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### **IRS** instructors to conduct VITA training session

**Internal Revenue Service** instructors will be conducting a training session for Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) volunteers and others who are interested in attending the class.

The training will be held at the Senior Citizens Center, 1901 Simler Drive, from Monday, Jan. 11, until Friday, Jan. 15 at 9 a.m. to noon each day.

Persons must pass a test in order to qualify for working with the VITA program.

Tax assistance will be available From Feb. 1 through March 31 at locations to be announced later. For more information, call Dorothy Kennemur, 398-5522 or the Senior Center at 267-1628

#### Commissioners convene Monday

Howard County **Commissioners** Court will convene at 10 a.m. Monday.

Items on the agenda include a discussion on Year 2000 compliance, approval of



Kay Court, shown with her son, Kenneth, faced the loss of her husband earlier this month, just over a year after her daughter, Amanda, died suddenly at age 8. Court is holding cards given to her with donations from students and staff at Coahoma schools.

Caring students help family through tragedy

#### By DEBBIE L. JENSEN Features Editor

Kay Court knows when the darkness threatens to close in around her, a light will always appear.

She knows that because she's seen it happen.

After losing her daughter to Crohn's Disease in September 1997, Court said she, her husband and son all struggled But they found a way to go on,

and hoped 1998 would be a better year. Then, earlier this month, Court lost her husband, Kenny.

"It's been so hard," she said, fighting back tears. "It was devastating." In difficult times, one turns to friends and family. Court found friends she didn't even know she had: A group of students at

"If we can have this kind of kids in the generation we have now, we have a lot of hope for our future."

#### -Kay Court

#### Coahoma High School.

Members of the student council, hearing from a teacher about Court's loss, wanted to do something to help her. They took the money they had been saving for a holiday pizza party, and gave it to Court instead.

"It was just so good," Court said. "It really surprised me, but in a

way, it didn't." That's because the Big Spring resident, whose children had both attended Coahoma schools for several years, had already seen the

generosity of students there. The high school annual was ded icated to the memory of Amanda Court, who died at only 8 years old. She had just been given a good report at her regular medical checkup when suddenly, her symptoms worsened for no apparent reason.

"They brought us that annual earlier this year, and it was just so special," Court said. "They did such a good job with it."

When her husband died, Court hardly expected a show of support from Coahoma schools. After all,

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## With the warmth, come the line breaks

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN Features Editor

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As the temperatures warmed up over the last few days, most people took advantage of some beautiful weather for their days off work.

Not city water crews, who were called back to work beginning early Christmas Day. Sustained freezing temperatures followed by warmer days contributed to more than 25 water line breaks Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

"This is not unusual," said Jim Piper, distribution and collection superintendent for the city. "When it freezes and stays below freezing for three or four days, and then starts warming up, our lines start breaking." The problem, Piper said, is

that the ground around the lines contracts when it's frozen, creating extra pressure on the water lines. When the ground warms, the pressure is released, and the lines can snap easily at the joints. Six two-man crews have been



## **Report** Sales tax up for quarter, statistics show

#### By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

The State Comptroller's Office recently released its 1998 second quarter State Sales and Use Tax Analysis Report and Howard County had 744 business outlets in all industries report total gross sales of \$168,414,353, a 5.8 percent increase compared to the second quarter of 1997 when the county reported gross sales of \$159,253,612.

For the second quarter of 1998, Use Tax Purchases totaled \$522,778 and the amount of second quarter sales subject to the-State Sales and Use Tax was \$44.229.584

Surrounding counties reporting second quarter sales for all industries in 1998 included

Andrews with 396 outlets

reporting sales of 49,571,804

Borden with 18 outlets report-

ing sales of \$1,867,933; Dawson

with 328 outlets reporting sales

of \$44,333,563; Ector with 3,917

outlets reporting sales of

\$838,894,629; Glasscock with 22

outlets reporting sales of

\$2,009,847; Martin with 102 out-

lets reporting sales of

\$29,061,676: Midland with 3,805

outlets reporting sales of

\$1,076,188,867; Mitchell with 195

outlets reporting sales of

\$15,104,441; and Scurry with 427

outlets reporting sales of

Statewide, second quarter

industry gross sales for 1998

totaling \$152,454,466,273 were reported by 427,384 business

outlets, a 7.1 percent increase

compared to 1997 second quar-

gross

payroll change in the library, set terms of the county court, approval of new employees and a contract for auditing indigent health care bills.

#### WHAT'S UP ...

#### MONDAY

**D** Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m, 1607 E. Third.

#### WEDNESDAY

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room

**D** Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

#### THURSDAY

**Gideons** International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 a.m., Hermans.

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

Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

#### FRIDAY

Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.

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working around the clock dur ing the holidays. Three crews work from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day, and another three go to work at 7 p.m., working all night.

That didn't make for much of a holiday for his employees, but Piper said they probably expected it.

"This is the nature of the work we do," he said.

The largest break so far was Friday evening on Wasson Road south of Comanche Trail Golf Course. When the 12-inch steel transmission line developed a large crack just after 5 p.m., hundreds of customers

By BILL McCLELLAN

Weather has

kept some folks

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Trail Park for

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Lights, but the

popular display

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Staff Writer

sports a new look,

as a \$500,000

remodeling project

nears completion.

"Everything is

new, from the car-

pet to the tiles to

the mini-blinds,

the beds and the

floor," said Amber

And the hospital

ing and redesign.

spokesperson.

hospital

is preparing to unveil its new look

in mid-January, when final touches

have been added to all the remodel-

"Our census is lowest at

Christmas, which was why we

chose to do this work now," Rich

Rich.

**News** Editor

City employees have been especially busy with water line breaks throughout Big Spring. Rapid tem-

perature changes have caused underground pipes to split and rupture. Mike Sizenbach, left, and Carlos Hilario finish up a break on Dallas Street Saturday afternoon.

south of the line lost their water all night. That included the neighbor-

hood around Marcy School, and residents of Comanche Trail Nursing Center.

"We had to bring in bottled water," said Sandra Lloyd, a nurse at Comanche Trail. The nursing home was still dealing with low water pressure late Saturday afternoon.

Because of the size of the

pipe, and the severity of the deposits in the lines. break, it took the crews about 11 hours to repair it and get water flowing again.

"The breaks have been really all over town," Piper said, adding that six happened on the northside alone.

is usually 30 minutes to an disturb the rust, causing it to hour before the water is back on for customers. Crews have

If you notice your water has a reddish tint after a water line break, it's rust that is to blame. Most of the city's cast iron pipe is coated with a hard rust, Piper explained. When the lines break and crews must cut Once repairs are complete, it the ends to repair them, they mix in with water in the pipe.

to flush out mud, air and rust See PIPES, Page 2A Festival of Lights shines for hundreds each night

500 people a night, organizers there was no count. Still, con- had so many comments," said

sidering that, the average was Simmons. "People got very angry that someone would destroy the lights.'

The Festival of Lights will be up through Dec. 31 each evening until 10. Although the greeters are gone, volunteers are on hand almost every evening to pass out literature. take donations and answer any questions, said Simmons.

sales \$142,330,586,569 446,148 outlets. In the retail trade division, Howard County had 391 outlets report gross fourth quarter sales of \$68,584,871, which rep-

ter

\$64,408,264.

sales of \$68,294,518. For the second quarter of 1998

See SALES TAX. Page 2A

Scenic Mountain Medical Center getting a new, restful look

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

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SIMMONS

A redesign to the Intensive Care Unit was recently completed. The work was completed in five days, to Under foot and over head, the provide minimal inconvenience to medical and surgical third floor of their patients, Rich said. Scenic Mountain Medical Center

said

"We're using local contractors as much as we can. We moved the walls, and completely gutted ICU," she said.

While patient capacity remains at six for ICU care, the entire unit has a new look, she said.

"We've got a more efficient use of space. We're very lucky that we have big patient rooms at Scenic Mountain Medical Center," she said.

The decor of the entire floor has changed, with light teal green carpet and a new mural that covers one wall near the elevator.

"It's very restful," Rich said. Along with the remodeling, the hospital is also redesigning its

See REMODELING, Page 2A



**HERALD** photo/Linda Choate

Technical equipment for the new addition to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center Intensive Care Unit was being installed late last week on the third floor. Flasal Zeltouni, standing, and ICU nurse Toya Rivers enter information into the new computers.

reported by resents an 0.4 percent decrease over 1997 second quarter gross

of

volunteers had to scramble to get the lights back up and oper-

"I think the whole community

"A lot of people have been 566 people an evening. walking the trail, and that's

setbacks. Vandals struck at the park less than a week before opening night of the Festival of Lights and Simmons and other

ating again.

was up in arms about that. We See LIGHTS, Page 2A

really the best way to see it," said Pat Simmons, who coordinated the project. "You can't see near all the display without walking the trail." Greeters at the park counted 8,504 visitors from Dec. 4

said.

through Dec. 19. On two of those nights, weather kept the greeters from coming out, so

The project entailed weeks of work, and hasn't been without



### **O**BITUARIES

#### Joy Prier Lewallen

Joy Prier Lewallen, 75, widow of John Lewallen, died on · Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1998, in Methodist Hospital, Lubbock.

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Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 26, 1998, at First Baptist Church Chapel in .Big Spring Rev. with Tubbs, Eddie pastor, officiating. Graveside services will be

LEWALLEN . 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 28, 1998, at Fairview Cemetery in Tuttle, Okla., with Rev. Rick Goodman, Baptist minister in Tuttle, officiating.

Joy was born in Weatherford, Okla., on Oct. 12, 1923. She graduated from Clinton High School and was a graduate of the University of Oklahoma. She was married to John Lewallen in Norman, Okla., on April 30, 1944, and he preceded her in death on March 26, 1983. Joy taught school for several years and was then employed by Phillips Petroleum Company in Borger. In 1993 she moved to Big Spring from Bartlesville, Okla./

She was a member of First Baptist Church, Big Spring.

Survivors include: one son and daughter-in-law, David B. and Diana Lewallen of Lubbock; one son-in-law, Bob Abbott of Big Spring; four grandchildren, Doug Abbott of Roswell, N.M., Kevin Gross of Lubbock, Kyle Gross of Austin and Kristen Lewallen of Lubbock; one sister, Orvella Littlefield of Lawton, Okla., and a niece, Lynda Gale Stanton of Lawton, Okla.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Opal and Orville Price and a daughter, Karen Abbott.

A memorial has been established for Joy Lewallen and those who wish to remember her in this way may forward; their gifts to the Multi-Media Project, First Baptist Church, 705.-W FM 700, Big Spring; or Parkridge, Pregnancy Center, 5203 79th Suite B. Lubbock, TX 79424.

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

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#### **Gladys Lankford** Hart

Services for Gladys Lankford Hart, 82, were 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 26, 1998, in First Baptist Church of Loraine with Rev. Dan Marshall officiating. Burial will follow in the Loraine Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home of Colorado City.

Mrs. Hart died Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1998, in a Big Spring nursing home. She was born March 5, 1916, in Buffalo Gap. The family soon moved to Loraine, where she grew up. She married Homer Hart on Dec. 24, 1936, in Colorado City. She worked at Colorado Drug Store and later for Scott Fuel Company in Loraine. She was a member of First Baptist Church, Loraine.

Survivors include her brother, Aubrey Lankford of Big Spring, and several nieces and nephews.

### CARING

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her family had moved into town and her son, Kenneth, was in grade at Marcy first Elementary.

But, with no prompting from adults, the students gave up the \$90 they would have spent on pizza, and added to it with other donations. Then school staff pitched in, and the total rose to nearly \$400.

"Even though we're not out there, to know that they still care for us," she said, "that meant more than anything."

Without the money, and with bills piling up, Christmas would have been "pretty slim" for the family, Court said.

"They are just exceptional kids," she said. "I hope their parents are proud.

"If we can have this kind of kids in the generation we have now, we have a lot of hope for our future."

### SALES TAX

#### Continued from Page 1A

in retail trade for Howard County, Use Tax Purchases totaled \$137.912 and the amount

an overall refurbishing of the hospital, she said. The projects began in 1996, with a complete remodel of the first floor.

LOCAL

That was followed by a \$1 million remodel of the obstetrical on the second floor, and a new transitional care unit.

Now the third floor has received attention.

An interior designer, Barbara Hall, was hired to help with the coordination of the efforts, and to offer suggestions about the projects, she said.

An open house has been scheduled for Jan. 26 for both the remodeling of the floor and the new patient care program, she said.

### PIPES

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"And when people see fire hydrants running, we're not water," Piper wasting explained. "We've got to flush the hydrants out."

If you see water in the street and suspect a water line has broken, call the city at 264-2391. This number is good after business hours and on weekends and holidays as well.

"The two sources of finding our leaks are still the public and the police department," Piper said.

The water line breaks may to continue as the warmer weather does. Piper said this freeze has been hard on lines, but not like 1989, when the thaw after a hard freeze broke 100 main lines in a week.

He said workers are prepared for working out in cold temperatures, but still find it easier to work in the water when the weather's a bit warmer.

Today's high is expected to climb to the mid-60s. "That's good news," Piper said,

"and bad news."

### Three men dead in airplane crash

MIDLAND (AP) - Men representing three generations of a family died Saturday in the crash of a single-engine airplane, authorities said.

The 1976 Cessna 172 crashed short of the runway at Midland International Airport during a landing about 2:30 p.m., officials said.

Victims included the pilot, exchange.

## BIG SPRING ROUND THE TOWN

dead before paramedics arrived. Police said they know of no motive for the shooting and do not know if it is related to other early morning shootings of

motorists in the Dallas area. On Dec. 17, an unknown gunman shot at two motorists on the Dallas North Tollway. Neither was hurt in the attacks, which occurred shortly after 2 a.m.

On Dec. 4, a man was struck and killed by an apparent stray bullet while driving on Central Expressway near Mockingbird Lane at about 3 a.m.

SUPPORT GROUPS

#### SUNDAY

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting. •NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

MONDAY •Al-A-Teen, 7:30 p.m., 615 Settles.

•TOPS Club (Take off pound sensibly), weigh-in 5 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., Birdwell Lane Church of Christ

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

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

 Encouragers Support Group (formerly Widow/Widower support group) first and third Mondays each month. First Monday meetings are at a local restaurant at 6 p.m. Third Monday meetings are at 6 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church Seventh and Runnels (enter through north door). We have various activities, such as guest speakers, play games, have covered dish supper, visit or go out to eat. For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369. The Dec. 7 meeting will be at the Spanish Inn for dinner, and the Dec. 21 meeting will be a Christmas dinner. Bring a covered dish of salad, vegetables, desserts, etc. Also bring a gift

not exceeding \$10 for a fun gift

• ASSAULTS were reported

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at 7 p.m. at 409 Runnels (formerly the TU building) For further information call Sondra at 267-7220

•Greater West Texas Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association will meet Dec. 7, at 7 p.m. at 1700 Lancaster. The topice will be on "Surviving the Holidays." •New Voice Club, a support group for laryngectomees and their families, will meet Monday Dec. 14, at 6:30 p.m. at 2410 Wasson Drive, the house behind the 7-11 store but with the driveway on Randolph. For directions, call 267-2800.

 Survivors of Suicide will meet Monday, Dec. 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the pastoral care office of Midland Memorial Hospital. Dr. Alan Williams, chaplain of Memorial Hospital, will be speaking on "Surviving the Holidays when Grieving."

 Alzheimer's Association Support Group, last Thursday of the month, Comanche Trail Nursing Center, 3200 Parkway, 7 p.m. Call Viola Barraza at 267-9459

•Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.)

•Al-Anon support group, 8 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical the 1600 block of Young. Center small cafeteria.

GROUP LISTING, PLEASE SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.

## POLICE

**Big Spring Police Department** reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 3 p.m. Saturday:

DISTUR-DOMESTIC **BANCES** were reported in the 1500 block Oriole, 500 block Westover, 1400 block Main, 2500 block Hunter, 1500 block Sycamore and 1000 block Nolan.

 LOUD PARTIES/NOISE were reported in the 100 block Runnels and 1000 block S. Main.

Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents between Wednesday

at 8 a.m. and Saturday at 3 p.m: • STEVEN BRANT GILLE-SPIE, 20, was arrested for driving under the influence.

 JOSE JACINTO SILVA, 50, was arrested for public intoxication. adi aliuthe wornot? Detense



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IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT

#### Patricia Ann "Pat" Burnett

Funeral services for Pat Burnett, 52, Odessa, will be 3 p.m. Monday, Dec. 28, 1998, at Sunset Heights Baptist Church with Rev. Jess Little officiating. Interment will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens under the direction of Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Burnett was born June 22, 1946, in Sweetwater. She moved to Odessa 28 years ago from Big/Spring. She was a member of Sunset Heights Baptist Church.

Survivors include: her husband, Doyle Burnett of Odessa, daughters Carol Williams and Jennifer Grooms of Odessa, son Dovle Ray Burnett of Odessa, sister Carol Arnold of Truth or Consequences, N.M., brother, Jimmy Jones of Hobbs, N.M., and six grandchildren.

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division had 215,847 outlets report second quarter sales of \$56,705,474,711, a 5.8 percent increase over 1997 second quarter sales of \$53,597,925,370.

### LIGHTS

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"I am out there as much as I can be. I love talking to the people and they really seem to enjoy seeing the lights. We've had wonderful response," she said.

"If you haven't been out to see the lights, come on out and see them. If you have time, walk the trail. It's really very special."

### **REMODELING**\_

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method of providing patient care, she said.

A team of nurses has worked diligently to observe and critique the current methods of patient care, and several suggestions will be incorporated into the scheme of the hospital's medical care, she said.

"This team of nurses identified small and large problems, and there will be a big difference come mid-January," Rich said.

One area the team identified is the need to group patients on the floor according to their specific medical condition.

For instance, surgical patients will be grouped together, as will medical care patients and pediatrics, she said.

In-depth training for all hospital staff, round the clock, will be initiated at year's beginning, for a grand opening of the change and the new remodel by mid January, she said.

All these changes are part of



James Wilson Bozzell, 49, of Weatherford, his son, James Wilson Bozzell Jr., 24, of Fort Worth, and his father, James Donald Bozzell, 74, of Midland. Officials said the plane nosedived and broke in half. Weather at the time was clear and the temperature was in the upper 50s.

Federal investigators were to inspect the wreckage.

## Girl, 5, shot to death in car on Friday

DALLAS (AP) - A 5-year-old girl was killed early Christmas morning when two men walked up to her parents' car and opened fire, apparently without provocation, police said.

Ernesto Ordaz, 21, was arrested by police less than a mile from the shooting and charged with capital murder.

Diana Mendoza was in the back seat of a car stopped at a red light about 3 a.m. in west Dallas, said Sgt. Ross Salverino, a Dallas police homicide unit supervisor. Two men who stopped behind the car got out of their vehicle and walked up to the side of the car in front of them, he said.

"Without saying a word, they fired several shots into the vehicle," Sgt. Salverino told The Dallas Morning News. "We feel pretty comfortable that the suspects and the family members did not know each other.'

Several of the shots struck Diana, who was sitting next to her 1-year-old sister. None of the other family members was injured, police said.

Police said they know of no motive for the shooting.

As the suspects fled, Diana's parents drove to their apartment about a mile away, where they called an ambulance. But Diana - less than two weeks shy of her sixth birthday - was

DUNLAPS **Now Thru Christmas** Open til 7 pm Mon.-Sat. Sunday, 1-5 111 E. Marcy 267-8283

 Alzheimer's support group, p.m., Canterbury South, 1700 N. Lancaster, first Mondays of each month. Call Galynn Gamble' at 263-1271. The topic for Nov. 2 will be on "Validation therapy, connecting with your loved one.

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.)

•Alzheimer's support group, 6:30 p.m., Marcy House, 2301 Wasson. Call 268-9041.

 Association of Retarded Citizens of Howard County meet 7 p.m. the first Monday of each month at 806 E. Third Street, the HARC bingo building. Call 264-0674 for more information.

•Family Education and Support, sponsored by Howard County Mental Health Center, meets the last Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at 409 Runnels, Clyde Alsup Building. TXAMI meeting to follow. For more information call 263-0027 or 267-7220.

•The Big Spring Alliance for the Mentally Ill meets the fourth Monday of each month





in the 400 block East 4th and 1200 block Sycamore.

 THEFTS were reported in the 900 block Willa, 1600 block Scurry, 600 block Bell, 1200 block E. 11th, 11th and Settles, 200 block West Marcy and 2300 block Wasson.

• JOHN PEREZ, 24, was arrested for public intoxication. CRIMINAL MISCHIEF and **BURGLARY OF A HABITA-TION** were reported in the 1000

Martin County Commissioners Court will meet at 8 a.m. Wednesday in the Stanton County Courthouse.

Items on the agenda are a budget amendment, bonds to be approved, reports, swearing in of new officials and a water plan assessment.

Other items are bills, a subdivision north of Midland, the road report and pipeline and utility crossings.

## A Message to **Our Clients** and Friends:

When I joined Edward Jones 32 years ago, I had two goals. The first was to build a successful business here in Big Spring. The continued trust and support of my clients have allowed me to do so, and I sincerely thank each of them.

My second goal was to provide exceptional personalized service to every investor who chose to do business with Edward Jones. I've worked very hard to achieve this goal, but as my business has grown, it has become more challenging. That is why I'm so pleased to announce that a second investment representative, Barbara Brumley has joined me in my office.

Barbara will work with me in my office for the next 18 months, serving the needs of existing clients and extending our services to new investors. She will then open another Edward Jones office here in Big Spring.

I'm very pleased to be working with Barbara, and I'm sure you will be as impressed with her professionalism and integrity as I am. Should she contact you, I hope you will extend the same warm welcome I have received. As always, if we can be of service, please call or stop by the office anytime.

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## Proposed legislation would change Texas clemency procedures

AUSTIN (AP) - A federal judge calls the state's secretive clemency process "appalling" and the outgoing attorney general said it should be changed. Gov. George W. Bush, however, says he believes the process works.

With the fairness of Texas' clemency process for death row inmates expected to be a key part of the criminal justice debate in the upcoming legislative session, one lawmaker proposes to open meetings of the **Board of Pardons and Paroles** and write into law specific criteria for the board to consider.

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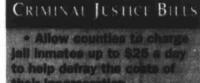
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"We need to have public hearings," said Rep. Elliott Naishtat, D-Austin. "No one knows what the board does."

Naishtat has filed a bill to create public testimony hearings for the board when considering clemency in death penalty cases. Another would set criteria for board consideration, including whether any doubts remain about an inmate's guilt, whether an inmate is mentally



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retarded or has been rehabilitated and if mercy is appropriate.

Board members now individually review clemency applications and related information. They cast written votes and can send them in by fax. The board isn't required to hold a public meeting or hearing, and it isn't ty system several times before required to consider specific issues in making its decision.

"We don't know if they consider anything, because they don't meet," Naishtat said. He said the bill still would allow the board to make its final vote behind closed doors. A record of its decision and a reason for it would public record.

system, noting that inmates typically have spent years arguing in state and federal courts.

"It's going to take an awfully compelling argument for me to support the change," Bush told the Austin-American Statesman.

"All I can tell you is that for the four years I've been governor, I am confident we have not executed an innocent person, and I'm confident that the system has worked to make sure there is full access to the courts," Bush said.

Attorney General Dan Morales, whose office has defended the state's death penalthe U.S. Supreme Court, has said the clemency system must be made more public.

Lawyers for two death-row inmates, including Canadian Joseph Stanley Faulder, recently argued before U.S. District Judge Sam Sparks that the system should be changed.

Although Sparks criticized Backers defend the current the board's procedures, he said he was unsure if they violate an inmate's minimum due process rights. He did not immediately

issue a ruling. **Board of Pardons and Paroles** Chairman Victor Rodriguez did not return phone calls this week but said in court that although there are no set clemency criteria, board members consider all

information submitted. Richard Dieter, director of the Washington D.C.-based Death Penalty Information Center, a non-profit group that tracks executions around the country, said specific criteria and a public hearing are critical in deciding life and death issues.

"This is a unique kind of deci- similar to court costs assessed sion," Dieter said.

"The clemency board should have the opportunity to revisit things before the final punishment that can't be revoked."/

By adopting both measures the board would be less likely to be 'criticized for making arbitrary decisions, Naishtat said.

It also could reduce the number of challenges in appellate courts, Naishtat said.

Texas has 446 inmates on death row and has executed 20 by lethal injection this year. Naishtat said he has mixed feelings about the death penalty.

"I don't want this to become a fight over the death penalty because that's not what this is all about. It is definitely related to it, of course," Naishtat said.

Other criminal justice legislation filed for the 1999 session would:

-Allow counties to charge jail inmates up to \$25 a day to drunken drivers would permahelp defray the costs of their incarceration. Judges would for people convicted of a third determine fees, which would be drunken driving offense.

on criminals, said bill sponsor Rep. Burt Solomons, R-Carrollton.

Solomons said 16 other states have such a law, and it could save Texas counties millions of tax dollars a year if approved.

-Require convicted criminals to pay a court fee of \$5 for felonies and \$1 for misdemeanors to help rural counties pay for murder trials. The state comptroller's office estimated the legislation would raise about \$3.3 million a year. Counties with fewer than 50,000 residents would qualify.

-Require criminal history background checks of school employees, which school districts currently have the option of doing.

-Lower from .10 to .08 the legal blood alcohol level considered too drunk to drive. Another bill aimed at curbing nently revoke driving privileges

## More Harris County judges allow defense attorneys to plead for life

probably could have done little to save Franklin Dewayne Alix, who seemed to unsettle jurors with noisy tantrums during his capital murder trial in August, from the death penalty.

But their defense tactics, though unsuccessful, are being seen as a trend being allowed by more and more local judges. After Alix, a 23-year-old career criminal, was convicted

of killing a man on Jan. 3 after allegedly raping his sister, state District Judge George Godwin allowed the defense to explain why life in prison would be a suitable penalty.

A life sentence means hard time for at least 40 years, but in the past judges often have kept lawyers from explaining that to iuries.

been critical of the practice, ultimately disagree with it. however.

Defense Morrow admits the Alix case too much information," said

HOUSTON (AP) – Lawyers for the defense: His courtroom behavior appalled jurors, as did details of his six-month crime spree that prosecutors say included at least four capital murders, two rapes and many violent robberies.

"Jurors need to hear all the information they can get," Morrow told the Houston Chronicle. "And now, I think there's a growing sentiment out there among everybody that this is information that jurors should fairly know about.

Alix's attorneys tried to argue he would not be a threat to prison society, which they said was relevant since that's where Alix would be for at least 40 years if given life.

Other judges agreed with Godwin that jurors deserve The U.S. Supreme Court has such information, even if they

"When it comes to punishlawyer Robert ment, you can't give the jury wasn't the most fertile ground state District Judge Ted Poe,

known as a tough judge on convicted defendants. "Jurors are smart and they'll sift through it and figure it out."

Prosecutors in Harris County, which has sent more convicted murderers to death row than any other U.S. county since the 1970s, aren't as enthusiastic about allowing such evidence.

"My biggest fear with these arguments is how do you know what the climate is going to be in 40 years with the parole board?" said Harris County prosecutor Vanessa Velasquez. "How do you know that it's not going to be like it was several years ago where there was no bed space in our prisons and (dangerous) people were getting out?"

prosecutor Lyn Fellow McLellan warned such defense tactics could backfire.

"Then jurors could start to think, 'Why keep them alive and pay for their care for that long?" McLellan said

## Lawmaker wants to rewrite rules for filling vacated governor's post

AUSTIN (AP) - If Gov. George W. Bush decides to run for president in 2000 and wins,

one Texas lawmaker says he wants the state to be prepared to fill the governor's shoes. Rep. Tom

Ramsay has said he wants to rewrite rules in the state constitution

concerning the succession

process in case Bush, whose term as governor runs through 2002, decides to run for the White House.

The Texas Constitution says the lieutenant governor shall take over the governor's responsibilities if the elected governor is deposed, dies, departs or in

some way becomes unavailable office is vacated. to serve.

These are the same rules that take effect when the governor is temporarily out of the state.

Ramsay, a Democrat from Mount Pleasant, said the problem is that a lieutenant governor who takes on the duties of be offered as a proposed constigovernor can also retain the powers of lieutenant governor. 1999 Legislative session. State rules also say the new lieutenant governor, who is elected from the senate, can continue to serve as a senator.

"These offices all have different duties and responsibilities," Ramsay said. "It is absurd to suggest that any person could or should hold more than one of

The Austin American Statesman reported that Ramsay's plan calls for the lieutenant governor to serve only as governor in the case that the

His proposal also calls for any senator elected as lieutenant governor give up all senate duties.

Ramsay said his plan, which was inspired by Bush's potential run for the presidency, will tutional amendment during the

"The governor's national prominence shined a light on a dark corner of our constitution," he said. "After we dusted away the cobwebs, we found vague language that created uncertain circumstances and potential abuse.'

Texas has not had a gubernatorial vacancy since the 1949 death of Beauford Jester. He was replaced by then-Lt. Gov. Allan Shivers, who chose to give up his duties as lieutenant governor.

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#### Christmas came early for octuplets

HOUSTON (AP) - Christmas tinue to pour into Texas come in handy, as one could was yet another day for the parents of the world's only living octuplets to count their blessings. The best gifts of all eight babies — had already come.

Doctors at Texas Children's Hospital said the octuplets remained in critical condition Friday and are expected to stay that way for several weeks.

The babies' parents quietly celebrated Christmas Day at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital, where the mother, Nkem Chukwu, is recovering, said Chido Nwangwu, a family spokesman.

"It was a very quiet, beautiful day for them," said Nwangwu, editor of USAfrica newspaper and a prominent member of the local Nigerian community. Like the babies' parents, he is a member of Nigeria's Igbo ethnic group

Children's Hospital, a hospital operator said Friday.

Since the babies were born, companies, individuals and members of Houston's sizable Nigerian community have stepped forward with offerings ranging from a lifetime supply of diapers, oil changes and tires to money and cribs.

The proud father, lyke Louis Udobi, has referred to his children repeatedly as "gifts" and "blessings" from God since the birth of five girls and two boys on Sunday. The eighth, a girl, was born Dec. 8.

Oni Chukwu, the mother's brother, said he is "the proudest uncle and this is the most wonderful gift."

"How much more special can it get?" he said.

"We have family coming in from all parts of the country. We have a large network of Gifts of the material kind con- extended family. That's going to are body and soul."

expect, as the kids leave the hospital." At least 300 people outside the family also have offered to help

baby-sit. "Our family, both here in the United States and in Nigeria and all over the world, are extremely grateful for the outpouring of support spiritually, emotionally, prayerfully and resourcefully as well as for these wonderful kids." said Chukwu, who traveled from Connecticut to see his sister and her children.

One gift that Ms. Chukwu awaits is among the most precious for a new mother. As of Thursday, she had yet to see or hold her babies because she's still weak from months of bed rest.

Their father said he visits them every day.

"I have to," Louis said. "We

## Mister Rogers sues to stop sale of T-shirts that show him with gun

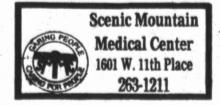
PITTSBURGH (AP) — The immediately return a call seeklast image Fred Rogers wants children to see is a picture of himself toting a pistol.

The soft-spoken host of PBS' "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood" this week sued a Carrollton, Texas-based novelty store chain that is hawking T-shirts that display Rogers with his trademark sweater and smile - and benefiting from his image. a silver handgun.

Instead of saying "Won't you be my neighbor?" the T-shirt, being sold by Gadzooks, Inc., stores, has the 70-year-old Rogers saying, "Welcome to my hood."

"It's bad for the kids," said Rogers' attorney, Thomas C. Wettach. "It's sick humor. It's really taking advantage and exploitation.'

Gerald Szczepanski, president of the 280-store chain, didn't



ing comment.

In the lawsuit, filed in federal court in Pittsburgh, Rogers and company, Family his Communications Inc., say they want the T-shirts destroyed. They say Gadzooks is infringing Rogers' trademark, violating his privacy and wrongly

Wettach said he learned about the T-shirt when a parent saw it in an Erie, Pa. mall's Gadzooks store and called Family Communications. The 30-yearold program is based in Pittsburgh. The image on the Tshirt was taken from a poster of Rogers putting on a sneaker, his trademark move at the start of his television show.

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## OPINION

## Clinton faces tough road with Congr

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**AP Special Correspondent** 

WASHINGTON (AP) - The ghosts of this Christmas past will haunt President Clinton to. the last hour of his last day in the White House as he deals with the Republican House that impeached him.

Democrats will be reinforced in the new Congress, but short of the strength to win what the president said he will seek to do: broaden federal education programs, enact guarantees of patients' rights in managed health care, and act on the always-sensitive issues of Social Security and Medicare financing.

On Wednesday, Clinton added a proposal for \$1.12 billion in assistance for homeless Americans next year, a 15 per-

There's more to come Jan. 19 in his State of the Union message to a Congress in which Republicans will have a narrowed, six-vote House majority, and 10-seat control in the

Whatever is done in the next two years can't be done without them, which means compromise.

budget this year and had to settle on a catchall money bill to keep the government funded. They argued to an impasse

on patients' rights, sidestepped a dispute on the way to conduct the 2000 census, and managed to settle on education aid, approving part of what Clinton wanted with local control

terms Republicans demanded. But the last session's sparse product led Democrats to call it a do-nothing Congress, while Republicans accused them of snarling the works.

Now it will be more difficult to get things done. When Congress convenes Jan. 6, impeachment will be a first order of Senate business, with trial or a censure settlement possibly both - as the options. Clinton said he would accept congressional rebuke and censure for the Monica Lewinsky affair and his deceptions about it, but he won't admit lying, let alone the perjury of which he stands accused by House vote.

A second impeachment article charges him with obstruction of justice in an attempt to cover up the illicit sex. Even Republicans looking to censure as a way out - given

the prospect of trial without punishment for lack of the 67 Senate votes it would take to convict Clinton and force him from office - insist that a confession be part of any deal.

But the suggestion of censure instead of ouster prompted the Republican who managed the House impeachment drive to say there should be no deal in the Senate while there are still "reams of evidence" against -Clinton that have not been disclosed.

That could lead two-thirds of the Senate to vote to throw him out, Rep. Tom DeLay of Texas, the GOP whip, said Wednesday.

The new House speaker-designate, J. Dennis Hastert of Illinois, was deputy whip to **DeLay until Newt Gingrich** resigned because of Republican losses in the midterm elections. Bob Livingston of Louisiana, confessing his own illicit affairs before a sex magazine could publish reports of them, withdrew as Gingrich's successor before Clinton was impeached on Saturday.

There are threats of more such disclosures to come about other Republican members of Congress, which would worsen a politically hostile atmosphere.

**Clinton** joined other Democrats in calling for an end to "the politics of personal destruction." But that end is not in view.

In the Clinton impeachment case, some Democrats say the Senate should settle quickly on censure, end it all and get back

to business.

"And if we don't do that, we're going to have such a polarized, politicized Congress for the next two years, I don't see where much of anything gets done in this country," Sen. **Patrick Leahy of Vermont said** on NBC.

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Sen. John Breaux of Louisiana said on ABC that pressing the case could lead to a months-long Senate trial, leaving no opportunity to act on Social Security or other issues.

"We're tearing each other apart," Breaux said. "... We're punishing the Congress more than we're punishing the president."

**Clinton's most ardent GOP** foes say the way to end it all quickly is for him to resign. Rejecting that, the president said it has never crossed his mind. After the House impeachment votes, he said he intends to work for his programs and policies for two more years, "until the last hour of the last day of my term.'

After he was re-elected, Clinton remarked on the pattern of second-term woes that have beset modern presidents. "I'm very mindful of history's difficulties, and I'm going to try to beat them," he said.

He hasn't, and there are more awaiting him.

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## dispose of the tree properly s you carefully pack away the lights, the tinsel. the bulbs and the rest of the holiday decorations for another year, keep in mind that the job isn't finished until the tree has been

properly disposed of. How many times have you driven down the road and seen a discarded Christmas tree lying in a ditch? Somehow, that dampens the holiday spirit, doesn't it? It certainly is not in keeping with the message of giving, caring and consideration for others. After all, some county employee or some property owner has to pick it up and do what the tree's owner should have done in the first place — haul it to the city landfill or the compost facility.

Both the landfill and the compost facility are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The one exception is New Year's Day, when they will be closed.

For those new to Howard County, the compost facility is located at the Airpark on Perimeter Road, while the landfill is at FM 700 and Interstate 20.

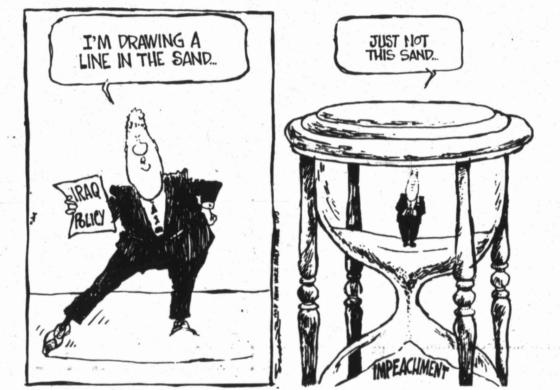
There is no charge to Howard County residents to dispose of their trees at either location. City workers ask only that the owner remove as much of the decorations as possible before delivery. There is also no deadline. If your family has a tradition of keeping the tree up until after New Year's, that's fine. Bring it to either facility afterward.

The trees are ground into mulch and wood chips, and used at county facilities or sold back to the pub lic. They make great ground cover around trees and other areas. Disposing of the Christmas tree is a great way to teach children about responsibility and about recycling. So, don't even think about dumping it somewhere for someone else to deal with. Do the right thing for our community and dispose of your Christmas tree properly.

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That was elusive before the bitterness of near party-line impeachment - Clinton and Congress couldn't agree on a



### **OTHER VIEWS**

Rep. Bob Livingston is calling it "Flyntism." Others call it "the politics of personal destruction." But no matter how you refer to the practice of digging up dirt on elected officials, the damage is beginning to pile up.

There have been no allegations that Rep. Livingston committed any illegal acts, but (he) learned last week that Hustler mágazine publisher Larry Flynt was investigating his extramarital affairs. On Saturday, as House members geared up to impeach President Clinton for committing perjury and obstructing justice to conceal his affair with Monica Lewinsky, Rep. Livingston abruptly stepped aside as the next House speaker and resigned his seat in Congress. ...

It is impossible to quantify the damage done to our political culture when the publisher of a nudie magazine has the power to push someone out of public life. But for the New Orleans area and the rest of Louisiana, it's clear that Mr. Flynt's tactics — and Rep. Livingston's decision to resign because of those tactics - will be costly in more tangible ways.

As House Appropriations chairman, Rep. Livingston has in recent years helped channel more than \$3 billion in federal money into the local economy. And when he was poised to take over as House speaker, the future looked even brighter for Avondale Industries, the Canal Street streetcar line, the **University of New Orleans** technology park and other economic engines that have benefited from federal largesse in the past. .

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In the days between now and the New Year's holiday, there will ... be a lull in the war over the impeachment of President Clinton.

Let us hope that both sides will use that lull to think about whether they truly want to subject the country to more months of sexual politics in the coming year that will do much harm to the Congress, the Presidency and the nation. Indeed, with Larry Flynt threatening to name more names in his sleazy crusade to

expose impeachment-minded Republicans with sexual improprieties in their past, the backlash may be severe. Just having the publisher of a rag like Hustler involved in destroying congressional careers speaks volumes about how far off course we have gone in the drive to cleanse the body politic of the Clinton affair.

Fortunately ... up stepped former Presidents Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter with a proposal that made us want to cheer.

Their solution to end the impeachment fight is a bipartisan censure resolution that would state Clinton lied under oath. ...

This we believe, is a solution that the majority of Americans would embrace as a fitting acknowledgment of Clinton's wrongdoing. ..

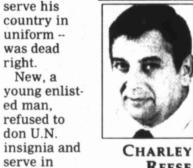
This is a punishment that is proportional to the offense, which impeachment is not. Impeachment was set up to remove a president who threatens the well-being of the republic.

Clinton's actions ... don't rise to that standard. .

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## **Ketaining our independence**

he oath United Nations bfficers must take and the one American soldiers take proves that Michael New -- the only American ever tried and convicted by court-martial for wanting to



under the command of a Finnish officer. He believes that his U.S. military oath forbids it, and for that he was court-martialed. His appeal is still winding its way through the courts.

But let's look at the oaths. An American soldier swears as follows: "I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I will obey the orders of the president of the United States and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to regulations and the Uniform Code of Military Justice.'

Now, here is the oath that officers serving the United Nations must take: "I solemnly affirm to exercise in all loyalty,

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discretion and conscience the functions entrusted to me as a member of the international service of the United Nations, to discharge those functions and regulate my conduct with the interest of the United Nations only in view and not to seek or accept instructions in respect to the performance of my duties from any government or other authority external to the organization." As you can plainly see, a person cannot be loval to both the United States and to the United Nations. The United Nations is a separate, foreign government.

And that was Michael New's point: He never took an oath to the United Nations, and no one had the authority to place him under foreign command.

It bears remembering that, when American troops arrived in France during World War I, British and French officials proposed that they be integrated into the Allied forces and serve under British and French command. Gen. Blackjack Pershing flatly refused. No American soldier, he said, would serve under a foreign commander.

This is an issue that all Americans should join, for it is much larger than Michael New. The question is, do we want America to retain its sovereignty and independence for which our ancestors fought a war with Great Britain, or do we wish it to become a nonindependent part of an international sovereign government?

Yes or no? And you had better decide,

because the American Establishment is opting gradually to dissolve American independence and to merge it into an international order. To prepare Americans for that loss of independence, the present administration is ordering American troops to serve under U.N. command, doing U.N. errands. In a time of peace, for the first time in our history, American troops are posted in more than 100 foreign countries, in nearly every case as U.N. errand boys or U.N. leg-breakers.

In a speech urging rejection of the League of Nations, Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge said, "It must be made perfectly clear that no American soldiers, not even a corporal's guard, that no American sailors, not even the crew of a submarine, can ever be engaged in war or ordered anywhere except by the constitutional authorities of the United States. To Congress is granted by the Constitution the right to declare war, and nothing that would take troops out of the country at the bidding or demand of other nations should ever be permitted.' As you can see, the fight for American sovereignty is an old and continuing fight. Which side are you on: America's or the internationalists'? Do you have the courage of Michael New to stand by your country? The shape of the future depends on the answers.

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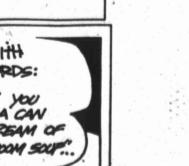
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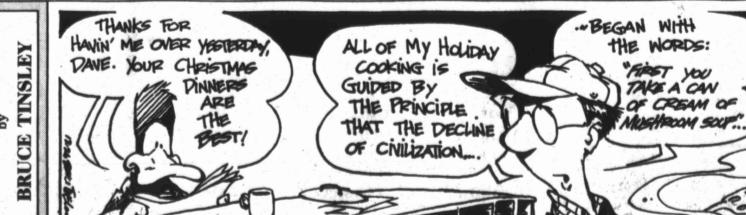
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## Clinton hands out Christmas Eve pardons to 33 crimina

WASHINGTON (AP) - The uniform sits in Kevin Teker's closet, ironed and ready to wear, a symbol of his steadfast determination to become a rescue mission pilot with the civil air patrol.

On Thursday, with a stroke of the pen, President Clinton removed the last hurdle standing between Teker and his long-held ambition. Clinton pardoned Teker for a 1989 conviction, clearing his name along with those of 32 others who also received the acts of executive clemency on Christmas Eve.

"This is something that completes my greatest goal," an exuberant Teker said in a telephone interview from Seattle after a reporter informed him of the good news.

With the pardon, Teker, 33, said he now can pass the necessary background checks to become an active pilot for the Washington State Civil Air Patrol and fly on search-and-rescue missions.

Thirty-two others received the same early Christmas present from the president. Their offenses ranged from conspiring to manufacture marijuana to going AWOL during the Korean War. Clinton, charged in a House impeachment vote a week ago with lying under oath and obstructing justice in the Monica Lewinsky affair, pardoned three people for lying to government agencies or a bank.

The president pardoned tax dodgers, a car thief and various military convicts - including a thief court-martialed by the Army in 1949. Alejandro Cruz Guedca's theft conviction almost 50 years ago was the oldest case on the annual White House list of pardons. Clinton also pardoned Samuel Harrell being absent without leave in 1952, during the Korean War.

Billy Reynolds, convicted of mail fraud in 1981, said he awaited the pardon with hopes of restoring his good name.

"I thought 'I deserve more than this,"' said Reynolds, who cited his status as an Army veteran of the Korean War as one reason for seeking the clemency.

A county commissioner in Texas at the time, Reynolds and other co-workers were accused of pocketing county funds. Reynolds says he never profited from the job and "had more money when I started than when I finished." Still, he didn't have the cash to put up a fight, so he accepted his five years of probation.

We were just in the wrong place at Woodard, convicted by the Air Force of the wrong time," said Reynolds, 67.

who lives in Cookville, Texas.

The Justice Department receives hundreds of applications for presidential pardons for federal crimes each year. The various branches of the military review pardon requests for military crimes. Prisoners must wait at least five years after conviction to apply for a pardon, which clears the person's name.

Typically, pardons go only to those who have long ago served their punishment and returned to productive private life. The FBI usually conducts a background check before a pardon is issued.

In Teker's case, he said he had been despondent over the death of a friend when he bought and detonated explosives. He later came forward to admit his crime and was put on probation and forced to pay a fine. Nearly a mitted in office.

decade later, Teker barely recognized his old self.

'You make a mistake and then you are given one chance to do the best for your community and country," Teker: said. "People don't realize you don't have to let the stigma of a conviction hinder you from living your life."

Clinton issued 21 pardons at Christmastime last year and has grant-; ed executive clemency to 110 people since he took office in 1993. Presidents may also issue reprieves or commute sentences.

In his own legal troubles, Clinton faces a possible Senate trial and ouster from office if convicted of perjury and obstruction of justice. Clinton's top. lawyer ruled out this month the possibility that Clinton would pardon him. self for any crimes he may have com-

## Tougher drunken driving standard sought

WASHINGTON (AP) Looking at the dark side of the holidays, President Clinton asked Congress Saturday to impose a lower and uniform blood-alcohol level for drunken driving across the nation.

And he said the Justice and Transportation departments will use the leverage of federal grants to persuade states to adopt low-tolerance standards on their own.

In his weekly radio address, the president pointed to new

research showing that in 1996, make a blood-alcohol content of ests blocked this lifesaving meamore than 46 million Americans drank or took drugs within two hours of driving.

"The sight of a car weaving through traffic is an all-toofamiliar and frightening one for many Americans," Clinton said. "Ask any parent, anyone who has lost a loved one to an alcohol-related crash - one impaired driver is one too many.'

Clinton asked Congress to enact legislation next year to

.08 percent the national legal standard for driving while drunk. That level currently is used by 16 states and the **District of Columbia** 

The Senate voted earlier this year to penalize states that did not adopt the .08 standard.

But the House declined to go along, deleting the provision from the six-year highway spending bill Congress passed in May

"Tragically, the special inter-

sure," the president said. Clinton said it is important to

call attention to drunken driving during the Christmas holidavs. when millions of Americans take to the road to visit families and friends and alcohol often flows freely.

Thirteen hundred people were killed in alcohol-related crashes in December 1997 even though such deaths overall were at an all-time low for that year, Clinton said.

## Six killed in Christmas morning townhouse fire

Lion King book, a Hot Wheels set and several stuffed animals lay blackened on a thin layer of snow in the front yard of a townhouse where a Christmas morning fire killed six.

The toys belonged to three young brothers who died Friday along with their parents and a cousin

•"This is the worst fire this county has seen in a long time . maybe ever," said volunteer Fire Chief Bob Hedge.

There was a similar Christmas tragedy in Santa Clara. Calif., where a blaze killed a father and two of his children in their home.

In Dale City, about 20 miles southwest of Washington, Alberto, Serrano, 20, was sleephouse when Sergio Tecuapano woke him. They escaped

of a sliding glass door.

"It's kind of a rough Christmas," he said. His family put off opening their holiday gifts. "We weren't really in the mood for it."

Relatives said the victims were immigrants from Mexico and had lived in the home for about two years.

They were identified as Carlos Vera Denicia, 29; Martha Ortiz Barranco, 28; their sons, Carlos Ivan Denicia Ortiz, 9; Jeremy Christian Denicia Ortiz, 8; Ruben Denicia Ortiz, 4; and Denicia's niece, Maria Antonia Serrano Hernandez, 17.

A 17-year-old who, jumped from a second-floor window was flown to a Washington hospital and was in stable condition. Investigators have not deter-mined the cause of the fire.

which appears to have started

the blaze in Santa Clara.

Seven-year-old Amanda Hirsch; her 9-year-old brother, Gregory; and their father, Todd Hirsch, 34, were killed, said Deputy Fire Chief Phil Kleinheinz.

Kaylianne Hirsch, 10, was hospitalized in critical condition with smoke inhalation and burns to 20 percent of her body.

DALE CITY, Va. (AP) - A house but found fire leaping out trying to determine the cause of The mother, Debbie Hirsch, escaped with minor injuries, along with her 3-year-old son,

Trevor. "It's terribly sad," said Jordan Pavacich, a nursing supervisor at Valley Medical Center in

nearby San Jose. "We see tragedy throughout the year here, but it seems especially poignant for the staff on Christmas morning.

## **Professional complainer** shares secrets with others

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) - Other people might have cried yelled or gone home defeated. Ellen Phillips wrote a letter

Her husband was out of town, she was out of cash, and a grocer in Hattiesburg, Miss., that day in 1964 wouldn't let her write a check for diapers and food.

So Mrs. Phillips carted her infant daughter back to their house. two blocks away, scribbled out her plea, and returned to hand it to the manager.

The check was approved and a career was launched.

Ellen's Poison Pen Inc. now helps hundreds of others voice their wrath through ghostwritten letters of complaint. In January, Vintage Books will publish Mrs. Phillips' secrets in "Shocked, Appalled, and Dismayed! How to Write Letters of Complaint That Get Results.'

She advises prospective complainers to write to the top officialof the company in question and grab his or her attention in the first sentence. For example: "I am shocked and appalled by my most recent experience with your airline."

Next, explain the bad experience and back it up, using polite language, with receipts and documentation, she said. And send copies to several agencies that might help.

Then keep at it. Companies don't always buckle at the first sign of criticism, no matter how professionally it is tailored.

"I get vicarious enjoyment from writing the letters." Mrs Phillips said during an interview at her home office in Alexandria. "I truly did not think people would pay me for this." She charges \$20 per 100 words and \$50 per hour for preparation It's money well spent, according to some of her clients.



through a rear door.

Serrano said he ran to the front of the building but couldn't rescue any of the others inside.

"I opened the front door and flames shot out," Serrano said through a Spanish translator. A neighbor, Bob Zander, 37, said his 12-year-old daughter got up to open presents and saw flames shooting two to three feet out of the front windows of the house.

'There was no way to get in from the front," Zander said. He ran around the rear of the

in the basement, said Steve Strawderman of the Prince County William Fire Department.

Salomon Romero, 25, who was Ms. Hernandez's fiance, had visited the three-bedroom, woodframe town house Thursday night.

"Everybody was happy and opening gifts," he said.

When he returned shortly after 6 a.m. Friday, the house was burning. He said he tried to get in but was repelled by the flames.

Fire investigators were also

## **Critics: Beating case shows** officers' 'blue wall of silence'

BOSTON (AP) - It's been nearly four years since Boston police officer Michael Cox was grabbed from behind while chasing a suspect and beaten, allegedly by fellow officers. They apparently had mistaken Cox, a plainclothes officer, for the bad guy.

Two policemen were found liable this week for using excessive force. One of those two also was found liable on the more serious civil charge of assault and battery.

Critics complain the years it took to bring the case to a conclusion demonstrates a "blue wall of silence" - the unwillingness among officers to testify against each other.

"These kinds of allegations about police, the so-called 'testilying' kind of thing, they're allegations we hear about often," said John Roberts, execdirector of the utive Massachusetts branch of the American Civil Liberties Union. "It's a problem that the police department needs to address and historically has not."

The jury found that officer James Burgio committed assault and battery and that Burgio and David Williams used excessive force against Cox. It cleared officer Ian Daley of excessive force, while finding that Williams, Burgio and Daley showed deliberate indifference to Cox's medical needs when they left him injured on the ground.

The jury found that a fourth officer, Kenneth Conley, did not engage in a coverup, though Conley had been convicted of perjury in June for giving a grand jury false testimony about Cox's beating.

Roberts said the case "never would have seen the light of day" if Cox had been a regular citizen complaining of police misconduct.

"They're either told to go someplace else or kind of given a runaround, and that's often the best case scenario," he said.

The attack happened on the night of Jan. 25, 1995. Cox, a plainclothes officer, responded to a report that an officer had been shot in the city's Roxbury neighborhood. Dozens joined the chase as the four suspects sped through city streets in a gold Lexus.

When the suspects abandoned the car, Cox said, he began chasing one of them over a fence.

That's when he claims he was struck from behind. Several officers then allegedly kicked and beat him on the ground. When they realized Cox was a police officer, they ran away.

Cox's lawsuit against the officers went to trial last month. In a separate suit which has yet to come to trial, he has accused the city and Police Commissioner Paul Evans of violating his civil rights uy failing to investigate complaints of excessive force and discipline officers.







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## Moynihan lends voice to censure drive

WASHINGTON (AP) -Lending an influential voice to the Senate Democrats' hopes for a censure, New York Sen.

Daniel Patrick Moynihan says it would destabilize the presidency to end President Clinton's impeachment case by removing him from office.

MOYNIHAN

Moynihan, who revealed his position in a published report Friday, holds particular credibility on the impeachment issue as one of the first Democratic senators to publicly criticize Clinton's conduct.

As a senior member of the Senate, one of its leading intellectuals and a sometimes critic of the president, Moynihan engenders considerable respect among his peers.

Administration officials quickly expressed new hope for a bipartisan alternative to a obstruction of justice charges.

"We've said all along a bipartisan solution that is prompt and fair is the best course and we welcome efforts by those who are trying to achieve that goal of finding a way of putting all this behind us," said James Kennedy, a spokesman for the White House counsel's office.

Other senators agreed there is increasing bipartisan support for a censure.

"I think you do have a significant group of senators who are trying to work across the aisle and find some bipartisan common ground that the House wasn't able to locate," said Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore.

Based on conversations with Democratic and Republican senators, Wyden said he believed there were 65 to 70 lawmakers interested in finding a bipartisan solution before the Senate returned Jan. 6.

The White House has been careful to stick with a deferential approach, adopted after several Senate Democrats indicated Senate trial on perjury and that the administration best not

deliberations that are solely the prerogative of the Senate.

"It's a matter for the Senate and senators to decide," White House spokeswoman Amy Weiss said.

It would take a two-thirds vote - or. 67 of 100 senators - to remove the president from office. With 45 Democrats and 55 Republicans, at least 12 senators from Clinton's party would have to vote against him to reach 67 — a scenario few see as realistic.

But Clinton's supporters worry about what could happen once a trial gets under way, and they are hoping for a quick resolution to the two articles of impeachment approved by the House.

Amid all the censure talk, there has been no indication from senators that they're heeding suggestions this week from House Majority Whip Tom DeLay, R-Texas. DeLay said that if senators "spend plenty of time in the evidence room" reading impeachment docu-

interfere with impeachment ments secured by the House the two-thirds vote needed for conviction "may appear out of thin air."

Moynihan and fellow Democratic Sens. Joseph Lieberman of Connecticut and **Robert Byrd of West Virginia** all have offered the White House cause for concern about the positions they may take.

But Moynihan told The New York Times in Friday's editions that moves to oust Clinton threaten to "very readily destabilize the presidency.'

"We are an indispensable nation and we have to protect the presidency as an institution," Moynihan told the newspaper. "There has to be a commander in chief. You could very readily destabilize the presidency, move to a randomness. That's an institution that has to be stable, not in dispute. Absent that, do not doubt that you could degrade the Republic quickly."

Moynihan added that "you obviously can infer" that he supported censure.

## Mexican prisoners release their hostages and surrender

MEXICO CITY (AP) - Three Mexican prisoners released hostages they had held for than 20 hours and surrendered Saturday, a prison systems official said.

The slege at the Reclusorio Sur prison ended peacefully about 12:30 p.m., the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity. Prison officials still had no information about how many hostages had been held. News reports gave varying figures, ranging from eight to more than 20.

According to officials, four inmates, hoping to escape, started a riot Friday afternoon while the prison was filled with Christmas visitors. When the escape plans were foiled, they took hostages

The prisoners were said to be armed with guns and grenades, according to news reports,

Four hostages were released over a three-hour period Saturday morning, the prison system said in a statement. They were a 76year-old woman and a pregnant woman who had been visiting relatives in the prison, and two prisoners who had been held hostage.

A fifth hostage, a nurse, managed to escape.

One of the inmates holding hostages surrendered Saturday morning and officials continued to negotiate with the remaining three.

It was not known what the inmates were demanding. After negotiating with them Friday night, Jaime Alvarez Ramos, the city's director of prisons, said that at that moment they were only asking for cigarettes, food and water.

There were no reports of deaths or serious injuries in the disturbance.

### Health industry lobbying Congress to put back Medicare money Program in Overland Park,

WASHINGTON (AP) - A deal lawmakers struck to keep Medicare's finances under control for another decade is threatening to unravel as insurance companies, hospitals and medical professionals besiege Congress with complaints that payments for elderly health care are stretched too thin.

"Everybody who got a tuck and a trim in 1997 wants more money," said Ari Fleischer, spokesman for the House Ways and Means Committee, which oversees the nation's health care program for the elderly and disabled. "If everybody ... gets more money, Medicare will go broke even faster."

Congress was reluctant to tinker with Medicare in 1998 after

**WASHINGTON** (AP) - Whenthe man who leads U.S. forces would always explain to the troops why we were doing what in the Persian Gulf talks to his we were doing and I would never accept a mission of a tasking that I didn't feel was right or that I couldn't undertroops, he remembers asking his commanders in Vietnam what their objectives were, and the hazy answers he received.

"I suddenly began to realize stand," that no one knew what we were Associated Press in an inter-

politically sensitive negotiations to find \$115 billion in savings just a year earlier.

Instead, lawmakers largely deferred to a commission of experts scheduled to make recommendations on Medicare's future in March.

But those recommendations. may call for a fundamental overhaul that Congress likely will take its time considering. No action — only hearings – has been promised for next year

In the meantime, pressure is growing on lawmakers to put back some Medicare money trimmed in the 1997 balanced budget act, which came out of the pockets of health care providers.

Medical groups are trying to grab lawmakers' attention by using the human face of elderly and disabled Americans.

The American Association of Health Plans, the HMO trade group, is enlisting senior citizens in 50 cities in a lobbying campaign.

And physical therapists are encouraging patients to write letters to Congress.

The Medicare belt-tightening was intended to buy lawmakers 10 years to make further changes to bolster the cash-poor program for the huge generation of aging baby boomers. Medicare gets much of its money from a tax deducted from workers' paychecks.

Health care providers say

they support that goal, but "we think there are a lot of unintended consequences," said Richard J. Pollack of the American Hospital Association. In January, the association will dispatch hundreds of hospital administrators to Capitol Hill to convey that message in vivid terms.

"We're discharging patients earlier, which is causing hardships for them in terms of transportation back and forth (for outpatient care). Some patients may not be getting the care they need," said Bob Main, president of Siskin Hospital for Physical Rehabilitation in Chattanooga, Tenn.

At the urging of therapists at Outreach the Parkinson

Kan., retired minister Dick Waltz wrote his members of Congress to complain about a new \$1,500-a-year cap on Medicare payments for physical and speech therapy received in non-hospital settings, starting Jan. 1. By contrast, Medicare picked

up most of the \$13,000 tab when Waltz, 72, needed eight weeks of similar physical and speech therapy last summer.

"I sure couldn't have afforded it," said Waltz, who expects to need more therapy as his disease continues its inexorable, degenerative progress.

Health maintenance organizations and other private health plans that insure Medicare beneficiaries are participating in a 50-city blitz of meetings with senior citizens.

Their message is that inadequate Medicare payments are the reason health plans will drop more than 400,000 elderly and disabled patients next year.

"We don't want people to panic. We want people to express their views" to Congress, said Karen Ignagni. president of the HMO trade group.

Already, most of these causes have found congressional champions willing to introduce legislation next year.

Senate Finance Committee Chairman William Roth, R-Del., has pledged to consider relief for the health plans.

## **Operation Desert Fox commander knows all about protracted conflicts**

"I promised myself after that I Arab allies over the kinds of U.S. forces and missions that are acceptable in the region.

"If you constrain yourself to military thinking and military learning, you're going to be fairly narrow," Zinni said. "More and more, senior officers have to be a blend of diplomat, states-

sions based on the risk of damage to civilian facilities.

Some criticized the strikes, saying the stated goal of "degrading" Iraq's weaponshof mass destruction threat was too vague?

Zinni contends the latest intelligence supports his claims of success and, more important. indicates that Iraq has no plans to challenge U.S. forces in the

right away.

Zinni's road to high command began in 1917, when his teen-age father, Antonio, an Italian immigrant, was drafted into the U.S. Army. When he returned home a year later he was granted citizenship, and the military tradition in Zinni's family was nrmiy established.

all. I think they got things done

Anthony, the youngest, was

When he graduated in 1965, Vietnam was under way and, two years later. the Philadelphia kid who'd never been outside the urban environs of the East Coast found himself living in a Vietnamese village, speaking the local language and training South Vietnamese reghars in compatitactics. Unlike many officers embittered by their experience, Zinni, who was wounded in a firefight in 1970 and earned two Bronze Stars for his efforts in Vietnam, left Southeast Asia disappointed and frustrated but determined to apply lessons he learned.

trying to do there," said Marine Corps Gen. Anthony Zinni. "I asked senior officers that I respected what my objectives were, what we were trying to do, and I never got satisfying answers.'

In the years since, as he rose through the ranks to his current four-star position as head of the U.S. Central Command, Zinni has made clarity a watchword.

view en route home after a visit to some of the 20,000 troops he commands in the Gulf region.

Zinni told The

With his Popeye arms, stocky build, jutting jaw and fondness for cigars, Zinni, 55, is the picture of a Marine general. But two years in what is arguably the most sensitive command post in the U.S. military has required Zinni to function as a diplomat as well as a commander, negotiating with touchy man, numanitarian.

In the days leading up to last week's Operation Desert Fox airstrikes on Iraq, Zinni would walk through the strike list, target by target, with President Clinton, Defense Secretary William Cohen and Joint Chiefs Chairman Gen. Henry H. Shelton.

"It was basically the Zinni plan," said Cohen, although he, Clinton and Shelton made reviGulf. through a lot of love and a lot of patience," said Zinni, who grew nation must have The up in Conshohocken, Pa., a patience concerning Iraq and Saddam, he said. working class town outside

remarkable "We've had Philadelphia. patience in places like Korea, Cuba or the Soviet Union." he the first the family could afford said. "In this part of the world, to send to college, and he signed we don't seem to have that. We up for the Marines on his first impatiently want to resolve it day at Villanova University.

"My parents were not strict at

**''I** connected with the Vietnamese people," Zinni said. "I wished them a better lot.

## Rebels claim 60 are killed; Freetown prepares for attack

(AP) - Fearing an impending rebel assault on Sierra Leone's capital, angry residents surged through the streets Saturday and burned alive at least two men accused of being rebel spies.

rebel Revolutionary The United Front, meanwhile, reported it had killed 60 Nigerian soldiers belonging to a West African intervention force while capturing the town of Makeni, 60 miles east of the capital, Freetown.

Fighting has intensified in recent weeks in the West African nation that is slightly smaller than Indiana. The country, with a population of 4.7 million people, was settled two centuries ago by freed slaves from the United States, Britain and Jamaica.

The rebels, who controlled Freetown after a bloody May 1997 coup, are seeking revenge for their ouster from the capital in February.

commander Sam Rebel Bockarie said Saturday his forces dragged the bodies of the dead Nigerian soldiers through the streets of Makeni with an armored car "as an example to everyone."

But the government denied that Makeni had been captured and said the Nigerian-led forces, known as ECOMOG, continued to battle rebels for the town. Troops remained firmly in control of the country. the Information Ministry said in a statement.

The government bolstered Freetown's defenses Saturday by trucking in Kamajors, tradi-

FREETOWN, Sierra Leone tional militiamen from rural villages. It also flew in soldiers from Nigeria and Ghana to reinforce ECOMOG troops.

At a downtown square in the capital, a mob singled out two young men accused of being rebels in civilian disguise.

The men were severely beaten before some in the crowd thrust gasoline-filled tires around their necks and set them on fire. Their charred remains were carried away by police, who did not attempt to stop the killings.

Several other mob attacks were reported around Freetown but could not be confirmed.

The Kamajor militiamen, members of a secret society of hunters and traditional fighters, wore leather tunics and carried rusty guns and machetes in the bustling city streets, setting up checkpoints and carrying out random searches of pedestrians and drivers.

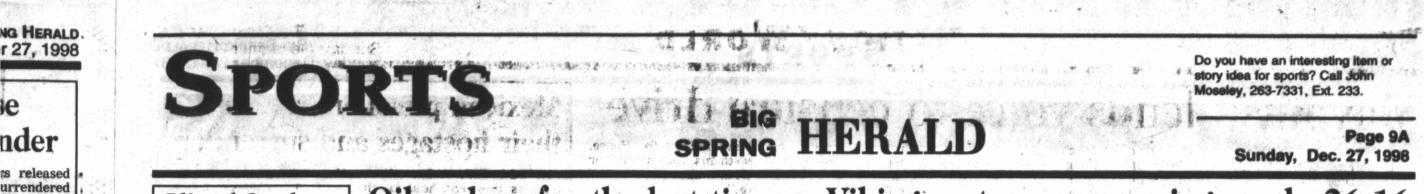
Together with ECOMOG, the militia has been given defense duties by Sierra Leone's government, which dissolved the country's rebellious military earlier this year.

Remnants of that military and their rebel allies who took power for a 10-month period following the May 1997 coup have over the past week launched attacks against loyalist forces throughout the country.

The rebels are widely believed to have killed, maimed and raped thousands of villagers.

**Refugees fleeing the fighting** have flooded into Freetown and rebels have threatened to attack the capital.





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## **Blitsed** Cowboys can expect more of the same from

#### By DENNE FREEMAN Associated Press Writer

IRVING (AP) - New Orleans started it three games ago and the Dallas Cowboys still haven't figured out how

The NFL word for it is "blitz," as in "blitzkrieg," or a lightning assault, a World War II tactic favored by the Germans.

The Saints sent more defenders than the Cowboys could block and quarterback Troy Aikman could barely cock his arm before he was tackled in a 22-3 loss.

Kansas City also came with the blitz in a 20-17 victory the following Sunday. Last Sunday, Philadelphia effectively limited the Dallas offense with the blitz, forcing the Cowboys to use a fake field goal for their only touchdown in a division-clinching 13-9 victory. Dallas had a season-low 95 passing yards

against the Eagles. "Teams are going to keep getting after us with the blitz," said Dallas coach Chan Gailey. "We've got to burn 'em when they bring everybody. We haven't done it. We've got to find ways to do that. I've got to help our team do that.' Dallas is averaging only 11 points and 225 yards in the last three games. In a fivegame November stretch, the Cowboys had been averaging 30 points and 390 yards per

game. "It's just a little thing here and there," Gailey said. "We were doing them six games ago.

Gailey said he wouldn't be surprised if Washington uses the blitz in the season finale Sunday night, which bears no outcome on the postseason. Dallas has clinched a playoff spot with a 9-6 record. Washington, winners of six of its last eight games, is playing

## Oilers lose for the last time as Vikings set season scoring mark, 26-16

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) -The Minnesota Vikings are going into the playoffs in record fashion.

Randall Cunningham threw two touchdowns and Gary Anderson added two field goals as the Vikings beat the Oilers 26-16 Saturday, becoming the highest-scoring' team 'in NFL history.

Minnesota (15-1) also tied the 1985 Chicago Bears and the 1984 San Francisco 49ers as the only teams with 15 victories in a season. And Anderson became the highest-scoring kicker in a season while extending his record

of consecutive field goals to 40 over two seasons."

Anderson became the first NFL kicker to finish a<sup>3</sup>season with a perfect record - 35-of-35 on field goals and 59-of-59 on conversions.

Anderson sealed the victory with a 39-yard field goal with 1:10 left. That gave him 164 points this season, topping Mark Moseley's 161 with Washington in 1983.

The loss ruined Tennessee's final game as the Oilers. The franchise's nickname will be the Titans next season after 38 seasons as the Oilers.

had one last chance at ending the Vikings' seven-game winning streak. Cornerback Darryll Lewis intercepted Cunningham with 2:46 left, giving the Oilers the ball at their 16.

Steve McNair hit Yancey Thigpen on a 15-yard pass, but he couldn't move them any farther. His pass to Derrick Mason on fourth-and-10 bounced short. Then, Anderson followed with

his third field goal. The Vikings wanted to play all their starters to keep from losing momentum as they head into the playoffs with a first-

Trailing 23-16, Tennessee (8-8) round bye and home-field finally got untracked in the advantage. They did, but it took them a while to get their offense going.

Anderson provided their only offensive points in the first half with field goals of 39 and 23 yards. They also got a safety on Tennessee's opening possession when officials ruled McNair threw the ball away as he headed into the end zone.

The Oilers led 13-8 at halftime on Al Del Greco's two field goals and a 2-yard TD run by Eddie George.

broken bone in his left hand,

third quarter, completing 9 of 10 passes for 107 yards and two TDs.

He hit rookie sensation Randy Moss in the end zone for a 5yarder on the Vikings' first possession, putting Minnesota ahead 16-13. He connected with Cris Carter on a 38-yarder on the next drive.

The TD to Moss gave the Vikings 544 points for the season, breaking the record of 541 by the 1983 Washington **Redskins**. Minnesota finished Cunningham, playing with a the regular season with 556 points.

## Mark McGwire's record voted top sports story

NEW YORK (AP) - Mark McGwire hit another home run – this time in voting for The **Associated Press Sports Story** of the Year.

McGwire, who broke Roger Maris' record and set a new mark by hitting 70 homers, was the overwhelming winner in voting by AP member newspapers and broadcast outlets.

The St. Louis Cardinals first baseman received 1,433 points in the annual voting, released Thursday.

Each first-place vote was worth 10 points, second was worth 9 and so on.

John Elway and the Denver Broncos, who won their first Super Bowl, were second with 972 points.

The New York Yankees were third with 789 points for winning a record 125 games in the regular and postseason, the NBA lockout was fourth with 688 points and Michael Jordan leading the Chicago Bulls to their third straight title --

eling for much of the offseason, did not respond to repeated equests for comment through the Cardinals. "I still can't figure out how I hit 70," he said during the World Series. "It's hard enough to hit 62; 70 was incredible." By Sept. 8, McGwire already had broken the mark of 61 that

### YEAR-IN-REVIEW: STORY OF THE YEAR

Maris had set with the New York Yankees in 1961, hitting the record-setter off the Chicago Cubs' Steve Trachsel. The Cubs' Sammy Sosa

caught him at 66 on Sept. 25, but McGwire finished with a pair of two-homer games against the Montreal Expos.

"I've amazed myself that I've stayed in such a tunnel for so long throughout what I had to deal with as far as the media, the expectations, almost every eye in the country watching," McGwire said.

He became the first player ever to hit 50 or more home runs in three consecutive seasons, led the major leagues in slugging percentage (3752) and on-base percentage (.470) and set an NL record with 162 walks. He hit .299. drove in 147 runs and scored 130. anima b McGwire's season i becamen indelibly tied with that of Sosa," who led the NL in RBIs with 158 and powered the Cubs to their first postseason appearance since 1989. Sosa easily beat McGwire in NL MVP voting conducted by the Baseball Writers' Association of America, getting 28 of 30 firstplace votes.

did," McGwire said, "because he went to the playoffs." Sosa's challenge for the home-run record was sixth in Story of the Year voting with

404 points, followed by the Nagano Olympics (386), Jeff domination of Gordon's (316), Florence NASCAR Griffith-Joyner's death (276) and Casey Martin's court victory over the PGA (242).

Mark O'Meara was 11th (225) for winning the Masters and the British Open, followed by France's World Cup soccer victory (159), David Wells' percent game for the Yankees against Minnesota (158) and the 20strikeout game by the Cubs' Kerry Wood against Houston (152).

McGwire also was voted the AP Major League Player of the Year, beating Sosa 103-80.

McGwire led Sosa 27-13 in homers through May, but his rival set a major league record with 20 home runs in June.

"We both had unbelievable years," McGwire said. "No one in the game of baseball has done what he and I did." McGwire also had to deal with a controversy about androstenedione, a muscle

enhancing supplement that he

uses. Baseball has commis-

sioned a study to gather evi-

dence on whether it should ban

the substance, which already is

banned in the NFL, Olympics

Hunter anxious to close deal but scared of getting burned in negotiations

**NBA Lockout** 

#### **By CHRIS SHERIDAN**

**AP Basketball Writer** 

NEW YORK (AP) - Union director Billy Hunter, anxious to close a deal but fearful of getting burned, said Saturday that negotiations to end the NBA lockout should resume later this week.

Hunter, speaking by telephone from Oakland, Calif., said he plans to return today to New York.

"Once I get back, I'll reach out to David (Stern)," Hunter said, adding that the next negotiation session probably will include only one or two representatives from each side.

No talks have been held since Wednesday night, when Stern and Hunter met for several hours in Los Angeles at the office of agent Leonard Armato. There was an expectation that talks might resume this weekend but nothing ever came to fruition.

"There's nothing new," deputy commissioner Russ

## THE LOCKOUT

A look at the NBA lockout through Saturday, Day 179: TOTAL DAYS OF SEASON

MISSED: 54. GAMES LOST Saturday: 13. TOTAL GAMES MISSED: 373. EARLIEST ESTIMATED DATE SEASON CAN START: Jan. 22.

**NEGOTIATIONS: David Stern and** Billy Hunter did not meet Saturday, and nothing was scheduled for Sunday, with the league having set a Jan. 7 deadline to cancel the season.

**PROJECTED PLAYER SALARY** LOSSES (through Jan. 22): \$480 million

**TODAY'S BEST CANCELED** GAME: Houston at Los Angeles Lakers, 8:30 p.m. The speed and fadeaway jumper of Rockets center Hakeem Olajuwon meets the power of the Lakers Shaquille O'Neal.

QUOTE OF THE DAY: "We basically spent a lot of time covering old ground and restating what our concerns were. I'm not sure when David will be back from Aspen, but I'll speak by phone with him or Russ (Granik). - Union director Billy Hunter, commenting about Wednesday's meeting.

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for pride because of a seven game losing streak to start the season.

"Washington isn't a big blitz team, but I expect them to use it," Gailey said. "If it comes it would be good for us so we could work on it.'

Gailey said the Dallas offense has to get back on track for the playoffs in two weeks, when the Cowboys will host a wild-card team on either Jan. 2 or Jan. 3.

"All it takes is putting together two or three or four games and all of a sudden you've made it to the top,' Gailey said. "It's not a 16 game deal anymore. Once you get to the playoffs all you've got to do is put together a string of four like we had in the middle of the season."

It hurt the Cowboys to lose a receiver like Ernie Mills, who knows the Gailey offense from his days at Pittsburgh. Mills suffered an internal injury against Seattle on Nov. 22 that knocked him out for the season.

Mills was a valuable "hot' receiver for Aikman when he got into trouble. Mills had caught 28 passes before his injury.

"We've got some work to do throwing the football," Gailey said.

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## **ON THE AIR**

#### TODAY: **COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

1 p.m. — Arizona at Colorado State women (Fox Southwest).

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE Noon — Green Bay Packers at Chicago Bears (Fox). Noon — Regional games: **Buffalo Bills at New Orleans** Saints, Miami Dolphins at Atlanta Falcons or New **England Patriots at New York** 

Jets (CBS). 3 p.m. - Regional games: San Diego Chargers at Arizona

Cardinals or Seattle Seahawks at Denver Broncos. 7:15 p.m. - Washington Redskins at Dallas Cowboys (ESPN).

and the NCAA. "He had a better year than I

## Southern rolls to easy win in Heritage

ATLANTA (AP) -Ryan Lewis ran 57 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter and added a 13-yard scoring run, leading Southern to a 28-2 victory over Bethune-Cookman in the Heritage Bowl Saturday.

Lewis, a 5-foot-7, 163-pounder, finished with 84 yards on seven carries. Steve Wofford gained 119 yards on 27 carnies for Southern and had an 11-yard scoring run in the first quarter. The Jaguars (9-3) were mak-

ing their fourth straight Heritage Bowl appearance as Southwestern Athletic the Conference representative. Southern has won four of five appearances overall in the battle of historically black colleges in the Georgia Dome.

quarter safety, when Wofford was tackled in the end zone for a 2-yard loss by Abdul Yates, and struggled on offense until Lewis took a pitch, cut back through the line, then raced down the right sideline, giving Southern a 14-2 lead 2:10 into the second half.

The Wildcats (8-3), making their first postseason appearance in 21 years as the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference representative, had seven fumbles and four interceptions.

They lost starting quarter-back Pa'tell Troutman to a knee sprain in the second quarter. Backup quarterback Randell Foster was intercepted four times, including Jerry Guye's 35-yard touchdown return in But they gave up a second- the fourth quarter. Defensive

back Jackie Mitchell had two interceptions.

The Wildcats fumbled four times in the first half, including on the opening kickoff. They recovered three of the fumbles, but a first-quarter lost fumble by wide receiver Antonio Stanley set up the Jaguars' first score.

Two plays later, Wofford scored from the 11 four minutes into the game.

Wildcats defensive back Shervin Fulford picked up a fumble by quarterback Sam George and Bethune took over at the Southern 48 with 5:07 left in the first quarter. But the Wildcats wound up at their 15 after three penalties, the last an

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Granik said Saturday.

Stern hasn't commented publicly in more than a week, but Granik used a familiar line after the Los Angeles meeting in saying the discussions "went nowhere.

"Nowhere Man was right," Hunter said. "We basically spent a lot of time covering old ground and restating what our concerns were.

"I'm not sure when David will be back from Aspen, but I'll speak by phone with him or Russ.'

The opposing sides, fighting over how to distribute some \$2 billion in annual revenue, must make a deal by mid-January to save a 45- to 50-game season. The league has scheduled a Board of Governors meeting for Jan. 7, and Granik said he will recommend canceling the season if a deal isn't reached by then.

Although many complicated issues remain in dispute, it has become apparent that the one critical area that is the key to a settlement is the league's insistence on setting an absolute maximum salary for players with more than six years of experience. The owners want the maximum salary tied to a percentage of the salary cap, while the players have proposed a luxury tax on any owner who signs a player to a multiyear contract starting at more than \$15 million.

The union has already offered a \$10 million limit on the starting salary for any player with less than seven years of experience.

Hunter has said he will not accept a maximum salary on veteran players unless the league reciprocates with an equally concessionary gesture that brings the sides to closure. Presumably, that would include the union's proposed minimum salaries and an additional salary cap exception tied to the median salary.

The union also would want the league to withdraw several proposed changes to salary cap rules, including the elimination of opt-out clauses, the toughening of trade rules, the reduction of performance bonuses and the elimination of signing bonuses

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## Arizona Cardinals are poised, ready to enter post-season

By DAVE GOLDBERG **AP Football Writer** 

When the Cardinals moved from St. Louis to Arizona 11 years ago, more than 100,000 people claimed the rights to season tickets at 73,273-seat Sun Devil Stadium.

But they were quickly turned off by inept play and high ticket prices and the only time the place has been sold out since has been when Dallas comes to town and Cowboys fans buy

tickets. They might as well head for Houston if they don't sell out today, when the Cardinals have only to beat San Diego to make the playoffs for the first time since 1982, when they were in St. Louis.

As the NFL enters its final weekend, there is only one playoff berth at stake, the last NFC wild card. Arizona (8-7) controls it: a win and the Cardinals are

in, leaving Tampa Bay (7-8) and too late. the New York Giants (7-8) out.

The difference between these Cardinals and the old Cardinals is Jake Plummer, who was rewarded for eight game-winning drives over his first two seasons with a \$29.7 million, four-year deal that includes a \$15 million signing bonus.

"At the beginning of the year, I didn't set out to get a new contract, I set out to get in the playoffs," Plummer said.

Last week, Plummer kept the Cardinals in control of their fate by engineering a 76-yard drive to beat the Saints after New Orleans had taken a 17-16 lead with 1:21 to go. Then he got the huge contract extension.

The other two teams in contention made the playoffs last year and were considered likely playoff teams entering the season - some even picked the Bucs to go to the Super Bowl. But both might have started

The Giants have won three straight and four of five with Kent Graham at quarterback in place of Danny Kanell. Included is the 20-16 win over Denver two weeks ago that ended the Broncos' quest for an unbeaten season.

But to make it, the Giants have to win at Philadelphia (3-12) and hope both Arizona and Tampa Bay lose.

The Bucs started 4-7, then won three straight, but blew a game at Washington last week that made their playoff chances problematic. They must win at Cincinnati (3-12), the Cardinals must lose and the Giants must win. That would put the Bucs in a three-way tie that they win.

As far as coach Tony Dungy is concerned, the Bucs were eliminated by last week's loss. "I felt like we were going to have to win them out to get in and I don't feel like we'll get in now,"

he said.

In Saturday games, Minnesota beat Tennessee 26-16 and Kansas City topped Oakland, 31-24.

In other games today, Buffalo is at New Orleans, Carolina at Indianapolis, Detroit at Baltimore, Green Bay at Chicago, Miami at Atlanta, New England at the New York Jets, St. Louis at San Francisco, Seattle ,at Denver, and Washington at Dallas.

Pittsburgh is at Jacksonville Monday night.

#### Miami (10-5) at Atlanta (13-2)

The Dolphins have the incentive - a win and they're guaranteed a home game in the firstround of the playoffs. The Falcons, locked into the second seed in the NFC, could rest key players. But ...

"People talk about this game

not meaning something. It means a ton," said Atlanta defensive end Lester Archambeau, who plans to play with a broken thumb. "Anytime you can go into the postseason with some momentum, it's going to carry you."

There's also a "win one for Dan," mentality working for the Falcons: Dan Reeves, back in the hospital after heart surgery, gave them a pep talk by speakerphone during the week.

#### Green Bay (10-5) at Chicago (4-11) St. Louis (4-11)

at San Francisco (11-4) If the Packers win early, then the 49ers will try late.

That's because while the Packers and 49ers know they'll play each other in the first round of the playoffs, they're not sure where. Right now it

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## SPORTS

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## SCOREBOARD

#### BOWLS

All Times EST Saturday, Dec. 19 Las Vegas Bowl At Las Vegas North Carolina 20, San

Diego State 13 Wednesday, Dec. 23

Motor City Bowl At Pontiac, Mich. Marshall 48, Louisville

Friday, Dec. 25 Blue-Gray Classic At Montgomery, Ala. Gray 31, Blue 24 Aloha Bowl

At Honolulu Colorado 51, Oregon

**Oahu Classic** At Honolulu Air Force 45 Washington 25

Saturday, Dec. 26 Late Game Not Included Heritage Bowl At Atlanta Southern U. 28.

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At Tucson, Ariz. Missouri (7-4) vs. West

Virginia (8-3) (n)

Tuesday, Dec. 29 **Music City Bowl** At Nashville, Tenn. Alabama (7-4) vs.

Virginia Tech (8-3), 5 p.m. (ESPN MICRON PC Bowl

At Miami North Carolina State (7

4) vs. Miami (8-3), 7:30

p.m. (TBS) Alamo Bowl

At San Antonio Kansas State (11-1) vs.

Purdue (8-4), 8:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Wednesday, Dec. 30 Humanitarian Bowl At Boise, Idaho

daho (8-3) vs Southern Miss (7-4), 3 ESPN2

Holiday Bowl At San Diego

Nébraska (9-3) vs. Anzona (11-1), 8 p.m. ESPIN

Thursday, Dec. 31 Liberty Bowl At Memphis, Tenn.

Brigham Young (9-4) vs. rane (11.0), 1:30 p.m.

Sun Bowl At El Paso, Texas

uthern Cal (8-4) vs. Texas Christian (6-5), 2 DIM (CBS)

Syracuse (8-3)-vs. Florida (9-2), 8 p.m. (ABC) Monday, Jan. 4 **Flesta Bowl** At Tempe Ariz. Tennessee (12-0) vs.

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Florida State (11-1), 8 p.m. (ABC) Saturday, Jan. 16 East-West Shrine\*Classic

At Stanford, Calif. East vs. West, 4 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Jan. 23 Senior Bowl At Mobile, Ala. North vs. South, 2:30 p.m. (TBS)

Sunday, Jan. 24 **Hula Bowl** At Kahului, Maui South vs. North, 4 p.m.

(ESPN)

#### TRANSACTIONS

FOOTBALL **National Football League** CHICAGO BEARS-Resigned P Todd Sauerbrun to a one-year contract and OT Jimmy Herndon to a three-year contract. Agreed to terms with LB Lemanski Hall. Signed G Aaron Taylor from the practice squad. INDIANAPOLIS COLTS--Activated WR Kaipo McGuire from the practice squad, Placed LB Andre Royal and DE Kendel Shello on injured reserve. JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS-Placed DL Renaldo Wynn on injured reserve. Signed LB Erik Storz from the practice squad. Signed DB Heron O'Neal to the practice squad MIAMI DOLPHINS-Signed WR Lamar Thomas and CB Jerry Wilson to contract exten sions. HOCKEY **National Hockey League** 

NHL—Suspended Tampa Bay Lightning C Chris Gratton for three games for spitting at ref-

eree Paul Stewart in Wednesday's game at Buffalo DALLAS STARS-Recalled F Kelly Fairchild and D Brad Lukowich from Michigan of the IHI MONTREAL CANADI-ENS-Named Jacques Lemaire consultant to the general manager and

signed him to a three-year

contract.

nows fished in 15 feet of stained; 65 degrees; water near the derricks. 10.7' low; Black bass to Very few people on the 5 pounds are fair on large lake due to rains and cold minnows. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue **BRIDGEPORT:** No report catfish to 18 pounds are fair to good on stink and COLORADO CITY: Water punchbait. Yellow catfish stained; 44 degrees; 13' to 15 pounds are fair on low: Snow and ice have live perch and goldfish. SWEEDWATER: Water kept people off the lake murky; 56 degrees; 8 FT. PHANTOM HILL: low: Black bass to 10 Water clear; 45 degrees; pounds are fair on spin-16.5' low; Hybrid stripers nerbaits fished in the shallows. Few people on to 9 pounds are good on live shad fished in 4 to 6 the lake due to poor feet of water on the west weather conditions side of the lake. Blue cat-TWIN BUTTES: The lake level is at 12% of normal fish to 19 pounds are good on shad fished in 4 due to work on the dam. to 6 feet of water on the The work is scheduled for west side of the lake. completion in April or May, One ramp on the Few fishermen out due to poor weather conditions lake is reported barely HUBBARD CREEK: accessible WHITE RIVER: This Water fairly clear; 47 degrees; 4.5'low; Black report will be temporarily bass are good on white suspended pending some spinnerbaits and Rat-Lchange in the condition of the lake. Water level is Traps fished along the edges of the hydrilla. down about 20 feet and boating on the lake is Crappie are very good on minnows and jigs fished hazardous (very little in the creeks in 8 to 12

activity). SAM RAYBURN: Water clear; 61 degrees; 3.5' low: Black bass are fair on Rat-L-Traps and spinnerbaits fished in 5 to 7 feet of water. Crappie are good on minnows (fish are suspended in 25 feet of water). Channel and blue catfish are good on Catfish Charlie fished off the bottom TOLEDO BEND: Water

stained; 58 degrees; Black bass are good on spinnerbaits and spoons fished in 20 to 28 feet of water. Crappie are slow on minnows and jigs. White bass are slow on spoons fished in 35 feet of water. Striped bass are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on night

crawlers. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live perch. AMISTAD: Water murky; 60 degrees: 27' low: Black bass are slow Crappie are slow. White and striped bass are

good on slabs. Channel and blue catfish are good on cut and prepared baits fished in 60 feet of water Yellow catfish to 30 pounds are fair on slabs

CHOKE CANYON: Water fairly clear; 62 degrees; 15' low; Black bass are good on grape Texasrigged worms and spinnerbaits fished along the edges of the hydrilla Crappie are fair on mir

Suspending Rouges. ers PALO DURO: Water murky; 40 degrees; Black bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows fished near the bridge in shallow water. Walleye are slow. Channel and blue catfish to 7 pounds are fair on shad fished in the channels. **GRAPEVINE: Water** stained; 56 degrees; 3.74' low; Black bass are fair on jigging spoons and

black/blue jigs fished in 15 to 17 feet of water. Crappie are fair on min nows and white with red head tube jigs fished over baits fished in the river. brush piles in 20 to 25 LBJ: Water clear; 62 degrees; 1.5' low; Black feet of water. White bass bass to 7.5 poundsare are fair on pearl grubs and chartreuse pepper good on firetiger Sassy Shads fished on Terminator spinnerbaits. the main lake humps in black/blue jigs with 12 to 15 feet of water on black/ blue Pig Claws the west end of the lake. and Rattlin' Rogues. JOE POOL: Water Crappie are fair on min stained; 62 degrees; nows and Road Runner jigs. White bass are good Fishing has been very slow this week due the trolling small crankbaits opening of the spillway. Channel and blue catfish are fair on cheesebait

**RAY HUBBARD: Water** and worms. Yellow catfish murky; 57 degrees; Black bass are good on heavy are slow. PROCTOR: Water clear; spinnerbaits, deep diving 62 degrees; Black bass crankbaits and jigging spoons fished slowly are good on 7" black around deep water bot Power worms fished around the drop-offs of tom structure. Crappie are fair on minnows the banks and the big fished near the first dropisland in the center of the off in 20 feet of water. lake. Crappie are excel-White bass and hybrid lent on minnows and jigs stripers are good on any fished at the dam (get an early start to secure your kind of shad imitating bait fished on the west side of position). Hybrid stripers the lower lake. Catfish are fair on jigs fished in are good on Murphey's 15 feet of water by the catfish bait or shrimp dam. Catfish are slow. soaked in vanilla extract TRAVIS: Water clear; fished around deep water 64 degrees; Black bass structure (try baiting your are good on dark colored Power Worms and large hole with sour grain).

**RAY ROBERTS: Water** minnows fished off the fairly clear; 62 degrees; main lake points in 20 to 3' low; Black bass are 28 feet of water. Crappie good on white/chartreuse are fair on minnows and spinnerbaits and blue tube jigs fished black/blue jigs with a pig under the docks in 10 to claw trailer fished in the 18 feet of water. White creeks. Crappie are fair bass are fair on minnows on minnows. White bass and white grubs fished at are fair on spoons and night under lights in 15 to minnows fished off the 20 feet of water. Channel main lake points. Channel and blue catfish are slow on shrimp and cut baits and blue catfish are fair fished in 20 to 40 feet of on nightcrawlers and chicken livers fished in water. Yellow catfish are the creek channel. slow

**TEXOMA:** Water stained; 58 degrees; 5' low: Black bass are good on spinnerbaits and dark -colored Carolina-rigged worms. Crappie are fair on minnows. White bass are excellent on slabs, jigs and live shad fished all over the lake. Striped

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**BROWNWOOD: Water** 

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around the bank. Crappie

around the docks at night

are good on jigs fished

under lights and during

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**BUCHANAN: Water** 

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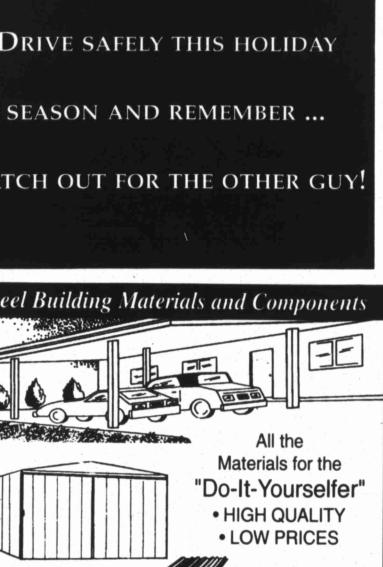
COLEMAN: Water clear; 60 degrees; Black bass are good on 7" black Power worms fished along the south bank in 12 feet of water. Also try spinnerbaits fished around the dam in 2 to 7 feet of water. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs fished around brush piles in the coves and along the bank of the river. Hybrid stripers are fair on cut baits, spoons and jigs fished along the south bank in deep water Catfish are good on cut

Cross, Monday 9. Purdue (12-1) did not play. Next: at Providence, Sunday, 10. Indiana (11-2) did not play. Next: vs. Drake at Indianapolis, Sunday. 11. New Mexico (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. New Hampshire, Monday 12. UCLA (7-2) did not play. Next: vs. Loyola Marymount, Tuesday 13. Kansas (8-3) did not play. Next: vs. Texas A&M, Saturday 14. St. John's (10-2) did not play. Next: at Rutgers, Saturday.

15. Michigan State (9-3) did not play. Next: vs. North Carolina-Asheville, Wednesday. 16. Clemson (11-1) beat Furman 67-54. Next: vs. Illinois at Greenville, S.C., Tuesday. 17. Minnesota (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. Sacramento State. Tuesday. 18. Auburn (11-0) did not play. Next: vs. Bethune-Cookman, Tuesday 19. Arkansas (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. North Texas, Wednesday,

20. Wisconsin (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Fresno State, Sunday 21. Iowa (9-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 10 Indiana, Thursday. 22. Syracuse (7-3) did not play. Next: vs. St. Bonaventure, Sunday 23. Oklahoma (7-3) did not play. Next: vs. Western Kentucky at Oklahoma City, Tuesday 24. Pittsburgh (8-4) did not play. Next: vs. Providence, Wednesday 25. Oklahoma State (7-3) did not play. Next: vs. SEMC, Wednesday

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Independence Bowl At Shreveport, La. Mississippi (6-5) vs Texas Tech (7-4), 8:30 IT ESPNI

Jan. 1 0 Jack Bow At Tampa, Fla. Penn State (8-3) vs. Kentucky (7.4), 11 a.m. (ESPN)

Gator Bowl At Jacksonville, Fla.

Georgia Tech (9-2) vs. Notre Dame (9-2), 12:30 n. (NBC Citrus Bowl At Orlando, Fla. Michigan (9-3) vs.

Arkansas (9-2). 1 p.m. **Cotton Bowl** At Dallas

Mississippi State (8-4) vs. Texas (8-3), 11 a.m. FOX Rose Bowl

At Pasadena, Calif. Wisconsin (10-1) vs UCLA (10-1), 4:30 p.m. ABC

Sugar Bowl At New Orleans

Texas A&M (11-2) vs. Ohio State (10-1), 8:30 n.m. (ABC)

Saturday, Jan. 2 **Orange Bowl** At Miami

PITTSBURGH PEN under green lights. Whit GUINS-Recalled G Jean-Sebastien Aubin from Kansas City of the IHL COLLEGE ILLINOIS—Announced that basketball sopho-

more Rich Beyers will transfer. OREGON STATE-Announced the resignation of Jeff McInemey. assistant football coach, so he can become defensive coordinator at UNLV.

**FISHING REPORT** 

AUSTIN (AP) - Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Dec. 23. (Report also available on Web as www.txfishing.com.) ALAN HENRY: Water stained; 50 degrees; 4.5' low: Black bass are good on 3/4oz. jigging spoons fished on the main river channel bends adjacent to humps and ridges. Spotted and smallmouth bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished on the main lake in 30 to 35 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are slow on prepared baits. Exercise caution at the boat ramp. **ARROWHEAD: Water** clear; 52 degrees; 6' low; Crappie are good on min-

bass are very good on slabs fished in 25 to 30 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish to 17 pounds are fair to good on stinkbait fished in 20 to 25 feet of water. POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; 55 degrees; 11.5' low; Black bass are slow on jigs and crankbaits fished in 5 to 20 feet of water. Crappie

are slow on minnows fished in 20 feet of water. White bass are slow on small jigs and minnows

fished in 5 to 20 feet of water. Striped bass are good on live shad fished in 30 to 60 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are slow on cut baits fished in 30 to 45 feet of water. Yellow catfish are slow on live perch fished in 20 to 30 feet of water. SPENCE: Water stained; 61 degrees; Black bass are good on dark colored Texas-rigged worms fished off the bank. Crappie are slow on minnows. White bass are good on slabs and minnows fished in 2 to 18 feet of water. Striped bass are good on slabs and shad fished in 12 to 16 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are good on stinkbait and shrimp fished in 4 to 12 feet of

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nows fished over brush piles. White bass are fair on Rat-L-Traps. Channel and blue catfish to 25 pounds are good on cheesebait fished in 7 to 8 feet of water off the south shore. Yellow cat fish are slow

> BAYLOR: No activity on the lake due to poor weather conditions. BUFFALO SPRINGS: Water stained: 52 degrees: Very little activity on the lake due to poor weather conditions. **GREENBELT:** Water murky; 48 degrees; 2' low; White bass and walleve are fair on slabs fished in 40 to 45 feet of water. Very few fishermen on the lake due to snow

and cold temperatures. McCLELLAN: Water stained: 58 degrees; No fishermen out this week due to snow and cold temperatures. MECKENZIE: No report this week MEREDITH: Water murky; 52 degrees; Black bass are slow on Suspending Rouges fished in the backs of the creeks. Smallmouth bass are slow on Fle-Fly jigs tipped with a minnow fished off the main lake points. Walleye are fair on gray and black Texas-

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not play. Next: vs. South Carolina State, Sunday 6. Stanford (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. Temple at Oakland, Tuesday. 7. North Carolina (12-2) did not play. Next: at California, Tuesday. 8. Arizona (6-0) did not play. Next: vs. Holy

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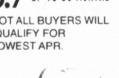
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## SPORTS

## Despite disappointing season, Chiefs continue to dominate Raiders OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) - Even a third quarterback who has missed Randy Jordian added a 10-yard scor- took a 7-0 lead midway through the After a field goal by each tea

though they're among the NFL's biggest disappointments this season, one thing hasn't changed for the Kansas City Chiefs — their dominance of the Oakland Raiders.

Derrick Thomas returned a fumble 44 yards for a score and Tony Gonzalez caught a 20-yard touchdown pass to break a fourth-quarter tie as the Chiefs defeated the Raiders 31-24 Saturday in their season finale.

Kansas City has won 17 of its last 19 two quarterbacks to groin injuries in the contest and finished the game with

most of the season with a groin injury. Bam Morris had two 1-yard scoring

runs and Pete Stoyanovich added a 30yard field goal for the Chiefs (7-9). Elvis Grbac, in his first start since Nov. 8, was 20-of-32 for 254 with two interceptions and the scoring toss to Gonzalez. Jeff George had a 15-yard scoring

pass to James Jett and Wade Wilson threw a 13-yard touchdown pass to Tim Brown for the Raiders (8-8), who have games against the Raiders, who lost not had a winning season since 1994 the year before they returned to **Oakland from Los Angeles** 

ing run and Greg Davis kicked a 44yard field goial for Oakland, which lost six of its final-eight games.

Wilson was 13-of-18 for 127 yards before hurting his groin while dropping back to pass early in the third quarter. He was relieved by Donald Hollas, who also hurt his groin and was replaced by George after just 11 plays.

George, who has not played a full game since late September because of a groin injury, was 9-of-18 for 138 yards. Wilson completed five straight pass-

es, covering; 59 yards, as the Raiders

first period on the scoring toss to Brown in the corner of the end zone.

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An interception by Charles Woodson, the fifth of the season for the rookie cornerback, led to Jordan's scoring run and a 14-0 Oakland lead.

Grbac's passes of 29 and 14 yards to Derrick Alexander led the Chiefs on their first scoring drive, culminating in Morris' dive over the middle of the line early in the second quarter.

The Chiefs tied the game early in the third period on Morris' second scoring run, following a pass interference penalty on Woodson in the end zone.

After a field goal by each team, Leslie O'Neal sacked Hollas and forced a fumble that Thomas scooped up and returned for a TD and a 24-17 KC lead. The Raiders tied the game with 9:17 remaining on Jett's scoring reception, the first touchdown pass by George since Sept. 27 at Dallas.

But the Chiefs responded with a 76yard drive, capped by the scoring pass to Gonzalez with 5:56 left.

The attendance of 52,679 was about 10,500 short of a sellout. The Raiders did not sell out a single home game this season, and have been blacked out on TV for 15 straight games.

## After career full of moves and catastrophes, Irving Fryar retires from NFL

Football Hall of Fame, he'll thing's OK.' have plenty of stories to tell on those steps in Canton, Ohio.

When he was picked No. 1 in the 1984 NFL draft, it was the beginning of a long, sometimes bizarre and ultimately redemptive ride. The Philadelphia Eagles receiver said Wednesday he's retiring after the final game of his 15th season, ending a career that's included a Super Bowl, a 1-15 season and enough personal catastrophes to write a book

He did that, too.

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"I'm kind of like the prodigal son," said Fryar, accompanied at a news conference by his wife and four children. "I've gone

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - If away, messed up and found my Irving Fryar makes it to the Pro way back. And now every-

Fryar conquered his renegade past to become one of the most productive receivers in NFL history before finally crashing into the limitations of age at 36. He has only 45 catches and two touchdowns this season and cannot reach the performance incentives needed to kick in the final two years of a contract extension he signed in September.

"I refuse to go somewhere else and play," said Fryar, a native of Mount Holly, N.J., who will play his last game Sunday against the New York Giants. "I've already moved my family twice.'

when training camp starts next year, he said, "I won't change my mind. I'm done. I am clone."

Fryar's consistency, lon gevity and numbers put him in elite company. His 781 catches place him seventh on the NFL's career list, and his 77 touchdowns receptions are 15th.

"One of my goals was to catch 800 balls," Fryar said. "And that's not going to happen, unless by some miraculous reason they throw me the ball a whole lot on Sunday.'

Fryar and the Jets' Keyshawn Johnson are the only two receivers selected first in the draft. This season, he passed Charlie Joiner in receptions, Don Maynard in yards and Fred

es. All three are Hall of Famers.

"I would like to say Hall of Fame," receivers coach Gerald Carr said. "... We often kid ourselves about how good he could have been if he had the same attitude for the first six years of his career."

With 53 receiving yards in his final game, Fryar would become only the eighth player in NFL history to reach 12,000. With five receptions, he'd extend his streak of 50-catch seasons to nine - the longest current streak in the league.

"Irving's had 15 great years of football," said coach Ray Rhodes, who also expects Sunday to be his last day with

Though he might get anxious Biletnikoff in touchdown catch- whatever he does in life and in divinity. He worked partwherever he goes. He's always going to be a friend of mine."

Fryar played on New England's Super Bowl team in 1985, and endured the Patriots' 1-15 campaign in 1990. He played for Don Shula in Miami, Ray Berry in New England and Tom Osborne at Nebraska. He caught passes from Hall of Famers like Dan Marino, lessernames like Scott Zolak, two running backs (Keith Byars and Terry Kirby) both Detmer brothers (Ty and Koy).

Fryar abandoned a past that included drugs, arrests and marital discord to become a minister. He wrote a book titled, "Sunday is My Day" and the Eagles (3-12). "I support him is working on a master's degree

time this season as a television commentator and was the star of a radio talk show.

Before reviving his career with Miami from 1993-95 and signing with the Eagles in 1996, his long list of missteps included.

· a car accident in 1986 in which he was hurt during a game, left the stadium and drove into a tree while the game was still in progress;

• the fight with his wife several weeks before the Super Bowl at the end of that season, in which his hand was badly cut;

• getting pulled over by New Jersey police in 1988 with a suspended license and loaded rifle in his car;

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would be at San Francisco, but if they both finish 11-5, it would be at Green Bay, because the Packers beat the Niners during the season. That means that if the Packers win, the 49ers' Steve Young, who sprained his knee on the last offensive play of the game at New England, could start against a team that the San Francisco has beaten

#### Seattle (8-7) at Denver (13-2) A more important game than

16 straight times.

t looks for the Broncos, who heed to get their momentum back after losing two straight in what they hoped might be an unbeaten season. Last season, they lost their 14th and 5th games and won the Super Bowl, but a 16th week loss would be a major negative. Seattle could finish over .500 or the first time since 1990 if it wins. A win also might save Dennis Erickson's job — but probably not.

momentum entering the playoffs after four straight bad games: three losses and a 13-9 win over Philadelphia. Still, with a win, Dallas can become the first team ever to sweep the NFC East; the Giants were 7-0-1 last year.

#### Detroit (5-10) at Baltimore (5-10)

A tale of two disappointments.

The Ravens have five Pro Bowlers, one for each win. The Lions have Barry Sanders. They are 78-81 for his 10 seasons in Detroit.

#### Carolina (3-12) at Indianapolis (3-12)

A tale of two coaches. Dom Capers took the Panthers to the NFC title game in the franchise's second season. This is likely his last

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#### Pittsburgh (7-8) at Jacksonville (10-5)

What was supposed to be a showdown for the AFC Central title, but the Steelers are out of the playoffs for the first time in Bill Cowher's seven years as coach and the Jaguars have clinched. So Jacksonville can continue to rest Mark Brunell's sprained ankle and play rookie Jonathan Quinn, who was battered in the 50-10 loss in Minnesota last week.

#### **New England (9-6)** at New York Jets (11-4)

Don't expect the Jets to play soft in this one. Bill Parcells still has a chip on his shoulder about the Patriots and he always plays hard in seemingly meaningless games. In 1986, his Giants beat the Packers 55-24 in a meaningless final game and went on to win the Super Bowl.

The Patriots could get a home playoff game next week if they win and Miami loses. Scott Zolak, who beat San Francisco last week, will be at quarterback again.

#### Buffalo (9-6) at New Orleans (6-9)

The Bills are 9-3 after an 0-3 start. The Saints are 3-9 after a 3-0 start, good reason why Buffalo is in the playoffs and New Orleans is not.

Also good reason why Ralph Wilson, the Bills' owner, has rewarded Doug Flutie by paying him a bonus for a game they lost - the one the officials gave to New England.

#### Washington (6-9) at Dallas (9-6)

The Redskins come in having won six of eight after an 0-7 start and Norv Turner may retain his job, depending on who ends up owning the team. The Cowboys would like some

game, only two years later. Jim Mora has done a nice job bringing along Peyton Manning. But last week, he got angry at his defense in the kind of tirade that led him to quit at New Orleans.

### HERITAGE

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unsportsmanlike conduct infraction against coach Alvin Wvatt.

After Troutman was sacked, leaving a fourth-and-50, Jody Speir kicked a 47-yard rolling punt that stopped at Southern's 41, and the Wildcats held the Jaguars on the next series.

Bethune blew two scoring opportunities after the secondquarter safety.

Danny Mathis was wide left on a 33-yard field goal attempt with 7:52 left in the half, and after defensive back Carlos Lawrence intercepted a George pass at the Bethune 47, the Wildcats drove to the 4. However, Southern defensive back Lance Jackson sacked Troutman on third down, forcing him from the game with a sprained knee.

On the next play, Mathis lined up for a 32-yard field goal try. But holder Zach Adrian took a low snap, tried to scramble and was caught by defensive back Jackie Mitchell at the 29. The eighth Heritage Bowl

drew 32,955 fans.

### COWBOYS

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The Cowboys also are trying to compensate for injuries to tight end David LaFleur, a key blocker, as well as several other linemen. Guard Everett McIver has missed most of the year, forcing rookie Flozell Adams to play out of position. "It's still a new offense and we're trying to learn it," said wide receiver Michael Irvin. "But we have to learn it fast. Teams keep bring the kitchen sink. We have to make them pay.

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People need to concentrate on what they've got instead of what they don't," said Euletta Seaton, a professional coun-

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selor with West Texas Centers for MH/MR.

"I say make a list," she said. "Put down your family, job, fresh air and water ... Just really stop and think how rich we are.

New Year's resolutions are fine, Seaton said, to a point.

"Resolve to become more accepting of yourself," she said. "Learn how to like yourself this year. Those things people are always saying they're going to do, like losing weight, can come after that."

Many people hope to lose weight for the new year because what they really want is a major life change. Seaton said. "People I see have problems accepting

of themselves as they are, they beat themselves up over too many things,

she continued. Sure, many people do change certain things about themselves, she said, but before long, "they go right back to their habits of faulty thinking."

Simplify your life this year, Seaton urged, "Go out, take a deep breath, smell the fresh air, look up and see the stars. Feed the birds."

Gary Groves, pastor at First Christian Church, advises starting the new year "in a forgiving spirit." And that forgiveness should extend to yourself.

"We end up beating ourselves up for our past failures, and we expect too much of others," Groves said. "When people fail, we should love them the same no matter what.

"A forgiving spirit would be a very effective and joyful way to start the new year."

#### A faithful new year

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"It's easy to make a whole slew of unrealistic and unattainable goals for 1999 and then quickly give up after three weeks or so," said the Rev. Steve Stutz of St. Paul Lutheran Church. This year, he urges everyone to spend at least five minutes a day in quiet meditation with God.

"Five minutes, more if you can, will reorient your views towards the happenings of your daily life and provide more



satisfaction that you can imagine."

Roger Huff, pastor at First Church of the Nazarene, hopes Christians will join with him in naming 1999 the "year of compassion."

"There are so many needs in our community that are going unmet," he said. "We need to get involved in the lives of people and touch them where they are hurting.

Too often, Huff said, churchgoers are more comfortable in their pews than out working in the community.

"We go around with our heads in the clouds. We need to meet people where they are."

1999, he said is a good time to get started.

#### **1999 must compute**

If you haven't realized it already, this is your year to find out: The computer is an inevitable part of your life. You'd better get "connected."

"We all have to embrace technology," said Rick Peurifoy, owner of Crossroads Communications. "And it's not all that difficult. It just seems that way for those who aren't familiar with it."

Already, banking is done by computer. Many of us use the computer at our jobs. Soon, we'll be voting and filing our speed will be key, he said.

"The faster your connection, the quicker you can get anything done. Speed is everything."

If 1999 is your year to buy a home computer, don't fret over the Y2K problem, Peurifoy said.

The problem is not going to be with your computer," he said. Instead, it's big business, utilities and other companies that may suffer when the year 2000 begins.

When you buy, though, be sure you get what you need, Peurifoy urges.

"Get a system that is customdesigned for your needs, and be sure it's upgradable."

#### Have your health

Dr. Ben Allen has a five-point plan for health in the new year. Number one: Stop smoking.

"Every day you stop, you are reversing the damage to your lungs," he said. "Stop now!"

Number two, lose weight.

"Those two things alone would go miles toward making people feel better," Allen said.

Number three, start a program of exercise.

"It can become a habit," Allen said. "I'm not talking necessarily about a big program, just something you can do regularly."

For example, stop your car a bit further from your destination and walk the extra distance, Allen suggested. Or take a daily walk around your neighborhood.

And number four, get a checkup. Especially if you are over 40. Allen said far too many people, himself included, put off checking on their health until a problem arises. Finally, think positive.

"We spend far too much time in a negative state of mind," Allen said. "If we could be more positive, I think we'd all feel better.

Story by Debbie L. Jensen ••• Photography by Linda Choate ••• Baby New Year model -- Faith Parum

## Sugarplums are gone, I'm seeing white elephants instead size, even though it hasn't great idea. It gave us something like that shirt, or is it just

Well, what did you get? It seems that's the operative question for this postchristmas time.

We spend much of our before Christmas hours trying not to overindulge in the commercialism of it all, and then, time and again after the big day, we may be asked for a list. What did you get?

And sure, children are entitled not to like some of their gifts. Of course, we try to teach them not to react immediately by shouting "Yuck!" when Aunt Jane is looking on hopefully as

they open the wool turtleneck bundled up for church. she picked out.

But, as adults, we are supposed to like everything. Partly, I suppose, because we don't usually get as much.

He didn't show it, but I know my husband felt a twinge of sadness when he surveyed his tiny pile of presents on ents Christmas morning. He had good reason: The black leather jacket I ordered for him didn't arrive on time. It's not expected to be here until late this week. He sure could have used it on Christmas Eve night as we all

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to admit some disappointment with my gifts occasionally. And it's usually my parwho goof. Either they've held me perma-

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But we acknowledge these goofy gifts, even have a name for them: White elephants. My stepfather's family had a party every year on New Year's Eve. You brought a "white elephant" and we had one of those crazy gift exchanges where you put everything in a big pile, and choose a number. The first one picks out a gift, and so on, with each person having the option of "stealing" a gift from someone ahead of him. I alwave thought this wee a

but still feel like they were given the respect they deserve.

My husband has a theory about white elephants. He says, no matter what your kids (or your wife) get you, you wear it, use it, etc. And you wear it or use it often!

He saw a pop psychologist somewhere that gave this advice. Now he vows to follow it every birthday, Father's Day and Christmas, no matter what. Of course, I can't help but manda

to do with the white elephants, another white elephant he's forced to wear out of fear for our feelings?

> This theory, of course, is very much in the spirit of the season. After all, isn't it the receiving of the gift, any gift, that brings the joy? And in wearing it or using it, you return that joy to the giver.

So Mom. those earrings you got me this year, you can be sure you will see me wearing them often.

...When you visit, at least!

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## ANNIVERSARIES

GALAN





Mr. and Mrs. Isidoro Galan, then and now

Isidoro and Manuela Galan will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at 11 a.m. on Jan. 2, 1999, at Sacred Heart -Church with a mass and reception hosted by their children.

He was born in Austin, and she was born in Big Spring as -Manuela Gamboa. They met at a party at a friend's house. They were married on Jan. 1, 1949, at Sacred Heart Church. Mr. and Mrs. Galan have three daughters, Irene Bustamante, Mary Lou Diaz and Patsy Lopez, and one son, Isidoro Galan, Jr., all of Big Spring.

### and six great-grandchildren.

They have lived in Big Spring their entire 50 years of marriage Currently, they are both retired. Previously, Isidoro

worked for the City of Big Spring, Howard County and the BSISD. Manuela worked for Webb Air Force Base. They are affiliated with St. Thomas Catholic Church and enjoy gardening and traveling.

This was their comment about their 50 years of marriage, "It takes working together to raise and take care of the They have 13 grandchildren, family and lots of love."

## Demand growing for donated breast milk

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) - On ing her two children and workher second day in the world, tiny Emily D'Anne Shaw blinked slowly at her mother, opened her delicate lips and let a rubber nipple slide into her mouth.

life

"That's it, my sweet baby." murmured her mother, Sherrell Shaw

Emily swallowed one sip, and then slowly one more of the gift that came from a stranger, one of the donors who this year gave 2,100 gallons of their own milk for babies, children and even some adults in need of the precious fluid.

Mrs. Shaw hadn't been able to produce any milk for her baby, born a few weeks early. At 5 pounds and 4 ounces, Emily was too fragile to leave the pediatric intensive care unit but desperately needed the essential nutrients, immunities and fat found only in breast milk

So Emily's doctors turned to the "breast milk angels," the unpaid donors who give milk to six depositories across the country, including the Mothers' Milk Bank in San Jose. Users pay about \$2.50 an ounce for the milk, which requires a doctor's prescription.

"Every drop that comes out is hard to get, but there is a sense of preciousness about this," said Vera Michalchik, who juggles milk donations with raising on her doctoral dissertation in education at Stanford University.

"Some days it's tough, I might not have a good flow, but then I think, oh, another ounce for another baby who can survive another half a day," she said. "I know there's never enough.'

Consumption of the banked milk has skyrocketed by 33 percent, from 1,400 gallons last year.

Among the reasons: The Academy American of Pediatrics urged mothers a year ago to exclusively feed their babies breast milk for their first six months. Now adoptive parents, drug users or others who cannot nurse are turning to the banks for a sup-

Public confidence about donor screening is on the rise, too, as studies show that bodily fluids can be safely tested, processed and distributed.

Finally, new medical advantages are being discovered for human breast milk. It helps heal babies with infectious diseases, intractable diarrhea and pneumonia. Children with severe allergies sometimes can digest nothing else. Adults recovering from solid organ transplants and suffering from AIDS find it helps them put on weight. In Mexico, it is poured

on burns

BEST ATTARIE CODY

Milk banks can't keep up with the demand.

We're overwhelmed," said Lois Arnold at the Human Milk **Banking Association of North** America in Sandwich, Mass. 'There's never enough breast milk, and there's never enough space, time or people to process and distribute it."

Refrigerators are packed with bags and bottles at the San Jose bank, where nurse Pauline Sakamoto was preparing a 300pound shipment last week. As she worked, a Federal Express package arrived with more frozen milk.

'Sometimes I wonder if I can keep up, but then I just imagine the babies who need it,' she said, pouring the cold, creamy fluids into pasteurizing beakers

This batch will be flown by volunteer pilots to Highland and fed to two foster children: 8-month-old Dori — who lost 90 percent of her small bowel after birth and is barely surviving as she waits for a liver and intestinal transplant — and 3year-old Nicky, who failed to thrive before his diet was switched to breast milk 18 months ago.

These days he is fed almost 2 quarts a day. His chubby cheeks and bright brown eyes bring smiles from strangers. There are no federal guide-

lines for breast milk banks. The six U.S. banks, along with one in Canada and one in Mexico, regulate themselves through the Human Milk **Banking Association.** 

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Donors are screened and approved by their own doctors, their baby's pediatricians and the milk bank. They donate their milk at home, freeze it in sterile containers and ship it in batches to the milk banks. There it is pasteurized and distributed.

Human milk banks have been around, officially, since the turn of the century. The first known bank in the United States opened in Boston in 1910. They dropped out of sight in the 1980s as formula companies began producing milk substitutes for premature infants and AIDS became a real scare.

Charles Shaw wasn't sure what to think last week when doctors suggested his new daughter be fed banked milk.

"I was leery about it, honestly," he said, keeping his hand on his wife as she ouddled Emily D'Anne. "But they guar-antee this is the healthiest thing for her?

Mrs. Shaw whispered something only her baby could hear and then turned to her husband.

"She's looking wonderful," she said. "She's wonderful."

## Church displays dryer-lint sculpture

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) - The life-size Madonna sculpture at the First Reformed Church of Grandville is a labor of love - and a lot of dryer lint.

Artist Amy Greving used "bags and bags" of the wispy stuff collected from fellow members of the 750-person congregation to fashion her tribute

## ILITARY

veterans of the 2nd Marine Division are invited to its 58th anniversary on Jan. 28-29 at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

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Please write to: P.O. Box 8180; Camp Lejeune, N.C.; 28547; Attn: Col. C.W. Van Horne, USMC Ret.; or call (910)451-3167,

.... Marine Pfc. Joshua R. Madison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack E. Madison of Stanton, recently completed the Electrical Equipment Repair Course.



Mona Phillips, of FCI Big Spring, was recently recognized for her exception service and outstanding contributions to the Selective Placement Program. ...

Commencement at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor was held Dec. 12, at the Bell County Expo Center in Belton. This was the 14th graduating class at UMHB with 268 students reciving degrees for both August and December. Of the degrees conferred, 54

**ODDS-N-ENDS** 

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The Teletubbies? Too lumpy. The **Rugrats? Unrealistic.** 

Authorities netted more than 130,000 counterfeit toys in raids in downtown Los Angeles on Monday. Three people were arrested.

The knockoffs were aimed mainly at the 12-and-under market and bore images of TV's popular Teletubbies and cartoon characters such as the Rugrats and Tweety Bird. The season's hottest toy

Furby — wasn't represented. "This stuff was very bad," Detective John Rodriguez said Tuesday. "The genuine article sells for \$15 to \$20. This stuff was selling for more in the area of \$5 and looked like it

as well as construction materials, bags of household trash,

yard waste and other garbage. "Obviously, we know that this is sensitive and that people are maybe scared of this, but the sole purpose of this is to look at illegal dumping,' said Andy Leal, director of Solid Waste Services.

Jay Jacobson, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Texas, said police already use surveillance cameras frequently.

"The only difference here is, usually they have a specific suspect in mind," Jacobson said.

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - After reading about a 40-

McDonald's, thought it was the right thing to do.

Burns has three semesters left before he completes his degree. He attended West Virginia University after high school, but had to drop out and went to work as a miner.

The truck also will allow Tina Burns to attend classes. "She's been wanting to go

back to school, too," Burns said. "But I didn't want her to walk at night."

GLENPOOL, Okla. (AP) -Heather Joy thinks she's found a way to a cowgirl's heart. She makes handcrafted bass from bull scrotums.

The cost of each of her True Cowgirl's Purses depends on

The 1997 graduate of Stanton High School joined the Marine Corps in January 1998.

Marine Lance Cpl. Chris Perez, son of John Perez of Big Spring, has departed on a sixmonth deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), embarked aboard the ships of the USS Nassau Amphibious Ready Group (ARG)

1995 graduate of The Maranatha Baptist Academy joined the Marine Corps in August 1995.

Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Duane Brooks, son of Frank V. Brooks, Big Spring, recently received the Navy and Marine **Corps** Commendation Medal while assigned aboard the destroyer USS Paul Hamilton home ported in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

The 1982 graduate of Irion County High School of Mertzon, joined by Navy in January 1987.

Tonia C. Sparks, a graduate of Coahoma High School, earned the title "United States Marine" upon

graduation of recruit training at Marine **Corps Recruit** Depot, Parris Island, N.C. will She

continue her training as an Aviation

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Support SPARKS Technician and will serve four years in the Marine Corps. She is the daughter of Ben and Christine Sparks of Big Spring.

READ!

were undergraduate and 20 Master's degrees for August and of the December graduates, 163 were undergraduate and 31 Master's degrees. Included in this list of

degrees was: Sandra Hull, English and reading, of Big Spring.



#### SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

MONDAY- Chicken Rice. mixed vegetables, salad, milk/rolls, fruit.

TUESDAY- Enchiladas, rice, beans, salad, milk/cornbread, cookies

WEDNESDAY- Beef stew, green beans, gelatin salad, cornbread, milk, pudding.

THURSDAY- Ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, salad, milk/rolls, fruit. FRIDAY - Closed

#### was worth \$5.

It was unclear how the goods came into the country. The phony toys will be destroyed or sent to charities overseas, Rodriguez said.

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — If you're dumping trash illegally - surprise! you might be caught on the city's candid garbage cameras. Over the next six months, the city's solid waste department plans to hide dozens of cameras in trees, bushes or atop buildings to catch dumpers in the act.

"I'm hoping that people will think twice about dumping stuff from now on," Joe New, Corpus Christi's solid waste Tuesday. "We're just trying to clean up this city.

City officials estimate illegal dumpers toss out about 70,000 tons of furniture a year mostly sofas and mattresses -

year-old engineering student who was hitchhiking to his classes every day, Stan Allman put his thumb down.

"He has three kids, he's on welfare and is walking 30 miles going to school to better himself," Allman said Tuesday. "We had three vehicles and just my wife and I can drive so we thought we would give him one."

Allman planned to hand over the keys to his Chevy pickup to Jeffrey Burns, a student at Bluefield State College, by tonight.

The 1977 blue pickup is hardly new, but the Burnses were ecstatic to learn the truck would soon be theirs.

"Thank you, Jesus," Tina compliance officer, said Burns shouted when she learned of Allman's gesture. 'Praise the Lord,'' Burns added.

> Allman, who works part-time bagging groceries, and his wife, Cheryl, who works at

whether the bag is personalized, hand-dyed or is adorned with silver or brass; The bags start at \$110. The raw material is hard to

come by, she said, because there aren't that many processing plants in the area that handle bull scrotums.

"I have to wait three months to get a dozen," Ms. Joy said Tuesday.

Ms. Joy got the idea, which she admits "is not for everyone," after seeing ads for a similar item in catalogs.

"They looked boring," she said. "You couldn't even close it. What kind of purse is that?" Her purses are scraped, soaked in salt water and dried before they're shipped to a Wyoming company where they're pickled, she said. The bags, which come in different sizes and colors, are flat and supple by the time they are put on sale.

to the real meaning of Christmas. She spent more than three

months of weekends and spare time sculpting the Virgin and Child.

This was her first time working with dryer lint

Ms. Greving treated the fuzz with a solution to create a papier-mache-like substance, wrapped it around a chicken wire frame and applied metallic paint.

"From a distance, it looks like a metal sculpture, but when you touch it has more of a papery feel," Ms. Greving says. (And she says the sculpture is light enough to easily be carried by two people.)

"Frankly most people thought it was a joke at first,' recalls Associate Pastor James Karsten, who contributed a bag. "Now that they see what lint can be turned into, we've had to tell them to stop bringing it in."

Holiday deadlines: All announcements for publication in the Sunday, January 3 life! section will be due Tuesday at noon, Dec. 29





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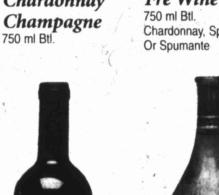
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#### **BIG SPRING HERALD** Sunday, December 27, 1998

## This chilling thriller won't leave the reader cold

"Snow Place To Die." Mary end. Daheim. Avon Books, Inć., New York, New York. October, 1998. 277 pages. \$5.99

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Judith McMonigle Flynn acquiesces to her cousin's pleading, and agrees to cater a weekend affair for a private telephone company's retreat and planning session.

Renie's motivation to have Judith take on this job is to enhance her own involvement as a presenter of a program she hopes to sell the company. The meeting is to be held at a remote lodge in the nearby mountains. Judith is to prepare and serve the food for the first day of the meeting, and to purchase enough food and snacks for the remainder of the week-

Judith and her cousin Renie plan to go up early in the day and return home late that evening

Judith's first impression of the ten members is that they are a diverse, aloof, and impatient group of self-centered and spoiled administrators. After setting out the first meal of the day, Judith and Renie decide to take advantage of the beautiful scenery and walk around the compound. When they start back to to lodge, it begins to snow in earnest. Along the icy mountain stream, they discover the strangled remains of the man who catered the same affair a year earlier.

When they report their find-

terribly concerned; however, when they try

to report to the police, they find all communications have been cut off by the storm. Finding themselves trapped in an inaccessible lodge with 10 PAT suspects,

WILLIAMS Judith and Renie realize the strange

weekend is just beginning. As the hours go by, several members of the group are found

#### ing to the group, no one seems dead. The first couple of deaths reader in suspense, yet subtly are assumed to be suicides, but as the number of bodies increase, it become apparent that one person in the lodge is a murderer. No one trusts anyone, and even Judith and Renie find themselves to be considered suspects. Mary Daheim's technique of having the entire story take place in the lodge is a clever

setting for this romp in the snow. Daheim portrays each murder in a unique manner, and while not writing with gruesome details, the slayings leave no doubt about the threat hovering

over each person within the lodge

"Snow Place To Die" keeps the four = Entertaining and fun

## E-mail romance: Love blooms online

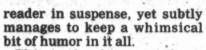
PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) - but people may have just as Now that Meg Ryan and Tom

"Sure," said Ava Rosenblum, describe themselves to each other through written composition, forcing them to translate emotions into words.

authorities and Congress amid concern for minors and pornography.

study suggests that e-mail can be as intimate as a love letter. and that relationships developed online often blossom into lasting love, bonding couples before they meet.

Ryan, as a couple who meet "It seems counterintuitive, online.



This is the thirteenth book that Daheim has published, and in addition to her bed-andbreakfast mysteries, she also writes historical romance. If you take this book to read while staying in a lodge, you will want to be sure you check out the reputation of the other guests, and be sure to keep your door locked and your cell phone close by.

"Snow Place to Die" may increase your sense of distrust in everyone, but it's still a lot of fun!

RATING: (\*\*\*) three out of

Why the medium works has

"The level of self-disclosure

in these relationships was

very, very high," Rosenblum

said. "When I talked to cou-

ples who had moved in togeth-

er, they said they felt freer to

The holiday movie "You've

STORK CLUB Carlie Shea Dodd, girl, Nov.

14, 1998, 10:21 p.m., nine pounds 13 ounces and 21 1/2 inches long; parents are Michael and Katie Dodd of Austin.

Grandparents are Dan and Paula Shellburne of Coahoma, the late Ferrol Lewis Dodd. Marvin and Annette Williams of Big Spring, and Jim and Kestermeier Ann of Burlington, Wis.

**Great-grandparents are Alyne** Dodd, Lola Kunschik and Glen and Frances Overton.

Paid announcement

Brittany Marie Wilson, girl, Dec. 14, 1998, 10:41 a.m., five pounds nine ounces and 19 inches long; parents are Charles and Nicole Wilson. Grandparents are Bill and Peggy Willis of Midland, and Rose Guthrie of Big Spring.

## NEWCOMERS

Jody and Teri Swinney and daughters Slysha and Miranda, Taos, N.M. He owns and operates the Sears store.

Jerry M. and Sherry Jones and daughter Misti, Fort Worth. He is employed by the Big Spring FCI, and she works in a doctor's office.

Trent and Norma Fraley, daughters Casey and Kara and son Dustin, Fort Worth. He is self employed.

Ralph and Janet Payne and daughters Julie and Angela, Fort Worth. He is the warden at the Big Spring Federal **Correctional Institution.** Dennis and Pat Jones,

and Hammad, New York City,

N.Y. He is a psychiatrist at the

- Joy Fortenberry and the

Newcomer Greeting Service

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## 'Patch Adams' perfect vehicle for Robin Williams' over-the-top style

#### By BOB THOMAS

Associated Press Writer

Like the late Norman Cousins, Hunter (Patch) Adams was convinced of the healing power of laughter. Cousins wrote a popular book describing how he overcame a crippling illness by watching movies of the Marx Brothers and other comedians.

Adams wrote his own book telling of his adventures in trying to bring mirth to seriously ill patients while he was a medical student at the Medical College of Virginia. His use of bulbous red noses and bizarre costumes brought the censure of the school's head doctor, who accused him of "excessive happiness."

"Patch Adams" is one of the growing number of films bearing what has become a cliche: Based on a true story.' However true it is: the movie provides an ideal vehicle for Robin Williams, who returns to form after his last outing, the dismal "What Dreams May Come. The film opens in a mental

hospital where Adams is a patient. He doesn't seem deranged, but he is tossed into what resembles a prison cell occupied by a wild-eyed man who fears he is being attacked by animals. Desperate, Adams gets his roommate to laugh away his besiegers.

That experience inspires Adams to become a doctor so he can practice his healing methods professionally. At 46, Robin Williams does seem a bit long in the tooth to portray a premed student, but let's face it, he can pull off almost anything.

Rebelling at the by-the-book teachings of his instructors, Adams tries out his comic shtick on severely ill patients. These are the most appealing scenes in the film, especially his efforts to reach a ward full of ailing children and a dying misanthrope (Peter Coyote).

His stunts draw the wrath of the hard-nosed dean (Bob Gunton).

'If you want to be a clown, join the circus," Adams is warned.

Despite threat of expulsion, Adams continues his campaign. He is joined by his roommate Truman (Daniel London). More difficult to enlist is fellow student Carin (Monica Potter), an aloof beauty who has been abused by men. Adams uses his intense persuasiveness to win her over, romantically as well.

Along with his studies, Adams establishes a mountaintop refuge where he applies his theories to despondent patients. The avenging dean seeks to terminate Adams' experiments and his education by legal means.

Basing the script on Adams' own book, "Gesundheit: Good Health Is a Laughing Matter," Steve Oedekerk has fashioned a surefire character for Robin Williams' Olympian talents.

#### Did you meet, or reunite, with your sweetheart online? Share your story with us a note to: Online romance, life! secpring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big tion. on may be part of an upcoming story.

## Brokaw's book celebrates a generation

**NEW YORK** (AP) — Like so many in his trade this past ule. year, Tom Brokaw had his hands full with the squalid lit- way. In his just-published "The D.C. But every moment he

along, and shattered my sched-The book was finished any

has composed a sweeping trib-

Giving this generation its due has driven Brokaw at least since 1984.

In his book, he recounts travtle war upending Washington, Greatest Generation," Brokaw eling to Normandy for a documentary on the 40th anniver

good a chance at achieving Hanks have shown the romandeep, meaningful and intimate relationships online as they do tic possibilities of fictional ein person," Rosenblum said. mail, is there any hope for the rest of the real world? to do with the way it works. a University of Oregon Couples, she said, tend to be researcher who recently commore open and honest as they

pleted one of the first studies of couples who meet online. "It happens all the time." Of course, online relationships draw the attention of

But Rosenblum's four-year

talk honestly with each other.' Got Mail," written by Nora Ephron, stars Hanks and

could spare from his NBC News duties he devoted to a different war, World War II, and to completing a book that honors those who helped win it.

"Morning, noon and night," Brokaw was saying in his Rockéfeller Center office recently, describing his catchas-catch-can literary regimen. "Here. Home. In Montana. In airports. Thank God for floppies and portable computers."

When 1998 dawned, the NBC news anchor had envisioned August at his Montana retreat, where he would write for a month uninterrupted. "But then Ms. Lewinsky and Mr. Starr and the president of the United States and others came

ute to Americans who saved the world: the citizen heroes and heroines who, during World War II, put themselves on the line. /

They had come of age during the Depression. Then, with little respite, they faced war. When that job was done, they roused the nation to unprecedented prosperity. They meant to make life better not only for themselves, but also for their baby boomer progeny.

"This is the greatest genera--tion any society has ever produced," writes Brokaw, summing up the thesis of his book (and of a companion documentary that NBC will air in January).

sary of D-Day, June 6, 1944, which opened the Allied invasion of Europe and marked the beginning of the end for Adolf Hitler's Third Reich. Born in 1940, Brokaw had spent his early childhood on a

South Dakota Army base where his father served the war effort as, in Brokaw's words, "an allpurpose Mr. Fix-it." His future wife's father had been a doctor on the front lines from North Africa through Italy.

As he walked the beach with American veterans back for the anniversary, "I was deeply moved and profoundly grateful for all they had done," he writes. "I underwent a lifechanging experience."

# END OF GAME NOTICE





Three of the Texas Lottery's instant games are coming to a close: Double Roll, Lucky Frog and Lone Star Millionaire. Lone Star Millionaire closes on January 1, 1999, and you can redeem any winning tickets until June 30, 1999. Double Roll and Lucky Frog close on January 30, 1999, and you can redeem any winning tickets until

July 29, 1999. You can win up to \$5,000

vinning Double Roll, 1 in 4.92 Overall odds of winning Lucky Frog, 1 in 4.84

playing Double Roll, up to \$1,000 playing Lucky Frog and up to \$5,000 playing Lone Star Millionaire. You can claim prizes of up to \$599 at any Texas Lottery retailer. Prizes of \$600 or more are redeemable at one of the 24 Texas Lottery

Texas Lottery Customer Service Line at 1-800-37-LOTTO (1-800-375-6886).

claim centers or by mail. Questions? Just call the



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### HUMANE SOCIETY



Pictured: "Bojangles" Large orange tabby, long haired male, neutered, 2 years old.

Special Note: All dogs and cats presently available for adoption at the shelter have received their vaccinations, including rabies.

"Miss Jenny" Black and white short hair female, spayed, 1 vear old.



"Tom" Large tiger striped old. male, short hair, neutered, 1 year old. "Terry" Large orange short

haired tiger striped male, neutered 1 to 2 years old. "Callista" Calico, fawn mask short hair female, spayed, 2 vears old

"Misty" Smoky grey short haired female, spayed, 1 to 2 years old.

"Clyde" Medium sized male grey tabby, neutered, 6 months to 1 year old.

"Jill" Large Calico female, medium hair, spayed, 2 years

"Tony" large solid black male, short hair, neutered, 2 years old These, plus many more dogs

"Simone" Large Calico, female

medium hair, spayed, 2 years

and cats are awaiting adoption. Adoption fees for dogs are just \$50 and cats are \$40. This includes spaying or neutering, vaccinations, wormings and rabies shots. Also covers feline leukemia tests for cats. All pets come with a two-week trial

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Do you have an interesting item for the Business and Agriculture pages? Call John H. Walker, 263-7331, Ext. 230, or leave a voice mail.

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## Some lenders think oil price plunge offers opportunity in Oil Patch

MIDLAND (AP) - While some lenders are pulling out of the Oil Patch, others think the plunge in oil prices is a business opportunity.

In the past six months, Bank One Corp. of Chicago and BankAmerica's NationsBank, of Charlotte, N.C., have abandoned their energy-lending operations in Midland. Lenders who remain expect demand for

energy loans to drop next year. largest Texas based lender in **But Bryan-based First** American Bank of Texas is bucking the trend by opening its first energy-lending division.

"You think we're crazy?" bank president William Atkinson asked the Texas Journal of the Wall Street Journal. Atkinson's bank is the

the area, with about \$400 million in deposits in the Midland-Odessa area, the newspaper reported. Atkinson said jumping, into the energylending businesses is necessary to diversify from the bank's portfolio of real-estate loans.

"This is something we'd be doing if oil was \$20 a barrel or \$10 a barrel," Atkinson said. The bank's energy division has yet to make loan, but its long-term goal is to build a \$50 million portfolio in five years. The withdrawal of Bank One and NationsBank should hold thin the competition In fact, while oil prices have

continued to decline, Minneapolis-based Norwest Corp. and Chase Manhattan

local independent energy operators buy up the property of retreating major producers, the Journal reported But some established lenders

allegations.

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American

men said.

The U.S.

ducers are faced with a triple

threat. Two severe droughts

and three consecutive years of

lower-than-market prices have

been body blows to the produc-

said John Brown, president of

Department of

the Independent Cattlemen's

**Commerce International Trade** 

Association on Tuesday initiat-

ed an investigation into claims

that Canadian slaughter cattle

and Mexican feeder cattle are

being imported at unfairly low

prices, or at prices which

reflect a benefit from a subsidy.

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"We can't compete with things

Brown said agency officials do

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Some costs of cattle produc-

er side of the cattle industry,"

think First American is using the energy-lending business to build goodwill with local resi-

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Texas cattle producers

Corp. of New York reported 20

percent increases this year in

energy-related loans. Most of

the loans are for acquisition as

dents in hopes of helping its other operations.

"If this isn't marketing driven, it would be difficult to explain their desire to jump headfirst into a market that's the worst that it's been in years," said Karl Reiter, senior vice president of Midland American Bank, a subsidiary of Houston-based Bank United Corp.

he recent cold weather reminds how helpless we are against mother nature. If you Staff Writer

length of time in extreme weather conditions you know what I am talking

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DAVID Mother KIGHT nature can be very

kind then not so kind, it depends on how you are prepared to handle the situation that makes it bearable or not Life if full of obstacles, how

we handle them affects us as well as the people around us. This is the season when we should appreciated what has been provided to us. Not to wish for things we don't have. After all, if we and our families are healthy, have food and shelter, what more should we want?

As we begin a new year, I hope that each of us will commit to making Big Spring and Howard County a better place to live for ourselves, our family and our neighbors.

Merry Christmas from all of us at the Howard County **Extension Office** – David Kight, Dana Tarter, Brandon McGinty, Jessie Payen and Emma Jenkins.

(David Kight is Howard County Extension Agent-Agriculture. His office is located in the basement of the

## Farrier offers specialty shoeing

#### **By MARSHA STURDIVANT**

A man who knows his horseflesh has moved back to Big Spring, and he's hoping to get his horse shoeing business off on the right foot.

"I consider myself a horseman, and I've probably broke more than 1,000 head of horses in my life," said Ricky Brown, who's recently opened his own business, RB Horse Shoeing.

"I grew up here, although I've been gone 15 years. I've been associated with horses and stuff 25 years," he said.

Known as "Cricket" by his friends, because of his ability to whistle a sound like a cricket, Brown said he decided to move home and settle down for his family.

He's traveled the country for the past 15 years as a farrier, specializing in horse shoeing as part of horse racing teams. Brown also specializes in a specific type of horse shoeing. He works with horses who hit and strike their legs as they

run "La Pella Grosetta was a \$150,000 purchase and she would qualify, but then she couldn't come back because she tore her legs off.

"She was the first big horse I ever did, and I just asked, 'let me try'," Brown said.

Brown corrected the horse's problem. And he's corrected similar problems for other horses, he said.

"A horse's front legs go between his back legs, but sometimes they will run so that they hit their legs," he said. Brown has shod horses that See FARRIER, Page 6B



HERALD photo/Linda

ask for federal probe AUSTIN (AP) - A group of discuss ongoing investigations, Texas cattle producers said and she declined further com-Wednesday they are being hurt ment.

by unfair cattle imports from According to the Commerce Mexico and Canada and support Department, about 1.35 million cattle were imported from a federal investigation into the Canada and about 668,000 from 'Texas producers are compet-Mexico in 1997 at a combined itive, but grass roots cattle proworth of about \$1.9 billion.

Increased imports produced more than 2 billion pounds of extra beef in the United States in 1995, costing American producers about \$100 a head, said the cattlemen's association president

Such imports threaten the domestic cattle industry, Brown said

"We must do everything we can to help the producer meet current production costs,' Brown said.

The Commerce Department investigation schedule said it will make final determinations by July 26, 1999.

"Not much is being done today to help the producer side of the cattle industry. This is one way to help the grass roots cattle producers, not just in Texas, but nationwide," said Brown, a rancher in Luling.

"The investigation is a start. If there are problems, we'll know, and if not, we'll have to look somewhere else to solve our problem.'

Howard County Couthhouse and his telephone number is 264-2236.)

Farrier Ricky Brown works on the front hoof of one of his "clients." Brown recently moved back to Big Spring and opened RB Horse Shoeing.

like that International Association spokeswoman Ross

Brown said the Texas Cattlemen's Independent Association has about 3,500 active members.

## Federal regulators decline to force UP to sell Houston-area trackage

WASHINGTON (AP) Federal regulators declined last week to order Union Pacific Railroad to divest itself of some assets in the Houston-Gulf Coast area. to the dismay of customers and rivals alike of the nation's largest railroad.

The Surface Transportation Board, in a much-awaited decision, ordered a handful of "efficiency-producing changes" in Texas, sidestepping requests for more far-reaching action from critics who contend Union Pacific's monopoly on rail assets in the region is damaging

The board, which in 1996 approved the \$5.4 billion merger of Union Pacific and Southern Pacific, said the permanent relief advanced by a coalition comprising the state of Texas, shippers and rail rivals "would effectively undo the merger in the Houston area.

In its order, the STB granted new authority to dispatch trains over rivals' track to faciliate movement of cars through the Houston Terminal. The STB also directed Union Pacific to consult with the Port of Houston and Greater Houston

Partnership on how to carry out its infrastructure improvements.

Union Pacific executives, who had adamantly objected to proposals designed to lessen its grip on the Houston-Gulf Coast region, praised the STB's decision

The board's action is "a fitting tribute to the 53,000 Union Pacific employees who worked extremely hard to put the merger with Southern Pacific in place and to correct our serious service problems," said Dick Davidson, chairman of Dallasbased Union Pacific Corp., which is the railroad's parent. But the coalition partners who

had pushed for an infusion of new competition in the Houston area expressed dismay at the board's action.

They wanted to force Union Pacific to transfer some of its rail assets to competitors. They also wanted the regulators to turn over to a neutral entity the switching and dispatching duties for railroads operating in Houston.

"It is just an absolute abomination," said Maureen Healy of the Society of the Plastics Industry, which helped develop the consensus plan. "I am just still shellshocked at the decision.

Echoed Chemical a Manufacturers Association spokesman, James Pasierb: "Obviously the first reaction is bitter disappointment.

Kansas City Southern Railway, also a party to the consensus plan, "is disappointed the board rejected the pleas of shippers and community leaders in the Houston-Gulf Coast area," spokesman Bill Galligan said. "We'd hoped to restore a level of rail competition to the pre-UP-SP merger level.

**Texas Railroad Commissioner** Charles Matthews, who has long been critical of the federal regulators, found little reason for satisfaction Monday.

"It's just amazing in this time, when we are talking about deregulation and have deregulated every major industry in the country, that we still have one regulatory body and one industry who believe monopolies are the right way to go," he said

"And here the STB gives us back UP's argument, and that is



that competition is bad and monopolies are good.'

Matthews, who is being joined on the Railroad Commission by two new members, said the commission soon will forward recommendations to the Texas Legislature to add rail infrastructure in the Houston area. He declined to discuss specifics. Pointing to Union Pacific's serious service meltdown, which began in the congested

railroad's 36,000-mile network. Matthews said the conditions remain for future troubles

A study commissioned by the **Railroad Commission estimates** the Texas economy took as much as a \$1.5 billion hit from last year's rail crisis.

"What I worry about is the conditions that caused this to happen could happen again," he said. "If there are missteps by the management ... that affect Houston area in mid-1997 and the way the railroad runs in then rippled throughout the Texas, a lot of people will be

hurt again and we'll have no choice but to accept loss of service and high rates.

In his statement, Davidson took pains to address the service woes

"We would like to assure all of our customers, but especially those who suffered most in and around Houston, Texas, that we are dedicated to achieving all of the benefits of our merged railroad and to providing premier service in the future.

## Cotton pickers and computers: Now required farm equipment

and tractors, add to the list of essential farm equipment one more tool: a computer.

From e-mail and Internet access to tracking crops and dairy herds, the computer is quickly replacing pencils, notebooks and scraps of paper in both barns and farmhouses.

"I view the computer as being the cheapest hired man on the farm," said Doylestown dairyman Dave Bishop during the Ag Computing and Electronics Expo Wednesday.

The most advanced farmers have been using early Apples and TRS-80s for 20 years, but as in every other sector of society, the computer is becoming more and more prevalent. Farmers have yield monitors and global positioning systems in their combines to track how well different sections of their land are producing. They have computers in their home to track their finances.

And more dairy farmers are using their com-

LANCASTER, Pa. (AP) - Right after combines puters to keep track of their cows: how much milk each cow is producing, when they're scheduled to go into heat, how much they've been fed.

> Dairy herd management programs, such as Cowsearch, allow a farmer to punch in a variety of information about each cow, then work with the data.

> The farmer can print out pedigrees for his cows, search his herd database to match the specifications of a buyer, even figure out which bull he should mate with heifers in his herd to produce the best calves.

> For Phoebe Bitler of Fleetwood, it is a huge improvement over what she had been doing.

> Her husband would jot down important memos on a napkin or a scrap of paper or, on good days, a notebook.

> "If that paper wasn't somewhere, if I washed it in his shirt, that information was gone," Ms. Bitler said. "On our farm, our computer is just another piece of equipment."

In other words, it's so essential she almost takes it for granted.

About half of the farmers in Pennsylvania rely on the Pennsylvania Dairy Herd Improvement Association to sample their herd. For \$2 a cow, a technician comes to a milking session once every month and measures how much milk each cow produced, then takes a sample to be tested for butterfat content, protein, white blood cells.

In the past, a report might take a week or two. Now, they can access the information by computer within 36 hours or so by going to the DHIA Web site.

That way, farmers can quickly make feed adjustments based on the data, or identify sick cows that need vet treatment.

The difficulty, these farmers said, is the initial ransition.

The first six months with any software, it's, Why did I do this? It was so much easier with a pencil and a piece of paper," said Bishop's wife, Sharon.

'When we first started, the nightmare was typing it all in," Dave Bishop said.

But a system quickly develops. The Bishops have a calendar on which they write every important development during a particular day: this cow was bred, that cow went dry. At day's end, he tries to punch all the information into his management program.

"It,doesn't take long," he said. "It's just a lot of quick keystrokes. It's a whole lot better than doing it by hand.'

Just as office workers wonder what they did before fax machines and e-mail, the farmers who have made the technological leap now aren't sure how they'd do without it. And, of course, they wish it could do more.

"It would be nice if the computer could milk the cows for us when we're not there." Dave Bishop said, only half-joking. "Course, that may be coming.

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Probated judgment theft over \$500/under \$1500: Lupe Roy Gomez \$500 fine and 180 days in jail, Esequiel Calderon \$500 fine and 180 days in jail

Judgment & sentence evading arrest: Jason L. Diaz \$500 fine, \$219.25 court cost and 90 days in jail

Order of dismissal: Ramon Alvear Probated judgment DWLI: Earl Perry Hanke \$500 fine an 180 days in jail Probated judgment criminal trespass/habitation: Virginia Martinez \$250 fine and 180 days in jail.

grantee: Jose A. and Lisle D. Uribe property: lot 7, blk. 2, Capehart Addition filed: Dec. 8, 1998

grantor: Earl and Sonia Lusk grantee: Melton Viera property: lot 10, blk. 18, McDowell **Heights Addition** filed: Dec. 9, 1998

grantor: Tommy Jon Thompkins, Inc.

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grantor: Irland F. and Vernie J. McCormick grantee: Bobby and Ronda Doe property: lot 8, blk. 12, North Parkhill Addition filed: Dec. 11, 1998

grantor: Doyle Roberts grantee: Ann R. Cain property: lots 12-13, blk. 56. **Original Town of Forsan** filed: Dec. 11, 1998

grantor: Terry Savoy Truitt grantee: Melody Ann Truitt property: 1995 Patriot Double-Wide Mobil Home located at Route 3, Box 220 filed: Dec. 14, 1998

grantor: Melody Ann Choate Truitt grantee: Kyle W. Choate property: 11.17 acre tract of and out of the northeast 1/4 of section 17. blk. 31 filed: Dec. 14, 1998

grantor: Mary Helen Carlton grantee: Marsha Stewart property: lot 11, blk. 5, Stanford Park Addition filed: Dec. 14, 1998

grantor: Martin Anguiano grantee: Mark Anthony Gomez property: lot 10, blk. 32, Government Heights to Bauer Addition filed: Dec. 15, 1998

grantor: Bonnie M. Coker grantee: Robert Rachiug property: a tract of 0.707 acres in the west portion of section 25, blk., 33

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grantor: Leslie Lloyd grantee: Donald E. Hankins #property: lot 3; blk. 5, College **Heights Addition** filed: Dec. 17, 1998

grantor: Joe R. and Victoria Robles

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grantor: Romana Rivera grantee: Moses Ramirez property: lot 7, blk. 27, College Park Estates

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grantor: Richard Trevino and Cynthia Trevino grantee: Stephen Campbell property: lot 2, blk. 33, Cole & Stravhorn Addition filed: Dec. 18, 1998

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filed: Dec. 18, 1998

grantor: Andrew M. Cuomo grantee: Mary Jane Rios property: all of lot 6, blk. 1, **Capehart Addition** filed: Dec. 18, 1998

grantor: Johnny Bruce Bedell grantee: Chuck Rosenbaum property: all of lot 12, blk, 19, Monticello Addition filed: Dec. 18, 1998

warranty deed with vendor's lien: grantor: Mark L. and Tammy J. Allen grantee: Geronimo Picazo, Jr. property: lot 1, blk. 6, Douglass Addition filed: Dec. 7, 1998

grantor: Rosalio Garcia grantee: Tomasa French property: lot 5, blk. 2, Porter Addition

filed: Dec. 8, 1998

grantor: Robert E. Wheeler grantee: Donald R. and Mavis E. Taylor

property: 1. the north 50' of lots 1-2, blk. 47, Government Heights, 2. lot 3, blk. 47, Government Heights Addition, 3. a 0.293 acre tract of land out of Government Heights to Bauer Addition. filed: Dec. 9, 1998

grantor: Chuck Rosenbaum grantee: Gaylon Knowlton property: all of lot 1, blk. 3, Amended Piner Heights filed: Dec. 11, 1998

grantor: Michael L. Seal grantee: Jimmy Ray Sims property: the west 100' of the south 50' of lot 2 and the north 50' of lot 3. save and except 10' off the east side, blk. 90, Original Town of Big Spring. filed: Dec. 14, 1998

) grantor: Randy L. and Tracey Vaughn grantee: Russell L. and Kellie L. Leach

property: the south 43' of lot 2 and the north 57' of lot 3, blk. 11,

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## **DOT rules that local flight** restrictions don't apply to Love

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Department Transportation moved this past week to permit wide-ranging nonstop flights out of Dallas Love Field, ruling that decades-old flight restrictions agreed to by the cities of **Dallas and Fort Worth cannot** override federal law.

The DOT's decision is sure to touch off new controversy between the two cities, which have been skirmishing in and out of the courts over the contentious Love Field issue. Dallas supports long-haul

flights from Love Field while Fort Worth leaders fear expansion of the airport's service would undermine Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport, which is jointly owned by both cities.

With the thicket of legal and political issues involved in the dispute, DOT officials acknowledged that their ruling isn't likely to have any immediate effect on the airport's operations.

"It is not clear what exactly will happen because there is still a state court ruling and there is still litigation," a senior Transportation Department offi-

cial said. "We think this clarifies where we believe federal law is for the parties and for the courts and we would like to hope that this resolves it ... but this itself will not end the dispute."

In its decision Tuesday, the DOT ruled that federal law

takes precedence over local con- ramifications for DFW, for the trol - in essence trumping a 1968 agreement between Dallas and Fort Worth to limit service from Love Field in a bid to help build a commercial base for the soon-to-be-constructed DFW.

Fort Worth sued Dallas last year, asking a judge to order Dallas to enforce the 1968 agreement.

Dallas contends it is forced to the Wright abide by Amendment, a 1979 law that limited Love Field flights to Texas and its four neighboring states. After much wrangling in the Wright Congress. Amendment was broadened last year to include Alabama, Kansas and Mississippi - home to several lawmakers opposed to the federal flight restrictions.

But a state district judge ruled in October that the 1968 agreement can be used to block new long-haul flights from Love Field.

However, the Transportation Department, in a news release Tuesday night, said it had determined that "the restrictions sought by Fort Worth are contrary to federal law."

Dallas and Fort Worth officials could not be reached immediately for comment Tuesday night. However, Fort Worth mayor Kenneth Barr said on Nov. 30 that it would be a crushing blow to DFW Airport if the DOT dismantled the local restrictions.

neighborhood around Love Field, and we'll fight it all the way," Barr told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

The department's decision had been expected, hinted at in a June 30th letter in which DOT general counsel Nancy McFadden wrote that "expanded service at Love Field would not injure" DFW and would have "little, if any, impact" on its growth.

The DOT's ruling is a setback for Fort Worth-based American Airlines, which had joined Fort Worth in suing Dallas. Opening Love Field up for travel to other states would attract other airlines to the airport, which is only five miles north of downtown Dallas.

**American Airlines spokesman** Chris Chiames said the airline has not had an opportunity to evaluate the ruling.

"But DOT has had 30 years to issue a decision on the local agreement between the two cities, and they've chosen to do so now when the matter is headed toward resolution in the courts," Chiames said, adding that the ruling "complicates" the issue.

The decision could represent a boost for Houston-based Continental Express, which wants to fly from Love Field, and fledgling Dallas-based Legend Airlines, which has sued to open Love up to longhaul passenger flights.

Bomer orders reduction in insurance rates for high-risk drivers in state

AUSTIN (AP) - High-risk drivers using the state's auto liability insurance program will see an average rate reduction of 27.4 percent, Insurance **Commissioner** Elton Bomer said last week.

This is the first rate reduction in three years for the Texas Automobile Insurance Plan Association, the last resort for many drivers who have been turned down for coverage otherwise. TAIPA officials had asked for a 1.6 percent increase in

in premiums over the last year far outweighed what insurance had to pay out in claims, Hanna said.

Bomer ordered TAIPA rates for bodily injury liability insurance, mandated by law, lowered by 41.1 percent. Rates for personal injury protection and uninsured motorists will be reduced an average of 32.1 percent under Bomer's plan. **Property damage liability** 

rates will see a slight increase of 2 percent

The amount the drivers paid with less than desirable driving records," Bomer said.

"The commissioner needs to realize that TAIPA premiums for these drivers need to be sufficient to support claims."

The higher rates caused a hardship for many good drivers, said Rob Schneider, a senior staff attorney for Consumers Union. The reduction is an important step in -making insurance more affordable, he said.

"We're pleased to see that AIPA rates are finally coming down," he said. "We'd have liked to see a larger reduction, but this is a healthy reduction." The new rates take effect March 1, 1999. The TAIPA program is open to drivers who have been rejected by at least two auto insurers. Less than 2 percent, or about 80,000, Texas drivers currently use the program, according to the insurance department.

"It would have devastating

Judgment & sentence fail to identi fy: Jessie Salgado \$250 fine, \$219.25 court cost and 30 days in

Judgment & sentence possession of marijuana under 2 ounces: Jesse Cervantes \$300 fine, \$219.25 court cost and 60 days in jail Judgment & sentence burglary of vehicle: "Billy Shawn Kennedy \$500

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Deeds: Warranty deeds grantor: Clifford Hale grantee: Danny Kriag Walker property: tract or parcel of land out of the south 1/2 of section 36, blk. 31

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grantor: William C. and Therese A. Tarleton

grantee: Kirk Lola and Rhonda Ross property: lot 29, blk. 6, Highland South Addition No. 5 filed: Dec. 7, 1998

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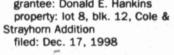
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ran and won national and world championships, including three at the Kentucky Derby this year. He also shod the horse that won the Oklahoma Derby, owned by Charlie Clark.

He worked with the lead trainers at the Texas Para Mutual Horse Race in Houston and San Antonio, and shod horses that won.

"I can say I had the horse shoers dream of the whole state of Texas winners under my



grantor: Pablo Ramirez, Jr. grantee: Moses Ramirez property: all of lot 7, blk. 27, **College Park Estates** filed: Dec. 17, 1998

grantor: Albert Ramirez grantee: Moses Ramirez property: all of lot 7, blk. 27, **College Park Estates** filed: Dec. 17, 1998

grantor: Pablo Ramirez, III, Johnny Ramirez, Elias Ramirez, and Eva Hernandez grantee: Moses Ramirez property: all of lot 7, blk. 27, **College Park Estates** filed: Dec. 17, 1998

grantor: Lidia Ramirez and Eunice Lara

grantee: Moses Ramirez property: all of lot 7, blk. 27, College park Estates

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**118th District Court:** Filings: Accounts, notes & contracts: Del Mar Drilling Company, vs. Mallon Oil Company Sears, Roebuck and Co. vs. Gene Game

shoeing hammer," Brown said. Brown can proudly recall shoeing the horses of the late Toots Mansfield, Quail Dobbs and Bob Baffert of the Kentucky Derby. He also has shod horses for Garrett Ranch and the Sun Powell Ranch, he said.

Brown also specializes in shoeing quarter horses and thorough breds and has shod more than 50 winners. He attended the Oklahoma Horse Shoeing School, where he was in the top of his graduating class, he said.

Brown said he has tired of the constant traveling required of a trainer for large race tracks and

champion horses "I missed a lot because I was always having to leave early to catch a plane. You ought to see the way that metal detector at an airport will go off on horse shoeing equipment. Caused me to miss some planes," Brown said.

And although he is also an expert horse trainer, Brown said he doesn't want to branch out into the area at the present. "I'm strictly shoeing right now, and I want to focus on that business more," he said.

Brown can be contacted at his home on Ritchey Road at 268-1469

#### rates Kentwood Addition Unit No. 1

"I'm glad that in my last TAIPA order, I'm able ... to lower the rates significantly,' Bomer said.

Bomer is stepping down effective Jan. 15 to be a senior advisor to Gov. George W. Bush. Bush has yet to name his successor

Despite the sharp reductions, participating insurance companies can still make a profit, said Bomer spokesman Mark Hanna.

While Bomer sets the rates the reductions drivers will see depends on where they live and their driving history.

Jerry Johns, president of the Insurance Southwestern Information Service, said artificial price controls is not the way to create equity in the insurance market place.

"Inadequate rates can create cross subsidies where the good drivers end up supporting those

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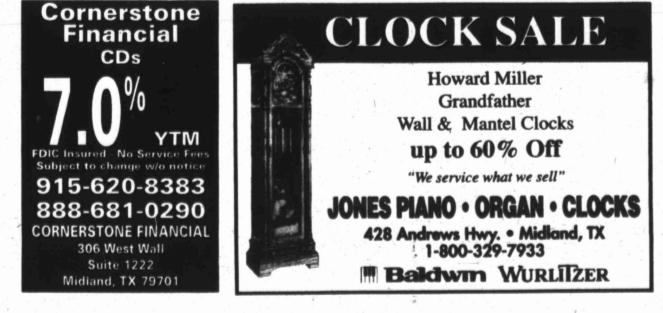
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#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR**

SUNDAY, DEC. 27: Domestic life becomes a high priority. Build security. You'll need and want a safe haven where you can express your essence. Trust your feelings and intuition. They are generally on target. Sometimes you can be very hard on yourselfyour own worst critic. Allow yourself to be more joyous. If you are single, nesting and increasing intimacy appeal to you. You'll encounter several worthy candidates for the caliber of relationship you seek. If attached, you might opt to spend more time together at home. A project tackled as a duo brings you even closer. ARIES triggers your emotions. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You are fired up and raring to go. Let go and enjoy. Take time to do things for yourself, and not necessarily everyone else. Launch a key project that you have been weighing. A

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serious conversation might be necessary. Someone will listen when he realizes you mean it. Tonight: Time to slow

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down.\*\*\*\* TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Take a back seat and let someone express his personality. Sometimes it is wise to say little. Enjoy this person. Don't mar a near-perfect day by putting your foot in your mouth. Later, take some time for yourself. Grab an extra. snooze or two. Tonight: Early to bed.\*\*\*

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Get together with friends to share presents and holiday news. Make an important longdistance call to a friend or loved one. Your caring means more than you know. A friend is very serious; your efforts to lighten him up might not work. Tonight: Have that serious talk.\*\*\*\*

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Accept pressure from someone in charge. You can't change him anyway. A partner wants to make the most of the day and relax. Both of you feel

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mellow because of recent developments in your relationship. Responsibilities do call, however. Tonight: A must appearance.\*\*\*\*

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

You might want to indulge and relax right now. Make that extra effort and phone someone who is at a distance, or take off and visit him. You can detach when away from home. Another perspective, a different setting and fresh air invigorate you. Tonight: Head home.\*\*\*\*\*

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Realize that a partner has a slightly different agenda from you. Think before you leap. Take your time, and allow more caring to flow. You don't have to do for others to convey your caring. Be more affectionate. Choose your words carefully. Tonight: Snuggle and be warm.\*\*\*\*

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Others express themselves in

a strong manner. You make your point because of your gracious way. However, too much soft touch or charm could mollify your message. Now that celebrations are over, a partner returns to his difficult self! Tonight: Don't push.\*\*\*\*

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You still have a lot to do, even on the weekend. Clear up extra work or regain control of your home. Whatever you are up to, you might be compulsive. Someone does a good job of sidetracking you, however. Take time to enjoy a late brunch together. Tonight: You are very tired.\*\*\*

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You are right in the swing of

things. Partners seek you out. Your playful temperament delights young and old. Take the opportunity to go overboard. You splurge, both financially and emotionally. A child misunderstands your limits

**Reception deception leaves** father doubting son's word

DEAR ABBY: My son was married last month. Before the wedding, he asked me if I would contribute financially to the reception. I offered to pay for the drinks, and he and his fiancee seemed appreciative. The bride's

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parents are

too.

each

due to all the silliness. Tonight: Let it all hang out.\*\*\*\*\* CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Your joyous nature comes out full force with family. You want to kick up your heels and celebrate life. New Year's resolutions are a pleasure this year. as you are so positive. Don't wander too far away from home. Others seek you out. Popularity grows. Tonight: Sad about weekend's close.\*\*\*\*

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Reach out for others. You're buoyant and full of generosity. Feelings emerge that could overwhelm you. Still, share them with someone. Make calls, catch up on news and follow through on good tips. Go to a favorite spot. Tonight: Even

friends!\*\*\*\* PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Look at the damages of recent splurging-not that you are

you could get tired of

ready to stop yet! Your sense of humor comes out when dealing with a friend. Get together with others, capitalize on the last day of the holiday weekend. Celebrations mark the moment. Tonight: Make financial resolutions.\*\*\*

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Yesterday was my 33rd

anniversary, and not a soul

mentioned it. When I went to

bed last night, I hugged my

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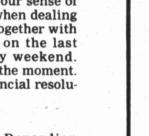
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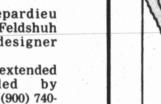
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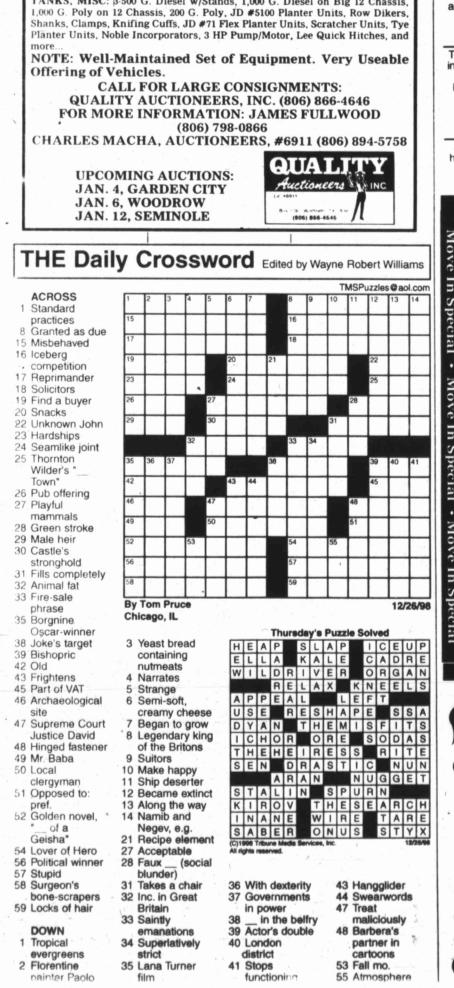
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#### **BIG SPRING HERALD** Sunday, December 27, 1998





FATHER/FATHER-IN-LAW IN WISCONSIN DEAR CHEATED: I agree with you. There is the ethical issue of honesty. You were right to let your son and his bride know they couldn't "pull the wool" over your eyes. Their silence indicates their embarrassment and probably an inability to repay the money. Write a note telling them you'll accept payments on the installment plan. Then bill them every month until they have paid off the debt. DEAR ABBY: I have followed your column for many years, but have never written because I've had a beautiful life and few complaints. I had a marvelous husband for 28 years —until cancer took him from me. We had three wonderful sons who never gave us a minute's trouble. They married terrific wives and gave us beautiful grandchildren. So why am I writing? Let me tell you:

bered. Even though my spouse will never be with me again on this special date, it's still our anniversary and always will be. A YOUNG WIDOW IN GEORGIA

DEAR YOUNG WIDOW: Perhaps your letter will be the catalyst that inspires others to do something positive on those special occasions.

DEAR ABBY: I have been married for 18 years and have three children. Last spring, my husband moved out to "find himself" and promised he would be back. Well, he found a lady "friend" with whom he's been spending a lot of time, drinking and partying. He never did this before.

When he went camping alone with this woman, it was more than I could take. He said nothing happened. I didn't believe him and filed for divorce. He has nothing to do with me now, and not much to do with the kids. I know it's probably over, and I'm having a hard time accepting it. I have very little self-esteem. Do you think I should try to get him back or accept the situation and get on with my life? He has changed so much that I don't really like him anymore, but I want to do the right thing for the kids' sake. He refuses to give up this woman -- she even comes before the kids.

Abby, what do you think? --HURTING IN FARGO, N.D.

**DEAR HURTING: After 18** years, you know your husband very well. Since he refuses to give up the woman and try to revive the marriage, you have no choice but to go on with your life.

During a long marriage, sometimes it's hard to distinguish between where you leave off and your spouse begins. It's important that you now allow time for yourself. The better you become reacquainted with yourself, and the more independent you become, the more your self-esteem -- and your life -- will improve.

If the going gets rough, talk to your friends, your minister or a counselor. Although it's hard to start over, and it will take some time, you will get over this unhappiness and emerge stronger for it. Trust me.



