, with a team of firefighters giving her first aid.

Her boyfriend, Chester Parkman Sr., 50, initially told officers he and Mack, who is six weeks pregnant, had been arguing about her health and that she was trying to make him fall.

He later said she was just try ing to spruce up the house.

" "I honestly think she was trying to wax the floor," Parkman, who uses crutches to get around, said in Tuesday's

editions of the Journal Star of Peoria. The floor was slick with grease or oil, mostly at the top of the stairs and at the door of the bathroom, police said. After Mack regained consciousness, she admitted to the plot, police said. She also told a neighbor what she was planning.

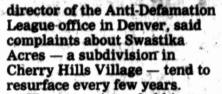
Did you ever think the name of the subdivision would make a difference in whether you wanted to live there or not? What if you were Jewish and the subdivision was called "Swastika Acres?'

Bill Weinberger was set to buy his \$497,000 dream house in a prestigious Denver suburb when he learned the name of his would-be neighborhood: Swastika Acres 2.

Even though Weinberger had asked his real estate agent to draw up a sales contract, he abruptly changed his plans. "I told them not only no, but hell no," Weinberger, a Denver

businessman who is Jewish, said Tuesday. The agent found the subdivision's name, which dates back to a corporation called the Denver Swastika Land Co. founded in 1908, well before before the Nazi Party in Germany was established and adopted the swastika as a sym-

bol of racial superiority. Saul Rosenthal, regional



"There's no intended bigotry associated with it. Every now and then, somebody moves in there and is surprised, and I don't blame them," he said. "I certainly don't see this as a substantial issue facing our community."

And what about the brainless bank robber? It wasn't hard for police and FBI agents to track down Jacob Matthew Brown, 20, who robbed the drive-through window of a Dallas bank. He made it easy for them

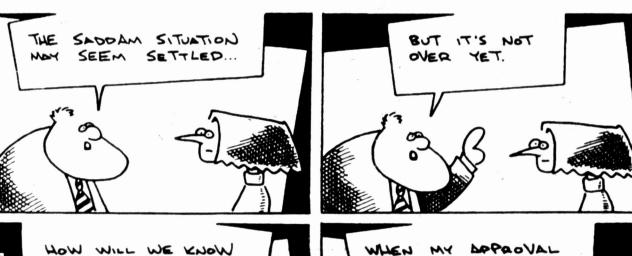
Tuesday when he drove his own pickup truck during the robbery. It was a simple matter for bank employees to write down his license number.

Officers tracked down and arrested Brown only hours after he placed a used fast-food sack and a pink stick-on note in the commercial lane money tray.

"Look I have a big boom. Give me money now or suffer

... disaster," the note read. A teller gave him an undisclosed amount of money and wrote down the license tag number as he drove away. Brown was arrested at the apartment of a friend where he had been staying.

And then there's the couple in the Denton County suburb



The Colony who filed a complaint against a church over it's electronic chimes. The chimes that represent peace for a troubled world to some neighbors of Cavalry Christian Center in this suburb north of Dallas are a nuisance. according to the couple.

Billy and Linda Dennis say the bells are like a dripping faucet to them. They say they're unable to sleep during the day at their home near the church.

"Even when I'm asleep, I am waiting for it to happen,' Dennis said. "And then it does — bong, bong — and I jump every time."

The couple filed a complaint with a local justice of the peace. It was the second legal complaint filed against the church.

Lawrence Cumings, who also sleeps days, filed a complaint on Nov. 7 accusing the church of violating the city noise ordinance by creating a sound "of such intensity" that it disturbs private homes

The electronic Winchester chimes at the Assembly of God church ring out every hour on the hour from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Amplifiers spread the familiar, fluting 16-note tune, followed by a deep bass note that counts the hours.

At noon and at 5 p.m., the chimes also play a 10-minute medley of hymns.

The church's pastor, Thom, as Jackson, vowed to fight. "Jesus wasn't a wimp," he said.

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Yes, there is much more to the holiday season than shopping. And our community has plenty of reminders of the true meaning of the season: We urge you to take advantage of those.

But, like it or not, Christmas has become a holiday for giving, and that often means buying. It may mean buying gifts for your family, shopping for friends or donating to an Angel Tree or Giving Tree child.

We hope you enjoy your holiday shopping, and remember to treat other shoppers and salespeople with courtesy. Take some of the stress out of the holidays by using a little kindness.

Happy shopping!

Your views

TO THE EDITOR:

On Nov. 1, I had the privilege of coaching a wonderful group of players from the Big Spring Soccer Association as they participated in the Turkey Shoot Out Soccer Tournament in Midland

These players performed superbly both on and off the field. They were in competition with teams from all over Texas as well as New Mexico. Our soccer association has approximately 300 participants as compared with the Midland Association which has 4,300. The level of competition was high, and our players stepped up to the challenge. In three games, only two goals were scored against our team. Each player did his part to take care of his responsibilities. They achieved the goals of a "team" to the degree that most of us strive for in our professional lives. We have a coed team, yet we were competing against all male teams. The talk in the Midland headquarters was "I didn't even know that they played soccer in Big Spring"

and "Have you seen that Big-Spring team play?

Other teams may have played with better technique, but no team played with more heart and determination. And, every player had family there by his or her side. It is a rare pleasure to get to have moments like this in a lifetime-when one is a part of such a supported effort by different people in a community. Special thanks goes to the Big Spring Soccer Association for purchasing new jerseys and paying the entry fee and to all the supportive families. If you see one of these young people, pat them on the back for a job well-done. They are constant reminders that "we do things right in Big Spring, Texas." David Brooks, Weston Brown, Jacob Castle, Joshua Caudill, Ralstin Coates, Justin Ferrell, Brandon Gross, Kaci Hecker, Landon Jenkins, Dustin King, C.J. Lowery, David Partlow, Melody Riley, Zack Watkins and Ryan Wegman.

LIZ LOWERY SORLEY **Big Spring**

This is the sixth in a series of eight articles prepared by U.S. Rep. Charlie Stenholm on the status of the Social Security sys tem

Two events took place in August 1995 which captured my

attention The first made national headlines Social Security turned 60 years old. This caused me to con Charlie sider the Stenholm many mil lions of U.S. Congressman lives have been posi-

tively impacted by a program created out of the bipartisan wisdom of Members of Congress who are now long gone. Amazingly, over 160 million people have received Social Security benefits since the program first began.

The other event marked a per sonal milestone for me. My first grandchild was born

While the successes of the Social Security program are impressive, the birth of Cole Stenholm (and Chase Stenholm since then - cause me to think far out into the future and con-

like when I am long gone. Thinking of this prompted me to become involved in a number of Social Security activities as a way of protecting their future.

sider what his world will be

One activity was to convene a Social Security Summit in Abilene on May 30. Over 200 people from across the 17th District came to learn about the problems currently facing the program, young and old alike gained a new sense of urgency about improving the system. On the 60th anniversary of the Social Security Act in 1995, Representative Jim Kolbe (R-Arizona) and I founded the bipartisan House Public Pension Reform Caucus (PPRC). We have used the PPRC to educate our colleagues and their staff members about the Social Security system, inviting leading experts to share their wisdom. The meetings have been extremely productive and have enabled many members of

Congress to expand their knowledge about the program and various dilemmas which lay ahead. To date, 72 of our colleagues from both parties have joined the PPRC In late 1996, representatives from the Center for Strategic

and International Studies, a Washington-based nonpartisan policy organization invited me to serve as a congressional cochair of the National **Commission on Retirement** Policy along with Representative Kolbe, Senator Judd Gregg (R-New Hampshire) and Senator John Breaux (D-Louisiana). The Commission will make policy recommendations to Congress and the White House regarding retirement issues, including but not limited to Social Security. The commission plans to release a preliminary report in early 1998. I am also pleased that Dr. Lanny Hall, President of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene and the former Deputy Director of the Texas Teacher Retirement System, serves as a

member of the Commission. To date, my work has been to

discuss with colleagues and constituents the intricacies of Social Security. Over the last few years, however, many suggestions for reforming the program (ranging from raising pay roll taxes to completely replacing the existing system with a different program) have been made. Members of a Social Security Advisory Council submitted their proposals in January 1997. Additionally, many Members of Congress and Senators have introduced legislation to reform Social Security. I will examine a few of these plans in my next columns.

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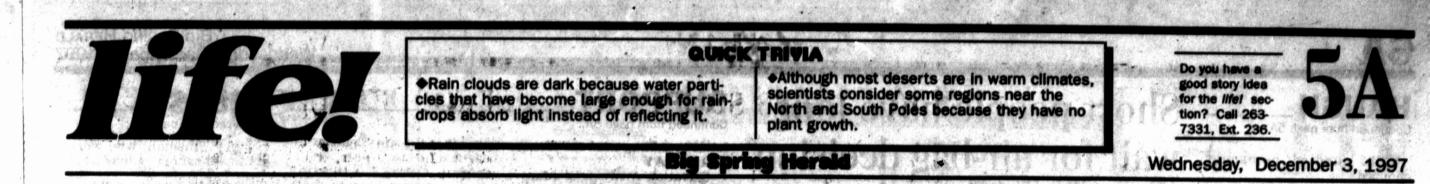
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Giving Tree, Angel Tree for elderly

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Christmas trees throughout the community are going up, and presents piling underneath. But few trees have the kind of impact as those designated to help needy children and the elderly.

One such tree is the Giving **Tree at Norwest Bank**, 400 Main. Employees, customers and visitors are encouraged to take a paper ornament off the tree and buy the gifts requested by a local child in foster care.

We'd love for people to come in and get an ornament off the tree, then check in with us," said Jeanie Knocke, customer service representative. "Then they need to bring the gift back, unwrapped, before Dec.

18." Bank employees will wrap the gifts and they will be distributed through the Texas Department of Protective Services local office.

On the cards are three Christmas requests for each child, most of them practical needs, such as "clothes for warm weather," or "a dress for church." There are some toy requests, too.

Planets line

up this week like 'pearls

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"It's quite beautiful, an

exquisite grouping of the moon

and planets," said Jack

Horkheimer, executive director

of the Miami Space Transit

Planetarium and host of the

public television program

"Star Hustler." "This is naked-

Beginning Monday night and

continuing through Dec. 8, the

planets will appear in the

southwestern sky in a line

slanting upward from the hori-

zon. From west to east, Pluto

will be followed by Mercury,

Mars, Venus, Neptune, Uranus,

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brightest. A good pair of binoc-

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and Neptune. Pluto will be visi-

Horkheimer, whose syndicat-

ed show has been running for

21 years, said that the five

bright planets should be visible

even in urban areas on a clear

He said the planets will be

similarly aligned in May 2000,

but so close to the sun that

they won't all be visible from

Earth. Horkheimer said a com-

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Already, bank departments have begun challenging each other to see which will buy the most requested items or help

the most children. We just have a bunch of good people who work here, that love children," explained Carlon Baker.

the ornaments are As removed, more are added.

"These are all the children we work with who wouldn't otherwise have a Christmas," said Rosie Gransberry, case tech for the Department of Protective Services. She said this year, all the ornaments on Norwest's tree are for local children.

There are 25 children to be served by the tree.

Knocke said the bank is pleased to have the Giving Tree

"We want to give back to the community as much as we get, she said.

At La Vair's d'Elegance, 2105 Gregg, the Salvation Army has placed a variation of its Angel Tree. Normally, those trees are designed to help needy children of the community.

But this one is hung with ornaments listing the Christmas wishes of elderly residents of Big Spring. Please see TREES, page 6A.

SUPPORT GROUPS

10th and Goliad, Open to all

Above, Gladys King, of Norwest Bank, picks an ornament off of the Giving Tree in the bank lobby, which is designed to provide presents for local children in foster care. In the photo at right, Amy Martin, left, owner, and Nancy Tinsman, of La Vair's d'Elegance, stand with their Angel Tree, which serves the elderly through the

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door. Call 267-2769. •Cancer support group, first Tuesday of each month, 7-8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Beverly Rice, 268-5077. •Al-A-Teen, 7:30 p.m., 615 •"Most Excellent Way," a chemical dependency support •Turning Point A.A., 8-9 p.m., group, Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Living St. Mary's Episcopal Church,

Don't let holidays destroy your budget

The holiday season can certainly be a budget buster. What too late to save money, but do a surprise you get when you keep an expense list of every

At this point it is probably

Cookies and punch for the holidays

The word cookie is strictly American. Cookie is derived from the Dutch word Koekje or Koekie which means "small cake." In

England, cookies are called biscuits. Cookies have six classifications: bars 0



squares; drop Sue Haugh rolled Columnist pressed; molded or

shaped; and refrigerator.

Soft cookies should be stored tightly covered in a cool place. If they should dry out, add a piece of bread or apple wedge to maintain moisture.

Crisp cookies should be stored with a loose-fitting cover in a cool place. If they soften, put on a cookie sheet and place in a 200-degree oven for about five minutes to recrisp.

Do not store soft and crisp cookies together.

Most cookie dough and baked cookies can be frozen for six months to one year. Freezer ziplock bags make great containers for cookie storage.

One of the best parts of Christmas is exchanging cookies. So, why not have a Cookie **Exchange Party?** For those of you who may not be familiar with a cookie exchange it goes something like this.

Each guest brings 36 cookies from one of her favorite recipes and a card with the recipe on it. Six cookies from each recipe

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MIAMI (AP) — The moon •TOPS Club (Take off Pounds Gensibly), weigh-in 5:15 p.m., and eight of the planets will be lined up in the sky this week Best Home Health Care, 1710 E. 'like pearls on a string'' in a Marcy Dr., 6:15 p.m. Call 263sight that won't be visible 1340 or 263-8633.

MONDAY

Settles.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

 Encouragers Support Group (formerly Widow/Widower support group) first and third Mondays each month. First Monday meetings are at a local restaurant at 6 p.m. Third Monday meetings are at 5:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian **Church Seventh and Runnels** (enter through north door). Various activities, guest speakers, games, covered dish supper, visit. For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

•Big Spring Group of Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. TUESDAY

•Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.

 Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles. Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

•Compassionate Friends support group for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October and December in the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 West Marcy. Enter by southeast

Lane/Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and "at the end of the month. 5 pm.

Water Church, 1008 Birdwell

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

 Family Education and Support, sponsored by Howard County Mental Health Center. meets the second Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at 319 Runnels. For more information call Shannon Nabors at 263-0027

•The Big Spring Alliance for the Mentally III meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at 409 Runnels (formerly the TU building) For further information call Sondra at 267-7220

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Dr. Ronald Meyer, D.Min., LCDC, LMFT, specializing in individual and marriage counseling, Attention Deficit Disorder and chemical dependency, available for clients at the First Christian Church. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1 800-329-4144.

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

WEDNESDAY

•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas, available for clients at the First **Presbyterian Church, Runnels** and Eighth St. Appointments for counseling services are

Please see SUPPORT, page 6A

Following are some ideas for ways to keep the spending part of the holi-



Make a list and don't leave home without it.

person.

Remember what it is like to grocery shop without a list you end up with a lost of impulse purchases and many items that you don't necessarily need - well, the same principle applies here. Don't spend more than you have allotted for each gift.

Some other items that you will need to list and set a budget amount for include: Christmas meal, meals for overnight visitors, meals on the go while shopping, snacks and goodies that you take to the office and other parties, gifts for exchange at the office or other parties, gift wrap, bows, nametags, tape, etc., Christmas tree and decorations, Christmas cards, postage, mailing packages, extra travel expense if you will be visiting friends and relatives out of town.

All of these are extra items that you would not purchase within a normal month, and good health and prosperity. every little bit adds up.

This will help you to see just where you are money-wise and will help to eliminate the stress of not knowing if you do or don't have money in the bank.

If you find yourself coming in a little under budget, don't celebrate by going out and spending the savings!

Instead, put the money saved in a special savings account and start saving for next Christmas, when you will once again find yourself in need of some spare cash.

You will find that the more money you save, the more you will want to save and this will be incentive for more bargain shopping. Once you start your little savings for Christmas 1998, add to it each month. Refer back to your budget for Christmas 1997 as well as your expense list and determine how much you will need to save each month to have that amount by December.

Also remember to keep track of money spent throughout the year if you are an early shopper, or if you shop the 50 percent off bargains just after Christmas.

Make some mental notes this year as people open gifts. You can probably get some great gift ideas for next year. Make a list and start early to avoid the hassles of last-minute shopping.

Above all, don't let woes about money get you down. Remember the true meaning of Christmas lies far above the monetary gifts we give and receive. Take time to renew your faith, share with family and friends, to be thankful for

are placed on a tasting table and the rest on an exchange table. Hot Wassail is served and the goodies are sampled. Then before leaving, each person selects 30 cookies from the assortment to take home for their holiday entertaining.

A cookie gathering is much more than just about cookies. It is an opportunity for us to take time out to release some of the pressures arising out of a hectic schedule of shopping, wrapping, decorating, and all the other demands of the season. Being with friends is the best part.

If you are a serious cookie maker, you will enjoy these Christmas cookies. Both recipes make an enormous amount!

The Pfeffernusse are delicious little spicy morsels and make great "dunkers."

Wassail is a hot beverage served in England toasting to one's good health. It is traditionally served to Christmas carolers on Christmas Eve. Its wonderful aroma also serves as a potpourri. ...

- **Christmas** Cookies 1 1/2 cups light brown sugar 3 cups flour 3 tsp soda 1 cup butter or oleo 3 T milk
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1 tsp cloves
- 1 tsp nutmeg
- 4 eggs
- 6 cups chopped pecans
- 1 lb. white raisins

1 1b. candied cherries, chopped

Please see HAUGH, page 6A.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION THE LAST WORD 5 **COMMUNITY NEWS** VBS Free tickets for 'Tree' Most of us believe in trying **CHRISTMAS**to make other people happy GHT available this week only if they can be happy in 8 STYLE ways which we approve. Free tickets are available as long as they last Robert S. Lynd this week at First United Methodist Church office Having trouble getting out of for the Living Christmas Tree performances, the house for your Christmas 01 The value of an idea has Saturday and Sunday at 8 p.m. nothing whatsoever to do with shopping? East Side Baptist Tickets are required for the production of music, the sincerity of the man who Church plans Vacation Bible School-Christmas style Saturday from 10 a.m. -3 p.m. for kids ages 6-12. The narration and song, but those without tickets may expresses it. program will include crafts, Christmas stories and drama. Anyone is welcome and there is no charge. **Oscar Wilde** attend a 2 p.m. Saturday dress rehearsal. Lunch is provided. Stop by the office, 400 Scurry, for the tickets. The program will end in plenty of time for the family to attend the Big Spring Herald Community An ounce of image is worth a They will be given out as long as they last. Christmas parade and Trail of Lights events Saturday. For more information, call East Side Baptist Church pound of performance. е Laurence J. Peter at 267-1915 or 263-7696.





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1 lb. candied pineapple, chopped 2 (8 oz.) pkg. chopped dates

Combine and mix all ingredients in large mixing bowl. Drop by tablespoon onto cookie. sheet. Bake 12 to 15 minutes in 325 degree oven. Makes about 300 cookies.

Pfeffernusse (Peppernuts) Spicy German Cookies 3 1/2 cups all-purpose flour 2 tsp baking soda 1 1/2 cups granulated sugar 1 cup butter or margarine, room temperature 1 large egg 1 tsp ground cinnamon 1 tsp ground nutmeg 1 tsp ground cloves 1 tsp ground ginger 2 tsp anise extract

2 T light or dark corn syrup

Mix flour with baking soda. In a large bowl, beat sugar and butter with electric mixer at high speed until light and fluffy. Beat in egg and then spices, anise extract and corn syrup, blending well. At low speed stir in flour one cup at a time until well mixed. Cover dough and refrigerate one hour or overnight. To bake, heat oven to 375 degrees. Divide dough into eight equal pieces and shape each piece into a 14inch long roll. Cut each roll into 24 slices. Arrange slices one inch apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake 7 to 8 minutes or just until lightly browned. Remove from oven and transfer cookies to wire racks to cool. Store cookies in an airtight container at room temperature or in freezer.

Makes about 192 cookies. Note: Tightly wrapped rolls of dough freeze well. Slice while frozen and bake 8 to 9 minutes. These cookies improve with keeping (if they last that long!) ...

Hot Spiced Wassail 2 qts. unsweetened pineapple juice

2 qts. cranberry juice cocktail 1 qt. cold water 2/3 cup firmly packed dark

brown sugar **T** whole allspice

Short people have long wait for air-bag decision Meanwhile, confusion persists about of devices, who should disconnect them

By MICHAEL WOODS **Toledo Blade**

Millions of short-stature people, including about half of adult women, face a long wait before making a truly informed decision whether to disconnect their auto air bags.

In recommendations last month on medical reasons for disconnecting air bags, a federal medical panel was forced to hedge on the height issue, which affects a huge number of Americans.

"Look at the statistics," said Dr. Tilman Jolly, chairman of the National Conference on **Medical Indications for Air Bag** Disconnection.

"Why, half of all adult women in this country are under 5 feet 4 inches in height. There are plenty of short men, as well.'

The conference consisted of medical experts who prepared a list of medical reasons that justify installation of an on-off switch for auto air bags. The National Highway Traffic Administration Safety (NHTSA) asked for the list.

NHTSA will use it to implement new regulations which allow certain people to have an air bag on-off switch installed. In general, the conference strongly endorsed air bags and said most people would be safer with air bags connected and

Groom-to-be of jilted bride says his plans were known

NEW YORK (AP) - A man who stranded his would-be bride at the altar only to have her go public, with the story says it wasn't exactly a lastwith lap and shoulder belts fastened. When considering short peo-

life

ple, the panel conducted an exhaustive search on government data and medical research, Jolly said.

Its search was based on concerns that short people could not seat themselves at a safe distance from the air bag module

Drivers should sit at least 10 inches to 12 inches away from the steering wheel hub, which contains the uninflated air bag. Passengers in vehicles with dual air bags should be at least that distance from the dashboard.

Distance is critical, Jolly explained, because a person sitting too close may catch the full force of a rapidly inflating bag.

The head and neck impact may cause grave injury.

People sitting farther back, in contrast, miss that forceful impact because the bag has fully inflated by the time it reaches the head.

The actual number of such deaths, however, is small.

The conference estimated that short people have been involved as drivers or passengers in 150,000 air-bag deployments.

Of those cases, 14 resulted in deaths

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THURSDAY

 Salvation Army drug education program, sponsored by Permian Basin Regional **Council on Alcohol and Drug** Abuse, 7 p.m., Salvation Army building, 308 Aylford.

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

port and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Meets second Thursday of September, October, November, January, February, March, April and May, Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland. •Grief Support related to the

death of a loved one. Call Nurses Unlimited, Inc., at 264-6523.

 Alzheimer's Association Support Group, fourth Thursday of the month, Comanche Trail Nursing Center, 3200 Parkway, 7 p.m. FRIDAY

 Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. Big Book Study.

•Alzheimer's Association Support Group, second Saturday of the month, Carriage Inn Retirement Center, 501 W. 17th, 10 a.m.

current and former patients and their families, 1 p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

Settles, noon, 8 p.m., 10 p.m.

made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

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Scenic Mountain

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•Family support group for

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615

open meetings, 615 Settles.

•"So I Forget," Attention Deficit Disorder support group for individuals and couples, first Saturday of the monthfrom 9 to 10:30 a.m., Samaritan **Counseling Center of West** Texas, Inc., Midland. Call the center at (915) 563-4144 or 1-800-329-4144. Cost is \$15.

•West Texans Living with Chronic Fatigue & Immune **D**ysfunction Syndrome/Fibromyalgia, 1-3 p.m., various Saturdays, HealthSouth facility at Hwy. 191 and Loop 250, Midland, Call Joann Carney, (915) 686-7977, or Marsha Brunet, (915) 337-4829 to get the meeting date.

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Wednesday, December 3, 1997

Nancy Tinsman, who works at La Vair's, understands why.

BIG SPRING HERALD

"The older people need something, too," she said. "So many of them live on Social Security" and spend most of their money on utilities and medicines. They have very liftle left over."

On those ornaments are requests for such items as "pajamas and a robe." Most ask for items of clothing, books or toiletries.

Those gifts can be brought back to La Vair's or taken to the Salvation Army headquarters. Be sure to leave the registration slip from the ornament in the box provided.

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By JOHN A. I Sports Editor

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1 T whole cloves 4 (2 in.) sticks cinnamon, broken into small pieces.

Pour pineapple and cranberry juices and water into bottom part of a 30-cup percolator. Place sugar, allspice, cloves and cinnamon in basket at top. Allow mixture to percolate for 30 to 35 minutes. Serve hot.

If you do not have a percolator, tie the spices into a cheesecloth bag; place with all other ingredients in a large enamel or stainless steel pan and cook over medium heat until mixture begins to boil. Lower heat and allow mixture to simmer for at least 30 minutes

Yield 1 1/2 gallons or 30 cup servings.

Food for thought: The best part of you is who you are inside.

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minute decision. Tasos Michael, 35, said he told Nicole Contos, 27, about his concerns a few months ago, during the summer

"Nicole was confident that we could go ahead with the wedding, but I asked for the wedding to be postponed," he said. "I should have been more forceful. I felt things had to be sorted out before the wedding."

Ms. Contos was at the Manhattan church Nov. 22 when Michael's best man informed her the groom would not show. She held the reception anyway with the 250 guests and told her story to the media

"I did tell her that nothing could ever excuse my leaving her at the altar." Michael told Daily News from the Tahiti hotel where the couple was to have spent the honeymoon.

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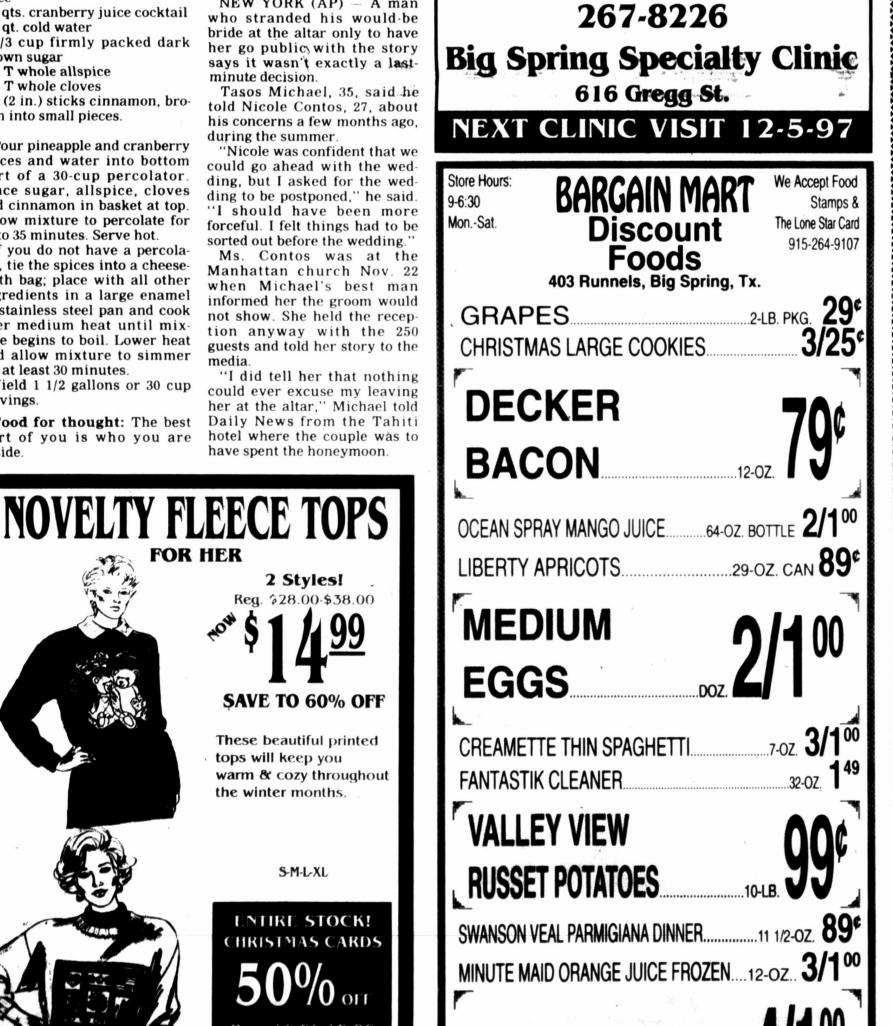
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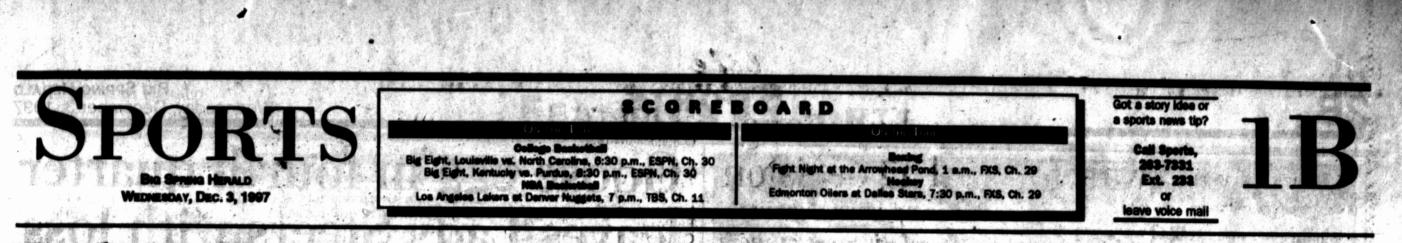


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COAHOMA - Only one thing is cer-tim - that there will be a new boys' channes - when the law Coshoma invitational Basketball Tour tament on under way Thursday afternoon. Borden County's Collines won't be repeating as the tournal sector won't be repeating as the tournal sector becompl-on because they have been been been be their basketball season of the become their basketball season of the borball playoffs has them presented for a

playoffs has them preparing for a semifinal showdown with Lanbuddie Friday night.

But the Lady Coyotes, who made it a Borden County sweep in 1996, will be on hand to defend their title, facing a tough girls' field that includes not only

a strong Big Spring Lady Steers squad, but a talented host team in the Bulldogettes,

Buildogettes. Borden County won't be the only team originally scheduled to play that will have to pass on the early section event as a result of the state's school-boy football playoffs. Stanton's Buffalces haven't yet early ed pounding the hardwood, because they're scheduled to face Lockney in a Class 2A semifinal in Abilans Friday. As a result, the boys' field will be composed of Coahoma's host Buildogs

composed of Coahoma's host Buildogs, Greenwood's Rangers, Monahans' Loboes, Reagan County's Owls; Tahoka, Snyder's Tiger junior varsity, Crosbyton's Chiefs and Rotan's Yellow Hammers.

because they're still in the football playoffs, but this is still going to be a strong boys' field," Bulldog coach Kim Nichols noted. "Snyder's junior varsity is always as good as a strong Class 2A or Class 3A team and Tahoka went to the state tournament after beating us In the area round last year.

"And we've been playing pretty well, too," Nichols added, the Bulldogs' only blemish on a 4-1 record coming at the hands of a good Class 3A Abilene Wylie team that sank a buzzer-beating 3-pointer to hand Coahoma it's only loss to date.

In fact, Nichols says the Bulldogs enter this year's tournament feeling like they have something to prove. "We didn't play too well in our own

"We lost Borden County and Stanton tournament last year," Nichols

acknowledged. "That never leaves a good taste in your mouth. We got better and had a great season last year, but we'd certainly like to have a better showing this time around."

The Bulldogs will play the opening round's showcase game at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, facing Rotan.

Other first-round boys' games have Greenwood and Monahans squaring off at 4 p.m. Thursday, Reagan County and Tahoka playing at 1:30 p.m. Friday and Snyder's junior varsity facing Crosbyton at 1:30 p.m. Friday.

The Reagan County-Tahoka game will be played in the Coahoma Elementary School gymnasium, while the Snyder JV-Crosbyton match will be played in the high school gym.

County and Coahoma, the girls' field includes Stanton, Midland Greenwood, Reagan County, Tahoka; Crosbyton and Rotan.

The Lady Coyotes will open the tournament at 1 p.m. Thursday when they take on Stanton's Lady Buffaloes, followed by a 2:30 game pitting the Lady Steers and Midland Greenwood.

Other girls' openers have the Bulldogettes facing Rotan's Lady Hammers at 6 p.m. Thursday, while Tahoka's Lady Bulldogs and Crosbyton play at noon Friday. Reagan County's Lady Owls received a first-round bye in the tournament draw and will face the Big Spring-Greenwood winner at 3 p.m. Friday.

Ticket prices for the tournament are In addition to Big Spring, Borden set at \$2 for adults and \$1 for students.

Steers stump Greenwood, 57-53

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Sports Editor

Big Spring's Steers not only got what they wanted, but what they needed Tuesday, taking a 57-53 win over Midland Greenwood's Rangers in a non-district basketball game.

After struggling through the season's first couple of weeks with a 1-3 record and having junior leaper Tory Mitchell decide to leave the team, concentrating his efforts on football and track, the Steers needed something to smile about.

They got just that by taking control of Tuesday's game early and holding sway throughout the night.

"It was a win and we needed a win," Steers coach Gary Tipton admitted following a late Greenwood rally that came close to erasing an 11-point lead Big Spring fashioned midway through the final period.

While the Steers failed to put



Wizards open arena with win over Sonics; Spurs trip up Knicks

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Downtown Washington didn't have to roll up its sidewalks, fans weren't burdened with a drive out to Landover and **President** Clinton was plied with pizza.

Everybody went home happy - everybody except the Seattle SuperSonics, that is - after an exciting, festive evening at the brand new MCI Arena in the nation's capital.

The Washington Wizards moved into their new home Tuesday night and had a sellout crowd that included the president as they defeated the Sonics 95-78, snapping their seven-game winning streak.

"It means a lot, not just for the organization but for the whole city," Wizards guard just like kid when you get something new. You want to cherish it for a while." The new arena is expected to serve as a flagship for a longawaited revival of downtown Washington, and team owner Abe Pollin received a hero's welcome inside and outside the building. The new digs had a positive effect on the home team, which lost all five of its games this season at the US Airways Arena (formerly the Capital Centre). The Wizards got 18 points apiece from Juwan Howard and Tracy Murray in a victory that ended the Sonics' seven-game winning streak. In other NBA games, San Antonio defeated New York 90-84, Atlanta crushed Dallas 112-79. Houston beat Denver 112-101, Orlando edged Portland 89-88, Phoenix downed Milwaukee 90-86 and Charlotte topped Sacramento 95-78. Seattle helped open the Cap Centre exactly 24 years earlier. On that occasion, the Sonics played the role of gracious guests by dropping a 98-96 decision to the then-Capital Bullets.

od with a 12-5 spree that made it 86-68

Vin Baker led Seattle with 22 points, and Detlef Schrempf had 17. Gary Payton scored only nine points on 4-for-15 shooting.

Spurs 90, Knicks 84

At San Antonio, New York blew a fourth quarter lead for the sixth time this season.

"I hate to use the word panic on a veteran team like this one. but we kind of panicked tonight," Chris Childs said after the Knicks shot just 6-for-26 in the fourth quarter and were outscored 27-15.

David Robinson and Tim Dungan scored 23 points apiece and Vinny Del Negro added a season-high 16 points for the Spurs, who won despite shooting 25-of-45 at the free throw Patrick Ewing scored 13 of New York's 15 points in the fourth guarter and finished with 25 points and 15 rebounds. Allan Houston added 22 points. "It's time for us to win some close ball games," Charles Oakley said. "We've been in control late in quite a few games and then lost them. We can't allow teams to start thinking if they just stay close until the fourth, than they can make a run."

the Rangers away after taking what seemed to be the commanding_11-point lead, Tipton attributed the tense finish to Greenwood's tradition, rather than any shortcoming on his team's part.

"They've got a good basketball program at Greenwood." Tipton noted. "It's hard to blow somebody like that out."

In fact, Tipton made it clear that simply controlling the game's pace throughout the night was a tremendous

accomplishment for the Steers. The Rangers' only leads would come in the first minute of play. Larry Johansen scored the game's first point with a free throw 26 seconds into the game.

After Steers post Greg Wollenzien hit a pair from the charity stripe 14 seconds later, Andrew Wootan gave Greenwood it's final lead with a jumper from the key.

Big Spring then rattled off seven unanswered points to take control — Wollenzien scored underneath, Andy Hall flashed down the lane and hit a layup off a nice feed from Justin Myers, who then capped the string with a 3-point bomb.

While Myers and Hall added another pair of field goals, Greenwood answered with a 3pointer from Wootan and a lay in by Gabriel Pallanez to stay close as the first quarter ended with the Steers owning a 13-10 edge

For the next eight minutes, the game became a tit-for-tat affair that saw the Steers take a 27-24 lead into the halftime break.

Once back on the floor, Myers and Greenwood's Johansen swapped 3-point bombs before Big Spring rat-

FHERALD photo/John A. Mosele

Midland Greenwood's Jason Brooks (33) goes up and manages to block a shot by Big Spring's Travis Womack (44) during the second quarter of their game Tuesday night. Brooks was whistled for a foul, however. Womack and the Steers went on to take a 57-53 win over the Rangers.

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tled off an 8-3 run punctuated Wootan drained another 3by a pair of jumpers by reserve post Chauncey Ford that gave the Steers a 38-30 edge with 3:10 remaining in the third quarter.

With Tipton opting to rest point guard Chello Williams, the Rangers turned a pressure defense into a couple of steals and an eight-point run that deadlocked the game at 38-all with 20 seconds remaining.

But Hall, a junior who moved into the Steers' starting lineup when Mitchell opted to leave the team, threw up a prayer at the buzzer that ripped the net and gave Big Spring a 40-38 lead with eight minutes to play.

It was a lead the Steers would never relinquish, as Myers, Wollenzien, Travis • Womack and Jason Gonzales combined to mount a 10-1 run in the first three minutes of the fourth quarter to take a 50-39 edge.

Greenwood would not die, however, as guard Scott Reed rattled off six points and a couple of occasions."

pointer to pull within a pair at Womack broke the run scoring underneath off a spectacu-

lar assist by Myers only to see Midland's Calef Montes hit another 3-pointer with 35 seconds to pull within one, 54-53.

Although the Steers managed just 8-for-17 shooting from the free throw line, Myers iced the win with three free throws in the closing seconds.

While Myers led all scorers with 16 points, three defensive rebounds he garnered during the closing minutes may have been as important to the Big Spring win as his shooting.

"Justin's getting better defensively ... we all are, and we're going to have to continue getting better," Tipton noted. "We played very well defensively tonight. We missed some stuff inside offensively or it would have been that close, but the important thing is that we didn't let them take control of the game when they could have on

In addition to Myers' 16 points, Wollenzien added 13. Womack had nine nine points and Hall added eight.

Wootan and Reed paced Greenwood's effort with 12 points each.

The Steers' win made it a Big Spring sweep, as the Steers' junior varsity opened the evening's twinbill with a 56-50 win behind John Purcell's 18 points. Teammate Colby Ford added nine more.

Big Spring, now 2-3 on the season, heads to the Cotton Pickin' Classic at Frenship Wolfforth where they'll face Brownwood's Lions in the tournament's opening round.

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This time, Seattle lost for only the fourth time in 17 games.

"We got outhustled in the paint, on the boards and defensively," Seattle coach George Karl said. "I'm sure they were just tired of losing at home. I just wish we gave a better showing.'

After Seattle whittled a 15point deficit to six by halftime, Washington opened the second half with a 10-4 spurt to make it 61-49.

It was 74-63 after the third quarter, and the Wizards pulled away by opening the final peri-

Hawks 112, Mavericks 79

At Dallas, the Hawks had their largest margin of victory, set a season-high for points and enjoyed a rare blowout as Steve Smith scored a season-high 28 points in Atlanta's fourth straight victory.

Dikembe Mutombo, Christian Laettner and Ed Gray all added 15 points as the Hawks improved their league-best record to 15-2. Of those victories, three have come in overtime and 10 have been by six points or less.

Michael Finley's 18 points paced the Mavericks, who have lost 11 of 12 games.

Rockets 112, Nuggets 101

At Houston, the Rockets led by as many as 28 points before Denver made run beginning midway through the third quarter, eventually closing to 100-95 with less than five minutes to go on a dunk by Johnny Newman.

That was as close as they would get as the Rockets went on a 10-1 run to pull away, keyed by Matt Bullard's 3pointer with 2:30 to go. It was one of six 3-pointers for Bullard, who finished with a season-high 20 points while starting for Mario Elie.

DeBartolo steps down as 49ers owner to fight gambling accusations

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO — Joe Montana gave way to Steve Young. Bill Walsh was replaced by George Seifert. Quarterbacks and coaches changed as the San Francisco 49ers won five Super Bowls in 14 seasons.

There was one constant throughout that run of success — Eddie DeBartolo, a generous but demanding owner who offered his players firstclass treatment and expected championships in return.

Now DeBartolo is gone, too. He stepped down as owner Tuesday to fight charges of gambling fraud that are expected against him. His move came the same day two Louisiana

indicted by a federal grand jury.

The newspapers reported DeBartolo and former Louisiana Gov. Edwin Edwards are among at least six people notified they will be indicted by a grand jury in Baton Rouge, La.

"These charges simply are not true," DeBartolo said in a statement released by the 49ers. "I look forward to the time when I can address these issues and tell my side of the story.

Pending the outcome of the investigation. DeBartolo said his sister, Marie Denise DeBartolo York, will take over as chairman of the 49ers, and Carmen Policy will continue as president and chief executive officer.

Policy will continue to run the 49ers' day-to-day operations and replace

newspapers reported he soon will be DeBartolo as the team's representative to the NFL for league business.

> DeBartolo also said he was stepping aside from any role in the project to build a new stadium for the 49ers in San Francisco, a campaign he led to narrow voter approval this past spring.

DeBartolo, who helped build his family's real estate development firm based in Youngstown, Ohio, purchased the 49ers in 1977. His generosity to players helped lure some of the league's top free agents - such as sack specialist Kevin Greene this season — to San Francisco.

Under DeBartolo's leadership, the 49ers have traveled first class and stayed in fine hotels for road games. After Super Bowl victories, the owner took players and their families to resorts to present their championship rings.

The 49ers, who won Super Bowls in 1981, 1984, 1988, 1989 and 1994, are tied for the best record in football again this season.

But DeBartolo also has been a controversial figure. He and a companion were charged with battery in Green Bay after being accused of punching a Packers fan and head-butting another in a scuffle outside Lambeau Field after the Packers beat the 49ers in a playoff game on Jan. 4.

NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue said the NFL was aware of the grand jury investigation prior to Tuesday's announcement, and that it would be "inappropriate to comment on the

legal proceedings involving Mr. **DeBartolo** while those matters remain subject to the judicial process."

"The steps announced today will have no effect on the performance of the football team, the development of the new stadium or the quality operations that have characterized the 49ers for two decades," Tagliabue said.

Policy said there would be "no disruption" in the day-to-day operations of the team.

York said in a statement from Youngstown that it was "a very difficult time" for her brother.

"In this country, everyone is entitled to a presumption of innocence and to due process under the law. I hope everything will work out for him," she said.

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SPORTS

Here are the District 7 six-man junior high school champion Mustangs. Front row, from left, are: Jose Briseno, Brandon Woods, J.D. Grigg, Cade Peterson, Chance Grantham, Ben Campbell and Devin McNew. Second row: Manager Steven Barrara, Catlin Barraza, Kevin Wiley, Jeremy Renteria, Abel Gomez and Tutie Martinez. Back row: Steven Nichols, Chance Nichols, Lee Casas, Dusty Floyd, coach Felipe Castro, Cruz Martinez, Heath Webb, Johnny Chaves and manager Marcelo Barraza.

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Goose egg in fourth quarter leaves Lady Steers with loss

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HERALD Staff Report

After leading through three quarters of play, Big Spring's Lady Steers literally couldn't buy a bucket Tuesday night, as they went scoreless in the fourth quarter and dropped a 48-39 decision at the hands of Brownfield's Lady Cubs. The loss had Lady Steers

coach Ron Taylor shaking his head long after the final horn sounded. "If I could figure out what

happened to us out there, I'd be a genius ... there's just no explanation for it," Taylor said. "We had the same shots all night long ... shots we were looking for and couldn't make them. And in the end, it came down to free throws and we couldn't make them.' The Lady Steers, now 3-3 on

the season, opened the game in typical fashion — streaking out to a quick double-digit lead and carried a 16-6 lead into the second quarter.

Brownfield rebounded for 14 points in the second quarter, but was unable to gain any ground, as the Lady Steers matched that total to take a 30-20 lead into the intermission. **Big Spring's point production**

began to decline in the third quarter, as Brownfield managed to make a four-point dent in the Lady Steers advantage, but still trailed, 39-33, going into the final eight minutes of play.

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But the Lady Steers' inability to score a single point in the fourth quarter literally made it

"Brownfield is by far the weakest team we've played this season," Taylor noted, "but when you shoot 25 percent from the field and 40 percent from the free throw line, you're not going to win many games.

"I've never had this happen to one of my teams ... not ever," Taylor said of the scoreless fourth quarter. "I really don't know what you're supposed to

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> do except to just keep on work ing."

Kylie Caswell paced the Lady Cubs with a game-high 12 points, while teammate Victoria Cummings added 11 more.

Perhaps most telling, however, was Brownfield's ability to literally shut out the Lady Steers' leading scorer, post Keesha Lott.

Marlena Light and Nadia Cole led the way for Big Spring, scoring 11 points each.



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player on the Lady Hawks roster contributed to the scoring.

Sophomore Shawnta Johnson led all scorers with 20 points, while Latraica Spencer scored 14, Latasha Moore added 13 and **Donelle** Jones chipped in 12 more.

"We were able to get plenty of playing time for everybody and that's just about as much as you can ask for in that type of

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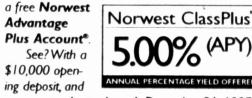
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR THURSDAY, DEC. 4:

You are more expressive and chatty than in previous years. Others like your friendly and affable ways. You make a strong impression because you are willing to explain yourself; generally, you act first, then explain! You might not feel as creative as you have in the past, but it is a good year to generate what you want. If you are single, romance flows because of your new social skills. By late winter, you will be ready to snuggle in. If attached, there is much conversation. There is a positive domestic change in 1998. AQUARIUS is fun to be with.

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) Aim for what you want. You are full of energy and zip. The unexpected occurs, and you can run with it. A solid course of action is advised. Using discretion and knowledge pays off. A friend rings your chimes, and you respond. Tonight: Be with buddies.****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Accept the limelight, and know that you are in a situation in which you can make changes. Interactions are exciting yet flowing. Authority figures aren't predictable at this point, and you might not want them to be. After all, isn't it more fun this way? Tonight: Take your bows.****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Reach out for another. Talks are enlightening and could be downright surprising. You get what you want, mainly because

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of your endurance and determination. Don't fight a reversal of course. An associate appeals to your mind and higher self. Tonight: Buy an exotic present.****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Partnership, patience and working with a difficult boss all pay off. You see what nurturing can produce. There are feelings of trust between you and another. You might need to do what is politically correct, which looks like a long night of work. Tonight: Count on a late dinner LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Others take action that surprises you. Consider what is best for you; look to the future. You come up with unusual ideas. A relationship could benefit from your humor and flexibility. Be open to another's offerings, Tonight: Go along for the ride, but buckle your seat belt!****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Get work done, and make time to exercise. Good eating and health habits help you deal with stress, and will add to your feeling of well-being. Oneto-one relating in business matters proves successful. Roll with changes from a high-energy boss. Tonight: Shop.**

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Speak your mind, and a loved one will respond. You are more in sync than you have been as a couple. Trust your creativity and loving nature. You create movement and change where you couldn't before. Let more fun in your life. Tonight: Get into the holiday mood.*****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Go within for answers. **Explore**, a home office, or

involve your family more with your work. Understanding is important with people in your personal life. Security comes in many forms. Establish stronger financial and emotional bond.

Tonight: Put your feet up.*** SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You tend to express yourself through your actions; others see you as impulsive. You are more likely to express what is on your mind and where you are heading. Others are stunned and delighted by your renderings. Let go of obstacles to creativity. Tonight: Flirt!****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Intuition can play a big role in your choices. You are right on, especially with money. Risk only as much as you can afford when indulging in any gambling. You are building strength, not undermining yourself. Tonight: Flip through catalogs for gift ideas.****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Your decisions direct you toward what you want with unusual success. A discussion is tough but worthwhile. News you hear doesn't have you jumping for joy but has a positive tone to it for the future. Let your personality shine through. Tonight: You are everyone's pal.*****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You need to work through a professional matter. You might not feel comfortable with a money issue, though it might not be changeable. Take time alone to get yourself centered. Good choices are made in this atmosphere. Catch up on paperwork. Tonight: Go to bed early.***

Home-school mom makes case for high quality of education

at the arrogance of the teacher one of a tidal wave of articulate in a public school. Homewho recently wrote, "I have letters from parents rising to schooling is not for everyone,

DEAR ABBY: I was appalled and educators. Your letter is surpass any they could receive but if you're concerned with the education your child is receiving, then it's something consider.' - MELISA to SHREVE, QUINLAN, TEXAS For an excellent guide to becoming a better conversationalist and a more attractive person, order "How to Be Popular." Send a businesssized, self-addressed envelope. plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.) Good advice for everyone teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada)

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SPORTS BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

Dykes to be football banquet speaker

Texas Tech Head Football Coach Spike Dykes will be the featured speaker for the Big Spring Steers Football Banquet scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Dec. 16 in the Big Spring High School cafeteria.

Tickets for the banquet are priced at \$9 per person and can be obtained by calling Quarterback Club president Randy Gee at 267-7424 or 263-1889

Since seating for the banquet will be limited, tickets should be purchased as early as possible.

Registration under way for youth league

The deadline for registration for a youth basketball league being formed by the Big Spring YMCA is Dec. 6.

No tryouts will be held for the league, which organizers say will have an emphasis on participation and fundamentals, not winning.

are reminding local landowners and hunters that the white-tailed deer season continues through Jan. 4, 1998.

The bag limit is four deer with no more than two bucks. Deer population surveys in Howard County have resulted in TP&WD officials recommending that hunters not harvest antlerless deer north of I-20 and recommend that they take one doe per 800 acres and one buck per 1,300 acres south of I-20.

For more information, contact wildlife biologist Bill Del Monte at (915) 798-3152.

Special Olympics in need of coaches

Local Special Olympics officials say they need volunteers to serve as coaches for athletes involved track, soccer, equestrian events, aquatics, basketball, softball, gymnastics and bowling

Those interested should attend the Special Olympics Texas Coaches' Training Clinic set for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 6 at Odessa College.

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Anyone with questions concerning the training school or about registering an athlete may call (915) 684-5024.

Local chapter needs softball umpires

The Permian Basin chapter of the Southwest Softball Umpires Association needs umpires to work high school softball games throughout West Texas, including the Big Spring area, this spring.

For more information, contact Mack Gipson at (915) 520-5961 or Freddie Ezell at (915) 520-6502.

Junior hoops program slates registration

Registration for participation in the Big Spring Junior Basketball Association has been scheduled for 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Dec. 11-13 at Big Spring Mall.

The program, which will be conducted on Saturdays from Jan. 10 through Feb. 21, will give boys and girls a head start on the basic fundamentals of basketball.

A free camp, games and a tournament are scheduled for participants.

For more information, contact Charlie Hall at 263-0159 or Billy Rollins at 267-4959.

Goliad girls drop pair to Lamesa squads

Lamesa proved to be too much for Goliad's Lady Mavericks to handle, as the young Lady Tors posted a 45-23 win in the "A" team game and then romped to a 31-9 "B" team win.

Despite the lopsided losses, Lady Mavs coach Kari Eggleston noted a number of positives.

Esha Ward paced the Lady Mavs "A" with seven points, while Stormie Huff added six markers. Stacey Vaughn and Ashley Tuttle turned in strong defensive performances.

The top "B" play came from Krystal Long, Amanda Sellars and Sydney Rojas.

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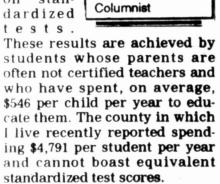
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The Education Institute

h a recently released data that indicate home-educated students typically score in the 85th Abigail percentile Van Buren on stan-



I have been a home-school mom for five years and have seen remarkable results in the home-school community. A recent example: A young man who achieved a perfect score on his SATs and was eagerly the accepted into Massachusetts Institute of Technology. – PATRICIA A. BERNHAUSEN, RICHMOND, VA.

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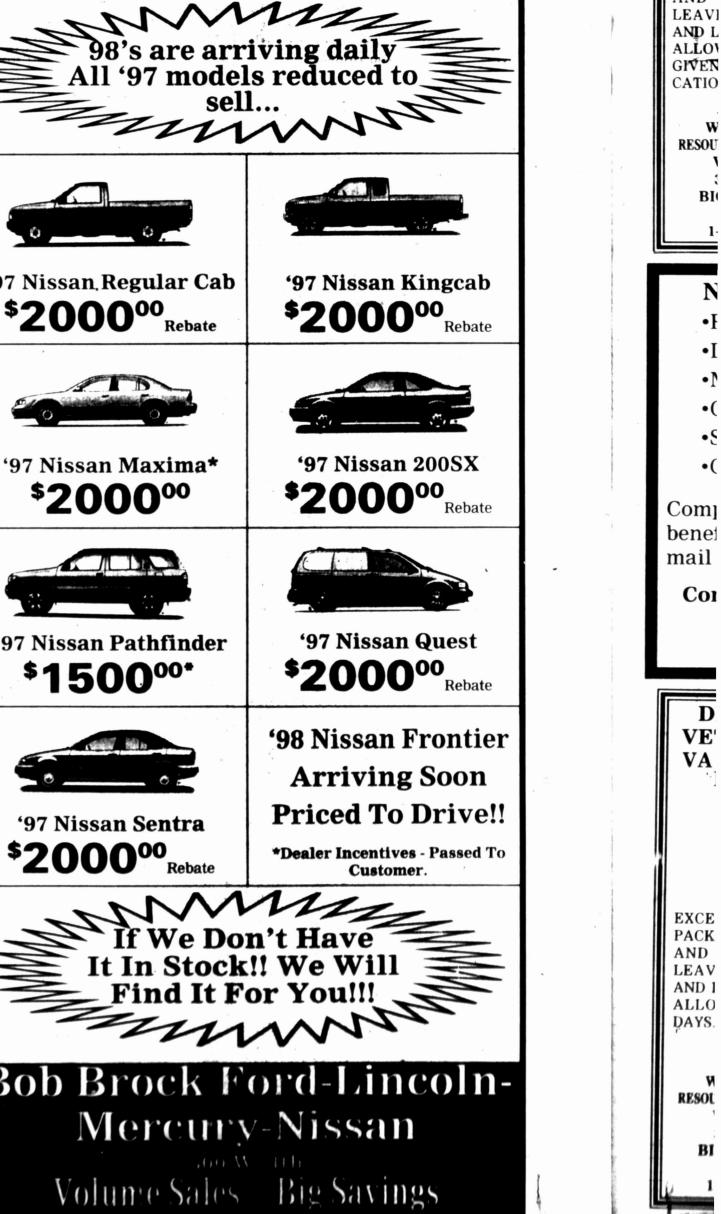
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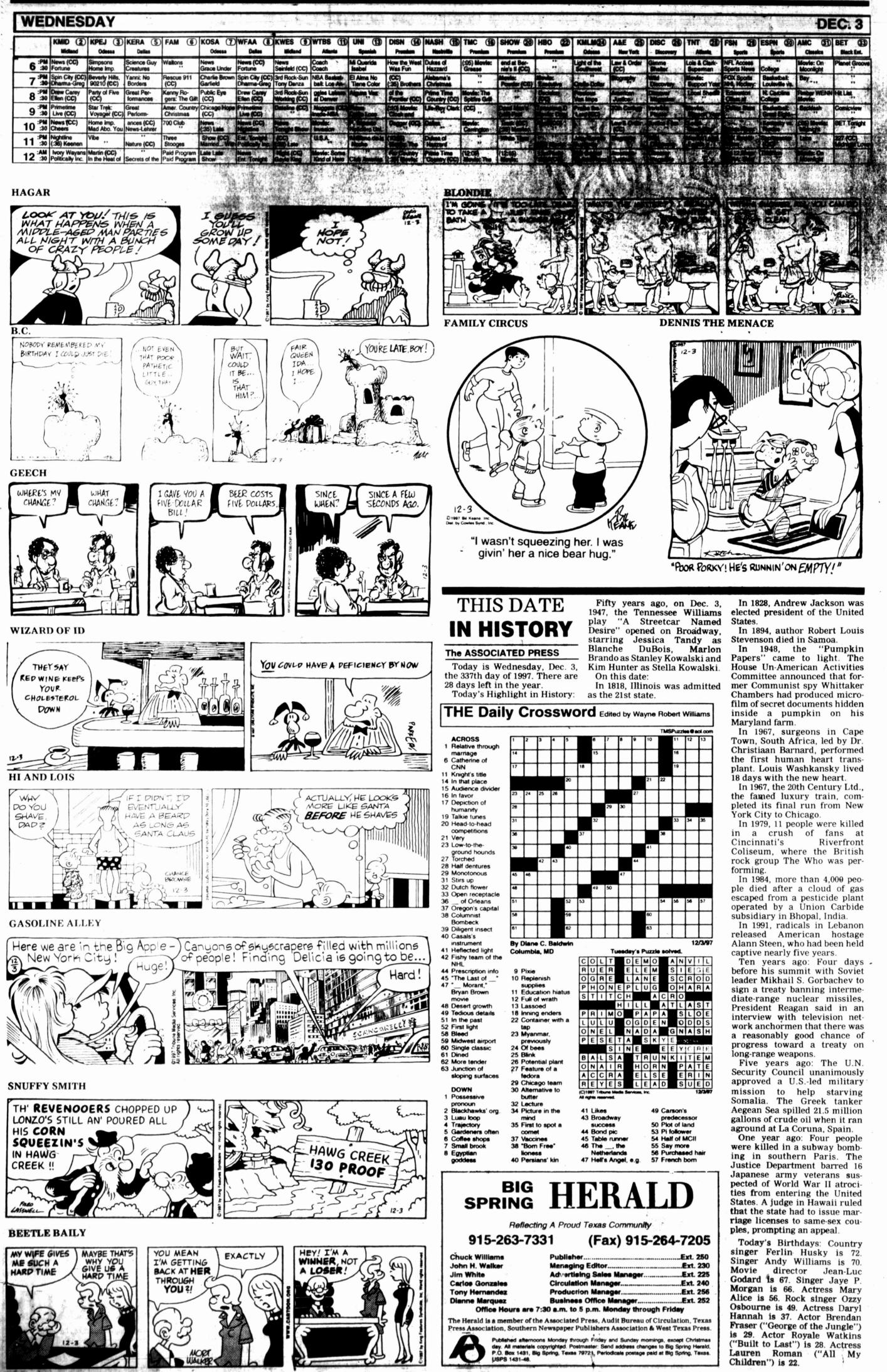




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