New year ringing in wide variety of new laws in Lone Star State

AUSTIN (AP) • The new year rings in money more new state laws, including the nation's most stringent anti-youth smoking efforts, less-restrictive home equity lending and measures intended to make adopting a child easier.

Sections of the anti-youth smoking law and the home equity constitutional amendment took effect last year. Major portions of the laws go into effect Thursday.

In home equity lending, Texans began applying in droves for second mortgages after voters overwhelmingly approved a constitutional amendment allowing such loans for any purpose.

Before the November election, home equity loans had been limited to paying taxes and financing home improve-

Under the new law, Texans can take out home equity loans for any reason, but first and second mortgages cannot 3 equal more than 80 percent of a home's values.

The law also allows consumers 12 days between the application for a loan and its closing to reconsider without penalties and will not allow lenders to e any other property to recover

defaulted loans. Attorney General Morales November said could Texans added that the closing loans would not

loans can't be signed until Jan. 13.

State Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, sponsored the 1997 legislation that led to the constitutional changes. He said he's not worried about Texans losing their homes to equity loans because of consumer protections included in the law.

"There is a lot more abuse and mistakes that occur today in home improvement loans and first mortgages

MOST PROMINENT NEW LAWS

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begin applying equal more than 80 percent of a home's values.

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• Construction zone speeding — Doubles the fines, up to \$500, for per sons speeding in posted roadway construction zones. 12-day clock for • Anti-youth smoking — The new law makes it a crime for people under

such 18 to possess, consume, accept, purchase or attempt to purchase ence of a parent or legal guardian. begin ticking tobacco products unless in the presence of a parent or legal guardian.
until Jan. 1. Those breaking the law can be punished by up to a \$250 fine and viola-That means the tors risk the loss of their drivers licenses.

than there ever will be in home equity lending," he said.

Another new law will double the fines for speeding violations in posted construction zones.

Texas Department of Transportation officials say the law will help make construction zones a safer place both for workers as well as those in vehicles.

Under the new law, fines of up to

levied for construction zone speed violations.

The new antiyouth smoking law makes it a crime for people under 18 to possess, consume, accept, chase attempt to purchase tobacco products unless

in the presence

of a parent or legal guardian. Those breaking the law can be punished by up to a \$250 fine and could be

sent to tobacco education courses. If sent to a tobacco class, youths would have to prove they completed it or risk the loss of their drivers licenses. They also could be denied licenses for up to 90 days.

Rick Johnson, president of the Texas Food Industries Association, said while the new law also puts additional

can be requirements on retailers, it recognizes that youths are part of sales transactions.

"The clerks and retailers have always been responsible. This puts some of the responsibility on the kids and parents," Johnson said.

Gov. George W. Bush pushed the adoption measures, saying children need to be more quickly adopted into loving homes.

Under the changes, final adoptions could not be challenged after six months. Before now, adoptions could be challenged as late as two years after a final court order.

The new adoption laws also will:

· Prevent legal delays unless they were determined to be in the child's best interest.

· Require unmarried fathers to establish and register paternity within 30 days or face losing their parental rights.

 Streamline court cases to terminate parental rights.

 Allow crimes involving sexual offenses and drug addiction to be used to terminate parents' rights to their

Too much to drink? Free rides available

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Features Editor

If you plan to drink alcohol in celebration of the new year, plan to call for a free ride home. Two local businesses have

services to offer that are hoped to keep the streets safer on New Year's Eve. David Mitchem of Mitchem

Wrecker Service once again will offer the Tipsy Wrecker. Mitchem's crew will pick up drinkers free at local parties and take them to their homes. What's unique about

Mitchem's service, however, is that he can transport people and their cars safely home at the same time.

"People don't like to leave somewhere their cars overnight," Mitchem said. "We want them to call us before they get behind the wheel. We'll see that they get home safely, with their cars."

Mitchem started the service more than a decade ago. He says his drivers have transported people in various states of impairment, who all had one thing in common - they shouldn't get behind the wheel.

The drinker's car is transported on a flatbed trailer, not dragged home behind a conventional wrecker, Mitchem said.

There is no charge, but drivers will accept tips. People who want to use the service should call 267-3747 and ask for the Tipsy Wrecker. It will operate tonight from 9:30 p.m.- 1:30

Tipsy Wrecker will not be offered free to those who have already had an accident, and riders will only be taken home, not to another party, Mitchem said.

*We're just trying to keep people from ruining their new year and hurting someone else," he said. 'I can't say how much it would be worth (to prevent)

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County jail again passes state muster

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Howard County's jail, if not exactly getting better with age, is at least holding its own.

The 49-prisoner jail, built in 1952, passed its annual inspection by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards Tuesday, County Sheriff Bill Jennings said.

Paul Scarborough of the TCJS spent all day at the jail, inspecting it from top to bottom, Jennings said.

Usually, three a jail must pass state muster. First, the jail must meet the commission's structural requirements. Next, safety equipment and procedures, such as smoke detectors, fire alarms and fire drills, are inspected. Finally, inspector's check the jail's records and personnel, making sure there are a sufficient number of officers available and that operating procedures are adequate.

Jennings said the major credit for the certification should go to Chief Jailer Pancho Yanez. "He's put in a lot of hard work on this," the sheriff said.

If the jail had been found not to be in compliance. Jennings and his department would have been given a grace period to correct any errors before a subsequent inspection be made.

"If you don't comply then, there's a strong possibility that (the state) will close the jail,"



Howard County Sheriff Bill Jennings said the biggest problem associated with Tuesday's jall inspection was having paperwork in compliance. Jennings said some prisoners had to be technically reclassified for the inspection.

Jennings said.

The biggest problem uncovered during the inspection was in administration, Jennings said.

trouble "Our biggest (Tuesday) was having our paperwork in compliance," he said. "We had to (technically) reclassify some of our prison-

Keeping the 45-year-old jail up to standards is part of the department's daily routine.

"It's a constant battle to keep it in compliance because of its age," Jennings said, "It's just a 1952 model ... and we've been able to meet the minimum standards."

While the jail has regularly passed these inspections in the

past, Jennings said keeping it up to standards will be a constant struggle.

"It's just the age of the jail," he said. "Our cell-call system (similar to a nurse-call system) is 35 years old, and we can't get parts for it anymore. It's just things like that.

"We've got old equipment and an old jail."

TU Electric customers get rate cut

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Many local electric customers will see a modest decrease in their monthly bills, thanks to a recently approved rate reduc-

Public The Utility Commission has approved an interim rate reduction of 4 percent for Texas Utilities Electric Co.'s residential customers beginning Thursday. Some commercial customers, mostly small and medium-sized businesses, will see a 2 percent reduction in their monthly

The credit will be applied to the base-rate portion of customers' bill, which is typically about 60 percent of the total

The interim rate reduction implements a settlement agreed to by the PUC, TU Electric, the Office of Public Utility Counsel, consumer groups and industrial customers served by TU Electric.

Jim Clements, accounts manager of the local TUE office. estimated that customers who use between 1.000-1.500 kilowatt-hours per month would realize a savings of about \$75 a

See TU CUT, Page 2A

Holiday load, equipment failure leaves trash piling up on city crews ever seen. the figurative back, however,

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Ever wonder where all those old Christmas trees and toy boxes go after the holidays? Big Spring waste disposal personnel know all too well.

The period between mid-December and early January is usually the busiest of the year for city sanitation crews, and that formula is holding especially true this year.

Howard Shivers, solid waste supervisor for the city, said a variety of factors have conspired to make this season one of the busiest — and most prob-. lem-filled — his department has

For starters, there's the traditional deluge of garbage that accompanies the holiday season, Shivers said.

"Even if all of our equipment was working, yes, there'd be a backlog," Shivers said: "From Dec. 15 to Jan. 5, our waste load doubles."

Also factoring into the equation are the days off given to employees. This year, sanitation crews worked Monday-Wednesday last week, then were off Thursday and Friday. This week is much the same, except crews will be on the job

The straw that really broke See TRASH, Page 2A

came when two of the city's five garbage trucks broke down with unrelated problems. That leaves three trucks to collect and deliver all the city's garbage, Shivers

"We've had some major breakdowns on our trucks, so we're behind schedule." Shivers said. "But we hope to be back on schedule Friday ... The crews have been working from sunup to sundown this week to get caught up."

The loss of equipment has meant that crew rotations have been jumbled, Shivers said.



Some trash receptacles in the city are overflowing under the crush of the holiday trash load and city equipment problems.

WEATHER

Tonight:



New Year's:





Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 33-40. New Year's Day, partly to mostly cloudy. Highs 58-65. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows upper 30s to mid 40s. Dry Friday, chance of rain Saturday and Sunday. Lows upper 30s to mid 40s. Highs in the 60s.

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To reach all departments, please call 263-7331

Bounce checks in Madisonville and everyone knows it who used hot checks for their Christmas shopping sprees in Madison County are

soon going to get a rude awakening, a judge Convicted hot-check writers will have

some new attire as they will be required to advertise their guilt in a very public way. Madison County Judge Cecil N. Neely said Tuesday he plans to start ordering offenders to wear large signs that state. "I'm a thief." accompanied by either, "I

store." "On top of that, they're going to have to spend two or three hours at a time marching in front of the store where they did the

wrote hot checks" or "I stole from this

MADISONVILLE (AP) — Some people crime," the judge said. "It's not going to be a fun time for them, I assure you. But something has got to be done."

The signs, in bold black-and-red letters,

are ready and posted near the district clerk's office. Jade Martin-Bracewell, a Madison County

probation officer, said the stack of hot checks is growing daily. "We're seeing the results of some Christmas shopping sprees," she said, "and

their money back. 'They're calling this new plan the 'shame factor,' which I think is appropriate," she said, adding that some stores in town prominently post the names of offenders.

we're going to have to help these stores get

"I like the idea of these 'sandwich boards." she said. "I'll tell vou, seeing somebody walking around with that sign on would be deterrent enough for me if I even were thinking about doing something wrong."

Martin-Bracewell said she thinks it is effective, especially in nearby Huntsville.

"All you have to do is drive by the Wal-Mart in Huntsville anytime after 2 in the afternoon and you'll see it in action," she said. "They do three-hour stints, with a five-minute break each hour. And they can't wear sunglasses or big hats or anything else that would disguise them. They have to just face it, so to speak, and own up

BIRTHS

Allen Bailee Elizabeth, Nov. 18 Casper, Jordan Blake, Nov. 4 Cisneros, Nicholas, Nov. 28 Colette, Remington Vaughn, Nov.

Dumas, Leah Shereen, Nov. 28 Heckler, Tarryn Ashleigh, Nov. 12 Hernandez, Rafael Jesus Jr., Nov.

Irvin, Matilda Marie, Nov. 27

Kilgore, Reagan Kay, Nov. 22 Letcher, Christian Blake, Nov. 13 Lowery, Erin Elizabeth, Nov. 7 Roberts, Flint Dean, Nov. 7 Robertson, Audra Lane, Nov. 13

Saenz, Dominic Alexander, Nov. 4 SantaCruz, Ana Luisa, Nov. 6 Threats, Travic Maurice, Nov. 29 Tindol, Rebecca Nicole, Nov. 29 Yanez, Rose Mary, Nov. 21

To our readers:

In the Year-in-Review supplement to the Dec. 28 edition of the Herald, the October births and deaths listings were repeated and the listings for November were omitted.

Today, we publish the November listings of 1997 births and deaths in the same size as the space in the special supplement, which will allow you to cut and paste the November listings into the special section.

> Jo H. Walker **Managing Editor**

DEATHS

Bailey, Euell L. (Sonny), 71, Big Spring, Nov. 16 Barnes, Esther L., 73, Big Spring, Nov. 17

Beechly, U.S., 82, Big Spring,

Boyd, R.C., 71, Big Spring, Nov. 8 Cardenas, Celia, Midland, formerly of Big Spring, Nov. 18 Casbeer, Charlie, 77, Coahoma,

Chesney, Jessie Lee, 86, Big

Spring, No. 17 Conway, Leola P. (Polly), 77, Big

Spring, Nov. 9 Darden, Lena Ellen, 87, Big Spring, Nov. 24

Doolin, Nancy, 55, San Angelo, formerly of Big Spring, Nov. 7 Dow, Lois, 60, Big Spring, Nov. 29 Earnest, Joseph Algie "Red", 83,

Big Spring, Nov. 23 Falkner, Avery, 84, Big Spring,

Ferguson, Don, 75, Big Spring, Fitts, James J., 75, Big Spring,

Franklin, Buster Kylce, 25, Pecos. formerly of Big Spring, Nov. 21 Garza, Felix Sr., 55, Lenorah,

Nov. 10 Gilbert, Hubert, 80, Big Spring, Nov. 3

Gombeda, Margaret Ann "Peggy", 60, Big Spring, Nov. 23 Gore, Lillian Estelle, 93, Big Spring, Nov. 6

Hanson, W.E. "Bill", 96, Big Spring, Nov. 10 Harrison, Irene, 85, Dunnellon, Fla., formerly of Big Spring, Nov.

Harvey, Wilfie Jean, 77, Big

Spring, Nov. 10 Hazen, Lee, Midland, formerly of Coahoma, Nov. 20 Hewtty, Ricky, 40, Big Spring,

Nov. 15 Higginbotham, John William, 44, Stanton, Nov. 2 Iles, William "Bill", 80, Big

Spring, Nov. 28 Jackson, Viola, 77, Big Spring, formerly of Odessa, Nov. 7 King, William Malvin, 89, Big

Lucero, Ida C., 38, Big Spring, Nov. 10

Spring, Nov. 26

Mangum, Charles Douglas, 60, Universal City, formerly of Big Spring, Nov. 15 Marin, Ivan Edgar, 24, Big

Spring, Nov. 22 McComas, Homer, A., 74, Odessa,

McMahon, W.A. "Bill", 73, Big Spring, Nov. 8 Millhollon, Vera ..., 88, Big Spring, Nov. 22

Nov. 10 Neal, Lillian, 84, Fort Worth,

Mitchell, Beatrice, 46, Big Spring,

Nov. 16 Newburn, Troy E., 84, Big Spring, Nov. 24

Nieto, Angelica Paige, infant daughter of Dawn Lee and Juan Nieto, Nov. 7

Painter, Steven "Bear", 35, Big Spring, Nov. 3 Peoples, Lou, 63, Big Spring, Nov.

Petway, Malcolm L., 65, Big

Spring, Nov. 5 Redding, Kathy, 40, Big Spring,

Redmon, Claudia Nichols, 58, El Paso, formerly of Big Spring, Nov.

Saunders. Libby, Big Spring,

Shaffer, Roy P., 80, Big Spring,

Shortes, Pearl, 99, Lamesa, formerly of Big Spring, Nov. 18 Smith, Ernes "Smitty", 63, Big Spring, Nov. 4

Smith, Bonnie Younger, 88,m Irving, formerly of Big Spring, Nov.

Stallings, Reba Lemons, 91, Big Spring, Nov. 22

Stump, Lewis, 85, Lubbock, Nov.

Sundy, Daniel Wayne, 37, Big Spring, Nov. 4 Torres, Mary Lou, 74, Big Spring,

Vigar, Vern. 80, Big Spring, Nov.

OBITUARIES

Evelyn Vigar

Service for Evelyn Vigar, 76, Big Spring, will be 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 2, 1998, at Myers &

Smith Chapel with Rev. Roy Johnson officiating. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park. Mrs. Vigar

died Monday, Dec. 29, 1997, at Comanche Trail Nursing

She was born on Sept. 10, 1921, in Ohio. She married Vern Vigar on Sept. 2, 1939, in Radnor, Ohio. He preceded her in death on Nov. 11, 1997. She had been a resident of Big Spring since April 1953, moving from San Angelo. Mrs. Vigar was a homemaker and had worked at Western Auto and helped in the family business of Vigar TV Services. She was a lifetime member of Good Sam Travel Club and Western Drifters; she and Mr. Vigar helped organize Western Drifters. Mrs. Vigar was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

VIGAR

She is survived by: one so Larry Vigar of Midland; one brother, Lester Rawlins of North Ft. Myers, Fla.; three grandchildren; and three greatgrandchildren.

The family will meet at the funeral home on Thursday, Jan. 1, from 4 to 6 p.m. to receive friends.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel

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Evelyn Vigar, 76, died Monday. Services are 11:00 AM, Friday, at Myers & Smith Chapel, Burial Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Jose Munoz, 49, died Tuesday. Services are pending.

Daily except Saturday.
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Jose "Quate" Munoz

Service for Jose Munoz, 49, Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. He died Tuesday, Dec. 30, 1997, at Midland Memorial Hospital.

TRASH

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Also, the possibility exists that some crews will work New Year's Day if a large enough dent isn't made on the backlog.

Fortunately, customers have been very understanding of the situation, Shivers said.

about bringing their trees to the landfill ... We've had quite a few complaints, but everybody's been real understanding about the situation, and we're doing out best to stay on top of the situation," Shivers said, "By Monday at the latest, we should be back to normal."

TU CUT

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"This will effect all of our customers, not just any particular group," Clements said. "It'll be applied to the base rate ... and go into effect Thursday." Residential customers will see

an immediate 4 percent reduction in their bills this year, with an additional rate cut of 1.4 percent scheduled to come into effect in 1999, Clements

General service customers those customers not receiving residential service — will see their bills drop by 2 percent in 1998. Retail customers — those who buy electricity from TUE and sell it to other customers will realize a 1 percent reduction in their monthly bills.

"People will see this on their January bills," Clements said. "Any bill printed after midnight tonight will (reflect) this."

The rate reductions will mean a decrease of \$263 million in TUE revenue over the next two years, he added.

FREE RIDES

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someone getting hurt."

Taxi service Midnight Overland Express will offer what they are calling "Party Taxi" from 5 p.m. today through 8 a.m. New Year's Day. Diana

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Jewett said the taxi service will

will also have a car that can "stand by" for business parties, to take revelers home safely. Jewett said the company used

the Party Taxi for Christmas Eve with good results. "It worked great," she said. "We're expecting it to be used a

lot again (tonight)." To arrange for a free taxi ride home, call 263-0022 and ask for the Party Taxi.

MARKETS

March cotton 67.35 cents, up 20 points; Feb. crude 17.76, up 16 points: Cash hogs steady at 50 cents lower at 35.50; cash steers steady at 64; Feb. lean hog futures 57.70, down 15 points; Feb. live cattle futures 66.65, up 30 points.

courtesy: Delta Corporation. Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones

SPRINGBOARD

IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRING-BOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CON-TACT GINA GARZA, 263-

31 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

•"Healthy Horizons," an educational seminar provided by Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Home Health, 600 Main. For more information call 267-1314.

·Candlelight service, 11:30 p.m., Midway Baptist Church, 6200 South Service Road, East I-20. Everyone welcome. **THURSDAY**

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

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FIRE/EMS

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

Lancaster, medical call, patient transferred to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. $1:29 \quad a.m. \quad -3200 \quad block$

1:21 a.m. -1600 block

Parkway, trauma call, patient transferred to SMMC. 3:53 a.m. -3200 block Parkway, trauma call, patient

transferred to SMMC. 8:04 a.m. — Stanton Care Center, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.

Peach, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.

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PICK 3: 2,1,0 Texas Lottery CASH 5:5,6,11,12,23

Nov. 23

 $1:20 \, p.m. - 3200 \, block$ Parkway, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC. 4:12 p.m. - 500 block NE

refused. 11:22 p.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.

11th, trauma call, service

9:17 a.m. 600 block Douglas, structure fire, extinguished by responding units. 2:01 p.m. -- I-20 and Birdwell. grass fire textinguished by

responding units. 2:02 ptm. - Hilltop Road; grass fire, extinguished by responding units.

POLICE

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

• STEVEN RIOS, 18, arrested on a charge of assault. BONNIE MONTGOMERY, 37, arrested on a charge of no

driver's lice e. RUTH FLORES, 31, arrest-10:13 a.m. -2500 block ed on a charge of criminal mischief.

• CHRISTOPHER CRUZ, 22,

arrested on local warrants. · CHRISTINA TREVINO.

30, arrested on local warrants. ROBERT PARADEZ, 48. arrested on a charge of driving

while license invalid. • THEFT on the 900 block of Willia, the 800 block of Interstate 20, the 600 block of San Jacinto, the 600 block of W 18th and the 1200 block of 11.

 CREDIT CARD ABUSE on: the 1000 block of Nolan.

· BURGLARY OF A HABI-TATION on the \$60 block of Westover, the 900 block of E. 12th and the 800 block of Birdwell.

 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF or the 600 block of Caylor and the 600 block of Ridgelea.

 FORGERY on the 400 block of N. Gregg.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office re orted the following incident between 8 a.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m. Wednesday: DOMESTIC DISTUR-BANCE on Neal Road.

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Vightmares remain for relatives, rescuers in Oklahoma City bombing

DENVER (AP) - One of the first officers on the scene of the Oklahoma City bombing sees maimed and broken victims amid the dusty rubble in his dreams - and they die waiting for him to help.

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Called to the stand by prosecutors trying to win a death sentence against Terry Nichols, Sgt. Allen Prokop told jurors that he has nightmares every night because of the April 19, 1995, blast that killed 168 people and injured more than 500 some of whom he carried from the debris.

In his dreams, he said Tuesday, "bodies would come out of the dust. There weren't trump card for the prosecution,

enough of us. ... I'm sure they died waiting for us."

The reality wasn't any better. Prokop said he tried hard to rescue one woman after he saw her arm sticking up in a pile of rubble. Prokop squeezed the hand and it squeezed back, but then the hand "got cold and stiff and she stopped moving."

Prokop said he also heard water running, and told his partner to shut it off. His partner replied: "Allen, it's not water, it's blood."

The penalty phase of the trial was to resume today.

The haunting images of the bombing's awful toll are the against Nichols last week.

Prosecutors contend Nichols and Timothy McVeigh hatched the bomb plot to retaliate against the government for the deadly FBI siege of the Branch Glaring across the courtroom, wheelchairs, were treated as Davidian compund near Wago, at Nichols, the sister of a U.S. sirens blared and doctors shout-Texas, in 1993. While McVeigh, Customs agent killed in the ed orders. A foot on one victim 29, was convicted of all 11 mar. bombing emphasized each word was twisted backward. der and conspiracy charges and sentenced to death, Nichols, 42, was convicted of conspiracy and eight counts of involuntary manslaughter - not murder. The conspiracy charge carries a death sentence.

Legal experts believe it Alfred P. Murrah Federal

penalty from the same jurors death, no matter how many Prosecutors did their best to who returned a mixed verdict bombing victims and relatives fill the courtroom with the

> saw for the first time a display of anger from the witnesses called this week.

with rage as she testified! "My brother loved this country."

Nichols showed no reaction as Kay Ice Fulton of Beaumont, Texas, talked about Paul Ice, one of the eight federal agents to die when the nine-story

which is asking for the death sunlikely the jury will vote for Building was destroyed.

sights and sounds of the bomb-On Tuesday, the Nichols jury ing aftermath. They showed a videotape of a hospital emergency room, where bloodied victims, including children in

> Several victims' relatives gasped. Nichols stared into a computer screen, watching the brief display.

Glen Westberry testified that his young son, David, once asked his mother to run a red light so they "could go to heav-

en and be with paw-paw" - his grandfather, Robert Westberry, who was killed in the bombing.

Sharon Coyne, whose 14month-old daughter was killed, said her good memories of Jaci Rae always dissolve into a vision of her daughter with a diaper and "it's totally filled with blood and there are shards of glass all over her skin and it won't go away."

She and her husband have talked about having more children, but Mrs. Coyne said she has been afraid she would resent them for being alive when her baby was dead.

"If you lose your child," she said, "it consumes your life."

Courtroom packed as nurse pleads innocent

nurse charged with six murders charges. Four may have died and suspected in scores of other mysterious hospital deaths will remain in jail while his lawyer seeks experts to refute the case against him.

Judge Ernest Yelton ordered Orville Lynn Majors held without bond Tuesday after Majors pleaded innocent to killing six patients under his care at the former Vermillion County Hospital. Majors is suspected in more than 100 other deaths while he worked in the intensive care unit from 1993 to 1995.

Majors, 36, smiled as he entered the Vermillion County Courthouse for the 15-minute hearing in a crowded courtroom. Relatives of the patients told reporters they were relieved to see Majors in hand-

"I'm ready to get some stuff off my chest," said Russ Firestone Jr., whose father, Russell Sr., died at the hospital the same day he came in for a broken hip in December 1994.

The case against Majors includes a police-sponsored computer analysis of hospital records showing deaths in the ICU reached "epidemic proportions" during the last six and six murders only," he said. months of 1994.

Police exhumed the bodies of

NEWPORT, Ind. (AP) - A those of the six named in the from injections of potassium chloride, and the other two from the injection of a "foreign substance.'

Potassium chloride is used in hospitals to control irregular heartbeat, but the chemical can kill at high concentrations.

Searches of Majors' former home and a van that he used turned up a variety of drugs, including potassium chloride, and syringes and needles.

No evidence links Majors directly to any of the deaths, said his lawyer, I. Marshall Pinkus. He said he plans to call experts who can refute statistical evidence offered by prosecu-

"When you really break it down in my belief there really isn't any pattern," Pinkus said. "If you really believed that Lynn was a murderer, how could you let him walk free in the community for three years?'

Charges were filed only in those cases that were strong enough to bring to trial, prosecutor Mark Greenwell said.

"I don't mean to imply or to say that there were six murders "There were other deaths, that 15 people who had died at the very difficult decisions for us to hospital for autopsies, including make on which cases to file."

Source: Police report yields new details on mystery Fiat Uno in Diana investigation

PARIS (AP) - In one of the more tanta- ing into a pillar in the Pont de l'Alma traf- nesses were quoted as saying. lizing leads in the Princess Diana investigation, a new police report quotes witnesses who saw a Fiat Uno "zigzagging" out of the tunnel where she died, and described the car's driver, a legal source said today.

The source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, is privy to all documents in the case, including the 400-page report police submitted this week to investigating judge Herve Stephan.

The confidential report, coming a full four months after the crash, appears not to contain any earth-shattering revelations. Yet the witness accounts revealed today but known to police since Sept. 18 - are the most detailed so far concerning the mysterious second car long believed to have played a role in the crash.

Investigators have been trying to find a small white car, probably a Fiat Uno, that Diana's Mercedes is believed to have sideswiped just before losing control and crash-

fic tunnel.

The Aug. 31 accident killed Diana, her boyfriend Dodi Faved, and driver Henri Paul. Key factors in the crash are still believed to be alcohol — Paul was legally **drunk** — and excessive speed.

The two witnesses, a couple identified in the report only as "Francois," a financial director, and "Valerie," told police that after dining at a restaurant near the Pont de l'Alma, they got in their car and were driving on a road parallel to the traffic tun-

Just past the tunnel exit, they were passed by a white Fiat Uno, the report said. according to the source. The man said he recognized the car model because his mother-in-law had the same one.

The car's exhaust pipe was making a loud noise as if it had been damaged, and the driver was driving abnormally "zigzagging" - and then cut off the couple's car, the wit-

The Fiat's driver was "a European type." about 40 years old, with brown hair, the witnesses said. In the back of his car was a

The witnesses came to see police on Sept. 18, the report said. Although a number of witness accounts have leaked out since the beginning of the investigation, these accounts were kept secret until first reported today by the French newspaper, Le

The newspaper reported one recent false alarm: Police thought they were close to identifying the driver of the car when they questioned a man fitting the witness accounts. The driver had a large dog and a Fiat Uno he recently repaired and repainted red. But the man couldn't be linked to the crash, and was released.

So far, authorities have checked out thousands of the cars registered in the Paris

McKinney hostage situation drags in second day

McKINNEY (AP) — A standoff between police and a man holding his estranged common-law wife and two daughters hostage dragged on today, with authorities saying they'll wait as long as necessary for the situation to end peacefully.

James Riccardo Lipscomb, 38, began the sigge on Monday man in the apartment of Denise Roach and threatened her with

Early today, he continued to James Monroe Lipscomb, the complex but evacuated only of their three children, 12-year-remains jailed at the Collin ments. old Sherissa Lipscomb and 7year-old Jama Lipscomb. Lipscomb let his 9-year-old son, James II, leave on Monday

man who took 80, children ing officers wouldn't let him were not related

County Jail, less than a mile from the latest standoff site. Two weeks ago, James

Riccardo Lipscomb charged up and down police barricades at The suspect is the brother of a the day-care center, complain-

place at a small public housing complex. Police cordoned off no response, really

hold Ms. Roach, along with two accused in the earlier incident, residents in adjoining apart-

Assistant McKinney police chief Ray Simmons reported progress in negotiations with Lipscomb Tuesday night.

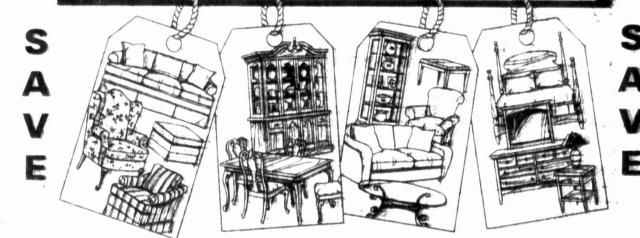
There were no demands. Simmons said.

"We have asked him repeatedly what we need to do to bring a est standoff was taking, resolution to this," Simmons said. "We're getting words but

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OUR VIEWS

Events of 1997 give promise to city's future

s 1997 draws to a close, a look back on the events of the year, and why this year, of all years, is one in which more positive things have happened within our community, seems

After what must seem to some to be year after year after year of tough economic times, dating back to the 1977 closure of Webb Air Force Base and continuing through Fina's closing of its corporate offices in downtown and the downturn in the oil economy, it appears that even if we aren't in the process of turning the corner, we're at a point where we've at least turned on the directional signal.

The successful solicitation of Signal Homes to the community by Moore Development for Big Spring was big economic news for two reasons — the obvious boost in jobs and payroll for the economy and the fact it was the economic development agency's much-needed "home run."

We got another economic shot in the arm when the state selected Big Spring as one of four sites for the first veterans homes to be built in Texas.

That project, which could be started as early as the first quarter of 1998, could mean as many as 165 jobs

In 1997, there was also the resolution of the railroad spur problem at the city-owned McMahon/Wrinkle Airpark, which helps ensure the stability of Western Container as a major employer in the community.

Something as important to us as the economic news is the appearance that community pride came to life during the year.

Efforts to clean and restore the flow of the city's namesake spring, to clean and polish Comanche Trail Park as well as to restore the downtown image have all been successful.

The new lawn and landscaping around the Howard County Courthhouse, the downtown square project that included brick-inlaid sidewalks, new trees and street lamps and the Settles windows project have all helped improve the appearance of downtown.

There were more Christmas lights than ever before this year and Pat Simmons' project to light the Historic Spring area can't be saluted enough as it seemed to be the catalyst for the increase in lights throughout the community.

None of us know what 1998 holds for us, but if we work for what we believe is the best for our community and her people, then the promise of a new year is great indeed.

OTHER VIEWS

One of the glories of celebrating New Year's Day is think ing in cyclical instead of linear terms. The old is done with, we can imagine, and the new about to begin. We shed the one, put on the other and feel that all that was unfortunate can be left behind. We then resolve to better ourselves, as if past habits and mistakes count for nothing.

As we move through 1998. for instance, most of us will also want to rid ourselves of the social afflictions symbolized in 1997 by such events as Mike Tyson's taking a bite of Evander Holyfield's ear, the suicides of Heaven's Gate cultists and the sex scandals in the military.

But we are not going to want to say goodbye to everything that came our way in the last year. Most of us surely would love to see the extension of more than a few trend lines. chief among them that of an economy that grew robustly. Employment was at record highs and inflation at record lows in the 12 months just gone, utterly confusing economists who predicted no such possibility. Incomes were up, too, and the worst danger now is that our politicians won't let good enough alone but will

Less clear in its meaning for us all in the past year — yet perhaps more exciting — was the advance in scientific technology. Americans could barely contain their enthusiasm when a small, mobile machine on Mars started sending back color photos of rocks. Even that paled, however, in comparison to the story of Dolly the sheep. She got cloned. The implications are immense far greater than the implications of the year's other major stories — because the technique ultimately could be used on humans. Dolly's cloning could change the world, but

for better or for worse remains

intervene and mess things up.

far from certain. Collectively speaking, then, what should our New Year's resolutions be in these times? One of them has to be what it has always been. We must seek wisdom. While the governmental and technological tools at our command are extraordinary, they are as prone to misuse as good use. Wisdom, all of us know, is not easy to come by, but this is New Year's, when every kind of improvement seems within

-SCRIPPS HOWARD

Best wishes for Bill Clinton's activist 1998

By ANN MCFEATTERS

Scripps Howard News Service

President Clinton has promised an activist agenda for 1998. He says he will take on education, the environment and entitlements. In other words, this will be the "Triple E" Year of the Clinton presidency.

Should Americans be energized, excited and exhorted? Probably not.

Talks with the president's aides, scurrying to put some meat on the bones of the State of the Union speech where Clinton will unveil what he's got planned for the coming year, reveal a certain minimalism behind the rhetoric.

When Clinton talks about improving education, what he really means is going back to Congress to push his national testing idea. He argues that if American fourth- and eighthgraders take voluntary, standardized tests c. their math and language skills, their parents will be so appalled at the results they wi" force improvements in their schools.

He also wants to make community colleges centers of new worker-retraining programs by giving businesses new incentives to pay for it or by giving

states grants to fund it.

This is Clinton's first attempt to deal with the deadly disease of downsizing that is afflicting the nation. Yes, the unemployment level is stunningly low, but it masks a huge increase in underemployment. A lot of people are working below their skills and below their pay needs.

The humongous increase in mergers last year swept cadres of middle-class people into the dustbins of part-time work or jobs that once they would have disdained. But going to a community college at nights to get a degree in computers or bookkeeping may not be enough to help make that leap into the new millennium that Clinton is eager to prepare the nation to

He also wants to increase the number of child-care slots available to preschool children whose parents work. It's not clear how it would be paid for since quality child care is expensive.

Clinton's environmental goals are also comparatively murky. He wants the global-warming treaty ratified by the U.S. Senate, but won't even submit it for approval unless developing countries such as China and India agree to a program

of sacrificing their potential. Trading environmental credits on the open market (one country that has cut its emissions by better than the going average sells its license to dirty the air to another country) seems a little too sophisticated in this

Otherwise, he's said little about what environmental legacies he wants to leave.

On the incredibly tricky questions of how to pay for the burgeoning need for more Social Security and Medicare benefits, Clinton has basically said that he wants to see what new commissions come up with. Now there's a novel idea the blue-ribbon panel of experts assembled to solve a problem on which there is absolutely no agreement in any segment of society.

At his last press conference of 1997, Clinton defended himself against criticism, some of it from key Democrats, that he has lost his vision and zest for new ideas and has capitulated to the notion of a presidency of a thousand points of little major significance.

He promised that 1998 will be "a more vigorous year" and a "very, very active time." He certainly will be in the air a lot, with plans to land in a

majority of the continents. But outlines of the State of the Union beginning to take shape don't lend much credence to Clinton's promise to be a more activist president. He won't go along with a tax cut. He will push for fast-track trade authority (to negotiate trade agreements without nasty little amendments from Congress) and expansion of NATO, but those are left over

Clinton presidency with which we all started last year remain.

What does he want his legacy to be? He says more trade, more jobs, better-educated children and an America poised to make the next 100 years the second American century. All worthwhile goals. But very hard to achieve and not really the kind of legacy that makes a great president. Such goals are achieved by the people, not the Oval Office.

But new years are, thankfully, blank slates. Thus, we wish the president success in working for a more united, bettereducated, well-trained, cleaner, motivated nation.

(Ann McFeatters covers the White House and politics for Scripps Howard News Service.)

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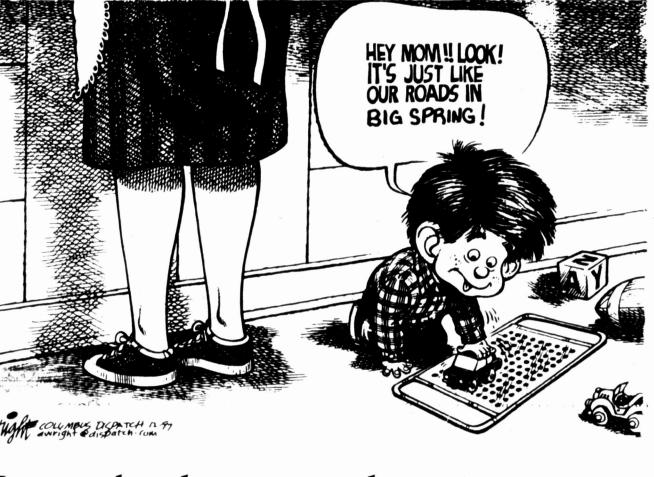
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How to dazzle your teacher next semester (or how to get in trouble in a hurry)

By KEITH CONNERS

Scripps Howard News Service

The holiday season brings many welcome things: family gatherings, sumptuous meals, a sense of renewal and personal redirection. For parents of college students, it may have brought something else: grades for the first semester's

And in some families, the small envelope from the registrar's office sometimes contain tidings that are not always joyful.

Parents of college students face a dilemma. Parents learned the limits of ranting and raving at report-card time during the high school years. They understand, intellectual ly, how important it is for college students to take responsibility for their own lives. But, if they are footing the tuition bill for their sons' and daughters' college education, they need to do something.

Subtlety is required. Frontal assaults don't work. Here, then, is an item designed to be torn from the newspaper and left where a college student might stumble upon it by chance. Couches, refrigerator doors or next to the cable TV remote are prime locations.

This list has been compiled in consultation with dozens of colleagues in higher education. These are the definitive, time-honored and can't-miss strategies which are guaranteed to impress a college professor and ensure greater academic success in college:

• On the first day of class, make sure to ask, "How many cuts are allowed?

• Then, when you cut a class, follow up the next time by inquiring, "Did you cover anything that will be on the test?'

• Even more impressive is to speak to the professor in advance by saying, "I can't make it to class on Thursday. Are we going to do anything important?'

• In a three-hour class, feel free to leave at the break. Professors never notice.

 Don't even bother to ask if papers need to be typed. Professors are highly skilled at deciphering primary documents and actually prefer illegible scribbling over double-spaced documents pre-

pared on laser printers. If you do use a wordprocessor, never waste time making a back-up of your documents. Computers hardly ever crash, especially the

night before papers are due. Avoid ever speaking with a professor outside of class. But if you must, never make an appointment. If you do make an appointment, show

· Feel free to keep yourself fortified in class with aromatic fast food restaurant fare and beverage containers that slide easily off slanted desk

 Avoid sitting anywhere close to the front of the class room. Back row seats are especially useful for propping up your head if you get sleepy.

 Near the end of every class, make sure to close your books firmly and jingle car keys ostentatiously to help remind your professor that time is just about up.

 Above all, be yourself. Make sure all of your tattoos and body piercings are visible at all times. And always wear a grungy baseball cap to class every day, preferably backward.

Should these suggestions fall on deaf ears with today's home-for-the-holidays college students, parents may have to personalize their message: Dig out the old college yearbook and send for a copy of the transcript. Surely, the younger generation will then be convinced that parents know what it takes to impress a college professor.

(Keith Conners is professor of education at Salisbury State University in Salisbury, Md.)

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Dora Roberts Rehab Center adds staff, updates equipment

Features Editor

With the addition of staff and equipment. Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center is ready to take more patients and treat a wider variety of needs, its director said.

Director Wesley Beauchamp recently hired a new head of physical therapy, and an occupational therapist. With grant money from the Dora Roberts Foundation, the center also purchased a new computer program.

Dana Pierson, new head of physical therapy, came from upstate New York after several years as a traveling physical therapist. Lezlie Kurklin, occupational therapist, is a Texas Tech graduate from the

Lubbock area. Occupational therapy has recently been nearly non-existent at the center, Beauchamp

said. "We haven't had this for a while, but we've committed to this program, and we're very serious about it," Beauchamp said. A new computer program was purchased recently to aid Kurklin in her work, and allow her to expand services.

"I'm excited about the chance to build a program," she said.

SUPPORT GROUPS

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of upcoming groups.

Occupational therapy will help local businesses who want to conduct "functional capacity evaluations," or tests to determine general strength and ability with certain physical

"This would help determine at what level you could go back to work, for example, after an injury," Kurklin said. With the equipment and computer program, she can simulate the action required for the job and generate a graph showing how the worker performs.

Similar tests are sed by insurance c mpanies a worker's compensation claims and by companies before employ-

But Kurklin can also measure cognitive skills, reasoning and basic skills, such as the ability to care for oneself at home, with cooking, cleaning and laundry.

Pierson said he is excited about the potential at Dora Roberts Rehab, especially in terms of space.

"The equipment we have, and the size of the facility is just great," he said. He plans to expand the center's wound care program, and also specializes in spinal injuries.

Pierson, because of his time as a traveling therapist, has

tion call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

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HERALD photos/Debble L. Jense Lezlie Kurklin, in the photo above, works with some of the new computerized equipment she uses in the occupational therapy pro-

gram at Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center. At right, Dana Plerson, head of physical therapy, works with patient Charles Williams. Kurklin and Pierson are recent additions to the rehab center staff. experience in many different handle," Pierson said.

Baltimore, dealing with various sports injuries. He said part of the reason he took the job in Big Spring was the DRRC's non-profit status.

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sional soccer team in

"Because of that, there is not a big drive to push patient numbers beyond what you can needs a speech therapist,

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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-

•The Big Spring Alliance for the Mentally Ill meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at 409 Runnels (formerly the TU building) For furport group for parents who ther information call Sondra at have experienced death of a 267-7220

Center of West Texas will have October and December in the 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

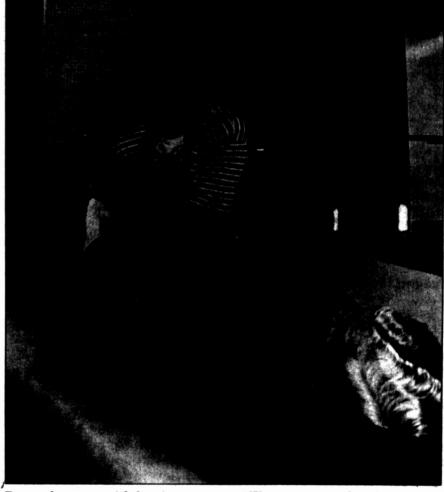
800-329-4144. •Narcotics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

Please see SUPPORT, page 6A.

He said he and his staff of four can control the number of patients they see and give personalized treatment to each

Both occupational and physical therapy programs take

referrals from physicians. Although the center still



Beauchamp said he is very and the direction the center is staff to handle it," he said.

"We want people's business, pleased with the current staff, and we have the equipment and

Parent survival courses

Skills range from nutrition, meal planning to job search

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Howard

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efforts and will offer a series of Parent Survival Skills classes beginning in January

These course are open to anyone and will involve lecture and hands-on activities. Following each cours, certificates of completion will be

The deadline to preregister for any of the classes is the fifth day of the month that the class is offered. You may register by calling the Texas Workforce Commission at 267-7437 or stopping by their office located at 310 Owens. Please specify which class you would

is limited. The classes will be held at Texas Commission conference room. Following is a schedule of

classes: Jan. 14 - 10 a.m. to noon: Food Guide Pyramid, Nutrition for young Children, Meal Planning, Stretching Your Food Dollar

Jan. 28 - 10 a.m. to noon; Self Esteem, Job Search Skills,

Interview Techniques. The deadline to register for the above listed classes is Jan. 7437.

Feb. 11 - Where Does Your Money Go?, Budgeting What You Have, Consumer Wise-Shopping. Feb. Conflict

Resolution/Anger Control, Communication, Development. The deadline to register for

like to attend. Space for classes the above classes is Feb. 5. March 11 - Food Guide

Pyramid, Nutrition for Young Workforce Children, Meal Planning, Stretching Your Food Dollar.

March 25 - Self Esteem, Job Search Skills, Interview Techniques.

The deadline to register for

the above listed classes is March 5. If you would like more infor-

mation, call the Texas **Agricultural Extension Service** at 264-2236 or the Texas Workforce Commission at 267-

or 263-3168 between from. and Here's the history lesson: Why New Year's occurs each Jan. 1

By MICHAEL WOODS

Toledo Blade

As billions of people prepare noisemakers, paper hats, firecrackers and booze for the world's most widely celebrated holiday, ponder a question:

Why should New Year's Day occur on Jan. 1?

One year is the time it takes Earth to make a complete revolution around the sun. What is it about Earth's journey through space that makes one trip end and another begin on Jan. 1?

Is there a starting line in space, for goodness' sake? Brace for some surprises.

"Not many people realize it, but the timing — Jan. 1 for New Year's — is completely arbitrary," Norman Lindhjem said in an interview. "New Year's Day could just as easily occur in March."

Lindhjem, director of the International World Calendar

Association (IWCA), paused a second. "Well, you know, for a long time, New Year's Day WAS in March. And in December. And April. And June.'

Even today, various countries, cultures and groups observe New Year's Day on other dates that occur in every month of the year.

Jan. 28, 1998, will be the Chinese New Year (Sun Nin) and the Vietnamese New Year (Tet). India will observe New Year on March 22, 1998. The Islamic New Year begins on April 27, 1998, the Armenian New Year is July 9, 1998, and the Jewish New Year (Rosh Hashanah) observation is Sept.

The date for New Year's Day is a product of humanity's effort to keep track of the passage of time with calendars.

If Lindhjem and a littleknown band of other "calendar reformers" have their way, the Advantages of calendar change

Advantages of the World Calendar: - Every year is the same. Each year begins on Sunday, Jan.

1, and each working year on Monday, Jan. 2.

 Numbered days of the month always fall on the same week days, so a child born on Friday always celebrates birthdays on Friday. Election Day in the U.S. always would be on Nov. 7. Christmas and other holidays would always fall on the same day

Statistical comparisons between quarters of the year would be easier since the year would divide into quarters of 91 days each. Each quarter begins on Sunday and ends on Saturday. Source, IWCA

situation could change again. The whole world could embrace a new calendar with its own approach to New Year's.

Humanity's celebration of the new year began about 4,000 years ago in ancient Babylonia, which included modern Iraq. They celebrated New Year's on March 25, for 11 days.

"Late March actually is a logical choice for beginning of a new year," said John Kremer, author of "Celebrate Today," a 1996 book (Prima Publishers) that describes 4,200 holidays.

"It is the time of year that spring begins and new crops are planted. January 1, on the other hand, has no astronomi-

cal or agricultural significance. It is purely arbitrary.'

The Babylonians also invented one of the first calendars, which was adopted in other countries and popularized March 25 as the New Year.

A calendar allows people to measure and record the passage of time. People in ancient times needed to keep track of the arrival and passage of seasons so they could plant crops, prepare for winter, and other

events. Since there were no clocks, the ancients relied on natural units of time such as the apparent movements of the sun, moon and stars.

They used three basic units. One was the solar day, the time from one sunrise to another, the time for Earth to make one complete rotation on its axis, or 23 hours 56 minutes and 4 sec-

Another was the lunar month, the period between suc-

cessive full moons, the time it takes the moon to revolve once around Earth. It averages 29 days, 12 hours, 44 minutes, and 3 seconds. The other was the solar year, which consists of 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes, and 46 seconds.

Trying to divide the solar year into months of 24-hour days led to all kinds of confusion and inaccuracies.

Twelve lunar months of 29.5 days results in a year of about 354 days, 11 days shorter than the true solar year. Thirteen lunar months would make a year last about 383.5 days, about 18.5 days longer than the solar year.

Use such a calendar long enough, and it would get out of sequence with the seasons. Summer might begin in January and winter in August.

Efforts to keep the calendar and seasons in sequence led to adoption and junking of calen-Please see **HISTORY**, page 6A.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Want to help with tax returns?

The Internal Revenue Service is looking for volunteers to assist taxpayers with preparation of their 1997 Income Tax Returns. Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) training for volunteers will be Monday-Friday, Jan. 12-16 from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the First Presbyterian Church, Eighth and Runnels.

For more information call Dorothy Kennemur at 398-5522.



Church service tonight

Midway Baptist Church will celebrate New Year's Eve with a special candlelight service at 11:30 p.m. today. The public is invited to attend the service, 6200 South Service Road E. I-20. For more information, call the church at 263-6274.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Last chance to see spring

Tonight and Thursday are the last chances to view the lighted spring in Comanche Trail park. The display of thousands of lights begins at 6:30

For more information, call Pat Simmons, 263-

THE LAST WORD

Liberty is the one thing you can't have unless you give it to

others.

William Allen White

All animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others.

George Orwell

Parents are the last people on earth who ought to have children.

Samuel Butler

dates for the start of the New The Roman Empire kept

March 25 as New Year's Day. But Roman rulers constantly tampered with the calendar, and it got further and further out of synchronization with the solar year.

The first major calendar reform came in 46 B.C. when Julius Caesar, the Roman ruler, ordered adoption of the Julian calendar. By 46 B.C., a threemonth error had accumulated from use of earlier calendars. Calendars were about three months ahead of the seasons, so winter began in September.

Caesar divided the year into 12 months. Except for February, each had either 30 or 31 days. February had 29 days for three years and 30 days every fourth year. He also changed the date of New Year's

To wipe out the pre-existing error and realign the calendar and seasons, Caesar ordered that 46 B.C. would have 445

The Julian calendar was more accurate than any previous calendar. Its year was only about 11 minutes longer than a solar year. But over 1,500 years, the error accumulated. By 1580; spring began on March 11. which is 10 days earlier than the vernal equinox

In 1582, the Gregorian calendar, developed by astronomers working for Pope Gregory XIII, came to the rescue. Gregory wiped out the accumulated

error by ordering that 10 days be dropped from October. Oct. 5, 1582, became Oct. 15.

He also ordered a permanent correction to keep calendar and solar year more in sequence. His solution: Give February one extra day in century years divisible by 400. Thus, February 1600 got an extra day, and February 2000, 2400, and 2800 will get one.

The Gregorian calendar reduced the difference between Howard News Service.)

solar and calendar year to just 26 seconds.

Most European countries adopted the new calendar immediately. England and its colonies held out, and continued celebrating New Year's in March, until 1752.

Russia adopted the Gregorian calendar in 1918. In 1929, the former Soviet Union switched to an "eternal calendar" with 12 months of 30 days each. It switched back to the Gregorian calendar in 1940.

All Eastern Orthodox churches continued using the Julian calendar until 1923. Some adopted a Revised Julian Calendar with a different leap year rule. Others stuck with the old calendar.

Other attempts at calendar reform - improving the Georgian calendar — occurred over the years. In the 1930s, for instance, a group called the World Calendar Association actually got the United Nations to consider a new calendar.

The so-called World Calendar had 13 months (the new month was "Sol"), and got endorsements from accountants, statisticians and business. The United States objected, and the

U.N. dropped the whole idea. The World Calendar would have changed the dates for widely celebrated holidays. The Fourth of July, for example, would have become the 17th of

World Calendar The Association evolved into the IWCA, which is based in Bend, Ore., and still promotes calendar reform.

IWCA now advocates a 12month perennial calendar, according to Lindhjem. Among its advantages would be elimination of the annual ritual of buying new calendars.

"Our present calendar is not perennial, but annual," Lindhjem noted. "It changes every year. It does so because its typical 365-day cycle is not evenly divisible by 7, the number of days in the week.'

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WEDNESDAY

•Gamblers Anonymous, 7

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

 Alcoholies Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study. Samaritan Counseling

Center of West Texas will have Sharon Beam, licensed professional counselor interim specializing in play therapy for children, adolescent counseling and women's issues, available for clients at the First Presbyterian Church, Runnels and Eighth St. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144. 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.

.A.D.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Meets second Thursday of September. October, November,

> Monday-Friday 9 AM-8 PM Saturday 9 AM-5 PM **CLOSED SUNDAY**

MEDICAL CARE PLAZA **1300 GREGG**

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.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. Big Book Study. SATURDAY

·Alzheimer's Association

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

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

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon, 8 p.m., 10 p.m. open meetings, 615 Settles.

· "So I Forget," Attention Deficit Disorder support group for individuals and couples, first Saturday of the month from 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 Dysfunction 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. SUNDAY

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

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Robert Young, M.D., F.A.C.S. will begin seeing General Surgical Patients at Medical Care Plaza 1300 Gregg Street in Big Spring on Tuesdays beginning January 6, 1998.

Call (915) 686-9251 to schedule appointments.

2601 Wasson Rd.

Some store samples keep shoppers snacking

Scripps Howard News Service

We've heard the experts say

it over and over: Don't shop for food when you're hungry. Forget that sage advice when you're heading to your local

discount-shopping warehouse Costco, for instance — for your monthly (or weekly) supply of frozen dinners and convenience items. If you do it right, you can emerge with some easy entrees and a full

A Costco outlet in the Redding, Calif., area is a taster's paradise, where on a recent Friday shoppers could stop at 19 demonstration tables and sample things like herbed olive spread, Cajun turkey breast, cheesecake, ravioli, fruit juice, ham, tiny sausage

links and lots more. "It's like a party," said demonstrator Sandy Giles, who's been handing out samples for six years. "One man said he asked his son where he wanted to go for his birthday,

and his son said, 'Costco." Parents don't have to feel guilty when their children sidle up to the tasting tables. It's all part of the plan, said Christal Henderson, supervisor of food demonstrations for Warehouse Demo Services, the Kirkland, Wash., company that contracts with Costco to provide tasting opportunities.

Henderson said if little people give a thumbs-up to what they try, the big people they're shopping with are more likely to buy the product.

Lynda Smith of Redding said she likes to have her 10-yearold son Cloud with her when she does her shopping.

"He's a picky eater," she said of Cloud, who refers to himself as the "official taste tester."

After all, what parent wants to invest in a 10-serving size of anything without reason to believe it will be well-received

at home? Sometimes, Cloud finds some-

thing he REALLY likes. "I'll go back a couple of times if I really love it," he said.

Kids aren't the only ones who indulge in seconds ... or thirds. "Sometimes I sneak around

and get another one - and hope they forget me," admitted David Hitzelberger, who regularly shops with his wife, Kay.

Hitzelberger said he samples

just about everything offered. 'On a good day, when there's lots of it, I don't need anything else until dinner."

For most, the grazing serves as a hearty snack. But for others, it's a meal.

Henderson said the mostoften heard comment is, "We just came here for lunch' ... at least they're honest about it." "We have regulars," said

demonstrator Alice Estevez, who entices shoppers with a friendly "Come on over, folks." 'We even have some who bring a date - although that

may be their first and last," Estevez wisely observed. Some samplers are choosy,

while others taste liberally. Costco regulars Midge and Gene Conyers represent the

two styles of nibbling. "He eats more than I eat,"

said Midge Conyers. "He may get four or five (samples), and I may get one or two.

"You can tell the difference in size," she said, with a nod toward her husband.

While some sample and shop at the same time, others — like Angelina Robinson, her 11month old son Alex and her mom, Joanne Robinson — like to make a big sweep of the store and taste everything before filling their shopping

As they broke away from the olive spread tasting site, Angelina Robinson could be heard saying, "I heard there's cheesecake down here, Mom."

"Oh, yummy," was the reply. At times, the demand for tidbits is so great that a crowd forms around a demonstrator's table.

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Purdue takes 33-20 win over Oklahoma State in Alamo Bowl

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN ANTONIO — Quarterback Billy Dicken refused to let his college football career on the sidelines nursing a sore shoulder.

Shaking off a first-quarter injury to his throwing arm, the Purdue senior passed for 325 yards, leading the No. 17 Boilermakers to a 33-20 victory over No. 24 Oklahoma State on Tuesday night in the Alamo Bowl.

mances I have seen in 32 years of coaching. He never flinched.' Boilermakers coach Joe Tiller said.

no way he was going to leave the game.

Dicken completed 18 of 34 passes. including two for touchdowns and three interceptions. His 325 passing yards set a record for the five-year-old Alamo Bowl, which is sponsored by Builders Square.

It also was the highest-scoring game in Alamo Bowl history.

"If guys want to be part of a high-'It was one of the gutsiest perfor-powered offense, this is the place to come," Dicken said. "It's exciting."

After a low-scoring first half, the Boilermakers pulled away from the underdog Cowboys in the lively third

"We knew as coaches that there was quarter, extending a 10-6 lead to 30-13 with 3:52 left in the period.

"They can put points on the board fast if you don't execute the defense," Oklahoma State coach Bob Simmons said.

"We took a couple of chances, which is part of our defensive scheme. But the other part is you've got to be able to make plays. We had players in position that did not make plays," Simmons said.

Purdue opened the second half with a touchdown after gaining control of the ball when Adrian Beasley intercepted Tony Lindsay's pass and ran 36 yards to the Oklahoma State 6.

Dicken ran in from the 1, and the session, or a 69-yard pass from Dicken Boilermakers led 16-6 with 12:02 left. Shane Ryan's conversion kick missed after the ball was moved back 15 yards because of a personal foul.

Oklahoma State sent backup quarterback Chris Chaloupka into the game on the next drive, and the Cowboys answered with a touchdown of their own. Jamaal Fobbs ran the ball in from 21 yards, capping an 80-yard drive and closing the Cowboys to 16-

Vinny Sutherland's 16-yard touchdown run gave Purdue a 23-13 lead with 7:34 left in the third period.

Purdue also scored on its next pos-

to Chris Daniels, an Alamo Bowl record for longest reception. The touchdown put Purdue ahead 30-13 with 3:52 left in the quarter.

Cowboys cornerback McQuarters said defending against Purdue's airborne offense was diffi-

"Whenever you've got four or five receivers running different routes. you never know where the ball is going. It could be anywhere," he said.

The Boilermakers increased their lead to 33-13 early in the fourth quarter when Ryan kicked a 37-yard field

New Year's Day Bowl Games

OUTBACK BOWL, from Tampa, Fla. No. 12 GEORGIA (9-2) vs. WISCONSIN (8-4), 10 a.m.

Favorite: Scripps Howard Power Ratings say Georgia by 10. Coaches: Jim Donnan (14-8 in 2nd year at Georgia) and Barry Alvarez (49-40-4 in 8th year).

Bowl Records: .Georgia is 15-14-3. Wisconsin is 4-5. Stat that Matters: Badgers went 1-4 against teams with winning

records and were outscored by combined 150-59. Game Facts: Solid Bulldogs' offense (14th in nation in total offense 432.6) is keyed by QB Mike Bobo (8th in nation in passing, 2,751 yards, 19 TDs, 8 ints.), versatile WR Hines Ward (55 catches, 6 TDs, 223 rushing), RBs Robert Edwards (908 rushing, 12 TDs), Olandis Gary (7 TDs). LB Greg Bright (128 tackles), S Kirby Smart (6 ints.) are best of

so-so defense. Badgers' only hope is ball control with 270-pound RB

GATOR BOWL from Jacksonville, Fla.

No. 7 NORTH CAROLINA (10-1) vs. VIRGINIA TECH (7-4), 11:30 a.m.

Favorite: Power Ratings say North Carolina by 11.

Ron Dayne (1,421 rushing, 15 TDs) behind huge line.

Coaches: Carl Torbush (debut replacing Mack Brown who left for Texas) and Frank Beamer (68-55-4 in 12th year at Virginia Tech) 🕓

Bowl Records: North Carolina is 9-12. Virginia Tech is 3-7. Stat that Matters: Since Sept. 21, 1995, Tar Heels 26-3 against anyone other than Florida State with losses (Virginia, Georgia Tech, Clemson) by combined total of 12 points and 26 wins by average margin

Game Facts: If not in snit over being left out of Alliance and Brown's departure, Tar Heels have big edge here, starting with superb defense (2nd in nation total, 27 turnovers forced) led by CB Dre Bly (5 ints.), LB Kivuusama Mays (17 tackles for loss), DE Greg Ellis (10 sacks). QB Chris Keldorf (school-record 35 career TD passes) gets start with Oscar Davenport (knee) sidelined. Hokies fell apart with losses to West Va., Pitt, Va. in final 5 weeks to blow Big East title. QB Al Clark will play.

FLORIDA CITRUS BOWL from Orlando.

No. 6 FLORIDA (9-2) vs. No. 11 PENN STATE (9-2), noon

Favorite: Power Ratings say Florida Coaches: Steve Spurrier (82-16-1 in 8th year at Florida) and Joe

Paterno (298-76-3 in 32nd year).

Bowl Records: Florida is 11-3. Penn State is 21-10-2

Stat that Matters: Since 1979, Nittany Lions 12-4 in bowls while Gators 3-3 under Spurrier.

Game Facts: Which Gators will show up? Ones that upset Fla. State routed Tennessee or group that crumbled to Georgia, choked to LSU? Spurrier curiously shuttled QBs Doug Johnson (2,023 passing, 21 TDs), Noah Brindise (695 passing, 6 TDs) play-by-play in Fla. St. upset, so that may go on. Look for lots of RB Fred Taylor (1,292 rushing, 13 TDs), WR Jacquez Green (61 catches, 12 TDs). Reeling from 49-14 loss to Mich. State. Lions are now minus suspended stars RB Curtis Enis and WR Joe Jurevicius.

COTTON BOWL from Dallas. No. 5 UCLA (9-2) vs. No. 20 TEXAS A&M (9-3), 12:30 p.m.

Favorite: Power Ratings say UCLA by 7.

Coaches: Bob Toledo (14-8 in 2nd year at UCLA) and R.C. Slocum (83-L4-2 in 9th year).

Bowl Records: UCLA is 10-9-1. Texas A&M is 12-10.

Stats that Matter: Bruins riding 9-game winning streak, outscoring Game Facts: Riding longest win streak in 24 years, Bruins may be

nation's hottest team. QB Cade McNown (nation's top-rated QB, 2,877 passing, 22 TDs), RB Skip Hicks (1,142 rushing, 22 TDs), WR Jim McElroy (42 catches, 21.5 per catch, 9 TDs) lead sizzling offense. LB Michael Wiley, DE Weldon Forde lead somewhat undersized defense. Aggies only hope is ball-control attack with RBs Dante Hall (973 rushing, 7.3 per carry, 9 TDs), Sirr Parker (800 rushing, 10 TDs), D'Andre Hardeman(7 TDs) behind huge line. LB Dat Nguyen (130 tackles; 13 for loss), S Brandon Jennings, DE Brad Crowley (6 sacks) are best of susrefense (gave up 32.7 points in 4 games against winning teams).

ROSE BOWL from Pasadena, Calif. No. 8 WASHINGTON ST. (10-1) vs. No. 1 MICHIGAN (11-0), 4 p.m.

Favorite: Power Ratings say Michigan by 10.

Coaches: Mike Price (53-48 in 9th year at Washington State) and

Lloyd Carr (28-8 in 3rd year). Bowl Records: Washington State is 4-2. Michigan is 13-15.

Stat that Matters: Wolverines led nation in scoring defense (8.9)

while Cougars were second in nation in scoring (42.4). Game Facts: Cougars are giddy over first Rose Bowl trip since 1931 Offense will spread field with QB Ryan Leaf (3,637 passing, 33 TDs) "Fab Five" WRs Chris Jackson (48 catches, 10 TDs), Kevin Mckenzie (50 catches, 10 TDs), Nian Taylor, Shawn Tims, Shawn McWashington with RB Michael Black (1,157 rushing, 11 TDs) providing balance. So-so defense must stop run early. Michigan playing for first national title

since 1948. Wolverines superb defense is anchored by Heisman-win-

SUGAR BOWL from New Orleans. No. 4 FLORIDA STATE (10-1) vs. No. 9 OHIO STATE (10-2), 8 p.m.

ning CB Charles Woodson, DE Glen Steele (9 sacks), LB Sam Sword.

Favorite: Power Ratings say Florida State by 7.

Coaches: Bobby Bowden (207-51-4 in 20th year at Florida State) and

ohn Cooper (86-31-4 in 9th year). Bowl Records: Florida State is 15-8-2. Ohio State is 13-16.

Stat that Matters: Seminoles 14-3-1 in bowls under Bowden while

Buckeyes 2-6 under Cooper.

Game Facts: Seminoles nation's best big-game team with a 36-12-1 record against ranked teams since 1989. This bunch does it with defense (tops nation against run, 51.9, 32 turnovers) led by DT Andre Wadsworth (16 sacks), DE Greg Spires (10 sacks), LBs Sam Cowart (116 tackles), Darryl Bush. Offense clicks with QB Thad Busby (3,317 passing, 25 TDs) finding WRs E.G. Green (54 catches, 11 TDs), Peter Warrick (53 catches, 8 TDs). Buckeyes' defense (2 TDs given up in last 6 games) is also nasty featuring Butkus-award winner LB Andy Katzenmoyer, CB Antoine Winfield. Offense must throw more so QB Joe Germaine (1,674 passing, 15 TDs) will play more than starter Stanley Jackson (978 passing, 8 TDs).



Howard College Lady Hawks assistant coach Natasha Taylor (left) puts Latraica Spencer through defensive drills during this morning's practice session. Following the workout, the Lady Hawks left for Scottsdale, Ariz., where they play in this weekend's Scottsdale Classic.

wks, Lady Hawks head west to open a new year in Phoenix

By JOHN A, MOSELEY

Sports Editor

Howard College's Hawks and Lady Hawks are anything but "snowbirds," but they will begin their new year in Arizona playing teams from the Phoenix area this weekend.

The unbeaten Lady Hawks will take part in the Scottsdale Classic, playing games on Friday, Saturday and Monday, while the Hawks will face Phoenix College Saturday and Glendale Community College on Monday.

The marquee matchup of the weekend will take place Friday in the first round of the Scottsdale Classic when the Lady Hawks, who returned from the holidays having moved up to No. 4 in the NJCAA women's basketball poll, take on No. 3 Central Arizona

The classic's field not only boasts the top teams from the Phoenix area, but also includes the Lady Hawks' top foes in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference — Midland College, New Mexico Junior College and South Plains.

While the classic schedule doesn't pit the Lady Hawks against any of their WJCAC

the games will be an excellent tune-up for conference play.

Both Howard teams will open WJCAC play on the road Jan. 12 at Odessa College. "We're going to be facing some good teams this week-

end," Corkery acknowledged. "Probably the toughest opponent is the first game with Central Arizona.

"They (Central Arizona) are almost always at the national tournament," he added. "They're extremely well coached, run the floor extremely well and you can almost bet they're going to put a lot of full-court pressure on us defensively.

Central Arizona, he added, boasts an experienced and strong front line, meaning the key to the Lady Hawks improving their record to 14-0 Friday will be rebounding and strong defense in the paint.

In fashioning their 13-0 record, however, the Lady Hawks have show marked improvement inside — not only in clearing the boards of rebounds, but scoring from close range.

"That's probably where we've made our most improvement noted. "And a big key to that is eral of its conference games

rivals, coach Matt Corkery says our guards are doing a better job of getting the ball inside to our front line people."

As a result, the Lady Hawks' top scoring is coming from both inside and outside the lane, with Shawnta Johnson and Karlita Washington leading Howard's point production.

But perhaps the primary key to the Lady Hawks' success has been strong bench play.

"We've got great depth," Corkery added. "In fact, we don't spend a lot of time putting significance on whether or not you're on the floor at the start of the game or not. We depend on people to be ready to play and contribute in whatever role we need them to.

"To me, that's the difference between good teams and great teams ... what you can do with the No. 6, 7, 8 and 9 people coming off the bench," Corkery said. "If you can bring strong people off the bench, keep fresh players on the floor and be able to continue playing at the level you want to play, you're going to have a lot of success.

Unlike the Lady Hawks, who've enjoyed a lengthy holiday break since playing their last game on Dec. 6, Central over last season," Corkery Arizona has already played sev-

Buffaloes head into title game

HERALD Staff Report

Stanton's Buffaloes and Lady Buffs were both winners Tuesday in the second round of the 67th annual Mary Tatum Tournament hosted by Reagan County.

The Buffs, paced by Marcus Washington's game-high 22 points took a 74-58 win over Ozona, advancing into the boys' division championship game where they were to face Ballinger at 4 p.m. today.

The Lady Buffs took a 49-46 win over Sonora in a girls' consolation semifinal game behind Randi Simer's 25 points.

They faced Eldorado this morning for the girls' consolation championship.

Sterling City Tournament

Girls' Division Forsan's Lady Buffs opened Tuesday's round robin play with a 38-36 win over Water Valley, only to drop a 71-35 decision the Miles in their second game of the day."

In Tuesday's first game, Amie Evans scored a gamehigh 17 points to spark the win. She again led Forsan with 10 points in the nightcap.

Sands Lady Mustangs were forced into overtime before taking a 59-53 win over Sterling City's host team. Mendi Floyd led the way for Sands with 28

Today's schedule calls for Sands to take on Garden City's Lady Bearkats, who will close out girls' play facing Sterling City.

Boys' Division

Borden County's Colt McCook scored 19 points in leading Borden County's Coyotes to a 66-44 win over Sands' Mustangs.

The Mustangs, who got 16 points from Jerrod Beall in the loss, were slated to face Brownfield's junior varsity in the third-place game today. In consolation bracket action,

Water Valley took a 56-45 win over Forsan in one semifinal, despite the double-digit scoring of the Buffs' Josh Gaston, Ferroll Voight and Casey Bristow, while Garden City defeated Miles, 64-57.

Gaston, Voight and Bristow scored 10 points each.

Today's games called for Forsan to play Miles in the seventh-place game, while Garden City and Water Valley will square off for the consolation

SPORTS BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

Youth league registration continues The Big Spring YMCA is taking registra-

tions for a its youth basketball league. The registration deadline was Dec. 6, but late registrations are being accepted with a

\$5 additional fee. No tryouts will be held for the league, which organizers say will have an emphasis on participation and fundamentals, not

winning. Practice begins the week of Jan. 5 and the first games will be played on Saturday.

For more information, call 267-8234.

TP&WD offering recommendations

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials 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.

Softball umpires needed by chapter 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) 520-65**0**2.

USA Volleyball clinics scheduled

USA Volleyball, the West Texas Girl Scout Council and Nike will bring the Nike Volleyvan to Big Spring High School's Steer Gym on Jan. 17.

A clinic for girls in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades will be conducted to stress the importance of enjoying the game, as well

as receiving basic skills work. For more information, contact BSHS

head volleyball coach Traci Pierce by calling 264-3641.

Robinson records first hole-in-one

E.C. Robinson of Big Spring chalked up the first hole-in-one of his golfing career on Christmas Eve, acing the 153-yard No. 1 hole at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Robinson aced the hole using an eight The shot was witnessed by David

Trowbridge and Daniel Hillger.

Schoolboy baseball umpires needed The Permian Basin chapter of baseball umpires is seeking individuals interested

in becoming high school baseball umpires. An orientation meeting has been scheduled for 2 p.m. on Jan. 10 at the Bonham

Junior School library in Odessa. Anyone with previous high school umpiring experience that has recently moved into the Permian Basin is urged to attend.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR THURSDAY, JAN. 1:

The ability to create what you want financially and emotionally is your key to success. Focus on money, foundations and a better quality home life. Your mind can easily overload, often needlessly. Be direct about your desires when dealing with others. You could come off as oblique, when you think you are clear. If you are single, the home front becomes more important than in other years. As a result, you are more open to relating. If attached, greater security is possible because of your contribution. Make sure that your partner concurs with your decisions. AQUARIUS is possessive about you.

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) You are still waving your hat and horn, christening the new year. It is here! Gather with friends and family, and make sure that the first day is up to snuff. Before you know it, you become involved in a project of importance. Tonight: Still at

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Whatever is going on, all eyes turn to you. Others appreciate your unique nature. Invite people over to watch football, eat and partake in holiday cheer. Thoughts about work keep lurking in your mind; leave them for tomorrow. Tonight: Make everyone happy!****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You keep thinking about the future and what could be. Don't stand on ceremony; break barriers and reach out for others. Start the new year with a clean slate. Make time for an activity that relaxes you. Tonight: Dream about what you would like to happen.*****

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Make this an even more memorable day, with a special **thank you for a dear friend** or loved one. Quality conversations mark the day. Do nothing halfway; share feelings and thoughts. Openness is the way 3 bd., 1 bath. Totally to go. Tonight: Start a warm remodeled. New central | fire.****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) enjoy your company. Make time for all your friends and loved ones. Others seem unable to get enough of you. Laughter rings out wherever you cele brate. Give friends the space to express who they are. Tonight:

Play the night away.*****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You have pushed hard to make everyone's holiday OK. Be direct with loved ones, and explain that you need time off. Accept indulgence. Fell free to take a nap. You know what is best for you. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Your childlike spirit emerges. Some view you as impish; some, as extremely seductive; and yet others, as a playmate. Share a favorite pastime with others. Kids are full of energy. Don't let anything bother you. After all, it is the first day of the year. Tonight: Flirt!****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Visit an older relative. You might not see a situation the same way. Don't let it be a problem; rather, open up to what could be. Listen to instincts about a get-together. Put your feet up and watch television. Tonight: Make it easy.***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec

Your phone is busy with lastminute invitations and good wishes. Visit with others, make the rounds and split a bottle of bubbly. Your energy and joyous ways allow others to come close. Make time for that special partner. Tonight: Continue with the jovialities.****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan

You might be more focused on emotional and material assets this New Year's. Be careful about a bet or a gamble. There could be a hard lesson here. Share goals for 1998 with a loved one. Talks are important in warming up a connection. Tonight: Slow down.**** AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Follow your instincts. Your sense of humor comes out as you beam in the new year. Be sensitive to a friend who is behaving like Scrooge. A discussion could do a lot for this person, and for the quality of his year. Tonight: Do whatever makes you happy.*****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Go on a private retreat, fueled by a favorite fantasy. A friend is only too happy to play out Let it all hang out. Others sions on a one-to-one level. You create much more of what you want by this type of visualization. Discuss resolutions. Tonight: Go to bed early.***

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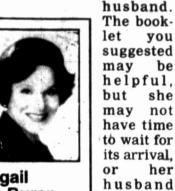
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DEAR ABBY: It appears to me that "Living a Nightmare" is'ready to leave her abusive



Abigail Van Buren Columnist

it in the mail.

She needs someone to tell her, "Leave NOW; you are ready!" She should decide where to go and what to take with her. She should pack lightly, and take nothing that would reveal her whereabouts. She should enlist the support of a few trustworthy friends and family members, as well as the law. Above all, her plans and her location should NOT be revealed to her husband, for he will resort to extreme violence to try to stop her. You can count on that.

"Living a Nightmare," my prayers are with you. I used to think the only way I'd survive my situation would be if my abuser died. I was wrong. I left, and it was easier than I'd ever imagined. That was 12 years ago. I am now married to a man who treasures my physical and emotional well-being. You deserve the same. -- BEEN THERE IN STOCKTON, CALIF.

DEAR BEEN THERE: The most dangerous time for the victim is when she decides to leave. Her batterer's mental state can run the gamut from disturbed to downright psychotic. It is essential that the victim have a well-thought-out plan of action ready. That is what the booklet I recommended in my column was designed to provide.

Please note that I also said it should be purchased by someone close to the victim, so that it will not be discovered on the premises or in the mail by the batterer

Many times over the years I have urged battery victims to leave their batterer. However, the decision when to make that move is a very delicate and personal one. The timing cannot be decided "for" someone, no matter how well meaning one

DEAR ABBY: My husband stops and picks up the local newspaper every morning from a vending machine on our way to work. The other morning, a girl who appeared to be about 6

was in front of him in line, buying the paper for her mother, who was sitting in the car. The child put the money for one paper in the slot and took TWO newspapers!

My husband said to her, "Oh, is this two-for-one day?" The child did not reply. She just took the two newspapers to her mother.

Abby, this is stealing, pure and simple. I wonder what this mother is going to think when her daughter becomes a teen and gets arrested for shoplifting at the mall? I suppose she'll wonder where her daughter got the idea that it is OK to take something without paying for

I hope she reads this and recognizes herself. --DISGUSTED IN DELMAR, N.Y.

DEAR DISGUSTED: The mother missed an opportunity to teach her child right from wrong. (No wonder many of our newspapers are worried about declining circulation dollars.) If the child took the extra newspaper in error, the mother should have instructed her to put it back. However, if she put the child up to it -- shame on

DEAR ABBY: I've heard brides (and mothers of brides) ponder what to do with used wedding dresses. May I tell you what I did?

As the mother of daughters who were often asked to be bridesmaids and were eventually married themselves, I wound up with quite a collection of prom dresses, as well as bridal gowns and attendant dresses.

With my daughters' permission, I called the local Little Theater, and they were thrilled to pick up the gowns to add to their costume wardrobe! I was delighted that they would be useful to someone. In addition, I gained valuable storage space -- so everybody benefited. --MRS. C.D. DAVIS, SAND SPRINGS, OKLA.

DEAR MRS. DAVIS: For those who are not emotionally attached to their special-occasuggestion. I'm sure many readers will be inspired by it.

DEAR READERS: Have a happy, healthy and prosperous 1998. And remember, if you're driving, don't drink; and if you're drinking, don't drive.

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1997's biggest Texas story may last until into 1999

AUSTIN (AP) — Someday, it could be a national bestseller. But the final chapter of 1997's biggest political story in Texas — a mystery, by the way — may not be written until 1999. Our tale so far:

The son of a former president, who operates a major league baseball team, decides to run for governor of a really big state. He

During his term, his popularity at home remains high. His popularity outside the state grows, too.

He's in demand for Republican Party functions across the country. He goes. He makes speeches. Pundits take note. They start mentioning him as presidential timber for 2000.

Then comes the "dramatic" announcement.

On Oct. 30, George W. Bush stood on the lawn of the whitecolumned Governor's Mansion. First lady Laura Bush was by his side. His top political adviser, Karl Rove, was looking on.

The topic was politics. The non-announcement, though, was more politic than dramatic.

The governor of Texas said he hadn't made up his mind about a White House try - and won't until after the Legislature next gathers, in January 1999. "I can promise I will always do

what is best for Texas, and it is not in the best interests of Texas for me to say right now that I will not run for president in the future," Bush said.

It's the kind of plot twist authors use to keep those pages turning.

If he wants to be president, Bush first must convince Texans to keep him on as gover-

The Republican likely will face four-term Land Commissioner Garry Mauro in November 1998. A November 1997 Texas Poll gave Bush a 52 percentage point

lead over the Democrat, but

Mauro says he's not about to

play dead. Offering what he calls a "families first" program, Mauro said, 'Why do I seek this office? It's not because George Bush is not a nice man. He is. It's simply

because he and I have a different vision for what's important for this great state.' Bush said he delivered on his promises. "I've been true to my

philosophy, which is conservative and compassionate and full of hope. I've made decisions based on our core Texas values: limited government, local control, strong families and individual responsibility.' Bush got the endorsement of

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who called Mauro's campaign "almost a kamikaze" mission. Compounding the Democratic candidate's challenge is a nearly

the state's top elected Democrat,

unprecedented turnover in the state's top elected jobs. Except for Bush, no top

statewide elected official is seeking re-election to his current job. Bullock is retiring. So is

Democratic Attorney General Dan Morales. Comptroller John Sharp, a Democrat, wants to be lieutenant governor. So does Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry, a Republican. Texas Republicans see 1998 as

an opportunity to sweep all six top races. Texas Democrats aren't ready to surrender their century-long grip just yet.

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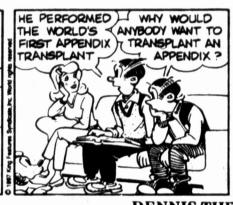
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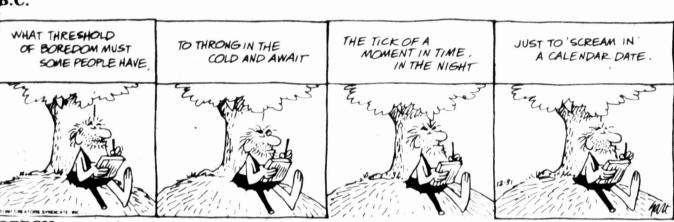
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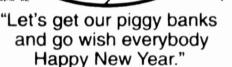












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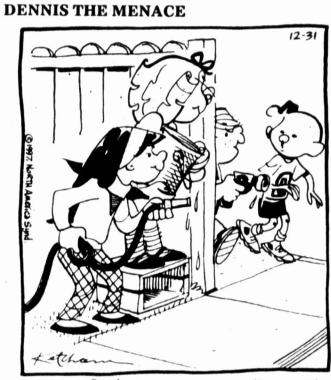
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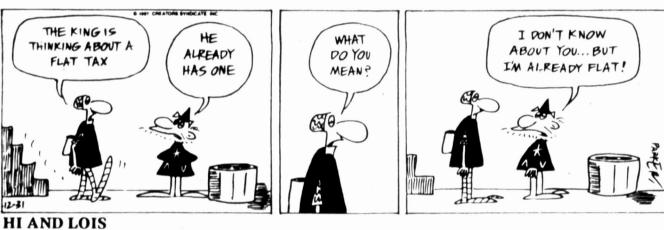
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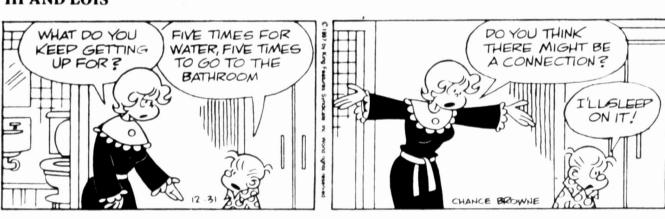
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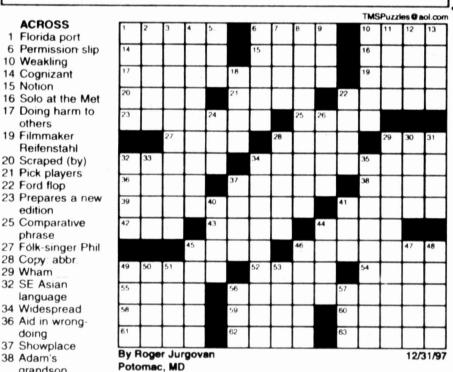
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In 1857, Britain's Queen Victoria decided to make Ottawa the capital of Canada.

in 1862, President Lincoin signed an act admitting West Virginia to the Union.

In 1879, Thomas Edison first publicly demonstrated his electric incandescent light in Menlo Park, N.J.

In 1897, Brooklyn, N.Y., spent its last day as a separate entity before becoming part of New

York City. In 1961, the Marshall Plan

expired after distributing more than \$12 billion in foreign aid. In 1974, private U.S. citizens

were allowed to buy and own gold for the first time in more than 40 years. In 1978, Taiwanese diplomats

struck their colors for the final time from the embassy flagpole in Washington, marking the end of diplomatic relations with the United States. In 1985, singer Rick Nelson,

45, and six other people were killed when fire broke out aboard a DC-3 that was taking the group to a New Year's Eve performance in Dallas.

In 1986, a fire at the Dupont Plaza Hotel in San Juan, Puerto Rico, killed 97 and injured 140. people. (Three hotel workers later pleaded guilty to charges in connection with the blaze.)

Ten years ago: Robert Mugabe was sworn in as Zimbabwe's first executive president.

Five years ago: President Bush visited Somalia, where he saw firsthand the famine racking the east African nation. He praised U.S. troops that provided relief to the starving population. U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali was jeered by Bosnians during a visit to Sarajevo.

One year ago: Leftist rebels in Peru released two diplomats, leaving 81 hostages in the besieged Japanese embassy residence in Lima.

Today's Birthdays: Nazi hunter Simon Wiesenthal is 89. Folk and blues singer Odetta is 67. TV producer George Schlatter is 65. Actor Sir Anthony Hopkins is 60. Actress Sarah Miles is 56. Rock musician Andy Summers is 55. Actor Ben Kingsley is 54. Fashion designer Diane Furstenberg is 51. Actor Tim Matheson is 50. Pop singer **Burton Cummings (The Guess** Who) is 50. Singer Donna Summer is 49. Actor Joe Dallesandro is 49. Rock musician Tom Hamilton (Aerosmith) is 46. Actor James Remar ("Total Security") is 44. Actress Bebe Neuwirth is 39. Actor Val Kilmer is 38. Singer Paul Westerberg is 38. Rock musician Scott Ian (Anthrax) is 34.

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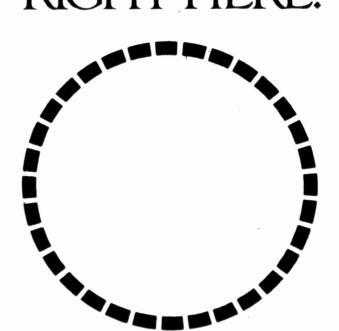
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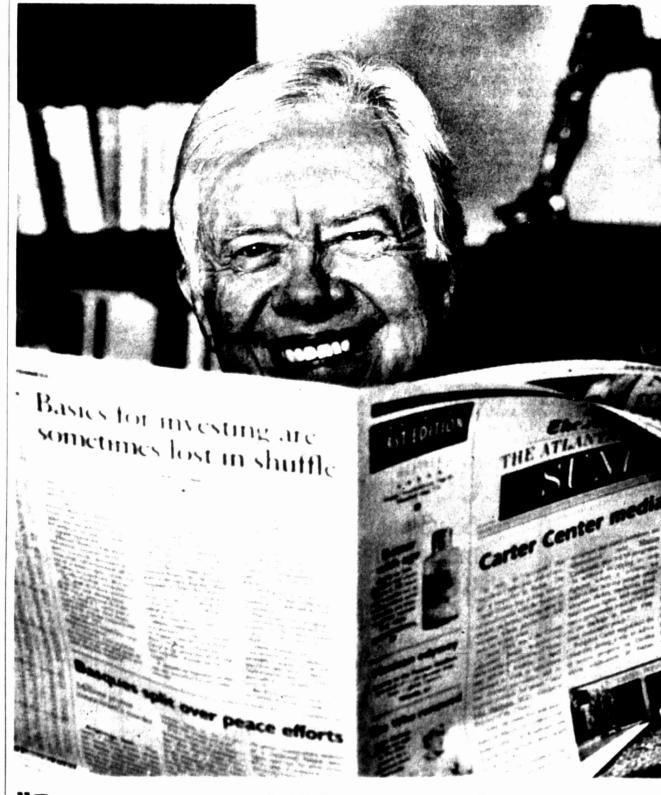
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