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 Norwest Bank has a Christmas tree decorated with ornaments that represent 26 Howard County children who are currently clients of the Children's Protective Services. Visit the bank to adopt one of these children.

· St. Vincent de Paul Society is collecting donated cans of food to be distributed to the area needy. Bring two or more cans to the Ritz, the Star or Cinema Four movie theaters and you will receive a free tub of popcorn. Donating the cans also qualifies you for a chance to win a prize.

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## "Reflecting a proud community"

## Symphony Guild Tour of Homes promises lots of holiday spirit

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Features Editor

A healthy dose of the holiday spirit is promised by Sunday's Big Spring Symphony Guild Tour of Homes.

The home tour takes visitors through some of the city's beautiful houses, beautifully decorated. This year's tour includes the residences of Glen and Cassandra Fillingim, 5 Highland Heather, Katie Lara, 714 Craigmont, and two other homes, 610 Highland, and 701 Caprock.

Tickets, \$10 each, are available in

advance at Blum's, Big Spring Chamber of Commerce, Dunlaps, First Bank of Texas, Dakota's Flowers, Nursery Johansen's and Draperies. During the tour, tickets can be purchased at any of the four homes. Symphony Guild member Pam Brewer

said the tour is great for inspiration, and not just for the holidays. "You can get a lot of great ideas for

interior design," she said. "It might be a color they've used in the living room that would work just right in your home, or it might be their furniture arrange-

Last year, Brewer said she was having a home built about the time of the tour. "So I was getting lots of ideas I could use," she said. "I really enjoyed it."

The tour isn't for children, organizers said. But it's not just for women, either.

"It is mostly women," Brewer said, "but many of them bring their spouses and significant others, too.' Door prizes will add excitement to this

year's tour, including gifts from Estee Lauder, Merle Norman, Mary Kay and Royal Draperies. The ticket includes a place to sign one's name, address and phone number for the drawing, and ticketholders are asked to leave them at the last house they visit.

For homeowners who donate use of their home and their time, the tour is plenty of hard work, Brewer said.

"We're very appreciative of the people who do this, who open their homes to us," she said. "Without them, of course it wouldn't be possible."

And it's all for a very good cause, Brewer added.

"The money raised goes for the symphony, and that's something we're very lucky to have," she said. "It needs our

## Vandalism prompts officials to enforce closing of gates at Comanche Trail Park

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Features Editor

Don't try to take a late-night drive through Comanche Trail Park during the winter months. You'll find yourself locked out.

Park gates at each entrance, in place for years, have not been used recently. But an increase in vandalism at the park and other areas throughout town has prompted city officials to enforce an ordinance already on the books.

The park officially closes at 10 p.m., and at least for the next few months, the gates will be locked at that time. Only Big Spring Police vehicles will be allowed in after closing.

"We just thought with all the vandalism and everything, that we've got to take some type of action," said Becky Crane, director of Parks and Recreation. The locked gate policy will continue at least through January, but as spring arrives, the policy will change, she added.

"By then we'll need to find a way to at least let vehicles exit the park," Crane explained. "There is some organized recreation, the golf course and soft, ball games, that goes on past 10 p.m.).

Big Spring Police will continue to patrol the park through the winter, informing latenight visitors that the facility is closed. "We don't think closing the

ple at this time of year," Crane said. "Most people leave the park by this time anyway." Jack Birdwell, course superintendent at Comanche Trail

Golf Course, said the locked

park at 10 will affect many peo-



City officials have decided to enforce an ordinance that calls for locking the gates at Comanche Trail Park at 10 p.m.

gates are not likely to affect the course much during the win-

"As far as our day to day operation, it won't really affect us," Birdwell said. "We try to get all our golf carts in by sundown, and it's generally an hour after sundown when we're closing up. So at this time of year, it shouldn't hurt us."

In fact, Bodwell said he supports the change if it will protect the park.

"If it would actually curb the vandalism, I'm all for it," he said. "Because we have a lot of it. Anything's worth a try."

The entrance to Dora Roberts Civic Center, on South

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# School delayed

## Construction of junior high not expected to be complete until March, contractor says

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

Big Spring junior high students won't be getting a new school for Christmas.

Construction on the \$12 miljunior high school is only 85 percent complete, but should be finished 1999, March trustees learned Thursday night.

"I have been in touch with each and every

subcontractor and the owners of those companies, and I believe a legitimate completion time will be sometime in early March," said Leonard

Brozo, owner of Monterey Construction Co.

HUCKABEE

"I met with them personally, and this is the length of time they're saying it will take to complete the projects. I have issued letters to hold them to this," Brozo said.

Tommie Huckabee, architect of the school with Huckabee and Associates, said inspections of the building by city code enforcers, fire marshals and

other licensing agents may take a month following the construction completion.

"I believe it will be April 1 before the building can be turned over to the school," Huckabee said.

The contract calls for landscaping to be completed as well, Huckabee said. "We know we shouldn't (grass)

seed the area until April 1. The contractor is obligated to get the grass established," Huckabee said. Huckabee also

trustees to not seek construction of a retaining wall for the southwest side of the building.

An an eight-foot tall mound of earth forms the ground perimeter closest to the road. This area has been of some concern for the trustees as a safety factor.

"I believe the grade will be within the recommended slope, and with the rain we have here it should be maintainable, Huckabee said.

The construction project had a July 10, 1998 completion date, with 35 days included for delays and weather.

That brought the finished date to Aug. 14 of this year, and the March deadline far exceeds the

original bid of 480 days. The construction project has been plagued with problems. First a concrete stress problem delayed progress for several

months. Then, a shortage of skilled

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## Big Spring folks turn on their lights for the holiday season

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

Big Spring beckons with twinkling, glowing lights on a darkened horizon, as the Christmas Decorating Contest proves home is the place to be for the holidays.

"We had 35 entries, and we have lots of beautiful lights. It took us three hours to judge the entries, and we have seen outstanding decorations and lots and lots of lights," said Terri Johansen, who, along with Terri Newton and Dianne Moses, judged the contest Tuesday

Sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the Big Spring Herald, KBST Radio and Spade and Hoe Garden Club, the contest is an annual event that began as an idea of the late Edna Womack.

"Edna would think this is beautiful this year. This is one of the prettiest years we've had," Johansen said.

However, she said Womack, who passed away earlier this year, would be disappointed in the number of commercial entries this year.

"We only had four businesses enter this year," she said.

In the commercial category, Red Mesa Grill, 2401 Gregg, received the Best of the Best Inside decorations. The Senior Center received Citizen's Honorable Mention for their efforts.

Best of the Best Outside recognition went to Joy's Hallmark, 1900 C Gregg, The Master's Touch and The Karat Patch, 995 East FM 700.

"Red Mesa is unique and beau-

tiful, and Joy's Hallmark is class itself. The Senior Citizen's Center looks like a beautiful, gilded palace," Johansen said.

Other memorable winners Johansen recalled were a Santa Claus waving from a home on Wood Street, space ships and an old locomotive at a home on Midway Road, and a Santa Claus reclining on a porch on San Antonio Street.

"Harold Davis' house is beautiful and another home at 15th and Johnson is wonderful, and brings out the child in us all," Johansen said.

Each of the winners receive media recognition and a certificate of appreciation.

The chamber has city maps available for those folks taking the family around to see Christmas lights.



Ronel and Sherry Brock's home, 2800 MacAuslan, is one of the Must See in the Christmas Decorating

#### **CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST** Randy & Katy McKinne 1314 Monmouth 908 Lancaster lerry Sloan Kimberly Randel 1800 South Main 6100 Walter Road st Place Lights Festival of Lights Com the Trail Park 618 Birdwell Lane Arnold & Gwen Collins 806 San Antonio aul & Rhonda Gibbs 2312 Driver Road 1806 Gollad First Place Them 1209 Dixie Avenue 2605 Larry Del & Karen Brewei Bill & Theda Brooks #4 Kiowa Circle e & Karen Ward erry & Sharon Gayl 2106 Cecilia Sean Bouchereau 1500 Johnson lly Garrett 3705 Calvin nda Flores 1213 West 6th Steve & Karen Frase 1304 Runnels st of the Best Red Mesa Grill Don & Cindy Longorin 601 East 17th ior Citizens Cent Harold & Janelle Davis end Place Lights Best of the Bestan & Kathy Lusk

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## **OBITUARIES**

#### **Gladys Davis**

Graveside service for Gladys Davis, 91, San Angelo, formerly of Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, 1998, at Trinity Memorial Park with Rodney Tedford, minister of the Birdwell Lane Church of Christ, officiating.

Mrs. Davis died Thursday. Dec. 10, in a San Angelo nursing home.

She was born on June 27, 1907, in Lamar County, and married Albert Davis on April 10,m 1930. He preceded her in death on Nov. 15, 1992. She came to Big Spring in 1945 and was a homemaker. Mrs. Davis was a member of the Birdwell Lane Church of Christ.

Survivors include: two sons, Jack Davis of Lubbock, and Joe Davis of Tucson, Ariz.; three grandchildren; and one greatgrandchild.

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

#### Floyd Curry

Floyd Curry, 80, Pecos, formerly of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Dec. 9, 1998, at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa following a short illness. Private family graveside services will be at a later date in Tahoka.

He was born on March 26, 1918, in Corsicana. He had lived in Pecos for three years, moving from Big Spring. He lived most of his life in Big Spring and the Lamesa area. Mr. Curry was a retired

Survivors include: four daughters, Lyn Franks, Lori West, Becky Ray, all of Lorena, and Kathy Overstreet of Houston; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

## **Joy Collins Smith**

Service for Joy Collins Smith, 69, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral

She died Thursday, Dec. 10, 1998, in a Lubbock hospital.

## Herbert D. Storen

Service for Herbert D. Storen, 48, Dallas, will be 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, 1998, at the First Baptist Church of De Soto ing. Burial will be 1:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14, at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring. Mr. Storen died Thursday,

Dec. 10. He had been a Dallas resident

since 1981

Survivors include: his mother, Helen Storen of Dallas; two brothers, John Storen of Dallas, and Michael Storen of Big Spring; and a niece.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements under the direction of West/Hurtt Funeral Home, De Soto.

## **MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME** & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Floyd Curry, 80, died Wednesday. Private family services will be later.

Refugio Gallegos, 87, died Friday. Services are pending in Eden, Texas.

### NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH **Funeral Home**



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## CONSTRUCTION

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masons delayed the extensive brick laying that forms the majority of the building's interior and exterior walls.

Huckabee said a Spring Break move for the Runnels Junior High School students is not feasible, as one week may not be enough time to relocate the entire contents of the school.

"It would be pretty tight. It is a big move, with the entire contents of the library and the stock in the kitchen.

"You'll want the whole project completed before you accept the building," Huckabee said.

Trustees have the option of penalizing the contractor with \$250 per calendar day past the deadline.

"But remember, this project came in at almost \$1 million under budget. This is a super building and we're expecting it to perform just as nice as it looks," he said.

William McQueary, superintendent, said, "Speaking for the board, this is a beautifully designed building and will really be a show place.

## **GATES**

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Highway 87 and Whipkey, will be open, but visitors will be blocked further down the road, at the large stone gate that opens up to the spring area, Crane explained.

The entrance at Belvedere and Wasson, and the original gate to the park on South 87 past Comanche Lake will also be

## High school band sets holiday concert

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

More than 450 Big Spring band students Saturday will salute the holiday season through an annual concert at the city auditorium.

The concert begins with the sixth grade Beginners Band at 6 p.m., followed by the seventh graders at about 6:30 p.m., said Rocky Harris, high school

band director. "This is a community event, not just school event, and we invite the entire community to this

concert. We're having this at **HARRIS** the auditorium so Big Spring people will feel the holiday spirit and this music will

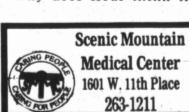
help set the mood for the sea; son," Harris said. The students have been practicing for weeks for this program. This is the fourth year

Harris has been producing the program. "The auditorium is a great place to have this concert. We were using it last year and it is a nice play to play in, and a nice place to attend a concert,"

Harris said. He said the balcony seating adds to the experience for patrons, as it affords a person an opportunity to look down

into the band. Each group will perform at different times throughout the concert, he said.

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# BIG SPRING ROUND THE TOWN

times for the chairs, which can company didn't catch the mistake themselves? "I guess they didn't sharpen

for Santa job

AUSTIN (AP) - A black man

who says he was repeatedly

frustrated in his attempts to get

work as a mall Santa has filed

a lawsuit claiming racial dis-

crimination and breach of con-

DeWayne Lofton, 32, said he

applied for a \$7.50-an-hour job

as Santa Claus in November

with Santa Plus, a St. Peters,

Mo.-based company that con-

tracts with local shopping

Lofton said he was told by

Santa Plus managers they need-

ed approval from Barton Creek

Square Mall management to

hire him and that the mall had

a policy against hiring minori-

Lofton said he contacted mall

officials and was assured the

mall did not have such a poli-

cy, but his repeated attempts to

start working were stalled and

He filed the lawsuit in state

district court Tuesday against

Santa Plus and Barton Creek

Square Mall management com-

Lofton said when he first

talked to Santa Plus in

November, he was told they

were desperate for Santa appli-

arrived to fill out the applica-

tion, a Santa Plus manager told

him, "When I spoke to you over

the phone, I did not realize that

you were black. I'll have to

check with the mall to see if it

would be O.K. to hire, you

Mall manager Nancy Hedrick

said Thursday she did not

speak with Lofton and that the

mall does not have a policy

against hiring minorities to

The lawsuit said Lofton spoke

with a man in the mall man-

agement offices but Hedrick

said she didn't know who that

Lofton and his attorney, John

W. Thomas, of Austin, declined

to comment Thursday. A Santa

Plus spokeswoman said she

had not seen the lawsuit and

But Lofton said that when he

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their pencils," he said.

sues mall

Black man

The Beginner Band of 156 sixth graders will offer "A Dash of Christmas" for the audience, as well as "First Christmas Overture."

the

graders, Runnels band will begin at about 7 p.m. The high

school band should begin their performance about 7:30 p.m.

"These times are all approxi-

mate, as we have to have set up

slow us down," Harris said.

Following

Traditional Christmas music such as "Here Comes Santa Claus" and "A Holly Jolly Christmas" will be performed by the 85 Goliad Middle School Band seventh graders.

"This is book work for these students, which is a big deal. The "Clarinet Christmas" for the seventh graders is a big deal, because this highlights the clarinet players," Harris said.

The Runnels Junior High Band with 70 students will perform a variation of "We Three Kings of Orient Are," as well as three other songs including "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer.

The Big Spring High Steer Band of 166 students will offer five songs, with a special selection of "Twas the Night Before Christmas" with narration by Bruce Schooler.

A marching show is scheduled as well.

The Band Boosters will be selling crafts and baked goods at the concert as a fundraiser for the band students' Florida trip to Disneyworld next summer, he said.

Frank Truex, band director at Goliad Middle School, said his students are excited about performing the concert.

"We tried to select music the students would be excited about," Truex said.

And Wendy Thomas, the third director for the band program in the Big Spring Independent School District, said she is currently teaching percussion.

We won Best Drum Line in Tall City Marching Contest," Thomas said.

The concert Saturday is free and open to the public.

## Anti-drug pencil turns pro-drug when sharpened

TICONDEROGA, N.Y. (AP) — would be. The lawsuit does not name who cofton spoke with in TICONDEROGA, N.Y. (AP) an embarrassing mistake it mall management or at Santa made on pencils bearing an Plus. anti-drug message.

The pencils carry the slogan: "Too Cool to Do Drugs."

A sharp-eyed fourth-grader in northern New York noticed when the pencils are sharpened, the message turns into 'Cool to Do Drugs' then simply "Do Drugs.

As a result of the discovery by 10-year-old Kodi Mosier of Ticonderoga Elementary School, the company, called The Bureau For At-Risk Youth of Plainview, recalled the pen-

cils. "We're actually a little embarrassed that we didn't notice that sooner," spokeswoman Darlene Clair told today's Press-Republican of

Plattsburgh. A new batch of pencils will have the message written in the opposite direction, so when they are sharpened, they read "Too Cool To Do" and finally "Too Cool.

For pointing out the botched message, Moiser earned his class a letter of apology from the company and box full of Tshirts.

Why does Kodi think the

#### could not comment. 'We don't have the authority or responsibility for employment in tenant spaces," Ms. Hedrick said. "We can't tell them who to hire or not hire. I'm sorry if this man believes we do, but we don't," Ms. Hedrick said.

## BRIEFS

SUPPORT FOR GULF WAR veterans is available through Odessa Desert Shield, Desert Storm Association, Inc.

"We will be setting up some meetings, sharing information, things like that," said Rhonda Simon, a Colorado City resident who serves as area representative of the support group. "There have been some new bills past and we want to get veterans educated on those and get them going back to the Veterans Administration."

Anyone interested in becoming a part of the support group can call Simon at 915 728-2746 or email her at ezresort@bit-





## Texas Lottery

street.com or call group president Vic Sylvester at 915 368

The group also has a website at www.odssa.com

A BENEFIT DINNER AND dance is planned Saturday at La Vedera Club for Tim Salazar, cancer patient. Plates of turkey and dressing are \$4 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. The dance begins at 8 p.m. with Grupo Sensacion.

BIG SPRING **EVENING** Lions Club has free eyeglasses for all adults the second Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to noon at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club bingo building, 1607 East Third.

All adults needing eyeglasses who don't have the income to purchase the exam or glasses are welcome.

For more information call Janis Dean at 267-3068.

## SUPPORT GROUPS

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 Support Group, second Saturday of the month, Carriage Inn Retirement 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., on different Saturdays of the month, HealthSouth facility at Hwy. 191 and Loop 250, Midland. Call Joann Carney, (915) 686-7977, or Marsha Brunet, (915) 337-4829 to get the correct meeting date.

•NA 10 p.m. candlelight meeting, St. Mary's Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager

 Open birthday night meets the last Saturday of the month with a covered dish at 7 p.m. and birthday meeting at 8 p.m., 615 Settles. This is to celebrate AA sobriety yearly birthdays.

·West Texans Living with Chronic Fatigue/Fibromyalgia Syndromes support group meets the second Saturday of each month at 1 p.m. at Healthsouth, Loop 250 and Hwy

IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT GROUP LISTING, PLEASE SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.

## MARKETS

March cotton 61.05 cents, down 149 points; Jan. crude 10.74, up

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2 points; Cash hogs steady at \$1 lower at 15; cash steers steady at \$1 lower at 59 even; Dec. lean hog futures 21.05, down 92 points; Dec. live cattle futures 58.45, down 110 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation.

# FIRE/EMS

Other markets were unavails

Following is a summary of Spring . Department/EMS reports: THURSDAY

9:15 a.m. — Scenic Mountain Medical Center, trauma call. patient transported to University Medical Center. 6:05 p.m. - 2300 block

Wasson, medical call, patient transported to VA Medical Center 7:33 p.m. — 3800 block Piper, structure fire, extinguished by

## POLICE

responding units.

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

 WILLIAM WARNER, 22, was arrested for local warrants. MICHAEL RODRIGUEZ, 22, was arrested for a Potter

County warrant. • RICHARD HUCKABEE, 38, was arrested for driving while license invalid.

• TIMOTHY MAJOR, 24, was arrested for local warrants. · FORGERY was reported at 400 E. Fourth.

· BURGLARY OF A VEHI-CLE was reported in the 300 block of Northwest 11th. A passenger window, valued at \$150 was damaged and four spoke wheels, valued at \$1,600, a compact disc player valued at \$700, compact discs valued at \$60, were reported stolen.

• CLASS C ASSAULT was reported at 400 E. Fourth-• THEFT was reported at 400

E. Fourth. • THEFT LESS THAN \$50 was reported in the 1200 block

of 11th Place. CLASS C ASSAULT/FAMI-LY VIOLENCE was reported at 400 E. Fourth.

## RECORDS

Thursday's high 41 Thursday's low 34 Average high 56 Average low 31 Record high 83 in 1933 Record low 14 in 1917 Precip. Thursday 0.10 Month to date 0.14 Month's normal 0.25 Year to date 12.78 Normal for the year 17.80

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CONSUMER NOTICE: The holiday season is here and often, when we think of the holidays, we think of shopping. The Big Spring Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring "Home for the Holidays", prizes and fun for shopping our local merchants first. West Texas Discount Flooring is part of this program and will provide even more incentive for shopping at home Most citizens of Big Spring understand the importance of supporting our local businesses not only for local sales tax revenue but also to promote local jobs. However, out of habit, we often think that we must leave Big Spring for selection and prices, This year, break the habit, shop our local merchants first, and keep it "Home for the Holidays". It's an exciting time for West Texas Discount Flooring. We have moved from the corner location of 18th and Gregg right next door in the middle building. We are still in the process of flooring our new home (because we have been very busy flooring yours!) and have decided to rename our "Remodeling Sale", the "Keeping it Home for the Holidays Sale". Bring in ads from other stores and compare our prices. We do! You'll find our prices are lower on most items and our selection is overwhelm ing. Visit us 7 days a week at our new location at 1712 Gregg (but, pardon the remodeling) or call us at 263-5500 and Keep it Home for the Holidays! Visit Clint & Melanie Sheets, PhD., Marjorie Squires, Patsy Lopez.

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## OUR VIEWS

## We salute:

Each Friday, the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplish-

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and

This week we salute:

• PARTICIPANTS AND SPECTATORS — all of Howard County and more, it seems — who turned out for the Big Spring Herald Community Christmas

• PARADE WINNERS Boy Scout Troop 25, Norwest Bank, Western Container and Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

 UNITED WAY OF BIG SPRING AND HOWARD COUNTY, which not only reached its goal of \$217,500, but surpassed it by raising \$223,164.

 PAT SIMMONS and everyone who helped with the Festival of Lights at Comanche Trail Park.

 VALERIE SULLIVAN, who was chosen as Howard County Firefighter of the Year.

· MARY FRANCES MALONE, who took it on hersoif to get angels adopted for the Salvation Army A. Tree program. .

· BOB DEAVENPORT, who is retiring after 18 years as Martin County judge.

 STUDENTS AT COLLEGE HEIGHTS ELEMEN-TARY SCHOOL, who on Thursday performed "A Storybook Christmas.'

 BIG SPRING HIGH CHOIR STUDENTS, for a wonderful holiday concert on Tuesday

Is there an individual or organization in our commu nity that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

## Your Views

TO THE EDITOR: I would like to publicly express my thanks to some -special people in our

munity and area. Our school system was devastated by the tragic death of Adam Andrews, who died in a car wreck on Tuesday, Dec. 8.

Within hours we had volunteer help with counseling grief-stricken students. I would like to thank Big Spring counselors Don Cook, Rue Ann Cox, Keith Bagnall, and Denise Gandy.

Thanks also to Coahoma counselors Cheryl Green, Leola McCrea, and Patsy Stokes. Others responding were Stanton counselor Janet Outlaw and Linda Jolly from Region 18 ESC.

Area youth workers and ministers who were at our school in a time of need were: Jeff Donnell, Tim Dunn, Virgil Feinsod, Bill Banks, Loren Sprowl, James Sanderson, Gary Phillips, and Robert Rachuig.

Last, but not least, thanks to the parents, teachers, and administrators who responded with such compassion. It is great to live in a community of such caring individuals. God bless you all.

BOB EVANS COUNSELOR FORSAN ISD

TO THE EDITOR:

This letter is directed to the sorry punks who recently vandalized the lights, Kids Zone at the park and now the Vietnam Memorial, again. I doubt they can read, but maybe some of their more illustrious "homies" can "do word up" for them.

I was in a gang for 10 1/2 years. It was a really big one, and I had six weeks of "initiation". Then, I moved to California. The "family" then sent me to England. (Can you find these places on a globe or

I was barely in my twenties when I went to Turkey, (no-no what you guys are, the country), Belgium and Holland. My gang sent me to school and

kept promoting me. We did colours, light and dark blue. We wore those, but we flew the red, white and blue all the time. We were so cool. We were the Air Force.

Please consider joining my gang. You won't have time or the desperate urge to desecrate and destroy property - especially with symbols associated with the horrors of Nazism. You will learn history, pride, responsibility from the serviceguess what? You'll really like

I'm in another gang now. We're at 2009 S. Main, First Church of God and we have a great youth program. You're all welcome, but lose the spray paint first, OK?

REBECCA DELATOUR BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

Thank you Big Spring Herald and your employees for sponsoring the Community Christmas Parade. It was indeed "Homespun Americana" at its best. We loved every minute of

The ideal weather was certainly a plus along with the beautiful West Texas sky. A great part of the fun was watching families with their children as they viewed the various entries. Seeing all the children who participated was very special.

As a country kid, I remember walking with a Girl Scout troop in a political parade for Pappy Leo O'Daniel who was running for governor in the 1930's. Perhaps this event will

be special to these children. I am glad I did not have to judge and have no quarrel with the decisions. I just wish I could have seen "Pa Kettle" fall out of his rocking chair. So thanks to the Herald and all the people who worked so hard to do this community proud.

OZELLA AND AL LONG BIG SPRING

P.S. One person remarked, "After watching TV, this restores your faith in this country.

# Same 'coon, just another ring around his tail Until early in 1997, Brenda Roe have sought to distinguish new for at least a year. Speaking through Justice

boned countryman from Nelson County graced the Virginia General Assembly. A gifted orator, he regularly assailed a tax bill that kept coming back, in one form

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comed an old raccoon in September. The high court agreed to hear California's appeal in a case involving an issue that has kept coming back since Colonial times. In an effort to avoid becoming a "welfare magnet," may a state treat residents and nonresidents differently?

In the welfare reform act of 1996, Congress authorized the states to set up a two-tiered structure of welfare benefits: one level for established residents, a presumptively lower level for aliens from out of state. Will the act stand up? I doubt it, but who knows?

The facts are not in dispute.

was a resident of Oklahoma. When her husband lost his job, the Roes decided to move to California to pursue employment there. Brenda was six months pregnant. Complications developed. Because she could not be left unattended, her husband could not look for a job. The couple

Bad news. The Roes ran into a law adopted by California in 1992. The law says that a family that has resided in the state for less than 12 months may receive welfare benefits "nct to exceed the maximum aid payment that would have been received by the family from the state of prior residence.' Oklahoma's maximum payment at the time was \$307 a month. California's was \$565.

applied for public welfare.

The Roes brought suit under Section 1983 of the U.S. Code, charging that the two-tiered system violated their civil rights. Last January the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit agreed with their position. Now the Supreme Court has set the case for argument Jan. 13.

The American Colonies took the Elizabethan Poor Law of 1601 as a model. Newcomers to a town or county who might become public charges were "warned out" or "passed on" to the next jurisdiction. In contemporary times, many states

residents from old-timers in all kinds of diverse ways.

Alaska, for example, attempted to allocate oil reserve dividends according to the length of each citizen's residence. New York limited its veterans' preference benefits to those who had enlisted from New York. An Arizona case involved a statute prohibiting residents of less than a 12month duration from receiving publicly funded nonemergency medical care. The same old coon keeps coming back.

It's easy to understand the position of states that offer above-average welfare benefits. In the case at hand, Brenda Roe is joined by Anna Doe. Anna moved from Washington, D.C., to Los Angeles in April of last year. As a single parent she qualified for \$330 a month in the District. She gets \$456 a month in L.A. Was the differential a magnet that drew her to L.A.?

Trial and appellate courts have struck down all such efforts to penalize outsiders for being outsiders. The leading precedent is known as the Shapiro case of 1969. It had to do with a woman who moved from Massachusetts to Connecticut in 1966 and immediately applied for welfare benefits. Connecticut's law denied any payments at all to persons who had not lived in the state

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Speaking through Justice William Brennan, the high court declared the Connecticut law unconstitutional. In the same sweeping opinion, the court struck down similar laws in Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia. The Constitution, said Brennan, guarantees a fundamental right to travel "throughout the length and breadth of our land uninhibited by statutes, rules or regulations which unreasonably burden or restrict this movement."

Brennan never explained where this fundamental right was lodged in the Constitution 'We have no occasion to ascribe the source of this right to travel interstate to a particular constitutional provision." Other jurists have discovered a right to travel in the privilegesand-immunities clause of the 14th Amendment that may not be abridged. Then, too, there is the doctrine of equal protection of the laws.

In any event, to reverse the 9th Circuit in the case of Brenda Roe would require the high court to exile Shapiro and its progeny to an orphans home of overruled cases. This seems unlikely. The Constitution hasn't changed in the 30 years since Shapiro. The right to uninhibited travel, if it existed then, is still in the Constitution now

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## These are essays on matters of consequence

ob Sanders is the John Prine of essayists; not enough people have heard of him and not enough ever will. Sanders' writing is great, but it somehow missed

widespread distribution. Maybe that's because his main job has

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been running a radio station all these years. Early, early in the morning you can hear him over little



GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

WAUD in Auburn, Ala., his voice an official part of dawn. The birds wouldn't know to rise if they didn't hear Sanders.

His radio capers are another story, but Sanders is enduring proof that the AM dial doesn't have to be full of sophomoric, scatological noise. You can actually be funny, topical and interesting without being crude. And he knows more

about music, all kinds than that Peter Schickele fellow on National Public Radio.

A book came in the mail, its cover a sepia-colored family photograph from 1939. Sanders finally, finally, had put together some of the columns he wrote on a weekly basis over a period of 25 years for the newspapers in Auburn.

One of my first chores in newspapering was to "edit" Sanders' columns when he walked one in the door. All that meant was to sit and read and marvel and try to come up with a headline one-tenth as clever as the essay itself.

There was nothing to edit, and no misplaced or cheap words.

Sanders knew the language, and he knew restraint.

"Friends, Family and Frontier Country" is the book's name, "frontier country" being what Sanders calls Lamar County, Ala., where he grew

And these are all columns about childhood, which, in someone else's hands, might have meant cornball or boring writing. These are anything but. If E.B. White had married Erma Bombeck and moved to the Deep South, their most gifted child might think like Sanders.

He writes of going to see "The Wizard of Oz" with his third-grade class. "The authorities of the grammar school decided in their all-knowing wisdom to bus us all to Sulligent to see it . .

As we headed up Graves' hill, out of town, we went by Alton Rector's house. His mama was out in the patch by the house, hoeing cotton, I think, and he pulled open the window and yelled, "Hey! Mama!" about the time the bus driver was leveling back into high gear after the climb. She turned around and straightened up and shoved back her sunbonnet to see who it was and waved back. Alton was a big hero for a little while.'

And about the fire tower: "There was a full moon and a pleasant summer breeze, cool but not too cool, and the view was like the tale about the men stranded in the desert who had good news and bad news. There was nothing especially to see, but you could see a powerful lot of it. . . "

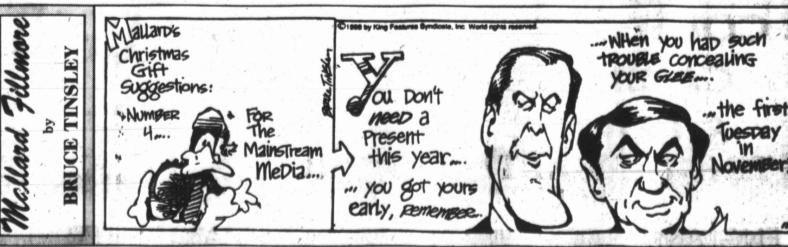
I've thought a lot about the publishing business lately, partly because not a day goes by that I don't get a review book in the mail. One company shoots out these insipid little self-help books faster than I can count.

For instance, one day I got a book called "Stupid Celebrities: Over 500 of the Most Idiotic Things Ever Said by Famous People" with quotes like this one from Cher: "I've been up and down so many times that I feel as if I'm in a revolving door." The very next day, from this same publishing house, came a book called "Workout on the Go"; it is sold with its own Latex workout band.

I am sick of celebrities, and of gimmicky books. Sanders writes of matters of consequence, of being homesick on a train to Dallas, of ordering his first shotgun, about Clyde, the hired man. In the book are lines you will

want to remember, and there's no Latex involved.

Sanders' book can be ordered for \$25.95 from the Gnu's Room , 414 S. Gay St., Auburn, AL



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# New AG will investigate \$519 million fees in tobacco case

DALLAS (AP) - The lawyers five plaintiffs' lawyers for their whether Houston lawyer Marc involved in the Texas tobacco industry lawsuit settlement have been awarded nearly \$3.3 billion by a national arbitration panel, according to a published report.

The Dallas Morning News quoted attorneys involved in the case. 1

The decision, which is the newspaper said is the largest attorney fee award in U.S. history, means the state will not have to pay any money to the

work in the landmark tobacco case, people familiar with the proceedings told the newspaper.

The panel, appointed jointly by the cigarette makers and a group of trial lawyers, deliberated 15 hours Thursday in Washington, D.C., before agreeing to give the five Texas attorneys 19 percent of the \$17.3 billion settlement reached earlier this year, lawyers told the news-

\$1 billion more than the original contract of 15 percent afforded them. But it is considerably less than the \$6 billion to \$25 billion that they requested last

Murr, who had submitted a sep-

arate request for \$519 million,

received any money from the-

The panel's award was nearly

weekend. The Texas lawyers should get their first \$200 million paycheck It was unknown early today from the companies on Dec. 15,

The Dallas newspaper report came just after the incoming

attorney general vowed to look into a lucrative tobacco settlement deal involving a close friend of outgoing Attorney General Dan Morales

Attorney General-elect John Cornyn said Thursday he has asked Morales not to get rid of any evidence in the case involving the \$519 million consulting fee sought by Murr, Morales' friend and political

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of the state's \$17.3 billion settle ment with the tobacco industry.

arbitration panel - appointed by Murr and Morales - already

## High court stops execution of Canadian

HUNTSVILLE (AP)

die," his attorney, Sandra international law.

utes before Faulder, 61, could have been strapped to the Texas death chamber gurney for lethal injection for killing a 75-yearold East Texas woman 23 years

think that's cruel and unusual punishment and I wish he didn't have to go through that roller coaster," an annoyed Ms. Babcock said.

Faulder told of the reprieve Texas Department of in a letter to Texas Gov. George

WACO(AP) — More than five

years after David Koresh's

Mount Carmel headquarters

went up in smoke, the dispute

over ownership of the 77 acres

in Central Texas continues to

State District Judge Alan

Mayfield said Thursday he

would begin trial Tuesday on at least some of contested issues in

lawsuits filed by two self-pro-

fessed leaders of the Branch

Mayfield took under advisement a motion from 14 Koresh

followers to dismiss counterclaims to the sect's property filed by Amo Bishop Roder and

Mrs. Roden was the wife of cult leader George Roden, who

lost control of the group in a undattie with Koresn. Roden was found dead this

week on the grounds at Big Spring State Hospital, where he was sent in 1989 after being found not guilty by reason of insanity in the slaying of his

Mrs. Roden asserted that a "spiritual message" directed her to assume leadership of the association and take possession

Mitchell said he lived at Mount Carmel from 1982 to 1984 while it was under the leadership of George Roden's mother,

He also professes to head the

association and claims owner-

Koresh, and now Koresh's fol-

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Mitchell contends

Criminal Justice spokesman Larry Fitzgerald, was surprised at the news.

"Far out!" he told Fitzgerald.

"That suits me. He would have been the first Canadian executed since 1952 and the case had attracted much attention in Canada, where capital punishment was outlawed in 1976.

"He was a very happy man," Fitzgerald said. "Stan didn't have a lot of emotion. He wasn't dancing, but he obviously was very happy.

The Canadian government, joined by U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, protested Faulder's scheduled punishment.

"The consular notification issues in this case are sufficiently troublesome...," Ms. Albright wrote two weeks ago W. Bush.

Bush's response was that people shouldn't commit murder in Texas, regardless of nationality.

Faulder's attorneys argued Canadian authorities should have been told of his murder arrest and detention under terms of the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations. Also under that treaty, Texas authorities should have informed Faulder, a native of Jasper, Alberta, of his right to contact the Canadian government for

Texas officials insisted while they knew Faulder previously had served prison time in Canada, he did not tell them he was a Canadian citizen. And it wasn't until 15 years later that his family, who believed he was long dead, and the Canadian government discovered him W/Activation

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"There's nothing I can do until I take office in January, but I plan to look at it," Cornyn said. "I have asked him (Morales) to preserve the documents involved so that I can pursue the matter after I take

"People should be cautious about jumping to conclusions, but questions need to be asked and the matter pursued wherev-

Murr is seeking three percent

according to the newspaper. But he's unlikely to get more than 1.5 percent, or \$260 million.

If the national panel doesn't give Murr at least \$260 million, he could go to federal court to seek the difference from the industry's payments to the state.

The newspaper says a state has promised Murr the money.

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Convicted killer Joseph Stanley Faulder hadn't expected to be alive today. "He believed he was going to

Babcock, said Thursday night after the U.S. Supreme Court delayed his scheduled execution so it could examine claims that his rights were violated under The stay came about 30 min-

Judge to consider Mount Carmel claim Adventist Association.

"I am still a member of the church. I just didn't follow Koresh," Mitchell said. "But we have never lost the land or the name because they had no right to ever claim it.'

Doyle, who survived the April 19, 1993, fire at Mount Carmel

in which Koresh and about 80 of his followers died, did not attend Thursday's hearing.

He has said his group is eager to resolve the land dispute because they want to provide more affordable housing there for many of the elderly followers of Koresh

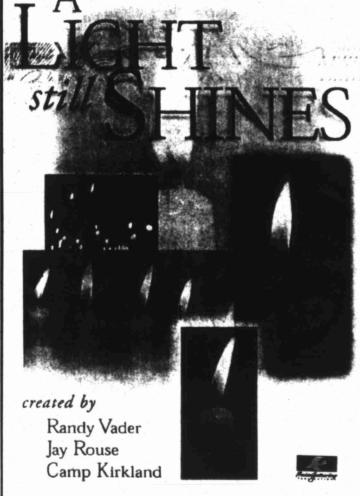
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# Committee Republicans ready to approve impeachment resolution

pivotal day reached only twice before in the nation's history, Republicans are primed to muscle through the House Judiciary Committee an impeachment resolution that advocates removal of President Clinton from office.

The committee where legal arguments are co-mingled with raw partisanship is to debate four articles of impeachment today and make its recommendations to the 435-member

The articles accuse the president of lying under oath to a grand jury, lying under oath in the Paula Jones civil lawsuit, obstruction of justice and abuse of power. All of Clinton's

WASHINGTON (AP) - In a actions were designed, they say, to conceal his extramarital affair with a former White House intern half his age, Monica Lewinsky.

> Only twice before has the committee taken such a grave vote against a president, recommending impeachment of Richard M: Nixon in 1974 and Andrew Johnson in 1868. Nixon resigned before the House could act. Johnson was impeached by the House and acquitted by a single vote in a Senate trial.

Anticipating the lame-duck House would have to convene for a roll call on sending articles of impeachment to the Senate, retiring Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., has notified all 435 members to prepare to return to the Capitol next week. Republican moderates will

determine Clinton's fate on the House floor, Democrats fought for their support with an alternate proposal in committee to censure the president, a resolution the committee is virtually certain to reject in a vote. expected Saturday.

Although Democrats were said to be ready to stiffen their censure proposal with a call for a financial penalty from the president, it was unclear whether the full House would vote on any censure measure.

Congressional sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Rep. Bob Livingston, the Louisiana Republican in line to become speaker, had said in priunlikely to permit a vote on censure in the full House.

In alternating speeches Thursday night by Republicans who support impeachment and Democrats who oppose it, committee members set the stage and tried to prepare the nation for what was to come.

"The American people may wake up Sunday morning to find out that this committee has passed articles of impeachment on the president," said Rep. Charles Schumer, a New York Democrat and senator-elect who may get to vote three times: in committee, in the House and, if a trial is held, in the Senate.

"I think the American people are waiting for us to come to

vate conversations he was our senses and end this political game of chicken."

Pro-impeachment Republicans spoke of the need to respect the rule of law, to teach children right from wrong and to punish those who lie under oath — even presidents who don't tell the truth about an extramarital affair.

"We can't escape it. Perjury and falsehood under oath still leaps out at us," said Rep. George Gekas, R-Pa.

Democrats, however, contended there are degrees of perjury, and that personal and official misconduct are not the same.

"All lies are not perjury," said Rep. John Convers of Michigan, committee's senior Democrat. "Perjury may or may not be impeachable." Rep. Sensenbrenner Jr. R-Wis.,

countered, Every parent tries to teach their children to know the difference between right and wrong, to always tell the truth, and when they make mistakes to take responsibility for them and to face the consequences of their actions.

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"No amount of government education programs ... can reverse the damage done to our children's values by the leader of our country," he said.

Before the members spoke, the two chief investigative counsels - David Schippers for the Republicans and Abbe Lowell for the Democrats offered lengthy summations.

## Schools do show some progress, but won't meet decade-end goals

Although states have made important strides in certain areas of education, the nation's schools will fall short of goals set for the end of the decade in reading, math, graduation rates and other measures, says a group monitoring their

Increased drug use and disruption in the classroom particularly have hampered schools' improvement, said the report released Thursday by the National Education Goals panel. In 1990, President Bush and the nation's governors outlined their goals, which included classrooms free of drugs and

declines in reading and lifelong in math have increased in the learning goals. The percentage of 12th graders proficient in reading has fallen, while share of proficient fourth- and eighthgraders has remained the same. Fewer adults with a high school diploma or less education are participating in adult education, compared to those who already have post-secondary education.

"If we are going to reach these goals, we must strengthen accountability and raise standards for students, teachers and schools," President Clinton said in a statement.

Schools did edge closer to some of the other goals. According to the report, the per-

fourth, eighth and 12th grades. The proportion of college degrees awarded in math and science also has increased, including such degrees earned by minority and female stu-

The bipartisan panel was set up to track progress in meeting the Goals 2000 developed after Bush and the nation's governors met in an education summit in 1989. The panel includes Republican and Democratic governors, state lawmakers and members of Congress.

Carolina, Carolina, California, Colorado and Texas have shown the biggest improvements overall The report also showed centages of students proficient since 1990, the report found.

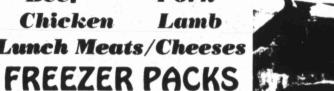
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## '60 Minutes' planning to apologize for material from faked documentary

NEW YORK (AP) - Once again this year, a prominent news outlet is saying it's sorry. CBS's "60 Minutes" will deliv-

er an unusual on-air apology Sunday for airing a story about heroin smuggling that a British panel has determined was a The report was based on "The

Connection," a British documentary that said Colombia's Cali drug cartel had opened a new heroin smuggling route to London. It aired on Minutes" on June 1, 1997.

After the film's authenticity was challenged, an independent panel of lawyers and TV producers investigated and determined that producers had faked locations and paid actors to portray drug couriers.

Ve got snowed," said Don Hewitt, executive producer of "60 Minutes," on Thursday.

The incident adds to the ers in 14 other countries were media's rough year. In July, CNN apologized and retracted a story alleging the U.S. military used nerve gas on Vietnam War defectors. "60 Minutes" also statement reads. learned that it and other media

outlets were fooled by a convicted killer from Massachusetts who had won release from prison partly on false claims that he served in Vietnam. Earlier this year, Cincinnati Enquirer ran a rying heroin "rather front-page apology to Chiquita sugar, flour or mints." The "60 Minutes" report was Brands International Inc. for a series of stories that were based

their jobs when they were accused of fabricating facts. Hewitt will read the apology Sunday, the first time he has appeared on the program he has

on stolen voice mail. And two

Boston Globe columnists lost

produced since 1968. "We, you and television view-

taken. To make amends, we felt obligated to lay it all out in detail and ask you to please accept our apology," Hewitt's

The newsmagazine showed a film clip purporting to show a courier eluding authorities by swallowing fingers of a latex glove filled with heroin. But investigators found there was no evidence the person was car-

narrated by Steve Kroft. Upon getting the documentary, "60 Minutes" interviewed documentary producer Marc de Beaufort and was satisfied he had a good reputation, Hewitt said. De Beaufort has blamed researcher for the "alleged fakery" and said he didn't believe the panel's conclusions.

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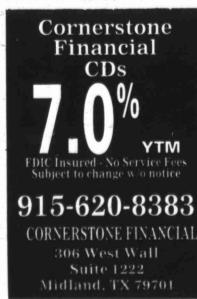
## Astronauts set up shop inside new space station

SPACE CENTER, Houston' After opening doors to 'a whole new era in spaceflight," six astronauts working for the first time inside the orbiting international space station wired up antennas, replaced a faulty battery charger and tidied up for future The crew was to finish up

today before closing the hatches and returning to the shuttle Endeavour for the final phase of their landmark assembly mission. The outpost 250 miles above

Earth received its first visitors Thursday when Endeavour's crew of five Americans and one Russian climbed inside. "It's fantastic. I can't say how

much this means to all of us,' radioed shuttle commander Robert Cabana, who entered side by side with Russian cosmonaut Sergei Krikalev.





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Study: Rate of abortions the lowest in two decades

NEW YORK (AP) - Effective contraceptive methods have contributed to the lowest nationwide abortion rate in more than two decades, according to a new study released this week.

But the United States still has a high abortion level compared with other developed Western countries. And poor women in rural America have the hardest time having their pregnancies

The U.S. decline in abortions was accompanied by a drop in the number of providers, some of whom may have been frightened by anti-abortion violence, according to The Alan Guttmacher Institute, which published the study.

"When providers face harassment or violence from anti-abortion groups, and abortion is a very small part of their revenue, it may not be worth

doing it," said Stanley Henshaw, author of what experts consider the most accurate look at abortion in the United States.

Abortions between 1992 and 1996 among women ages 15-44 decreased from 1.5 million to 1.4 million, the lowest since 1975. That year, the abortion rate was 22 per 1,000, compared to 23 in 1996. About 1 million American women had abortions in 1975.

Still, the number of abortions in the United States was higher than in many other Western developed countries, the study said. In 1995 in Sweden, the rate was 18 per 1,000; 16 in Canada; 15 in England and Wales; and six in the Netherlands. Russia's rate was 68 per 1,000 and Romania's 87.

Henshaw said much of the drop in the U.S. figures reflects more effective contraceptive methods.

## University professor fatally shot during class; suspect surrenders to Ann Arbor authorities

DETROIT (AP) - Andrzej Olbrot was collecting final exams from his engineering students when the gunman stepped into the classroom and opened fire with a rifle. The professor fell wounded to the floor, only to be shot again by the man who took the time to reload.

Olbrot, 52, died at a hospital shortly after Thursday night's attack at Wayne State University. The approximately 24 computer engineering graduate students in the classroom were not injured.

A suspect surrendered early today to police in Ann Arbor, 40 miles west of Detroit. Police described him as a 48-year-old man who lives not far from Wayne State.

The man walked up to the front desk at Ann Arbor police headquarters, told an officer he had shot Olbrot and said he "wanted to make our job easy," Sgt. Jeff Connelly told Detroit radio station WWJ. and somewhat nonchalant," said Connelly, who added that the man described himself as a Wayne State graduate student.

Detroit Police Sgt. John Falk had not determined a motive and didn't know whether there was a relationship between the suspect and Olbrot.

"Clearly it did not appear to be a random act # it appeared to be one where the professor was a target of the shooting," Police Chief Benny Napoleon said. "Certainly there are all kinds of possibilities, but if he was a disgruntled student, they certainly would have recognized him as such.

Napoleon said the gunman walked into the classroom through one of its two entrances "and just fired" with a long rifle the chief described as commonly used in target shooting.

After the initial gunfire, the assailant reloaded and fired again at Olbrot as he lay on the

"He was very, very coherent floor, then put the gun in a sack and walked from the classroom, Napoleon said. Witnesses said the gunman never spoke.

"You can't imagine what these people must have thought," Napoleon said. "A lot of these students are very shaken, very distraught.'

Wayne State is the state's third-largest university with more than 30,000 students and a faculty of about 2,700.

The shooting happened as parents were arriving to pick up their young children from a ballet class in the building.

"The security is horrible," parent Pat Glass told the Detroit Free Press. "You've got a bunch of girls on the third floor there and security should have better precautions. To be honest, I don't want my daughter here.'

The university has recently installed more lighting and began encouraging students in classes that begin after 5:30 p.m. to walk home in groups.



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## 'Uncalled for' — 16-year-old Philadelphia law prohibits Christmas trees in some homes

PHILADELPHIA (AP) -Charles Adofo breaks the law every Christmas.

Each year he puts up a freshly cut tree and decorates it, he joins thousands of others in the nation's fifth-largest city inbreaking a fire code and risking a \$300 fine.

"I had no idea it was illegal to put up a Christmas tree in my own home," Adofo said after buying a 6-foot tree. "This is uncalled for.'

In many cities, live Christmas trees are forbidden only in public places, such as libraries, schools, hospitals and hotels. In places like New York, San Francisco. Baltimore, Minneapolis and Detroit, people can put up whatever decorations they like.

"We can't go into people's private home to check. That's off limits unless we have a warrant or emergency," said Lt. Ron Van Pool of the San Francisco Fire Department.

But in Philadelphia, people who live in high-rises or apartments in converted brownstone homes don't have that liberty.

Those residents must either put up fire-resistant artificial trees or trees with the roots wrapped in burlap to keep them from drying out. The law has been on the books for 16 years, intended to prevent tree-related fires from sweeping through multifamily complexes.

Not that the law is enforced -Philadelphia fire officials don't have the staff to do that. But officials who do spot trees in the wrong sorts of homes ask

residents to fix the problem.

"We want people to have a happy safe holiday, but we know this is hard to enforce," said Fire Chief Henry Dolberry. "If nothing else, at least with the law on the books we can raise a few people's awareness of fire prevention.'

Though no one has ever been fined — and no one in Philadelphia has died from a tree-related fire in the last 20 years — fire officials say there's enough reason to keep the ban.
"Nationally, about 10 deaths

occur because of Christmas tree fires every year," Dolberry said. "And with it being so warm this year, trees are bound to dry out easily. It's like fire wood all ready to go."

Christmas trees cause one home fire out of 1,000 across the country every year, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

The Philadelphia law affects about 157,000 residences in a city of about 670,000 dwellings with three or more apartments, according to U.S. Census figures. The city code was last modified in 1997 to allow cut trees in single and twin homes, row houses and duplexes. It still bans cut trees in libraries, dormitories, nursing homes and other public buildings.

The Christmas Tree Association believes the law is unnecessary.

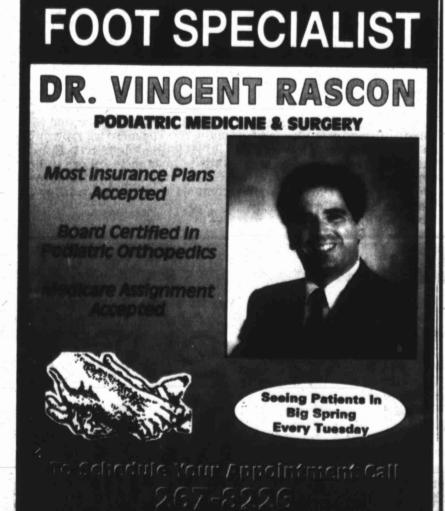
"We're not trying to pick a fight with anyone, but people should be able to enjoy their real Christmas trees," said Ellis Schmidt, chairman.



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## **CHURCH NEWS**

Berea Baptist Church

The Berea Baptist Church, 4204 Wasson Road, will present the Christmas cantata, "Color It Christmas" Sunday at 6 p.m.

The cantata was created by Gregg and Gail Skipper, arranged by Gregg Skipper and Russell Mauldin, directed by Bonnie Wheat.

The public is invited to attend. Refreshments and fellowship will follow.

#### College Park Church of God

The College Park Church of God, 603 Tulane, will have a chicken fried steak supper tonight from 5 to 8 p.m. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. All proceeds to towards the youth department.

Call 267-8593 or 263-1572 for more information or for free delivery.

St. Mary's **Episcopal Church** 

The Alfar Guild Polishing Day is this Saturday at 10 a.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church Women will have their High Tea this Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All parish women and girls are cordially invited to come to this wonderful event.

St. Mary's Episcopal School will present their Christmas Program on Thursday, Dec. 17, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, 1001 Goliad.

#### First United **Methodist Church**

"A Woman Of Courage Who Took On a Tough Job" (Luke 1:26-35) is Dr. Ed Williamson's message this Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry. The message is about a brave young woman who helped prepare the way for the coming of Jesus. Worship is at 8:30 and 10:50

On Sunday evenings, midhigh age young people meet in the Partee building at 5 p.m. and senior high young people meet at 7 p.m. Senior high Bible study meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday night. To learn more, call Mr. Feinsod at 267-

There is also the children's vocal and handbell choirs led by John and Denise Ross and a single adults class on Sunday mornings.

Dec. 20 is the March to the Manger. The Christmas Eve service including Communion, will begin at 8 p.m. in the sanctuary. Call the church office at 264-6394 for more information.

## First Christian Church

First Christian Church has a very busy weekend ahead. During the 10:50 a.m. worship service Sunday, the Chancel Choir and the Children's Choir will present "Heaven's Child," a Christmas Cantata sharing the simple truth that God set us His Son! The Chancel Choir will be practicing on the antata at 9 a.m. both Saturday and Sunday, and the children's hoir will rehearse with the Chancel Choir at 10 a.m. Saturday.

A Progressive Dinner, toy drive and caroling party are scheduled for the adult Sunday school classes and the choir numbers Saturday evening. All attending are reminded to bring two inexpensive toys, unwrapped, (one for a boy and

See CHURCH, Page 9A

# Toys, clothes ready for needy kids Tuesday

**Big Spring Herald** 

## Spring Tabernacle gathers items donated throughout the year

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

**Features Editor** 

At Spring Tabernacle, serving the needy is a daily devo-

Mona Lou and Arnold Tonn give free food, no questions asked, each Thursday at their church, 1209 Wright. On Tuesday, they will be giving out toys for kids at Christmas.

"We just start saving the toys every year," said Mona Lou, adding that 80 families are already signed up to receive the gifts. "We get them from people who donate their garage sale leftovers, or just donate toys and clothes and things to us."

The best of the donated items is saved for Christmas, she said. "If we wouldn't wear it, we throw it out," she said,

Everything is cleaned, repaired and spruced up to be sure it meets a child's expectations. "We have so much nice stuff, you wouldn't believe it," Mona

The only requirement for parents to get the free gifts is need, and — like the food giveaway — no questions are

asked "We just ask that the mothers come for the toys, unless a child lives with his grandparents," Mona Lou said.

Anyone in need is welcome to stop by the church Tuesday, 2 p.m., and the toys, clothes and shoes will be given out until they are all gone.

"I don't want to have any left," she said. There are at least 100 bags of stocking stuffers waiting for some needy children, along with several nice sweaters and other items. The church serves 45-60 people each Thursday with food,

including senior citizens. The rest of the week for the Tonns is spend picking up the donated food and organizing it for the distribution. Their next two dates in December will be Dec. 17 and 29, due to the holidays.

department.

unteer services.



**HERALD photo/Linda Choate** Ethel Pringle, a volunteer with Spring Tabernacie, sorts toys that will be given to needy kids Tuesday at the church, 1209 Wright St. The giveaway of previously-owned toys is part of the church's

#### popular today. The purpose of Members are asked to turn the lights is to light the way for the Christ child. The first in their total of volunteer fires were actually bonfires. hours for 1998 to Elfa Cantrell, After a gift exchange, chairman of community vol-

Order of the Eastern Star

ministry.

Order of the Eastern Star meeting will be Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

refreshments were enjoyed by

This is the rescheduled visit of Deputy Grand Matron Bonnie Ericson.

A covered dish meal is She told us about the origins planned at 6:30 at Masonic Spring High School choral of the luminarias that are so Temple.

## **Trinity Baptist** welcomes gospel pianist By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Features Editor

Trinity Baptist Church will welcome award-winning gospel pianist Anthony

concert Sunday at 6 Burger prepared for his career as the

Burger for a

youngest student to be accepted into the University of Tennessee's

BURGER Cadek Conservatory of Music

at age 5

At age 17, he was nominated as one of the top five pianists for Gospel Music's Favorite Musician Award. He performed at the White House for President Jimmy Carter in

Other honors and awards include "Singing News" Magazine's Favorite Musician Award in 1980-89. He received the award so many times, it was renamed the Anthony Burger Award.

But the musician's life was not without tragedy. At only 8 months old, he suffered severe burns on his legs, face and hands. He was not expected to be able ever to move his hands again.

"But eventually the Lord healed my hands," Burger said in press materials. "I thank God every day that the doctors were wrong, and that I stayed with it and played for Him."

Burger's international tours have included Canada, Ireland, Scotland and the Carribean Islands. Burger now lives with his wife, Eva and two sons in Nashville to be close to the gospel music industry.

For more information about Sunday's concert, call Trinity Baptist Church at 267-6344

# The more you grow, His love will show

Maturity is defined as being full grown, perfected or complete, able to bear fruit and/or reproduce. The Bible has a lot to say about maturity in each of our three parts (body, soul and spirit), but mostly in the soul and spirit areas. 1 Corinthians 13:11 and 1 Corinthians 14:20 speak to the soul (mental/emotional) level of our life. When I was a child, I talked

like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me. Brothers, stop thinking like

children. In regard to evil be infants, but in your thinking be adults. Heb. 6:1, 2 lays a bride from

the soul to the spirit; encouraging us to go on from the foundations of our faith. Therefore let us leave the ele-

mentary teachings about Christ and go on to

maturity, not laying again the foundation of repentance from acts that lead to death, and of faith in God, instruction about baptisms, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment.



FELTY

The fourth chapter of **Ephesians explains God wants** us to mature so much, that He placed various kinds of servants in the church to help usgrow and become complete in

"until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowleage of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ."

Ephesians 4:13-15 I find it very interesting that in this scripture the word Christ is used twice when referring to Jesus Christ, because of the emphasis that is intended.

You see, Jesus means savior or deliverer and refers to the saving work and redemptive plan of God to save us from our sin; the foundation of our faith. Christ however, means 'anointed on,' and emphasizes the power and authority of God over our lives.

We are told to become mature by growing into the 'full measure' of His power in our lives, so that He becomes the source of the flow of our lives, enriching every part and flowing out to others.

This brings us to the fruitbearing, or reproductive side of maturity. The more we grow in Christ, the more His love shows through to others and the more the power of His love compels us to make a differ-See FELTY, Page 9A.

## Religious beliefs blamed in woman's death

All retired school personnel

The 1941 Study Club held

their Christmas party at the

home of Helen Shive on Dec.

7. After a brief business meet-

ing, president Cheryl Green

are invited to attend the meet-

1941 Study Club

gave a short program.

POMONA, Calif. (AP) -Keith Cook had been drinking at a party before he got into his truck, drove down a hill and plowed into a car that hit a mother of five standing on the side of the road.

**CLUB** 

**Retired Teachers** 

Members of the Big Spring-

Howard County Retired

Teachers Association will

meet in the Cactus Room at

Howard College on Monday,

Dec. 21. Lunch will be served

The program will feature

Christmas music by the Big

**Association** 

at 11:30 a.m.

Jadine Russell suffered broken bones and massive hemorrhaging. But because of her Jehovah's Witness beliefs, she adamantly refused a blood transfusion and died hours

Now Cook, already on probation for a 1996 drunken-driving conviction, is on trial for murder. At the heart of the case is the legal standard of causation, meaning a person who starts a chain of events is responsible

for its ultimate result. Cook's lawyer admits his client had been drinking and driving that night last March. But he is vigorously fighting the notion that his client is responsible for Mrs. Russell's death.

"He knows he did wrong. He violated his probation," Charles Unger said of the 32year-old auto mechanic. "(But) Mrs. Russell needed a blood transfusion. She told the doctors she would rather die than have a blood transfusion. She should be alive."

Unger said his client offered to plead guilty to lesser charges

CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL DAY

that would have put Cook behind bars for four to eight years. Cook faces 15 years to life in prison if convicted.

To save Cook from possible life imprisonment, Unger must persuade the jury that the 55year-old woman's refusal of blood was the sole cause of her

Case precedent favors the prosecution, legal experts say.

"Generally, once you start the ball rolling, you're responsible for the harm you cause," said Laurie Levenson, associate dean at Loyola Law School. "But if you have an extraordinary act that breaks the train of causation, that is the excep-

Criminal trials such as Cook's are rare, experts said. But in October, a Louisiana appellate court reviewed a similar case.

The court upheld three vehicular homicide convictions against a legally drunk driver. One of the victims, Velma Cubie, was a Jehovah's Witness and refused blood transfusions. She died two days later.

"Based on the evidence presented at trial, regardless of whether a blood transfusion could have saved Cubie's life, the car accident was a proximate cause of her death," the appellate court wrote.

According to testimony during the trial here, a visibly angry and inebriated Cook left party in nearby Azusa, despite efforts by others to stop

"He was staggering, loud, belligerent," an acquaintance, Kimberly Vacelli, testified l'uesday. Cook was allegedly driving

ith a blood-alcohol level twice

the legal limit. Cook slammed

into Mrs. Russell's car, which hit the Russell women and the officers. All were seriously injured Mrs. Russell was taken by helicopter to a hospital, where relatives say she refused transfusions so adamantly that she

roused herself and tried to pull

out an intravenous line. Family members at the hospital affirmed her decision. According to a medical exam-

iner, Mrs. Russell's death was caused by cardiac arrest due to injuries and the blood loss." Jehovah's Witnesses oppose transfusions because of Biblical

passages ordering Noah and thers to abstain from blood. Medical treatment is not forbid-The Russell family resents

their religious beliefs being used "as smoke and mirrors' in Cook's defense, daughter Jana, 32, said Tuesday.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

A BENEFIT DINNER AND dance for Tim Salazar. cancer patient, is planned Saturday at La Vedera Club. Turkey and dressing plates are \$4 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and dance begins at 8 p.m. Musicians are grupo Sensacion.

THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF Health will be giving flu shots every Wednesday throughout the winter (October-February) to those 18 years or older. The cost is \$5 for those not on Medicaid. The hours will be from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. Call 263-9775 for more information.

## THE LAST WORD

Love is a spendthrift, leaves its arithmetic at home, is always "in the red." **Paul Scherer** 

There is no fear in love, but perfect love casteth out fear. 1 John 4:18

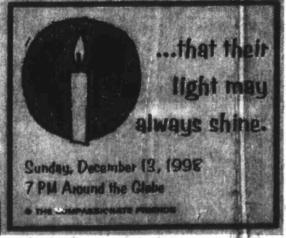
Where there is love, there is

Compassionate Friends, a local support group for parents who have lost children, will observe a day of candlelighting Sunday that is taking place all over the world. The event honors chil-

dren who have died.

Known as National Children's Memorial Day, the event has been approved by the U.S. Senate and the President of the United States is expected to issue a proclamation in support of this memorial day.

All those participating are asked to light a candle Sunday at 7 p.m. in their time zone.



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one for a girl), as your meal ticket for the evening. At 5:30 p.m., the party begins with salad at the Shelton's home, 704 Caprie; on to the Cronenberg's, 4 Glenwick Cove at 6:30 p.m. for the entree; then at 7:30 p.m., "Caroling with the Mosses" is scheduled; dessert will be served at the Grove's home, 700 Avondale at 9 p.m. For those who have the energy, a tour of Isaiah 58 to deliver the gifts of toys is on the agenda.

An open house and children's Christmas party at the Groves' home, 700 Avondale, will be Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. Also, all the children will gather at the Groves' at 4:30 p.m., during open house, as a "Visitor from the North" has promised to make a special visit! As a special treat the Children's Choir will perform. Afterwards, the kids will go caroling, delivering their baked and decorated Gingerbread Men cookies to our homebound loved ones!

The official board will meet Sunday at 5 p.m. in the church

On Tuesday, Dec. 15, the junior and senior high school Bible study will be at 3:30ish p.m. (right after school).

Christmas Our Candlelight Service will be 6 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 24.

Hillcrest **Baptist Church** 

The Christmas Cantata "Best Gift of All" will be presented by the Hillcrest Baptist Church Choir on Sunday at 6 p.m. We invite you to come and enjoy this beautiful Christmas music with us.

#### First Church of the Nazarene

There will be a Christmas bake sale benefiting the Nazarene Youth for their "Great White North" Excursion.

We will satisfy Christmas cravings with delicious homemade pies, cakes, cookies and candies and warm up with hot spiced cider and rich, creamy cocoa served at no cost on the side for those mak-

ing purchases! We will be at the Big Spring Mail Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. or until we run out of goodies. Our sales will benefit 10 courageous youth and two very brave adults who will be making the trek into Canada in July to congregate with 7-8,000 other Nazarene youth from all over North America to do service, evangelism and worship in the great, ethnically diverse city of Toronto. Each team provides their own support and the bake sale is one of the mans of raising it. Come and see us in

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ence in the world around us. It becomes a natural 'flow' of the life of God in and then through us as we mature.

Evangelism, then, is not a requirement for maturity, but a result of maturity and will happen more effectively as grow up into Him who is the Head. Every believer is called to some form of ministry and it will begin to happen as we yield to the loving power and authority of Christ Jesus in our daily lives

Spend time with Him today. Be blessed! Merry Christmas. Craig Felty is minister at cornerstone Church.

Watch for announcements on deadline changes due to the hristmas and New Year's holidays for

the mall on Saturday. You will leave warm inside and out.

Baptist Temple Church Baptist Temple Church will present "Christmas, Sing Noel!" on Sunday at 6 p.m. The public is invited to attend. There will be a fellowship following the

Also, starting in January, Baptist Temple will start a class on learning to manage your money and how to get out of debt and stay out of debt. The class will run for eight consecutive weeks. The cost will be \$10 for the workbook. If you are interested in attending this class, please sign up by Jan. 10. You can call the church office to sign up and for more information at 267-8287.

#### First Assembly of God

The Choir of the First Assembly of God church will present "Call Him Jesus" this Sunday morning at 10:40.

In the evening service at 6, the children's choir will present their music and program surrounding the Christmas story.

Following the evening service there will be a Christmas party in the church fellowship hall.

The congregation of First Assembly invited the public to join them this Sunday for this great Christmas celebration of music.

## Baker's Chapel AME

Baker's Chapel AME Church will be hosting the Northwest Texas Planning Meeting Dec. 11-12.

The meeting will be under the guidance of presiding elder W.L. Brown, newly appointed tot he Northwest Texas Conference.

Rev. Brown is the former pastor of St. Luke AME Church, Garland.

There will be churches from Amarillo, El Paso, Abilene, San Angelo, Midland, Odessa, Slaton, Brownfield, Stamford, Eastland, Crowell, Vernon, Sweetwater and Snyder.

Friday at 3 p.m. there will be prayer and healing worship ser-

Friday night, there will be a guest choir from St. Luke AME. The community is invited to

join us in the opening program on Friday at 7 p.m. Pastor of Baker's Chapel is

Rev. Floyd Green, Jr.

#### **Evangel Temple** Assembly of God

Evangel Temple Assembly of God, 2205 Goliad, is presenting their Christmas program entitled "A Christmas Stranger," on

Sunday at 10:45 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

## One of six original copies of 'Alice in Wonderland' sells for \$1.54 million

NEW YORK (AP) - Lewis Carroll's personal copy of Adventures 'Alice's Wonderland," one of six original 1865 editions known to exist, fetched a record \$1.54 million at auction.

The book was among 38 Alice-related items offered Wednesday at a Christie's aucmarking the 100th anniversary of the death of Charles Lutwidge Dodgson, who wrote under the pseudo-

nym Lewis Carroll. The anonymous buyer's final price was a record for a children's book and a 19th century work of literature, said Francis Wahlgren, Chris The record had been \$1.2 million for a sale in London of William Blake's 'Songs of Innocence and Experience.

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# Prayer pulled from pre-game football

# Holocaust." program

HOUSTON (AP) - Religious freedom in the Astrodome became an issue over the weekend when a Katy High School student was prevented from leading spectators at a high school quarterfinals game in prayer.

Minutes before the football quarterfinal game between Katy High School and Clear Brook High School began Saturday, a Katy student selected to lead a prayer, was told the prayer had been scrapped from the pre-game program, the Houston Chronicle reported Monday.

Apparently, Astrodome officials were unwittingly dragged into a dispute between a group of pro-prayer Katy High School students and the Katy Independent School District, which has barred prayer at games until the matter is resolved at the federal appeals court level. This is the first year school prayer has not been allowed at Katy High School sporting events.

This school year, a group of Katy students, represented by attorney Kelly Coghlan, have lobbied to have a referendum so prayer at sporting events can continue. Coghlan, who does not represent the school district. informed Astrodome that a student would lead a prayer.

The Astrodome's operator, Astrodome USA, thinking the lawyer represented the school district, approved the request and instructed the attorney to have the student in the broadcast booth 30 minutes before the game started.

When attorneys for the school district caught wind of the plan, they moved immediatelynete baked the uprayer, scrapped from the program.

Astrodome USA president Mike Puryear said that when high schools lease the arena for football games, the schools are responsible for the content of the football game's program.

'When I lease the space, it's their event," he said. "They can do it however they want to do it. If they choose to have a prayer before the football game, they can have one.'

A call for comment from Coghlan was not immedately returned Monday to The Associated Press.

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## RELIGION BRIEFS

Pre-Holocaust encyclopedia planned

NEW YORK (AP) - New York University Press has signed a contract to produce a three-volume "Encyclopedia of Jewish Life Before the

It is to cover the history of Jewish communities before they were destroyed by Nazi Germany, according to NYU

Press director Niko Pfund. The 1,800-page work, with 150 illustrations, is due in early

The project has been in the planning stages for 30 years. Financial terms were not disclosed,"but university officials said the enormity and expense of the undertaking would require a one-year fund-raising campaign.

The encyclopedia will be published in collaboration with Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust museum, and The Jerusalem Publishing House. Editors are Shmuel Spector of Yad Vashem and Geoffrey Wigoder of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

The new encyclopedia will draw heavily on Yad Vashem archives.

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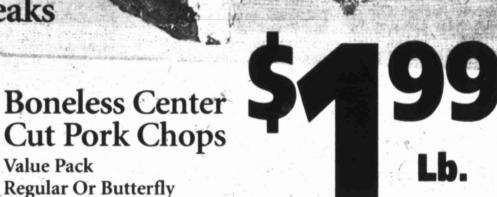


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# Youth basketball league

beginning registration The Big Spring Youth Basketball Association has scheduled registration begin-

ning Saturday at the Big Spring Mall. The league is open to boys and girls in the first through sixth grades. All games will be played on Saturdays at

Runnels Junior High School. Registration at the mall will be from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday.

In addition, youngsters can register at Neal's Sporting Goods during business hours throughout the week. A fee of \$20 is required for

each participant in the league. The deadline for registering is Friday, Dec. 18. For more information, call Charlie Hall at 263-0159,

Rick Watkins at 267-2358. Steers JV falls to Clyde

Duane Murphree at 394-4557 or

## in tourney's second round

Big Spring's junior varsity Steers headed into today's third round of the Colorado Junior Basketball Tournament with an opportunity to play for a third-place trophy following a split in first-day action.

The young Steers opened the tournament with a 51-28 win Ballinger, Jason Woodruff leading the way with 10 points.

Doug Tipton and Michael Martinez were just off Woodruff's team-topping total with nine points each.

In the second round, however, Clyde dealt the Steers JV a 61-35 setback, an 11-point showing from Woodruff being the only highlight for Big Spring.

The Steers JV now faces the loser of today's Merkel-Coleman game at 4:30 p.m.

#### Softball umpires needed for high school schedule

Fastpitch umpires are currently needed to work softball games throughout West Texas, according to officials with the Permian Basin chap ter of the Southwest Softball Umpires Association.

For more information, call Mack Gipson at 520-5961.

#### Dennis Eckersley retires after 24 years in majors

BOSTON (AP) - Dennis Eckersley, who appeared in more major league games than any pitcher, didn't have the desire to stay in shape when the baseball season

But what the 44-year-old pitcher didn't hear his body telling him became clear this week when the Red Sox refused to offer him arbitration: It was time to retire.

After 24 years of pitching in the major leagues, Eckersley said he's through.

"To be honest with you, somebody had to make the decision for me because wouldn't have done it,' Eckersley said. "I would much rather have left like I've done today than to leave in the middle of the season or getting booed out of the ballpark. I didn't want to taint my career.'

## **PLAYOFFS**

FRIDAY: 7:30 p.m.

 Stanton (13-1) vs. Celina (12-2), Tarleton Memorial Stadium, Stephenville.

SATURDAY

3 p.m. Borden County (13-1) vs. Trinidad (14-0), in Glen Rose.

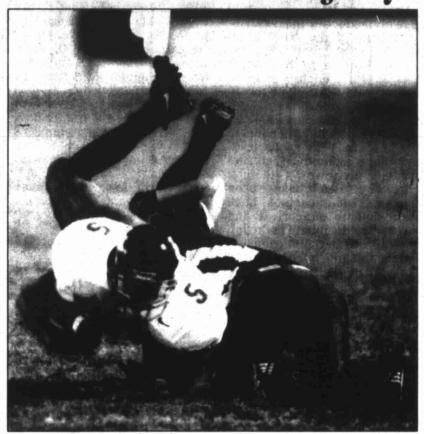
## ON THE AIR

TODAY: HOCKEY

7:30 p.m. - Montreal Canadiens at Dallas Stars, FXS, Ch. 29.

11 p.m. - PRCA National Finals Rodeo, eighth round, (same-day tape), ESPN, Ch.

# IN BRIEF Louder ankle injury only health question for Stanton



**HERALD photo/Jim Flerro** 

Stanton's Jeremy Hull (5) dives for every inch of yardage, finishing off a big gain in the Buffs' regional playoff win over Albany. Stanton faces Celina's Bobcats tonight at 7:30 in a Class 2A. Division II state semifinal game at Tarleton Memorial Stadium in Stephenville.

Injuries don't figure to be a problem for Stanton's Buffaloes tonight when they take on Celina's Bobcats in their Class 2A, Division II state semifinals showdown at Tarleton Memorial Stadium in Stephenville.

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Stanton fans entered the THE GAME week concerned about the availability of fullback/linebacker Louder after he went to the sidelines in last week's 27-18 win over Spearman with an ankle injury

But Stanton coach Mark while assessing Louder's injury as a "day-to-day thing," says he believes the Buffs will be at full strength going into tonight's game.

"Jody's been going through = therapy all week and we've held him out of workouts." Cotton explained Thursday afternoon. "But knowing him, he'll be ready to play tomorrow night. Other than Jody's ankle, we're in pretty good physical shape."

The Buffs will need to be at full strength, too. After several days of reading scouting reports and watching tapes of the Bobcats' games. Cotton is convinced Celina will pose a bigger challenge to Stanton's hopes for a repeat state championship than Spearman's Lynx were a week ago.

"I'd have to say Celina is a more talented football team than Spearman," he explained.

'Spearman had a bunch of hard-nosed, hardworking kids ... there's no question they were solid, but Celina has a lot of weapons."

The 12-2 Bobcats also have plenty of playoff experience, having reached the quarterfinals a year ago before suffering a loss to Italy, one they avenged last week in advancing to the semifinals. Foremost among Cotton's concerns is the

Bobcats' massive offensive front. "They're absolutely huge," Cotton noted. "They average 6-foot-2 and 246 pounds on the offensive line, a big tight end that's just tremendous and an excellent tailback to run behind them."

In addition, the Bobcats are mentored by East Texas small-school coaching legend G.A. Moore Jr., who turned Pilot Point into a Class 2A juggernaut during the 1970s and early 1980s.

Moore's teams traditionally feature complex offenses that throw numerous formations at an opponent and defenses that crowd the line of scrimmage and dare the opposition to throw the

Cotton says that's exactly what he's seen in watching tapes of the Bobcats.

"They run a lot of things ... multiple formations the Wishbone, the I-formation, the wing-T, some one-back ... just about anything you can imagine." Cotton explained. "Defensively they put a lot of people up on the line of scrimmage and come from everywhere ... a lot like Spearman did. They want you to try and throw the football because they figure they're going to get to the quarterback before he can get rid of the ball." That defensive approach worked pretty well for

See BUFFS, page 2B

# Same threat, new challenger

## Trinidad runner is biggest hurdle to Coyote repeat

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Sports Editor

One more test stands between Borden County's Coyotes and a repeat six-man state football championship.

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But, oh, what a test! 13-1

Coyotes will THE GAME ranked and unbeaten Trinidad's Trojans in KBEST 95 Saturday's WITH THE six-man title game at 3 p.m. in Glen Rose.

And once again, the Coyotes will be facing a

team that has plowed through the opposition behind a seemingly unstoppable running

To date, Borden County's defense has made mincemeat of vaunted running offenses fielded by Wellman, Grandfalls-Royalty, Groom Balmorhea.

The Coyotes have not, however, seen a running threat anything like that presented by Trinidad's stellar Damien

A 5-foot-9, 165-pound senior with 4.4-second speed in the 40, Jackson has piled up rushing statistics that are nothing short of mind-boggling.

As a junior, Jackson piled up 3,133 yards and scored 60 touchdowns as the Trojans reached the state semifinals in 1997.

Without question impressive, those statistics pale in comparison to what Jackson has accomplished this season in leading the Trojans to 11 wins in which they've ended games with the 45-point mercy rule.



Borden County head coach Bobby Avery and his players, among them Preston Sharp (15) and Dale Grant (30) hoist their trophy following last week's six-man state semifinals win over Balmorhea. The Covotes make their bid for a repeat state championship at 3 p.m. Saturday, taking on No. 1-ranked Trinidad's Trojans.

Despite less time to pile up big yardage than he had a year ago, Jackson enters Saturday's game with 2,874 vards and 52 touchdowns on 154 carries staggering averages of one touchdown every 2.9 carries and 18.7 yards every time his number is called.

Jackson has been so impressive this season, that some consider him among the state's best running backs regardless of classification.

In fact, one need look no farther than Borden County head coach Bobby Avery to find one of Jackson's biggest believers.

"He's probably the second best running back in the state, regardless of the classification," Avery said of Jackson, putting only Andrews' Shaud Williams ahead of the Trinidad star. "As those two (Jackson and Williams) up head-to-head. I don't think there'd be much difference."

As a result, there's not much question in Avery's mind that the Trojans will try to feed the Coyotes a steady dose of Jackson's impressive speed and broken field running ability.

"They're not a one-man team, though," Avery reminded. "They can throw the football, but with Damien in the backfield, why would they want to?

"Trinidad has plenty of weapons and they do other things, but when they need the big play, they give it to See COYOTES, page 2B

Damien," he added. "But last week when they beat Strawn, it a matter of fact, I'd like to put was almost like they planned to win one without Damien. Their fullback (Demond Smith) got a lot of carries and they threw it more than they usually do."

In addition to Jackson's considerable talents, the Trojans can not only give the ball to the 6-foot-2, 210-pound Smith, but can spell Jackson with Roderick Polk, a 6-foot-1, 175pounder with 4.5 speed.

As a result, Avery says the key to the Coyotes repeating as the state's champion will be putting together one more strong defensive performance. "We've got to play well defen-

## Steers drop tournament opener 57-39

**HERALD Staff Reports** 

SAN ANGELO — A slow start that resulted in El Paso Bowie jumping out to a 19-4 lead after the first quarter was too much for Big Spring's Steers to overcome Thursday as they suffered a 57-39 loss in the opening round of the Concho River Classic.

Bowie, which got 21 points from Eleazar Venzar and 12 more from Fernie Carrera, parlayed that early lead into a 34-16 halftime edge and held off a later Big Spring rally to take

The Steers, who fell to 4-6 on the season with the loss, were paced by Lance Brock and Chauncey Ford, both finishing with 10 points.

### Coahoma boys 59, Colorado City 46

GREENWOOD - Coahoma's Bulldogs got back on track Thursday in the opening round of the Greenwood Invitational basketball tournament with a 59-46 win over Colorado City's

The Bulldogs got 25 points from senior forward Blake Nichols and 18 more from guard Ryan Peckham in taking the win.

After opening the game in a see-saw manner that continued through three periods, the Bulldogs finally came alive in the fourth quarter, outscoring the Wolves 19-10 in the final eight minutes of play.

#### Garden City girls 46, **Greenwood 39**

GREENWOOD - Garden City's Lady Bearkats knocked off Midland Greenwood's host Lady Rangers in their openinground game at the Greenwood Invitational basketball tournament on Thursday. M'Lynn Niehues paced the

Lady Bearkats with 12 points.

# Williams biggest winner in college football awards show

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) -Heisman Trophy, picked up two other college football awards Thursday night. The Texas standout won the Maxwell

Award as the best all-around player, beating out Michael Bishop of Kansas State and Cade McNown of UCLA in voting by the Football Writers Association. Williams also won the Doak Walker

Award as the outstanding running back

for the second straight year. Michael Cloud of Boston College and Ron Dayne of Wisconsin were the other finalists. Winning the award was emotional for Williams, who first met Walker at last year's awards show. The two had dinner

and Walker made a prophetic statement to Williams: win the award twice. "From that point on, I made it my job to go out there and win this awaru again," Williams said. "I was sitting there and I was thinking about last year. It was kind of weird because last year it

Ricky Williams, the favorite to win the brought with him to dinner and we were all just sitting there talking. Nobody knew who I was because our team wasn't that good. This year, I was getting all the attention and Doak isn't with us anymore. It's weird how things change so much in a year."

Walker died earlier this year from complications arising from a skiing accident in Colorado.

Williams became major college football's career rushing leader with 6,279 yards, breaking Tony Dorsett's mark by 197. He ran for 2,124 yards and 27 touchdowns this season.

Earlier this week, he won The Associated Press' first College Player of

the Year Award. In other awards, Texas A&M lineman Dat Nguyen, the Aggies' career leading tackler with 517, won the Chuck Bednarik Trophy as the defensive player of the year, beating out Andy

was just me and Doak and the people he Katzenmoyer of Ohio State and Jevon Kearse of Florida.

Bishop, who led Kansas State to an 11-1 mark, won the Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award over Tim Couch of Kentucky and McNown. Bishop ran for 748 yards and 14 touchdowns, and passed for 2,844 yards and 23 TDs.

Bishop was proud to serve as an example to all players who make it to Division I from the junior college ranks.

"It's hard going from high school to juco," Bishop said. "You dream about going straight to Division I. Hard work pays off. Don't go the juco route and have a blowoff year. Go there and work hard and go all out in the classroom and you'll succeed."

Other winners included UCLA lineman Kris Farris, Outland Trophy; Louisiana Tech receiver Troy Edwards, Biletnikoff Award; Northwestern's Matt Hartl, Sports Spirit Award; Georgia's Matt Stinchcomb, Princeton's Alex

Sierk, Mesa State's Josh Penry, and Western Maryland's Tom Lapato, scholar athletes of the year; Florida State kicker Sebastian, Janikowski, Groza Award; and Tennessee's Phillip Fulmer,

the Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year. Edwards earned a spot in the college record book with 405 receiving yards against Nebraska early in the season.

'It started out with the Nebraska game and people around the world having a chance to see me," Edwards said. "It was a real good achievement when I broke Randy Moss' touchdown record because as you know, Randy Moss was one of the best receivers to ever play football."

Edwards said it's as simple as believ-

ing in hard work. "In the summertime, all I do is run routes and I watch a lot of film.' Edwards said. "Plus, when you have one of the best quarterbacks (Tim Rattay) in the nation throwing to you, it makes your job kind of easy.

## SPORTS EXTRA

## **IUCO-MEN**

The top 20 teams in the National Junior College Athletic Association Division I men's basketball poll with first-place votes in parentheses and ords through Dec. 7: > &

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12. Vincennes University, Ind.
13. Northland Pioneer, Ariz.
14. Southeastern, Iowa
15. Allegany, Md.
16. Bacone, Okla.

#### PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

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#### CLASS 5A

17. Paris, Texas

18. Mississippi Gulf Coast

Duncanville (11-3) vs. Converse ludson (14-0), Noon, Saturday Astrodome, Houston DIVISION II

Midland Lee (13-1) vs. Richardson Lake Highlands (9-5), 6 p.m., Saturday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene Katy (13-1) vs. SA MacArthur (10-4).

#### CLASS 4A CHAMPIONSHIP

Grapevine (10-4) vs. Bay City (12-1), p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving 1 p.m. Satu DIVISION II

SEMIFINALS Stephenville (13-1) vs. Southlake Carroll (13-1), 5 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving La Marque (12-0) vs. Smithson Valley (11-2), 1 p.m. Saturday, Bobcat

## CLASS 3A

Aledo (12-1) vs. Cuero (11-3), Saturday, 5 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome

Childress (12-2) vs. Daingerfield (13-0), 3 p.m. Saturday, Pennington Field, Newton (12-1) vs. Aransas Pass (12-

## CLASS 2A

Omaha Paul Pewitt (11-3) vs. Brookshire-Royal (12-1), 7 p.m. Saturday, Pennington Field, Bedford DIVISION II SEMIFINALS

Stanton (13-1) vs. Celina (12-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Tarleton Memorial Stadium, Stephenville Elysian Fields (11-3) vs. Goldthwaite (12-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Texas Stadium, Irving

## CLASS A SEMIFINALS

Wheeler (11-2) vs. Aspermont (14-D), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Vernon Tenaha (14-0) vs. Iola (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Crockett

#### CHAMPIONSHIP

Borden County (13-1) vs. Trinidad (14-0), 3 p.m. Saturday, Glen Rose

### BOWL SCHEDULE

## Saturday, Dec. 19 Las Vegas Bowl At Las Vegas

San Diego State (7-4) vs. North Carolina (6-5), 5 p.m. (ESPN)

#### Wednesday, Dec. 23 Motor City Bowl At Pontiac, Mich. Marshall (11-1) vs. Louisville (7-4), 7

.m. (ESPN2) Friday, Dec. 25

Blue-Gray Classic
At Montgomery, Ala.
Blue vs. Gray, 11 a.m. (ABC)
Aloha Bowl

Colorado (7-4) vs. Oregon (8-3), 2:30 p.m. (ABC) Oahu Classic At Honolulu

Air Force (11-1) vs. Washington (6-5), 7:30 p.m. (ESPN) Saturday, Dec. 26 Heritage Bowl

Bethune-Cookman (8-2) v Southern U. (8-3), 11:30 a.m. (NBC) Insight.com Bowl At Tucson, Ariz.

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Minnesota at Baltimore, 3:15 p.m.
New York Jets at Miami, 7:20 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14 Detroit at San Francisco, 7:20 p.m.

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At Miami North Carolina State (7-4) vs. Miami At San Antonio
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Wednesday, Dec. 30

At Boise, Idaho Idaho (8-3) vs. Southern Miss (7-4), 2 p.m. (ESPN2)

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lependence Bowl At Shreveport, La.
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Citrus Bowl At Orlando, Fla. Michigan (9-3) vs. Arkansas (9-2). FOOTBALL

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PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Returned G Jean-Sebastian Aubin to Kansas Cit of the IHL and RW Dan Kesa to Detroi

Drew Bannister from the Anaheim Mighty Ducks for a 2000 fifth-round college CLEMSON-Announced OL Rahin Abdullah will forgo his senior season to enter the NFL draft. HAWAII—Named June Jones football

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING-Acquired I

IDAHO STATE—Named Keith Uperesa offensive coordinator, Joe Borich running backs coach, Alan Salanoa tight ends coach, Chris Ball defensive coordinator and linebackers coach, Aaron Price quarterbacks coach, James Ward secondary coach, James Franklin wide receivers coach, and Joe Lorig assistant defensive backs coach.

MASSACHUSETTS—Agreed to terms
with Bruiser Flint, men's basketball

coach, on a two-year contract extension TOLEDO—Signed Gary Pinkel, foot ball coach, to a three-year contract

extension.

WAKE FOREST—Announced sophomore basketball G James Griffin will

#### NHL

Thursday's Games
Boston 3, Carolina 2
New Jersey 5, Philadelphia 4, OT
Nashville 2, San Jose 1 **Today's Games** 

day's Games Calgary at Tampa Bay, 6:05 p.m. N.Y. Rangers at Buffalo, 6:30 p.m. Edmonton at Detroit, 6:30 p.m. Toronto at Chicago, 7:30 p.m. Montreal at Dallas, 7:30 p.m. Washington at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m

Saturday's Games Colorado at New Jersey, Noon Colorado at New Jersey, Noon Buffalo at Boston, 6 p.m. Philadelphia at Toronto, 6 p.m. Tampa Bay at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m. Detroit at Carolina, 6 p.m. Montreal at Nashville, 6 p.m. Phoenix at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m. Calgary at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Vancouver at Los Angeles, 9 p.m.
Washington at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.

Edmonton at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.

#### **JUCO-WOMEN**

At New Orleans Texas A&M (11-2) vs. Ohio State

Syracuse (8-3) vs. Florida (9-2), 7

Tennessee (12-0) vs. Florida State

(10-1), 7:30 p.m. (ABC)

p.m. (ABC)

Fiesta Bowl

At Tempe Ariz

(11-1), 7 p.m. (ABC)

East-West Shrine Classic At Stanford, Calif.

East vs. West. 3 p.m. (ESPN)

retirement of free-agent RHP Dennis
Eckersley. Purchased RHP Marino
Santana from the Detroit Tigers
CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Extended the

Graham infield coach and Clarence

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TRANSACTIONS

The top 25 teams in the National Junior College Athletic Association women's basketball poll with records

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19. Louisburg College, N.C. 20. Vincennes, Ind 21. Northeastern JC, Colo Walters State Tenn 23. Salt Lake CC, Utah 24. St. Catharine, Ky. 25: East Central, Miss.

OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES: Wabash Valley College, III.; Olney Central College, III.; Roane State CC, Tenn.; Chattanooga State CC, Tenn.; Three Rivers CC, Mo.

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Thursday's Games
Arkansas 6, Lake Charles 4
Abilene 5, San Angelo 1
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El Paso 5, Odessa 2
Corpus Christi 5, Central Texas 4
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Central Texas at Austin

Today's Games
El Paso at Odessa
Fort Worth at San Angelo tional Football League
PHILADELPHIA EAGLES --Placed RB Waco at Corpus Christi Charlie Garner on injured reserve. Signed FB Mike Reed from the practice Abilene at New Mexico National Hockey League
BUFFALO SABRES—Recalled llexandria at Arkansas

## Proceeds of players' game go to charity

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) -Trying to sell the public on the idea of NBA players sharing the proceeds of an exhibition game with charitable organizations proved harder than guarding Michael Jordan.

Now organizers say they'll give all the money to charity.

"Because of the cancellation of the NBA All-Star game, the players want to do this for the fans in Philadelphia and the world," said Curtis Polk, president of Falk Associates Management Enterprises.

Any profits will be donated to UNICEF and other charities. But that's assuming there are profits to give away.

Ticket sales have been delayed twice, casinos have been slow to support it and experts say the hurried scheduling of the Dec. 19 event which was announced Monday

The game, featuring former Dream Team players Patrick Ewing, Karl Malone, Penny Hardaway and Reggie Miller, will be televised by Showtime.

Organizers hope to raise \$1 million from broadcast rights and the sale of 13,000 tickets at \$25 to \$500 apiece. Players fromthe 1992 and 1996 U.S. Olympic teams and the 1994 and 1998 World Championship teams are expected to participate.

Tickets were originally scheduled to go on sale Wednesday, but were delayed as organizers plotted the seating configuration at Convention Hall. The Depression-era Boardwalk landmark — the home of the Miss America Pageant — is currently undergoing a two-year, \$70 million renovation.

Work will be discontinued to allow installation of the court,

scoreboard and lighting, according to Assistant General

Manager Gregg Caren. As of Thursday, Ticketmaster ticket agency operators were still telling callers no information was available about the

Casinos, usually the biggest supporters of sporting events here, are being asked to buy blocks of tickets for their patrons.

"The casinos are only going to buy tickets if the general population does," said one former casino marketing official, who would not be named. "They mimic the general population. If the public doesn't care, the casinos won't either."

Michael Pollock, who writes a newsletter on the New Jersey casino industry, said some casinos would buy tickets for high-

end gamblers.

## COYOTES

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sively ... that's going to be the key Saturday," Avery said. "We've got to be able to keep him (Jackson) in check and stop the rest of their kids at the same time."

Avery said he expects the game to be much like the Class 4A, Division II bi-district game between Stephenville and Andrews — a game he believes was for all intents and purposes that division's state championship game.

"I hope it (Saturday's game) will be a lot like that Stephenville-Andrews game," the Coyotes boss added. "Andrews had the best running back on the field, but Stephenville had just enough from everybody to beat them."

While Jackson gives the Trojans the state's best rushing attack, Avery says he believes quarterback Colt McCook gives his Coyotes the state's best passing offense to go along with the formidable rushing talents provided by senior Fernando Baeza and junior Ed Rodriguez.

McCook, who figures to be the only competition for Jackson in the running for the Texas Football 'Magazine/Fox Sports Southwest six-man player of the year award this season, heads into Saturday's title game having completed 102 of 177 pass attempts for 1,970 yards and 33 touchdowns. He's been intercepted nine times.

In addition, McCook has rushed 51 imes for 483 yards and three touchdowns.

Baeza, despite sitting out all but two plays in the Coyotes' 35-34 loss to Sands in the seventh week of the season, has rushed for 1,525 yards on 158 carries and scored 32 rushing touchdowns. He's also caught 36 passes for 586 yards and 10 scores.

And when one considers Rodriguez's 82 carries for 835 yards and 13 touchdowns, 10 catches for 236 yards and six more touchdowns and his considerable talents as a kick return specialist, the Coyotes

have plenty of weapons with which to counter the Trojans' offense

"I think it's going to be a tremendous game," Avery noted. "I think it's come down to

what it should have ... the two best teams in the state playing for the championship. We'll just have to see who's the best on Saturday."



## **BUFFS**

Continued from page 1B

Spearman a week ago, limiting the Buffs to one of their smallest offensive outputs of the sea-But the Lynx found Stanton

quarterback Kyle Herm and his

offensive cohorts capable of

enough big plays to chalk up a win and advance. Herm passed for two touchdowns and returned a punt for another in igniting the Buffs' win last week, seemingly will-

ing a Stanton win. On the season, Herm has completed 94 of 151 passes for 1,603 yards and 23 touchdowns while giving up just four interceptions. He's carried the ball 95 times for 650 yards and 11 touchdowns, as well as return-

some.' ing six punts for touchdowns. "Spearman had a great ball control offense and I think that was their game plan," Cotton noted. "They ate up almost the entire first and third quarters with scoring drives that went

more than 70 yards. I think that was probably their plan, to keep the ball out of our hands and I'm sure that's what Celina wants to do.

That means, Cotton says,

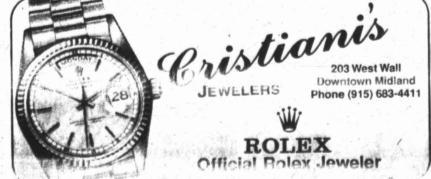
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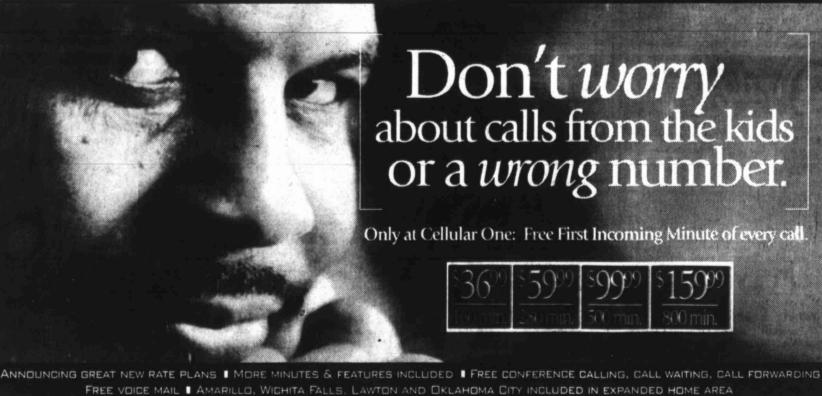
likely hinge on which team

makes the most mistakes and which one turns in the best special teams play. "It's probably going to come down to who gets the breaks," he added. "You have to have

some luck at this stage ... have to get a break or two. "So far, I don't feel like we've really gotten any breaks we've had to earn everything we've gotten this year," he added. "It certainly wouldn't hurt my feelings if we had a little luck this week. We're due

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## Clemens, Brown ready to move

during meetings NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)

Let the dealing begin.

Always full of activity and intrigue, baseball's most popular offseason event - the winter meetings - begin today after a six-year absence. And already, dozens of rumors abound.

Roger Clemens is available. So is Kevin Brown. Jim Edmonds, Ryan Klesko and Barry Larkin also could find new homes in the next five days once the trades and free-agent signings start at the Opryland

Plus, a sensitive off-the-field subject is up for discussion: androstenedione, the over-thecounter supplement used by Mark McGwire.

"To me, there's more chance of secondary type moves being made than any blockbuster coming out of there," Houston Astros general manager Gerry Hunsicker said, "but you never know when you get everybody together.'

Judging from the past, something big usually does happen, making the meetings a fan's delight - especially this year with baseball enjoying such an amazing, riveting season.

Remember what happened the last time they held this event, back in December 1992 in Louisville?

Greg Maddux, Barry Bonds and Paul Molitor changed teams. Marge Schott publicly apologized for racial slurs. The Rev. Jesse Jackson showed up to chastise owners. Florida Marlins president Carl Barger collapsed and died.

And the deals kept coming, about three dozen in all. At one point, several teams were stacked up waiting to announce moves when Philadelphia Phillies spokesman Larry Shenk stepped to the podium.

"We've been cleared by air traffic control to go ahead," he

More often than not, that's how it's been at the winter meetings, which began in 1901 and led to the term "the hot stove league.

In 1991 at Miami Beach, 51 players switched teams in less than á week. In 1990 in suburban Chicago, then-Dodgers ma ager Tommy Lasorda applauded when Toronto and San Diego announced a huge trade: Joe Carter and Roberto Alomar for Fred McGriff and Tony Fernandez.

In 1989 at the Opryland Hotel, McKeon "Trader" Jack chomped his way through 18 cigars during an all-day blitz that brought Carter, Fred Lynn and Craig Lefferts to the Padres in different deals.

So much action that it brought back memories of the time Chicago White Sox owner Bill Veeck and GM Roland Hemond actually set up an "Open for Business" sign in the lobby of the meetings hotel.

Such fun for fans, too, that it seemed unfair when baseball decided to stop holding them after the Louisville session.

The reason? Acting commissioner Bud Selig and other executives felt that agents turned the gathering into gigantic bidding wars — \$43.75 million for Bonds, for example - and were scared off.

But this year, Selig and friends were convinced to reconvene the meetings. They loved the offseason publicity generated by last winter's expansion draft in Phoenix, particularly the trades of Pedro Martinez, Robb Nen, Travis Fryman and others that followed, and felt safer because owners - and their wallets -

were holding separate meetings. 'We thought there would be more positives than negatives,' Selig said.

Selig, however, does not plan to attend. That means there will be no state of the game speech by the commissioner, a staple in previous meetings.

Every team is expected in Nashville except the New York Yankees. The World Series champions, perhaps in the best position to trade for Clemens, decided to stay away following their organizational meetings in Tampa, Fla.

That won't prevent the Yankees from working out a deal with Toronto, however, especially if owner George Steinbrenner decides he wants the five-time Cy Young winner. By the way Blue Jays GM Gord Ash sounded Thursday, it seemed like there would be no deal until the weekend.

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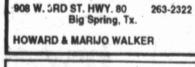
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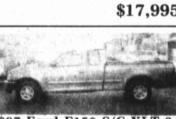
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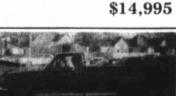
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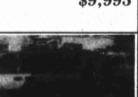
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the position of Certified and non-Certified Police Officer at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday January 5, 1999 at the Dora Roberts Community Center located at Comanche Trail Park. Applications will be accepted through Monday January 4, 1999 no later than 5:00pm. The City is also accepting applications for Utility Maintenance Repairman until Dec. 18th. For detailed qualifications and further information contact City Hall Personnel at 310 Nolan, Big Spring, TX 79720 or call 915-264-2346. The City of Big Spring is an equal

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SATURDAY, DEC. 12: You are focused, you know what you want and you follow through. Energy is high. You can transform dreams into reality. Imagination and ingenuity merge. For you, there are no problems, only solutions. You could become involved in an idealistic cause or pet project. Through it, you meet people, expand your horizons and infuse daily life with excitement. If you are single. romance tugs at your heartstrings. A special loved one enters your life. If attached, your relationship enters a warmer, more caring phase. LIBRA loves hanging out with

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

Difficult. ARIES (March 21-April 19) Make calls, reach out for oth ers and go with the unexpected.

Friends come up with unusual yet entertaining ideas. Excitement surrounds those at a distance. Go out of your way to make someone comfortable. Being gregarious seems natural and rewarding. Tonight: Say 'yes'' to life.\*\*\*\*

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Pace yourself. You get a lot

more done than you thought possible. An unexpected break allows you to wrap up some errands or leftover work. Remember a partner in discussions. Making plans together can enhance the holiday fun. Tonight: Enjoy yourself.\*\*\*\*

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your imagination knows no limits. Discuss creative gift

options. Others appreciate your thoughtfulness. Return calls, brainstorm and open up the possibility of a trip or special travel gift. Someone delights in your idea. Tonight: Spice up your life.\*\*\*\*

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Happiness lies close to home. Invite friends over to help you decorate your tree or just to laugh. You might opt to totally reorganize your schedule. Allow more pleasure in your life, and toss away some of those tiresome obligations. Tonight: Order in. \*\*\*\*

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

You have a lot of ground to cover. A partner changes his mind out of the blue. Allow your personality and happy spirit free rein. Strange things occur when you least expect it. The kid in you comes out, and others join in the fun. Tonight: You don't have to go far.\*\*\*\*

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Become a full-fledged elf and cross off as many people as possible on your holiday gift list. You are particularly great at spending money and come up with some delightful gifts. You might buy an item or two for yourself; you can't help it. Tonight: Shop until late.\*\*\*\*

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You are self-motivated with a personal itinerary. A child or loved one surprises you with his plans. Your strength and

diplomacy draw others. You might visit quite a few people as you run errands. Make time for an important person in your life. Tonight: It is your SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Take a deep breath, and consider important decisions

involving family and friends. Intuition helps you choose a gift. Take time to visit people you haven't seen for a while Let others know your deeper thoughts and feelings. Tonight: Plan on a relaxing night.\*\*\*

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

Join friends. You enjoy being in groups. Work with a change of plans or a sudden phone call, but don't lose perspective. You have changed a lot; it comes out not only in relationships but also in the words you choose and in how you say them. Tonight: The party is where you are.\*\*\*\*

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

Let your intuition tell you how to deal with a boss or a parent. You draw the financial wild card. Work with someone, and tap into his energy. You don't always agree, but together you're a strong force. Make a must appearance while you are energized. Tonight: Out with friends.\*\*\*\*

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Opt to shop or visit. Make an

important call, reach out for someone and be more flexibility about plans. Your willingness to adjust allows others to become closer to you. You get what you want, though not exactly the way you thought. Tonight: Try something new.\*\*\*\*

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Close relating and getting to the bottom of problems mark interactions. Unexpected resolutions open doors. Take responsibility, and allow someone in charge to give you feedback. You can count on others to pitch in. Accept a party invitation or two. Tonight: A night for two.\*\*\*\*

#### **BORN TODAY**

Tennis player Tracy Austin (1962), singer-musician Sheila E. (1959), former gymnast Cathy Rigby (1952)

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## **Shopping mall security is** a matter of perspective

DEAR ABBY: With the holiday season approaching, I'd like to share with you and your readers a story that was told to me by a lady

in the waiting room of a hospital here in Atlanta when my wife was hospitalized. I hope you enjoy it. — WILLIAM A. ABIGAIL PARKER JR., ATLANTA

VAN BUREN

this way Once I started reading it. I couldn't put it down. With a slight twist of fate, the comedy could have turned into a tragedy. Read on:

DEAR

WILLIAM

Let me put it

**CHRISTMAS SHOPPING** 

"In December 1966, a lady from northeast Georgia called her sister in Atlanta to ask if it would be safe to come to Atlanta to shop at a major shopping mall. Her sister assured her she would be entirely safe.

"The shopper came to the city, but 'just in case,' she brought her 6-inch .38-caliber revolver with her in her handbag. She arrived safely and shopped all day. Around dusk, she walked into the parking lot, carrying her bags and packages. As she approached her car, she noticed two men sitting in it. She carefully put her bags on the ground, pointed a finger and shouted, 'You men get out of my car!' Nothing hap-

"She again pointed her finger

and shouted, 'You men get out of my car.' Nothing happened. She then opened her pocketbook, took out her .38-caliber revolver with the 6-inch barrel. pointed it at the men and shouted, 'You men, I've told you twice to get out of my car. Get out, and I mean RIGHT NOW!' This time the doors flew open and the two men ran like iackrabbits.

"The lady put her pistol in her purse, retrieved her packages, placed them in the back seat of the car, and got behind the wheel. She locked the doors and put her key in the ignition. It would not turn. Suddenly, she realized that she was not in her car.

"She looked around to see if anyone was watching, carefully opened the door and walked to her car, which was parked about four spaces away. Again, she loaded her packages, locked the door and began to leave the parking lot.

"As she was leaving, she noticed several security guards and honked and waved to get their attention. She called out to them, 'I need to tell you nice men about something that happened to me.

"One of the guards replied, 'Lady, we don't have time to chat. There's a little old lady with a pistol out in the parking lot hijacking cars!

"She rolled up her window and drove home. Once safely at home, she called her sister and reported what had happened. She ended by saying, '... and I don't want you to worry. I won't shop there ever again!"

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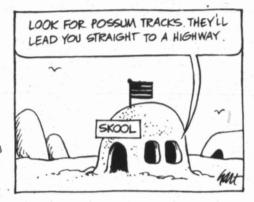
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"Today I break Mark McGwire's record! Seventy-ONE home runs from the school bus!"



... AND IF I CAN'T HAVE A TEN-SPEED BIKE, I'LL TAKE TWO FIVE-SPEEDS.

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ernor of Louisiana.

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was established.

the League of Nations.

went

Convention to face charges of

treason. (Convicted, he was

executed the following month.)

In 1816, Indiana became the

In 1872, America's first black

governor took office as

Pinchback became acting gov-

In 1928, police in Buenos Aires thwarted an attempt on

the life of President-elect

In 1937, Italy withdrew from

In 1941, Germany and Italy

declared war on the United

States; the U.S. responded in

In 1946, the United Nations

Emergency Fund (UNICEF)

In 1961, a U.S. aircraft carrier

carrying Army helicopters

arrived in Saigon - the first

direct American military sup-

port for South Vietnam's battle

In 1981, the U.N. Security

Council chose Javier Perez de

Cuellar of Peru to be the fifth

secretary-general of the world

Ten years ago: A Soviet mili-

tary transport plane crashed.

killing nearly 80 people

involved in Armenian earth-

quake relief efforts. Sixty-two

people were killed when tons of

illegal fireworks exploded in a

Five years ago: President

Clinton, in his weekly radio

address, said the nation must

fight "violence with values"

and praised radio stations that

refused to play songs advocat-

ing violent crime or showing

One year ago: More than 150

countries agreed at a global

warming conference in Kyoto,

Japan, to control the Earth's

greenhouse gases. Henry

Cisneros, President Clinton's

first housing secretary, was

indicted for conspiracy,

obstructing justice and making

false statements about pay-

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Fein leader Gerry Adams became the first political ally of

the IRA to meet a British leader in 76 years as he con-

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Today's Birthdays: Nobel

Alexander Solzhenitsyn is 80.

Actor Jean-Louis Trintignant is

68. Actress Rita Moreno is 67.

author

Tony Blair in London.

Prize-winning

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## THIS DATE **IN HISTORY**

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Today is Friday, Dec. 11, the

days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 11, 1936, Britain's King Edward VIII abdicated the throne in order to marry American divorcee Wallis Warfield Simpson. On this date:

In 1792, France's King Louis

345th day of 1998. There are 20 THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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