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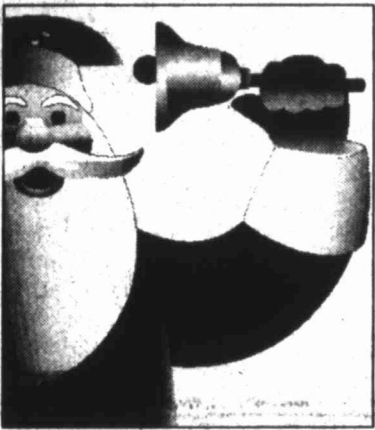
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## HELPING OTHERS...

Each day through the holiday season, the Herald will publish locations where you might help others less fortunate, including Salvation Army Angel Trees and Salvation Army Kettles.

If your organization has an established program to help others and you would like to be included in this list, call Marsha Sturdivant at 263-7331, ext. 234.



### Angel Tree locations:

- Big Spring Herald (seniors)
- Big Spring Mall
- Al's and Son B-B-Q
- Wal-Mart
- Cosden Credit Union
- Scenic Mountain Medical Center
- Rip Griffin's Gift Shop
- Gale's Sweet Shoppe

### Salvation Army Kettles:

- Wal-Mart
- Rip Griffin's
- Big Spring Post Office
- Bealls For Her
- Cinema IV

### Toys For Tots:

- Cellular One in the College Park Shopping Center
- Pollard Chevrolet through Dec. 14.

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## StarTek makes it official with Internet announcement

By MARSHA STURDIVANT  
Staff Writer

StarTek Inc. announced today that Big Spring has secured their newest outserver facility, expected to be operational in December.

"We're excited about the quality of the workforce in Big



BEIL

Spring and are anxious to complete our facility renovation and the hiring of our new associates. We look forward to becoming a vital part of the Big Spring community," said StarTek president and chief operating officer Michael W. Morgan, in an Internet press release.

Charles Beil, president of Moore Development for Big Spring, said the board is pleased negotiations have finalized.

"We're excited to have StarTek and what this means to the community in new positions

and jobs, as well as economic encouragement. We're very pleased, and anticipate a long-lasting relationship with StarTek," Beil said.

StarTek, a Colorado-based firm that provides support service to customers of computer equipment and software, is locating a 450-person call center in the former TG&Y building in College Park Shopping Center.

Negotiations between Moore Development for Big Spring and StarTek officials began in early spring, and a workforce research seminar was conducted in June.

At that time, more than 1,000 individuals applied for positions with the firm, and an incentive agreement was prepared to bring the newest call center to Big Spring.

The process hit another snag when it was discovered that a point of presence telecommunications system did not exist in Big Spring, contrary to information Moore Development had received.

However, Kent Sharp, executive director for Moore Development, continued to pur-



sue the firm and the call center, and was able to negotiate contracts with Southwestern Bell and StarTek that brought a point of presence to the area.

"The reason we have StarTek here is because of Kent Sharp's bulldog guts tenacity. Kent and his staff latched on and wouldn't let go," said Lee George, a

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## Abendschans devoted to helping others

By MARSHA STURDIVANT  
Staff Writer

RSVP volunteers Jack and Mary Lou Abendschan have 157 combined years of experiences, which today they devote to several projects, most notably the Big Spring Police Department.

"We enter the pawn tickets into the computer every Wednesday night and we've been doing this for the past four years," said Mary Lou.

Jack said his experience at the department has opened his eyes to how hard police officers work, and how important their job is to the community.

"They're really a good bunch of girls and guys there. Working with the police department, we've gotten acquainted with most of the officers and seen firsthand that they really are pretty human. We're the only two people who have the run of the building, and we've gotten to know everyone," Jack said.

The couple began their work with the police department after Jack became a member of the RSVP advisory council. Today, Mary Lou is a part-time employee of RSVP, acting as secretary, bookkeeper and receptionist.

Before retirement, Mary Lou was a professional bookkeeper, and she remarked on the irony of spending so much of her job and her part-time volunteer work today on a computer.

"When these computers first came out, I said they would



Jack and Mary Lou Abendschan have worked as RSVP volunteers at the Big Spring Police Department, where one night each week they enter the pawn tickets into the centralized computer.

never last. Of course, that was in 1962. I was a manual bookkeeper and I didn't want to use a computer," she said.

Jack graduated from the

School of Mines in Golden, Colo., and became a petroleum engineer, a career that lasted five years. He and Mary Lou met and married in

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## Lots of activities available for RSVP volunteers

By MARSHA STURDIVANT  
Staff Writer

The Retired Senior Volunteer Program has more than 325 volunteers providing services to nearly 50 locations and businesses within Big Spring.

And the services these volunteers provide the community can not be measured in dollars and cents.

"Retired senior volunteers

may begin serving their selected agency when they are 55. We need more young volunteers, because we are losing so many of our older volunteers who helped start the agency 25 years ago," said Nancy Jones, RSVP director.

Jones said most of her volunteers contribute hours to more than one agency, and she encourages the volunteers to give as much time as they can.

"Statistics show that volunteers live longer. Their lives are better with longevity, self-satisfaction and socialization," Jones said.

Each volunteer is provided with supplemental insurance to cover an accident that might

occur while "on the job," she said.

"This is one of our best selling points. All work is volunteer, which means they do not get paid, so they work for the joy of giving, and to make a difference," she said.

In fact, no salary is one of the requirements of RSVP volunteer stations, she said. RSVP volunteers receive a quarterly newsletter, and are treated to a special holiday get-together where volunteers may meet the RSVP advisory council.

Each year, RSVP volunteers participate in a number of community activities, as well as some seasonal projects. The Christmas Bicycle Project finds

RSVP volunteers refurbishing and transporting unclaimed bicycles, which are then presented to needy children for Christmas, Jones said.

"This office is filled with colorful bicycles when we get ready to take them, literally a sea of bicycles," Jones said.

RSVP volunteers provide education and a support network for the Alzheimer's Association. The Howard County Meals on Wheels program, where nutritious meals are delivered daily to homebound residents, is aided through the RSVP program.

More than half of the mem-

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## Morning Optimists have variety of trees available

By BILL McCLELLAN  
News Editor

It's that time of the year when decorations start going up, outside and inside — and that includes the traditional tree.

Big Spring Morning Optimist Club received more than 100 trees today at the lot on Gregg and 10th Street and will begin selling them this evening.

Big trees, tall trees, skinny trees, short trees — looking for a home for the holidays in Howard County.

"Come by and help us support the youth of Howard County," said James Balios, who was checking off the trees on a list

as other Optimists were unloading them this morning.

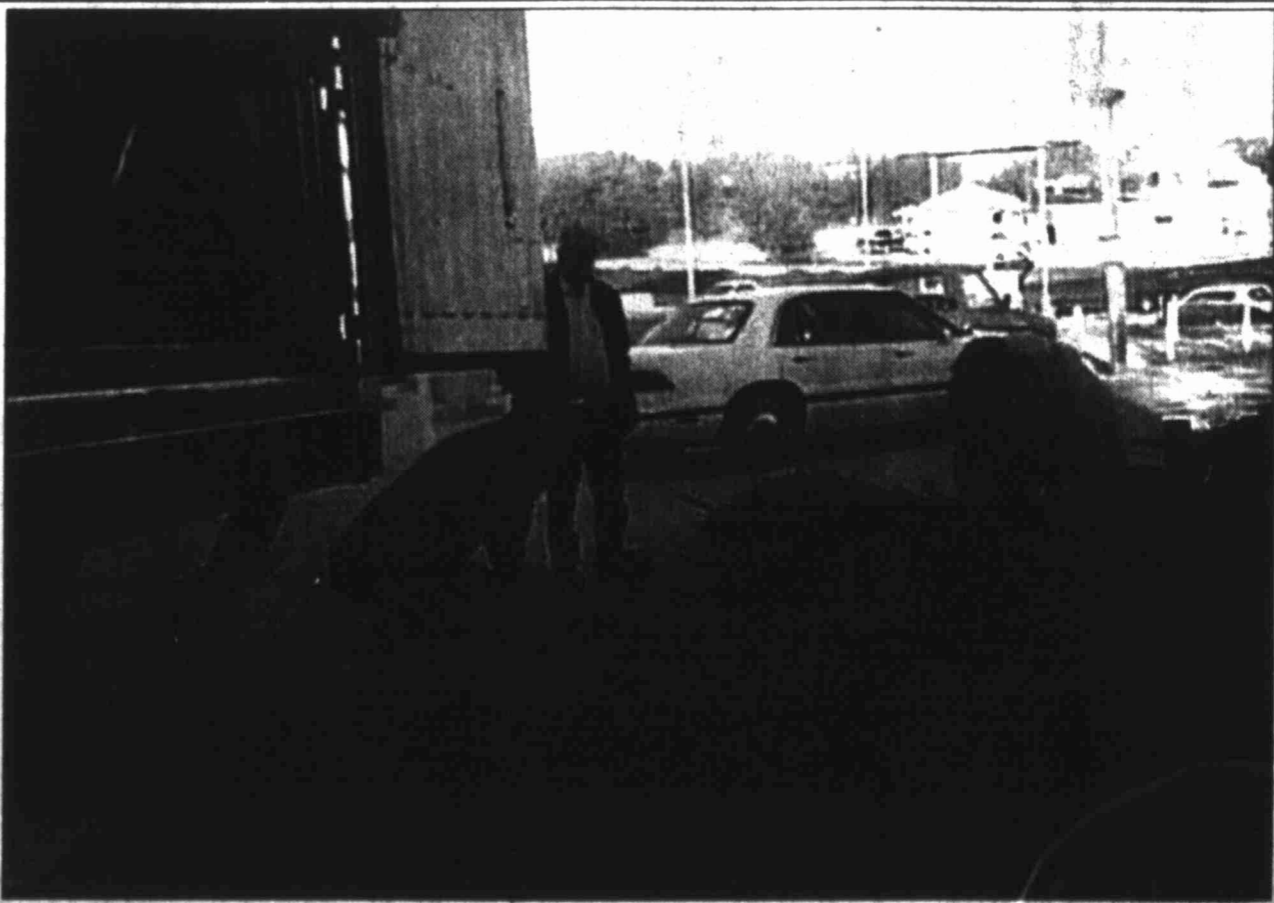
"We support baseball, football, girls softball, Youth Appreciation Week — any youth or youth group that needs some help. That's what this is all about."

The group has Noble and Douglas firs priced from \$12 to \$80 and ranging in size from as small as two feet up to nine feet.

"We have lots of trees, all sizes," said Balios. "These are good quality trees, fresh and really beautiful."

They also have fire alarm ornaments for sale at \$15 each. Hours are 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturdays and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays.

"We'll be open this evening," said Balios. "So come on out and get a tree and help the youth of Howard County in the process."



From left, Gary Faulkner, Sid Clark and Roger Goertz help unload Christmas trees at the Morning Optimist Club's lot at 10th Street and Gregg. They'll begin selling the trees this evening. Prices range from \$12 to \$80 for the trees, which are up to 9 feet in height.

## TEA

Drop out rate primary focus of meeting with BSISD, parents

By MARSHA STURDIVANT  
Staff Writer

Members of the Texas Education Agency will visit Big Spring Independent School District Tuesday through Friday, to meet with parents and administrators concerning the drop out rate that earned BSISD an academically unacceptable rating earlier this year.

"By rule, the TEA must visit all schools that receive a low-performing rating. This is a modified visit and they will be specifically looking at those things that caused our accountability rating, the drop out rate," said BSISD Superintendent William McQueary.

BSISD was notified that an academically unacceptable rating was to be received through the accountability rating system provided by TEA each year.

Specifically, this rating was received because of a false 6.6 percent drop out rate reported to TEA. Big Spring High School received the elevated drop out report because final paperwork and appeals were not sent to TEA within the prescribed deadlines.

Big Spring High School has an accurate drop out rate of 2.4 percent, with an overall 1.9 percent district wide. However, the appeals process expired, and BSISD must carry the academically unacceptable rating throughout this year, he said.

The integrated visit of at least four members of TEA will focus primarily on the drop out rate,

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OBITUARIES

Pearl Watkins

Pearl Watkins, 74, Big Spring, died on Saturday, Nov. 27, 1999, in a Midland hospital. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 29, 1999, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Bob Webb, a Baptist minister from Denver City, and the Rev. Bruce Webb, a Baptist minister from Jacksonville, officiating.

She was born on Aug. 5, 1925, in Spur, and married Larry Watkins in 1967, in Las Vegas, Nev. He preceded her in death in 1983.

She moved to Big Spring as a young girl. She worked as a waitress at several restaurants. Ms. Watkins moved to California in 1965 and returned to Big Spring in 1984.

Survivors include: a daughter and son-in-law, Delores and Bill Andrews of Alvin; three granddaughters, Pamela McDaniel and husband Robert of Broken Arrow, Okla., Tanya Mutina and husband Mike of Alvin, and Lori Lynn Gillaspia and husband Michael of Hitchcock; six great-grandsons and one great-granddaughter; three sisters, Mary Prevo of Big Spring, Catherine Berry and Dorothy Hopper, both of Artesia, N.M.; and a special friend, Darwin Webb of Big Spring.

She was also preceded in death by a brother, Johnny Pryor.

Honorary pallbearers will be great-grandsons, Ryan McDaniel, Jordon Lenaburg, Jeremy Mutina, Justin Mutina, Trevor Gillaspia and Trenton Gillaspia.

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

*Paid obituary*

Donald Anderson

Service for Donald Anderson, 82, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He died Sunday, Nov. 28, 1999, in a San Antonio hospital.

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and the high school, he said. A meeting of parents whose students who dropped out of school last year has been scheduled with TEA members Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the board room of the high school, he said.

"This is a special opportunity for parents of students who dropped out to talk with TEA,

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Mary L. Fortune, 78, died Friday. Services will be 2:00 PM Tuesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mildred Baker, 80, died Saturday. Services are pending at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Donald Anderson, 82, died Sunday. Services will be 2:00 PM Wednesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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and there will be no board members at this meeting. We have identified through our records, and we are encouraging parents to attend this meeting," McQueary said.

However, board president Larry McLellan and vice president Irene Bustamante have scheduled meetings on Wednesday with TEA members. Also, the high school site-based decision making committee and the district committee will also have meetings with TEA.

And administrators will have their meeting as well, he said.

"One committee member will be looking at finance records with the business office. Specifically, they will be looking into at-risk student programs and how we spend that money," McQueary said.

He said he believes the focus of this visit will be on the drop out figures, as well as those steps that are taken to prevent drop out students.

TEA presents a district report card, or accountability rating to every district in the state. This rating is based on three components — daily attendance, Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test scores, and dropout rates.

"I don't believe they will be looking at our TAAS scores, because those are very good," McQueary said.

Once all the facts have been gathered, TEA members will present a synopsis of their findings verbally to district officials on Friday afternoon.

"They will give us things, pro and con, in the facts they find. We will receive a written report, but not for another 30 or 60 days," he said.

The district has spent many man hours in the weeks prior, preparing for this modified visit, and Region 18 Regional Service Center has also provided assistance, he said.

"We expect this will be a rather intense next three days. Of course, the target is the high school, and they have spent an appreciable amount of time preparing for this," McQueary said.

A self-evaluation form was submitted to TEA in early November that provided TEA with a basis for their study when they arrive," McQueary said.

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Moore Development board member.

And Morgan, who has been in contact with Sharp nearly every day for the past several months as negotiations continued, credits Sharp with the success of the project.

"We want to especially acknowledge the efforts of Kent Sharp, without whose extraordinary efforts this new facility would not be possible," Morgan said.

Beil said credit for the success of this project goes to the cooperation of the Industrial Foundation, city council members, Sharp and his staff, Pam Welch and Bonnie Smith.

The Big Spring location joins other StarTek facilities in Denver, Greeley and Grand Junction, Colo., Laramie Wyo., Clarksville, Tenn., Hartlepool, England and Singapore.

The center is expected to initially operate five days per week, 18 hours per day at its opening, which is scheduled for Dec. 1.

StarTek provides support service for Fortune 1000 companies, including E-commerce support, Internet support, high-end technical support, supply chain management, provisioning for telecommunications, order processing and product fulfillment.

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bers of the Big Spring Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association are RSVP volunteers. In addition to providing traffic control during community events, these volunteers also participate in the Bicycle Rodeo, a part of the Health Fair in April, fingerprint and video tape children for identification purposes when requested, and assist with future CPA classes.

The Big Spring State Hospital Chalet retail shop is manned

entirely by RSVP volunteers. The funds raised from this business are used to finance patient activities at the BSSH. And these volunteers also create handmade crafts such as quilts and baby blankets for sale in other fund-raising efforts for the BSSH.

"The chamber of commerce, symphony board, city of Big Spring and United Way make use of the talent of 10-15 volunteers at Canterbury North on an on-call basis. These volunteers gather to stuff envelopes or bags used throughout the community," Jones said.

This material is then distributed at conventions and conferences, and sometimes as many as 600 are stuffed at one sitting.

And large volume mailouts are also handled. Jones said the largest mailout Canterbury volunteers have complete thus far was the water quality report, where RSVP volunteers stuffed, stamped and sealed 8,563 reports in five days.

"These ladies and gentlemen are awesome to watch. Most have limited mobility, so volunteering outside the complex is out of the question," she said.

Jones said to accomplish these tasks, she takes boxes of material into the group, and returns a few hours later to retrieve the finished product.

"This is one of my favorite groups, because I get to interact and spend time with the volunteers," Jones said.

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"Then the good Lord hit me over the head with a 2x4, saved my soul and walked with me into the seminary," Jack said.

Mary Lou admits to being less than thrilled about Jack's career move, even 50 years later.

"He spent four years in seminary by himself. I did not want to be a minister's wife," Mary Lou said.

Today, along with his RSVP duties at the police station and his work with the Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association, Jack is also spiritual director for the Signal Mountain Emmanuel Community.

"It is a blessing to keep helping people, and I really can't do anything else. I have been used by God to help people, and I admit I love that captive audience," Jack said.

Jack said he has retired four different times, but today, at 80, he enjoys his volunteer work and his spiritual counseling.

"There are tremendous rewards in a life devoted to serving others," Jack said.

And Mary Lou said ministry is still his calling. "Preaching the gospel is still his favorite thing."

The couple have four children, nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. With their family living in all points north, east and west, from California to Massachusetts, they don't see their offspring too often, they said.

"Of course, we're pretty busy," Mary Lou said.

Their lives are filled with volunteer efforts, Mary Lou's job and Jack's ministry. And they remain devoted to RSVP and the efforts that go into smoothly operating a volunteer organization.

The Abendschans help organize the RSVP banquet each year, and also help with the alumni association of the police academy, as well as projects that spring from the organization.

"Volunteering keeps us active," Mary Lou said.

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Other efforts:

• H-E-B Food Stores "Ring In A Miracle" to benefit the Salvation Army. Tell your cashier what you want to give and either \$1. or \$2 will be added to your grocery total.

• Cox Cable of Big Spring is a collection point for the Salvation Army canned food drive.

• Church of the Nazarene will collect canned food for the Salvation Army during the

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drive-through nativity scene, Dec. 9-12.

• Pizza Inn, Goliad Elementary, St. Mary's Episcopal School, Forsan ISD, Moss Elementary and Big Spring Junior High are all holding canned food drives through Dec. 8.

• Norwest Bank is sponsoring The Giving Tree, which aids foster children. Come by and select an ornament and bring a gift back to the bank by Dec. 17.

BRIEFS

THE HERITAGE MUSEUM AND Gale's Sweet Shoppe are teaming up for a gingerbread house decorating event. Participants can make and take home their own cookie house for the holidays.

The three-hour session is planned Sunday, Dec. 5 at the museum. Gale Pittman, owner of the Sweet Shoppe, will provide all the materials, free.

Participants should call the museum, 267-8255, to reserve a spot by Dec. 1.

The houses can be eaten, since the "glue" that holds them together is icing, and all decorations are edible.

AARP 55 ALIVE MATURE Driving Course will be taught Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 1-2 at Martin County Senior Citizens Center. The course is open to all people age 50 and over, who must attend both sessions. After completion, participants are eligible for a 10 percent discount on auto insurance.

Cost is \$8 for the course and there are no tests or exams. Call 756-2791 to register.

AARP 55 ALIVE MATURE Driving Course will be taught Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 6-7, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Senior Citizens Center, Big Spring. The course is open to all people age 50 and over, who must attend both sessions. After completion, participants are eligible for a 10 percent discount on auto insurance.

Cost is \$8 for the course and there are no tests or exams. Call 267-1628 to register.

FREE TICKETS WILL BE available starting Monday for this year's Living Christmas Tree, planned Dec. 4-5 at First United Methodist Church.

This year's version of the annual program will include sugarplum fairies, elves, mimes and a flag corps along with the traditional singers on a Christmas tree frame.

This year's theme is "Love Comes Down at Christmas." Both shows begin at 8 p.m., and a 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4 dress rehearsal is also open to the public, without requiring a ticket.

IT'S TIME FOR THE Big Spring Woman's Club annual coat drive. We will be collecting coats for needy children and adults from through Nov. 30. Please bring your extra coats, hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, windbreakers and blankets to Harris Lumber and Hardware (1515 E. FM 700), the Howard County Courthouse (first floor) or Scenic Mountain Medical Center (1601 W. 11th Place).

HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM is joining the Trail of Lights. Hangar 25 lights will glow after Big Spring Herald-sponsored Lighted Christmas Parade on Dec. 4. As part of the opening of the Trail of Lights, Hangar 25 will be open to the public from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The hanger will be outlined in white lights and the interior will have special lighting for the holidays. Museum volunteers will be serving cookies, coffee and punch.

THE AREA AGENCY ON Aging Ombudsman Program will begin a new training session to train volunteer ombuds-

men to visit residents in Big Spring nursing homes. The training will begin after Jan. 1. Please call 800-491-4636 for more information.

AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION will have its annual Arts and Crafts sales at Big Spring Mall Dec. 11, and booths are available for vendors.

Booths are available at \$35. Proceeds fund the ABWA scholarship program, but any profit the vendor makes is theirs to keep.

For more information or to secure a booth call Delporis Albert at 263-4253.

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 49.90 cents, up 5 points; Jan. crude 26.15, down 72 points; cash hogs at 36; cash steers steady at 70 even; Dec. lean hog futures 53.55, down 10 points; Dec. live cattle futures 70.12, down 5 points.

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ATT	60 1/2 + 2 1/2
Atlantic Richfield	94 1/2 - 1/2
Atmos Energy	22 1/2 - 1/2
BP Amoco	61 1/2 - 1/2
Chevron	87 1/2 - 1/2
Cifra	18 - 18 1/2
Compaq Computer	25 1/2 + 1/2
Cornell Correc.	12 + 1/2
Dell	44 1/2 + 1/2
DuPont	59 1/2 - 1/2
Exxon	78 1/2 - 1/2
Halliburton	38 1/2 - 1/2
IBM	103 1/2 - 1/2
Intel Corp	78 1/2 - 1/2
Mid Amer Energy	33 1/2 - 1/2
Mobil	103 1/2 + 5/16
NUV	8 1/2 - 1/2
Palex Inc.	6 1/2 - 1/2
Patterson Ener	13 1/2 - 1/2
Pepsi Cola	34 1/2 - 1/2
Phillips Petroleum	47 1/2 - 1/2
SBC Com.	51 1/2 - 1/2
Sears	31 1/2 + 3/16
Texas Instruments	60 1/2 - 1/2
Texas Instruments	103 1/2 + 1/2
Texas Utils. Co	34 1/2 - 1/2
Total Fina SA	67 1/2 - 1/2
Unocal Corp	33 - 1/2
Wal-Mart	58 1/2 + 1/2
Amcap	19.46-20.65
Euroacific	39.56-41.97
Prime Rate	8.50%
Gold	291.20-294.20
Silver	5.16-5.24

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between noon Saturday and 8 a.m. today:

• GUADALUPE QUIREZ, 30, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• MARIO DIAZ, 24, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• MARTHA MARTINEZ, 36, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• JOSE TERCERO, 23, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• GUILLERMO BUSTAMANTE, 43, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• FLORENTINO SEPULVEDA, 37, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• PAMELA WEATHERBY, 35, was arrested for Midland County warrants.

• TERESA GONZALES, 37, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• AMOS HILL, 56, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• DANIEL RODRIGUEZ, 22, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• MARIO MARTINEZ, 23, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana.

• ANTHONY MUNOZ, 41, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• DAVID LUERA, 37, was arrested on a charge of public

intoxication.

• REYNOLDS JUAREZ, 31, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• THEFT OF SERVICE was reported in the 1000 block of Johnson.

• ASSAULT was reported in the 1100 block of I-20, 200 block of West Marcy and 1900 block of Lamesa.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 2400 block of Monticello.

• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1500 block of Austin and the 1400 block of sycamore.

• RUNAWAY was reported in the 3700 block of Lajunta.

• BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 3400 block of East 11th Place, 2900 block of West Eighth and the police station.

• CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNING was issued in the 200 block of West Marcy.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF TO A VEHICLE was reported in the 1400 block of State Park Drive.

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson.

• ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported in the block of Nolan.

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# Protesters launch 'Battle in Seattle' against World Trade Organization

SEATTLE (AP) — Activists turned up the heat on the World Trade Organization, taking their message to the streets and announcing plans for mass acts of civil disobedience when the ministerial conference begins Tuesday.

At least 500 protesters — some on stilts and wearing butterfly costumes, others wielding massive papier-mache puppets — marched through the trendy Capitol Hill district Sunday under blue skies and record temperatures in the high 50s.

Later, they protested at two stores owned by The Gap clothing retailer, saying the stores sell clothes manufactured under sweatshop conditions overseas. The company has denied the allegations.

A spokesman for Direct Action Network, which sponsored the rally, said demonstrators on Tuesday intend to lie down in streets and lock themselves to fence posts or each other. Their goal: preventing delegates from entering the downtown convention center for the start of the talks.

Activists even took their message to the skies. A plane trailing a banner saying "People Over Profits: Stop WTO" circled

the Space Needle, which was packed with tourists on two levels.

A group of about 60 activists occupied an abandoned downtown apartment building Sunday night, saying housing for the homeless and poor has been a casualty of global free trade. They said the homeless would be welcome, and they called on the city of Seattle to do more to help those who live on the streets.

No police officers were at the scene an hour after the takeover

occurred, although a precinct station is a block from the 12-unit building.

Protesters say it's only a taste of things to come.

A total of 50,000 anti-WTO activists — with interests ranging from the environment to farm subsidies — are expected to arrive here this week for what they're calling "The Battle in Seattle" or alternately, "Carnival against Capitalism."

At issue is the Geneva-based WTO's sweeping power to enforce international trade

agreements. Trade ministers from 135 nations will attend.

At an international labor conference at the Port of Seattle on Sunday, union leaders said the WTO could be damaged irreparably if it does not address workers' rights at this week's trade negotiations.

"If the trade ministers fail to act... they could set in train the beginning of the end of WTO," Bill Jordan, general secretary of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, told the gathering.

Public opinion is the best weapon against the WTO,

Jordan said later in an interview with The Associated Press. "The reaction of the people of the world will stop the process that (WTO leaders) want to go forward," he said.

Roughly 300 representatives of trade unions from more than 100 countries attended the conference. They applauded politely when WTO director-general Mike Moore defended global free trade and warned against what he called a "false debate"

between working people and the WTO.

"Trade is the ally of working people, not their enemy," Moore said. "As living standards improve, so too does education, health, the environment and labor standards."

Moore had harsh words for opponents.

"For some, the attacks on economic openness are part of a broader assault on internationalism — on foreigners, immigration, a more pluralistic and integrated world," he said.

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## Giant panda Hsing-Hsing dies at age 28

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hsing-Hsing, the giant panda who arrived in America as a symbol of U.S.-China detente and quickly transcended politics to become the most beloved attraction at Washington's National Zoo, has been put to sleep.

Zoo officials said they decided Saturday to end Hsing-Hsing's life because of his deteriorating condition in recent days from kidney disease first detected last May. He was 28, well beyond the life expectancy of about 20 for pandas living in the wild.

Hsing-Hsing was given a lethal injection early Sunday after being treated Saturday to his favorite foods — blueberry muffins, sweet potatoes and the staple of the panda's diet, bamboo shoots.

"It doesn't get any more difficult than this," said Lisa Stevens, associate curator of mammals at the zoo. "Seeing an animal still struggle to live and weighing that against what's humane."

Hsing-Hsing's death leaves five pandas in American zoos — three in San Diego and two that arrived earlier this month at Zoo Atlanta. There are some 130 giant pandas in zoos around the world, all but 16 in the animal's only native habitat, China.

Even before Hsing-Hsing's death, the National Zoo was negotiating with China to obtain a pair of pandas for research and breeding. Deputy Director McKinley Hudson said it would be a long process, particularly because the National Zoo, a unit of the Smithsonian Institution, doesn't have the financial resources of some private zoos.

Zoo Atlanta has agreed to pay \$1 million a year over 10 years to China for research and conservation efforts in exchange for receiving pandas on loan. Hudson said the National Zoo has offered China \$2.5 million, or \$250,000 a year.

Hsing-Hsing and his female partner, Ling-Ling, arrived in Washington in April 1972, a gift from the Chinese government just two months after President Nixon made his historic visit to Beijing that reopened U.S.-China contacts.

Pandas have been notoriously difficult to breed in captivity, and Hsing-Hsing and Ling-Ling were unable to produce an heir. Ling-Ling, who died in 1992, gave birth four times to five cubs, but none survived longer than four days.

One cage in the Panda House was still covered Sunday with get well-cards sent by children from around the country.

Another was empty except for a mourning photo of Hsing-Hsing and a small tire he used for clawing. Two small boys wearing panda masks peered in.

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## OUR VIEWS

### 'Christmas Carol' promises to join local traditions

Big Spring is full of holiday traditions, and this weekend will bring several of them — the Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade, the Festival of Lights, the Living Christmas Tree — back for us to enjoy.

But before that, we will be treated to something new, the production of a classic play that we hope will become another tradition. The cast and crew of "A Christmas Carol" are heading into their final rehearsals tonight through Wednesday.

The show opens Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Municipal Auditorium, followed Friday at 8:15 p.m. with the final performance.

Director Clay Grizzle said the group is having a great time, and the play should be something the entire family will enjoy.

He said this version of the play allows the audience to use their imagination more than most. It uses the character of Charles Dickens, the author, as narrator, and he describes some of the scenes for the audience.

There are a number of children from our community in the show, and Grizzle said they give it a real dash of personality.

The cast members — our friends and neighbors from the Crossroads Area — have also been learning to speak with British accents, a challenge even for those not used to speaking "West Texan."

Admission to both performances will be free, but donations will be accepted. That money will be used to help fund more community theater projects.

This should be something you don't want to miss. Take the whole family out for a night of fun holiday theater, and put a few dollars in the donation jar to help see this tradition continue.

## OTHER VIEWS

Overseas family-planning projects are being held hostage by a mean-spirited attempt to get the United States off the deadbeat list at the United Nations.

House and Senate Republicans concocted a bizarre budget deal with the Clinton White House to cover nearly \$1 billion in back dues and assessments at the U.N.

These are budgetary skirmishes waged by powerful, narrow elements of the Republican Party that have no use for either the United Nations or family planning. They lose in Congress and in the court of public opinion when they take on either topic directly, so guerilla tactics are invoked.

The big lie on family planning is the specter of American tax dollars being used abroad to pay for abortions.

Groups like Population Action International, a leading family-planning organization, point out that current law already bars the use of U.S. funds for abor-

tion services, advocacy and lobbying.

Furthermore, the budget deal seeks to gag overseas groups on what they can do and say with their own funds.

House language would allow the president to evade the ban if he cut family-planning spending by \$12.5 million and accepted caps on other uses of the money.

Overseas family-planning assistance is already down 30 percent from 1996.

Grudging acceptance of a U.S. obligation to pay its bills at the U.N. is similarly larded with efforts to cut corners, pinch pennies and generally behave like Uncle Scrooge instead of Uncle Sam, the world's only superpower.

Clinton should be ashamed of himself for signing on to a deal that backs away from legitimate, defensible and successful family-planning activities overseas. The cheapskate routine on U.N. debt is beneath a great, affluent nation. ...

THE SEATTLE TIMES

# The Writer's Art: The lurch was circadian

Some months ago, Jerry Nachman wrote a piece for The New York Times' op-ed page. Nachman is a former editor of the New York Post. His theme was the increasing rudeness of the working press.

He spoke of Gov. George W. Bush, parrying questions about his rumored use of drugs.

"In this spectacle, the press has become a deadline-crazed Mr. Spock, febrile, atavistic, circadian lurch." Some lurch. You will have deduced correctly that I am off again on the topic of "hard words."

Columnist Westbrook Pegler, God bless his belligerent soul, called them "out-of-town words." Columnist William F. Buckley Jr. identifies them as "unfamiliar words," though they are not unfamiliar to him. The poet Edwin Arlington Robinson thought of them as tropical fish in a sea of language. Every serious writer collects such lovely baubles, and all of us love to show them off.



JAMES J. KILPATRICK

I had trouble with today's topical sentence. For one thing, I don't recall Mr. Spock's being "crazed." As Proust, Big Ears was about as emotional as a stuffed haddock. Now he is lurching toward Vulcan. The lurch is febrile, which means feverish. The lurch is atavistic, which means (I suppose) that the lurch was characterized by recurrence of or reversion to a past style, manner, outlook or approach. Finally, the lurch was circadian, which means "characterized by approximately 24-hour periods or cycles."

A writer's first purpose is to communicate effectively with his audience. Was this an effective communication to readers of The New York Times? I am a circadian reader of the Times, ho-ho, and it was not effective for me. I had no idea what the hell the fellow was trying to say.

The good gray Times has a way of testing its readers. In a bilious editorial in September, the Times criticized the Miss America Pageant for living in a fictionalized American past. Things were never as virtuous as Ronald Reagan and Walt Disney asked us to imagine. They built a political career and a movie studio "on the foundation of similar nostalgias about prelapsarian America."

Something that is prelapsarian is "occurring before the Fall," or sometime in mid-

September. The Times' gifted columnist Maureen Dowd wrote a delightful article last month about the new Hotel Paris in Las Vegas. She found it positively magnificent, with its Jacquemots at the slot machines and its Eiffel Tower rising over the city, but she shed a tear for the past for "the old Vegas, the louche Vegas, the un-Disneyfied Vegas."

Louche? I know that one can louch a good deal of money in Vegas, where people often play fast and louche, but I didn't know until I looked it up that louche means "dubious, disreputable, shady." It comes from the French for "cross-eyed," which comes from the Latin "luscus," blind in one eye.

George Bernard Shaw in his 90s wrote that he wanted "a slim, louche servant-girl-bigamist, half-handsome sort of rascal." That is all I know about "louche," but Dowd used it accurately, and in context its meaning was clear. Vive Maureen!

A writer for Gannett News Service last month analyzed Republican proposals for cutting both taxes and spending. "The very fundament of the approach was the decision to wall off all of the budget surplus intended for future Social Security payments." I suppose 90 percent of newspaper readers would grasp the meaning of "fundament," from its cousin fundamental, but the noun

came at me like a speed bump. I first ran into "fundament" some years ago, when a little old lady remarked indelicately that as a child her mother sometimes whacked her on her fundament, by which she meant rear end, derriere, fanny, backside, behind or rump.

Readers of The New Republic are presumably a highly educated bunch. In a book review in July, the critic recalled the Battle of Kosovo in 1389. The Serbs lost it to the Ottoman Turks, but later transformed defeat into victory. "Slobodan Milosevic, new to power and giddy with its aura, seized on the battle's upside-down symbolism to propose a vertiginous program: a militant Serbian irredentism to fill the vacuum of a crumbling Yugoslav political system."

In translation: Milosevic proposed a dizzying program of land acquisition. Was this effective communication to the magazine's readers?

Meanwhile, let me confess that an hour ago, when I was looking up "atavistic," I ran into "ataraxia." We had not met before. Ataraxia! Love blossomed. Ah, my beauty! It means "tranquility," a state of freedom from emotional disturbance or anxiety. I can't wait to ride this filly onto a conversational track — but I won't trot it out again in this column.



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# Crime pays, when it comes to fund raising

The old saying, "Laws were made to be broken," never seemed more true than in modern American politics. Break the fund-raising laws and suffer the consequences. That was the mantra when the laws were passed. Now it's: "Break the laws and pay the penalties — it's worth it."

Last week, Republican presidential candidate Steve Forbes filed a complaint with the Federal Elections Commission (FEC) over a negative commercial being aired in New Hampshire and Iowa. The ad, which picks on Forbes for being "negative," was funded by a group called the Republican Leadership Council (RLC), which Forbes alleges is



JACK ANDERSON

just a front group for the Republican front runner, Texas Gov. George W. Bush. Actually it's a copycat group of the Democratic Leadership Council — led by Bill Clinton, Al Gore and others — which moved the Democratic Party back toward the center.

Forbes filed the confidential complaint, but an official in the Forbes campaign told us the complaint against the RLC lashes out at Bush as the mastermind of the anti-Forbes ad. "It is unlawful collusion between the RLC, which is nothing more than a front group for Bush, and Bush's people," we were told.

The \$100,000 spot features a woman saying, "When Steve Forbes ran for president last time I kind of liked him. But then he spent all his money tearing down his opponents. He hurt the Republican Party. Now I see he just might start in again with those negative ads... Someone needs to tell Steve Forbes that if he doesn't have anything nice to say, don't say anything at all."

The evidence in the com-

plaint points to the contribution history of the group and its executive board members. Two dozen of the 35 executives have come out publicly in support of Bush, and several of those are "Pioneer" fund-raisers — individuals who have raised more than \$100,000 in contributions for the governor. The organization itself has donated \$2,000, the corporate limit, to Bush's campaign.

"You don't have to be a rocket scientist to figure out what is going on," Forbes campaign manager, Bill Dal Col told us. The ad, he says, "amounts to an illegal \$100,000 contribution to Bush."

Bush's camp, as well as the RLC, denies any wrongdoing or collaboration on the advertisements.

Forbes' lawsuit, which has landed the wealthy publisher's name in the media, will create an ongoing investigation for months, and a Forbes official believes the complaint may not be settled until after the election cycle. Whatever the outcome, it will amount to little more than a slap on the wrist

for any of the involved parties.

The FEC rules are lax enough that it pays to break campaign finance laws and gather mass sums of cash and then dole out a small fine. In fact, the FEC doesn't consider the financial penalties for breaking the toothless campaign finance laws "fines." Rather, the penalties are determined by a bargaining system. The FEC commissioner makes a suggestion and the accused party can deny and fight or haggle.

The campaign finance law has no set fines for particular violations. There is no ceiling or minimum fine.

The boilerplate language of the campaign finance act states that the fines are not to exceed \$5,000 or the amount that was illegally collected. In a case where the commission finds a knowing violation, the FEC can charge \$10,000 or 200 percent of the money illegally gained.

The largest FEC penalty in campaign finance history was against Prudential Securities for \$550,000 back in 1994.

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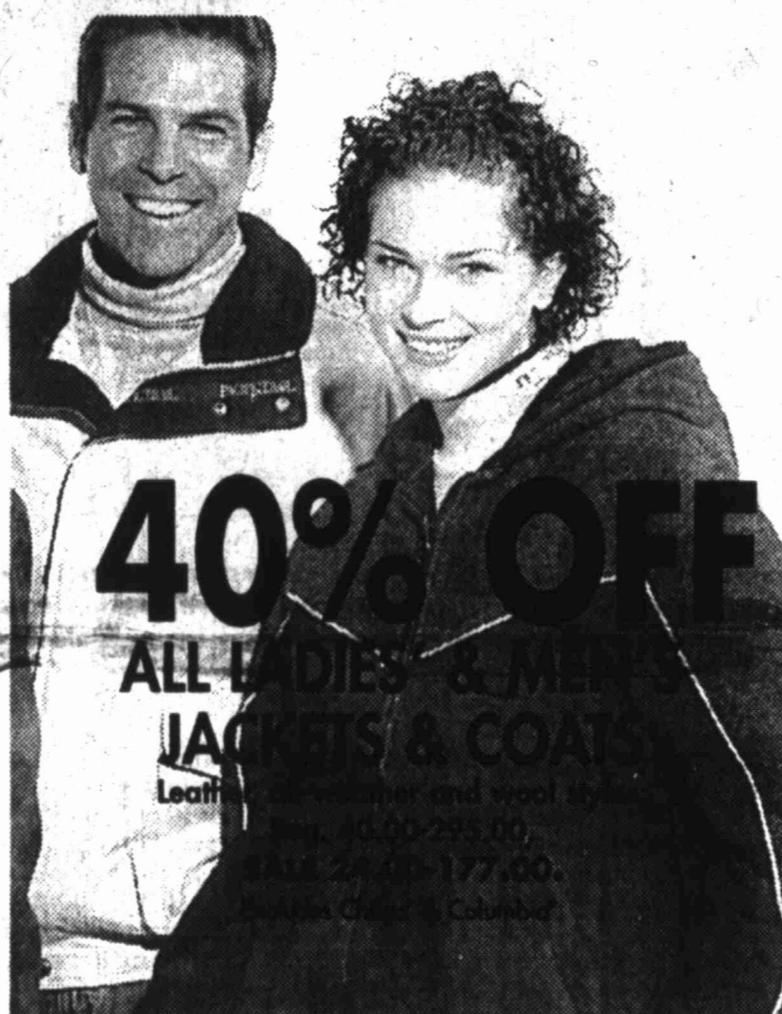
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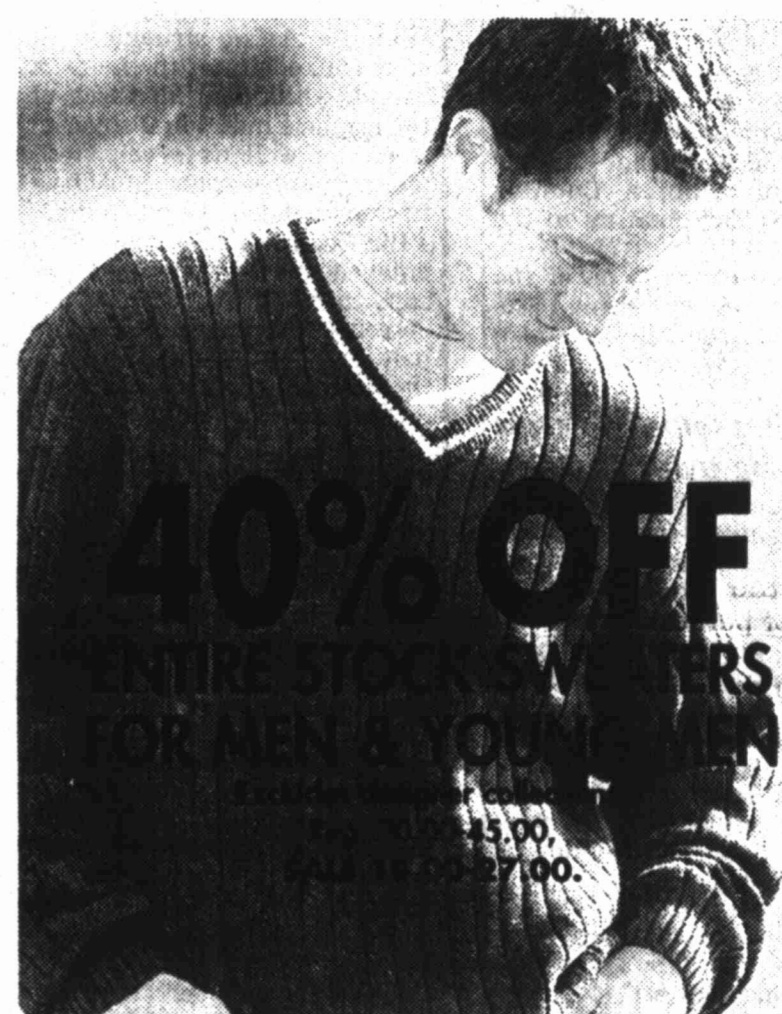
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Quarterback Club sets meeting for tonight

The Big Spring Steers Quarterback Club will meet at 7 tonight in the conference room at the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center.

Members of the club are in the process of planning the annual Steers Football Banquet.

Basketball boosters slate Tuesday meeting

An organizational meeting of the Big Spring Steers Basketball Booster Club has been scheduled for 5 p.m. Tuesday in the commons area at Big Spring Junior High School.

Parents of all Steers freshman, junior varsity and varsity basketball players are urged to attend.

Cancer Society offering Texas Golf Pass again

The Howard County unit of the American Cancer Society is encouraging golfers to take advantage of the society's 2000 Texas Golf Pass.

The pass, which provides golfers with more than 450 rounds of golf at 273 Texas courses, is now available for a \$35 donation.

The Comanche Trail Golf Course, Big Spring Country Club and Stanton Country Club are participating in the program.

Those wanting to order the pass can do so by calling 1-800-ACS-2345. Details are also available at the local courses.

Youth basketball sign-ups beginning today at mall

Registration for youngsters interested in playing on a Big Spring Youth Basketball Association team will begin today and continue through Dec. 17.

Tryouts are slated for Dec. 18 and the participation fee will be \$20 per youngster.

Registration will be 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Big Spring Mall through Dec. 11.

Youngsters may also register from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day except Sunday at All-Star Sports through Dec. 17.

For more information, call Charlie Hall at 263-0159.

YMCA registering players for its basketball program

The Big Spring YMCA is now registering girls and boys in kindergarten through the sixth grade for its youth basketball program.

The program fee includes a T-shirt, player award and a full service YMCA youth membership for January and February.

YMCA full members may register for the program for \$15. Basic program members will pay \$25 and non-members will pay \$32.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

TP&WD official releases hunt recommendations

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials have suggested harvest recommendations for the deer hunting season which continues through Jan. 2 in Howard County.

The legal bag limit for Howard County is four deer with no more than two of them being bucks.

Wildlife biologist Kathy McGinty has recommended that landowners allow the harvest of one antlerless deer per 800 acres and one buck per 1,700 acres.

ON THE AIR

Radio NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE 7:45 p.m. — Green Bay Packers at San Francisco 49ers, KBST-AM 1490.

Television NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE 8 p.m. — Green Bay Packers at San Francisco 49ers, ABC, Ch. 2 and Ch. 8. NBA 6:30 p.m. — Dallas Mavericks at New York Knicks, FXS, Ch. 29.

Stanford cracks AP Top 25 for first time this season

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Stanford's first appearance in the AP Top 25 this season came at the right time — for the Rose Bowl, anyway.

The Cardinal (8-3), last-play 40-37 winners over Notre Dame on Saturday, were ranked No. 22 in this week's Associated Press' Top 25 poll, and allowed the Rose Bowl to avoid the embarrassment of having an unranked team in its Jan. 1 game.

Stanford, the Pacific-10 Conference champions, will play No. 4 Wisconsin (9-2) — the Big Ten champs. The last time an unranked team played in the Rose Bowl was 1984, when unranked UCLA upset No. 4 Illinois 45-9.

Florida State and Virginia Tech again were 1-2 in the AP poll as the top six teams were unchanged. Texas, a 20-16 loser to Texas A&M Friday, slipped out of the Top 10 from No. 7 to No. 12.

The Seminoles (11-0) received 64 first-place votes and 1,744 points from the 70 sports writers and broadcasters on the AP panel. The Hokies (11-0) had six first-place votes and 1,685 points, and No. 3 Nebraska (10-1) had 1,599 points.

Virginia Tech completed a perfect regular season with a 38-14 win over Boston College on Friday. Nebraska beat Colorado 33-30 in overtime Friday, and plays Texas on Saturday in the Big 12 title game.

The last regular-season poll will be released Dec. 5; the final AP poll will be released Jan. 5.

Wisconsin was No. 4, followed by No. 5 Florida, No. 6 Tennessee, No. 7 Alabama, No. 8 Kansas State, No. 9 Michigan and No. 10 Michigan State.

Florida (9-2) plays Alabama (9-2) in the SEC title game Saturday, and Tennessee (9-2) completed its regular season with a 38-10 win over Vanderbilt on Saturday.

Marshall (11-0), which goes for the Mid-American Conference title against Western Michigan on Saturday, was No. 11, followed by No. 12 Texas, No. 13 Minnesota, No. 14 Penn State, No. 15 Southern Mississippi, No. 16 Mississippi State, No. 17 Georgia Tech, No. 18 Texas A&M, No. 19 Purdue and No. 20 East

Carolina. Georgia, a 51-48 loser to Georgia Tech, fell five places to No. 21, followed by No. 22 Stanford, No. 23 Miami, No. 24 Arkansas, and No. 25 Boston College.

Mississippi and Louisiana Tech dropped out of the Top 25, Stanford and Miami were the newcomers.

In the USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll, the top five matched the AP's. The Bowl Championship Series standings, which decides which teams play in its designated national title game — the Sugar Bowl this year — will be released today.

Florida State and Virginia Tech are expected to be first and second in the BCS rankings again.

Bufs dominate 3-2A honor team

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Sports Editor

There was no real surprise that Stanton's Buffaloes dominated the balloting when District 3-2A coaches met to select their all-district football team.

The Buffs, after all, not only won the 3-2A championship, but did so by going through the regular season unbeaten.

As a result, Stanton — which bowed out of the playoffs following a classic struggle with state-ranked Iraan in the area round — claimed all three of the league's individual superlatives, as well as seven first-team offense spots and five first-team defensive positions.

But Coahoma's Bulldogs, who enjoyed one of their best seasons in recent memory with a 6-4 record, also fared well in the balloting, putting one player on the first-team offense and three on the first team's defense.

Running back and defensive back Jeremy Hull, who led the Buffs to their 11-1 campaign, was selected by coaches as the most valuable player on both offense and defense.

In addition, the 6-foot-165-pound Stanton junior was named as the first-team kick return specialist.

Stanton coach Mark Cotton was selected by his peers as the 3-2A coach of the year after the Buffs reclaimed the district championship from Seagraves.

The Buffs' other first-team selections on offense included center Jacob Klein, lineman Dustin Kargl, tight end Brady Cook, wide receiver Courtney Scurllark, quarterback Will Harris, fullback Clay White and place kicker Chris Flores.

What's more, four of those first-team selections from Stanton — Klein, Kargl, Scurllark and Harris — were unanimous selections.

Coahoma senior Cody Teeler was selected as a first-team selection at wide receiver.

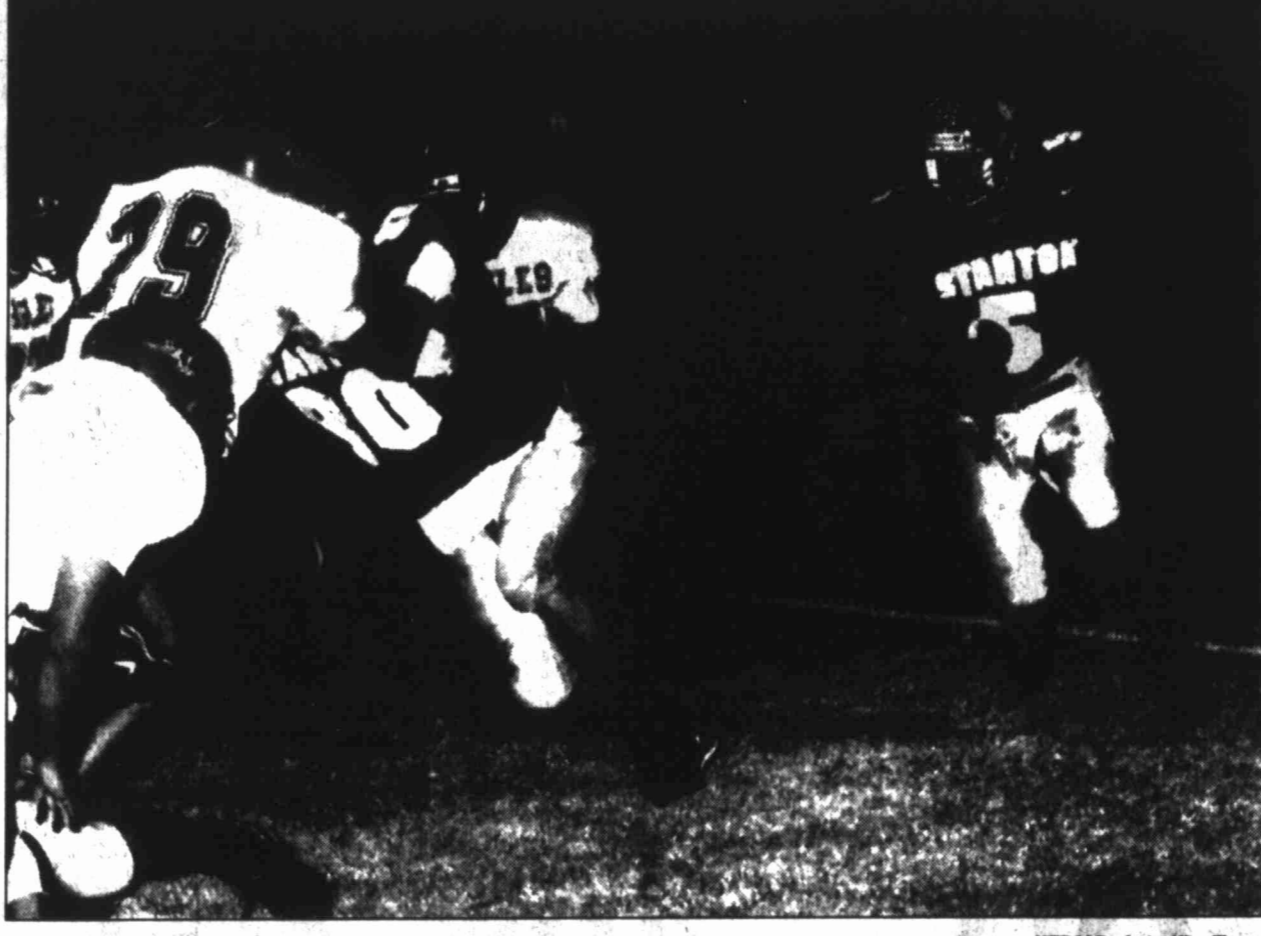
Three of Teeler's teammates earned first-team defensive honors — lineman Chris Romero, defensive back Mario Garcia and punter Chase Ward.

Romero was a unanimous selection on the defensive front, as was Stanton's Kargl.

The Buffs' other first-team defense picks were Cook at defensive end, Josh Haislip at outside linebacker, Harris at inside linebacker and Blaine Smith at defensive back.

Cook and Harris were also unanimous selections at their defensive positions.

The remainder of the first-team offensive selections were Seagraves linemen Josh Ruiz and Jonathan Bueno, tight end Chris Cavazos and running back Melvin Fisher; Plains lineman Alex Tarango, wide receiver David Luna and run-



Stanton's Jeremy Hull (5) shown here racking up yardage in the Buffs win over Jim Ned in non-district play, was voted the most valuable player on both offense and defense when District 3-2A coaches met to select their all-district football team. Hull was also a first-team selection as a kick return specialist.

ning back Jared Bell; and Post running back Raymond Jefferson.

Seagraves had four first-team selections on defense including Bueno as a unanimous pick in the line, Daniel Webb at end, Cavazos at inside linebacker and Moises Gallegos, as a unanimous pick in the backfield.

Rounding out the first-team defense were a pair of unanimous linemen picks, Tarango of Plains and Luke Williams of Post; as well as Plains' Luna in the defensive backfield and Josh Bell at inside linebacker.

Both Luna and Bell were also unanimous selections.

Coahoma grabbed the lion's share of second-team awards, earning six offensive honors and four on defense.

The Bulldogs' second-team picks on offense were lineman Lorin Wolf, tight end Tony Tucker, wide receiver Travis McMillan, running back Lance Monteleone, kicker Walt Bordelon and Garcia as a return specialist.

The Bulldogs second-team defensive selections included lineman Jason Key, outside linebacker Logan Long and inside linebackers Bordelon and Wolf.

Stanton's second-team honorees on defense included lineman Felix Salgado, White at inside linebacker and Scurllark at defensive back.

The Buffs also placed Matthew Tollison and Ace Keel on the second-team offensive line and Smith at wide receiver.

er. Coahoma also garnered six honorable mention slots — Blaine Wright at defensive end, McMillan at outside linebacker, Steven Henry at center, Brett Bennett in the offensive line, Ward at quarterback and Bordelon at running back.

District 3-2A All-District Football Team SUPERLATIVES

Offensive MVP: Jeremy Hull, junior, Stanton. Defensive MVP: Jeremy Hull, junior, Stanton. Coach of the Year: Mark Cotton, Stanton.

FIRST TEAM

Center: Jacob Klein, 6-0, 165, senior, Stanton. Linemen: Dustin Kargl, 6-1, 260, senior, Stanton; Alex Tarango, 5-11, 240, senior, Plains; Josh Ruiz, 6-1, 330, senior, Seagraves; Jonathan Bueno, 6-1, 280, senior, Seagraves. Tight ends: Chris Cavazos, 5-11, 180, senior, Seagraves; Brady Cook, 6-2, 190, senior, Stanton.

Wide receivers: Courtney Scurllark, 5-10, 150, junior, Stanton; David Luna, 5-9, 150, senior, Plains; Cody Teeler, 5-10, 180, senior, Coahoma. Quarterback: Will Harris, 5-11, 190, senior, Stanton. Fullback: Clay White, 6-0, 175, junior, Stanton.

Running backs: Raymond Jefferson, 5-9, 145, senior, Post; Jared Bell, 6-1, 175, sophomore, Plains; Melvin Fisher, 5-11, 175, junior, Seagraves. Kicker: Chris Flores, 6-7, 155, junior, Stanton. Return specialist: Jeremy Hull, 6-0, 165, junior, Stanton.

Defenses: Linemen: Alex Tarango, 5-11, 240, senior, Plains; Chris Romero, 5-10, 230, senior, Coahoma; Dustin Kargl, 6-1, 260, senior, Stanton; Luke Williams, 5-10, 210, senior, Post; Jonathan Bueno, 6-1, 280, senior, Seagraves. Ends: Brady Cook, 6-2, 190, senior, Stanton; Daniel Webb, 6-3, 200, junior, Seagraves. Outside linebackers: Josh Haislip, 6-1, 185, senior, Stanton; Rocky Gomez, 5-9, 150, senior, Post. Inside linebackers: Will Harris, 5-11, 190, senior, Stanton; Josh Bell, 6-0, 180, senior,

Plains; Chris Cavazos, 5-11, 180, senior, Seagraves. Defensive backs: David Luna, 5-9, 150, senior, Plains; Moises Gallegos, 5-11, 170, senior, Seagraves; Mario Garcia, 5-6, 155, senior, Coahoma; Blaine Smith, 5-9, 145, senior, Stanton. Punter: Chase Ward, 6-3, 195, sophomore, Coahoma.

SECOND TEAM

Offense: Centers: Adrian Gonzales, 5-9, 190, senior, Post; Jeremy Morphis, 5-10, 175, senior, Plains; Tobin Ellison, 5-10, 180, senior, Seagraves. Linemen: Lorin Wolf, 5-10, 195, senior, Coahoma; Jeff Antu, 5-9, 180, senior, Tahoka; Randy Moore, 6-3, 200, senior, Post; Matthew Tollison, 5-10, 250, junior, Stanton; Ace Keel, 6-4, 185, junior, Stanton; Luke Williams, 5-10, 210, senior, Post. Tight ends: Colt Winn, 6-0, 180, senior, Plains; Tony Tucker, 6-0, 150, senior, Coahoma; Billy Crawford, 6-3, 225, senior, Post.

Wide receivers: Stephen Solomson, 5-3, 135, sophomore, Tahoka; Blaine Smith, 5-8, 145, senior, Stanton; Travis McMillan, 5-10, 150, junior, Coahoma. Quarterback: Brady Rand, 6-0, 155, senior, Tahoka. Fullback: Josh Bell, 6-0, 180, senior, Plains. Running backs: Randy White, 5-10, 140, senior, Tahoka; Lance Monteleone, 5-9, 170, senior, Coahoma. Kicker: Walt Bordelon, 5-7, 145, senior, Coahoma. Return specialist: Mario Garcia, 5-6, 135, senior, Coahoma.

Defenses: Linemen: Jason Key, 5-11, 210, junior, Coahoma; Felix Salgado, 5-11, 290, senior, Stanton; Josh Long, 5-10, 190, sophomore, Tahoka; Adrian Gonzales, 5-10, 190, senior, Post; Tony Garcia, 5-5, 175, senior, Seagraves. Ends: Billy Crawford, 6-3, 225, senior, Post; Stu Tidwell, 5-11, 175, senior, Seagraves. Outside linebackers: Logan Long, 6-6, 190, senior, Coahoma; Colt Winn, 6-0, 180, senior, Plains. Inside linebackers: Clay White, 6-0, 175, junior, Stanton; Jeremy Baker, 5-10, 170, junior, Post; Walt Bordelon, 5-7, 145, senior, Coahoma; Lorin Wolf, 5-10, 195, senior, Coahoma.

Defensive backs: Jimmy Lovington, 5-9, 180, senior, Seagraves; Courtney Scudark, 5-10, 150, junior, Stanton; Michael Huff, 6-0, 185, sophomore, Post; Randy White, 5-10, 140, senior, Tahoka. Punters: Alex Tarango, 5-11, 240, senior, Plains; Jason Jaques, 6-2, 175, junior, Tahoka.

Cincinnati No 1; but Texas jumps into AP's Top 10

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cincinnati, which won the Big Island Invitational, remained No. 1 in the AP college basketball for third straight week today. Texas, which won the Puerto Rico Shootout, jumped into the Top Ten for the first time in almost 18 years.

Last week's preseason tournaments caused quite a bit of shuffling in the rankings as all but three teams in the preseason Top Ten have lost at least one game.

And it's still November. The Bearcats (4-0) received 55 first-place votes and 1,671 points from the national media panel. They were the only team from last week's Top Ten to be in the same spot this week.

North Carolina (3-0), which won the Maui Invitational, moved from fourth to second, getting seven No. 1 votes and 1,567 points. Stanford (5-0), which beat then-No. 2 Auburn in the Wooden Classic on Saturday, had four first-place votes and 1,541 points, 30 more than Preseason NIT champion Arizona (4-0), which got two first-place votes.

Cincinnati, North Carolina and Arizona are the only unbeaten teams from the preseason Top Ten.

Connecticut, the preseason No. 1, moved from seventh to fifth and was followed by Kansas, which jumped four places, Auburn, which dropped five, and Michigan State, which fell from third to eighth.

Texas, which beat then-No. 18 DePaul and Michigan State in Puerto Rico, jumped from 20th to No. 9. Temple, which lost to Indiana in the Tipoff Classic, fell from fifth to No. 10.

The last time Texas was in the Top 10 was the poll of Jan. 26, 1982, when the Longhorns were No. 5, their highest ranking ever.

Florida, sixth before losing to Purdue at Maui, led off the Second Ten and was followed by UCLA, Kentucky, Syracuse, Ohio State, Illinois, Duke, Tennessee, Purdue and Utah.

The last five teams in the poll were Oklahoma State, DePaul, Indiana, Maryland and Gonzaga.

Indiana used the win over Temple to move into the Top 25 for the first time this season. The Hoosiers (2-0) were ranked all last season, reaching as high as No. 8 in late December and finishing No. 19 in the final poll.

Iowa (2-2) dropped out of the rankings from 23rd after losing to Creighton.

This marks the 36th week in its history that Cincinnati has been ranked No. 1, moving it past Kansas and into sixth place on the all-time list.

Rams closing in on NFC West divisional championship

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The St. Louis Rams aren't quite there yet. Wait another week.

The Rams improved to 9-2 with a 43-12 rout of New Orleans in which they scored 28 straight points in the second half. Had Carolina lost Sunday night to Atlanta, the NFC West would have belonged to the Rams for the first time since 1985.

When the Panthers (5-6) did not cooperate, beating the Falcons (2-9) 34-28, the Rams couldn't celebrate.

They can next week if they win at Carolina. "The sooner, the better," defensive tackle D'Marco Farr said. "We've waited a long time for this."

Indeed, the Rams were the losingest team of the 1990s until this year. Now, they are the winningest team in the NFC.

Kurt Warner came back from an uncharacteristic shaky half at the Trans World Dome. Warner, the NFL's leading passer, was just 5-of-15, then completed 10 of his first 12 second-half passes. Marshall Faulk scored on runs of 1 and 6 yards and Torry Holt added two touchdown catches against the Saints (2-9).

New Orleans coach Mike Ditka wasn't projecting his players after the game. "Did I do anything out there wrong?" Ditka said. "Did I drop the ball? Did I miss the field goal? Did I miss the tackles? I'm not sure, did I throw the interception?"

Carolina survived an Atlanta come-

back fueled by Chris Chandler, who had four touchdown passes. But he also was sacked 2 times by Kevin Greene and the Falcons had 14 penalties for 137 yards.

Backup Donald Hayes, pressed into duty because one wide receiver was hurt and another is in jail, had five catches for 133 yards and a touchdown for host Carolina.

"I don't know what to say except how proud I am that he stepped in there and played like an old pro," Panthers quarterback Steve Buerlein said. "Heck, he played like an All-Pro."

In other games, it was Arizona 34, the New York Giants 24; Cincinnati 27, Pittsburgh 20; Jacksonville 30, Baltimore 23; Buffalo 17, New England 7; Washington 20, Philadelphia 17, in overtime; Minnesota 35, San Diego 27;

Tennessee 33, Cleveland 21; Tampa Bay 16, Seattle 3; Kansas City 37, Oakland 34; Indianapolis 13, the New York Jets 6.

Green Bay is at San Francisco tonight. Denver was off.

The weekend began on Thanksgiving, with Dallas shutting out Miami 20-0 and Detroit beating Chicago 21-17.

Vikings 35, Chargers 27. Minnesota (7-4) climbed into a three-way tie with Detroit and Tampa Bay atop the NFC Central with its fifth consecutive victory. Cris Carter and Randy Moss were unstoppable again, combining for 18 receptions for 263 yards and three TDs.

Carter caught 11 passes for 136 yards. See NFL, page 7

BASKETBALL National Basketball Association NEW YORK KNICKS—PJ Johnson on the injured list

FOOTBALL National Football League NEW YORK GIANTS—Andre Weathers on injury

HOCKEY National Hockey League ANAHEIM MIGHTY DUCKS—LW Jeremy Cline on the AHL

DALLAS STARS—Act Lyashenko and D Alan Letourneau on the AHL

THE USA TODAY/ESPN COACHES' POLL In the USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll, the top five matched the AP's

FLORIDA STATE AND VIRGINIA TECH are expected to be first and second in the BCS rankings again

SATURDAY'S GAMES New York 99, Orlando 5; Washington 89, Cleveland 40

TODAY'S GAMES Dallas at New York, 6:30; Sacramento at Miami, 7:00

TUESDAY'S GAMES Atlanta at Toronto, 6 p.m.; Washington at New York, 7:00

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES Dallas at Cleveland, 6:30; Sacramento at Orlando

THURSDAY'S GAMES New York at Philadelphia, 6:30; Denver at Minnesota, 7:00

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SPORTS EXTRA

TRANSACTIONS

**BASKETBALL**  
National Basketball Association  
NEW YORK KNICKS—Placed F Larry Johnson on the injured list. Activated F Delmarco Johnson from the injured list.  
FOOTBALL  
National Football League  
NEW YORK GIANTS—Placed CB Andre Wadsworth on the injured reserve list. Signed S Q.J. Childers.  
NHL  
DALLAS STARS—Activated C Roman Lyashenko and D Alan Letang from the injured reserve list, and reassigned Letang to Michigan of the AHL. Waived C Derek Plante, lifted the suspension of C Pavel Patera and assigned him to the Czech League.

NFL STANDINGS

Table with columns: Conference, Team, W, L, T, Pct., PF, PA. Includes American Conference (AFC) and National Conference (NFC) standings.

NBA

**Saturday's Games**  
New York 99, Orlando 96  
Miami 89, Washington 86  
Cleveland 106, Charlotte 89  
Atlanta 84, Boston 84  
Dallas 95, Chicago 83  
Minnesota 113, Vancouver 82  
Philadelphia 82, Milwaukee 79  
San Antonio 109, Denver 87  
Phoenix 125, New Jersey 90  
Toronto 106, Golden State 88  
Portland 88, L.A. Clippers 71  
**Sunday's Games**  
Orlando 108, Detroit 99  
Seattle 102, Indiana 91  
**Today's Games**  
Dallas at New York, 6:30 p.m.  
Sacramento at Miami, 6:30 p.m.  
Golden State at Utah, 6 p.m.  
Indiana at Portland, 9 p.m.  
Houston at Vancouver, 9 p.m.  
**Tuesday's Games**  
Atlanta at Toronto, 6 p.m.  
Washington at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.  
Dallas at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.  
Sacramento at Orlando, 6:30 p.m.  
New York at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.  
Denver at Minnesota, 7 p.m.  
Detroit at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.  
L.A. Lakers at Seattle, 9 p.m.  
Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

NHL

**Saturday's Games**  
Los Angeles 4, San Jose 1  
Montreal 2, Vancouver 1  
Toronto 5, Edmonton 2  
Washington 4, N.Y. Islanders 3  
Colorado 5, Pittsburgh 3  
Florida 3, Atlanta 0  
Anheim 4, Nashville 3  
St. Louis 8, Chicago 3  
Colorado 7, Calgary 1  
**Sunday's Games**  
Philadelphia 3, Ottawa 3, tie  
Phoenix 4, Detroit 3  
Buffalo 3, Tampa Bay 2, OT  
N.Y. Islanders 2, Boston 1  
Dallas 4, Atlanta 2  
San Jose 4, New Jersey 3, OT  
**Today's Games**  
Washington at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday's Games**  
Chicago at Ottawa, 6 p.m.  
Pittsburgh at Buffalo, 6:30 p.m.  
Dallas at N.Y. Islanders, 6:30 p.m.  
Calgary at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.  
Phoenix at Nashville, 7 p.m.  
Colorado at Vancouver, 9:30 p.m.

SCHOOLBOY PLAYOFFS

**CLASS 5A**  
Division I  
Quarterfinals  
Semifinals  
Region I  
Region II  
Region III  
Region IV  
Region V  
Region VI  
Region VII  
Region VIII  
Region IX  
Region X  
Region XI  
Region XII  
Region XIII  
Region XIV  
Region XV  
Region XVI  
Region XVII  
Region XVIII  
Region XIX  
Region XX

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

**Championship**  
St. Vincent 92, Edinboro 75  
**First American Tournament**  
Vanderbilt 42, Toledo 44  
**Third Place**  
Loyola, Md., 53, Fordham 44  
**Fourth Place**  
Louisiana State 42, Wake Forest 35  
**Division I**  
Alabama 44, Appalachian St. 29  
Georgia Southern 72, N. Arizona 29  
Georgia Tech 51, Georgia 48, OT  
Massachusetts 30, Baylor 23, 2OT  
Miami 45, Syracuse 13  
N. Carolina A&T 24, Tennessee St. 10  
Southern U. 37, Grambling St. 31  
Tennessee 58, Vanderbilt 10  
Troy St. 27, James Madison 7  
**MIDWEST**  
Illinois St. 56, Colgate 13  
**SOUTHWEST**  
Championship  
Oklahoma 44, Oklahoma St. 7  
Utah St. 34, North Texas 7  
**FAIR PLAY**  
Arizona St. 42, Arizona 27  
Colorado St. 35, UNLV 17  
New Mexico 33, Air Force 28  
Utah St. 39, Wyoming 10  
Stanford 40, Notre Dame 37  
Washington St. 22, Hawaii 14  
Youngstown St. 30, Montana 27

BASKETBALL SCORES

**EAST**  
Maine 92, Brown 82  
Michigan St. 89, Indiana 87, tie  
North Carolina 71, Wake Forest 67  
**SOUTH**  
Southern U. 91, West Alabama 50  
Valdosta State 82, Colorado 78  
**MIDWEST**  
Butler 82, Mount St. Mary's 55  
**FAR WEST**  
Long Beach St. 78, S. Illinois 77  
S. Francisco 78, UC Santa Barbara 67  
UNLV 85, Georgetown 69  
**TOURNAMENTS**  
City Bank-Ashes Airlines Big Island  
Championship  
Cincinnati 75, Iowa St. 60  
**Third Place**  
Arizona 79, Santa Clara 60  
**Fifth Place**  
Rhode Island 65, Mercer 59  
**Third Place**  
Cleveland St. 77, Hawaii-Hilo 74  
**Hawaii Pacific Thanksgiving Classic**  
LSU 85, Fresno St. 85  
**Third Place**  
SW Missouri St. 83, Wyoming 75  
**Fifth Place**  
Toledo 74, Oakland, Mich. 65  
**Sixth Place**  
Fla. International 91, Hawaii Pacific 50  
**SoCon Holiday Hoops Classic**  
Championship  
Mississippi 57, Wisc. Green Bay 53  
**Third Place**  
Oregon St. 53, Clemson 35  
**Fifth Place**  
Furman 68, Old Dominion 65  
**Sixth Place**  
S. Carolina St. 71, Cent. Florida 70  
**Sparklets Invitational**  
Championship  
St. Bonaventure 75, N.C. Charlotte 66  
**Third Place**  
La Marquette 67, Colorado St. 57  
**USBA Hoop & Quill Classic**  
Championship  
Southern Miss. 65, Murray St. 62  
**Third Place**  
Evansville 71, Valparaiso 66  
**Fifth Place**  
Rutgers 81, Nebraska 62  
**Sixth Place**  
Mississippi St. 70, Northwestern 65  
**United Airlines Top-Tournament**  
Championship  
William & Mary 82, Oral Roberts 76, OT  
**Third Place**  
Hawaii 78, WMU 61

WOMEN'S SCORES

**EAST**  
American Int'l 84, N.Y. Tech 44  
Baylor 64, Arkansas Tech 60  
Buffalo 59, Rhode Island 57  
Connecticut 101, Pepperdine 58  
Dartmouth 87, Bridgport 66  
Drexel 82, Sacred Heart 50  
Iona 77, Colgate 67  
La Salle 70, Drexel 55  
Marist 53, Temple 41  
Mass. Lowell 55, Merrimack 53  
New Hampshire 76, Siena 60  
Rider 85, Stony Brook 58  
Robert Morris 58, Duquesne 54  
Virginia 72, Cal St.-Fullerton 52  
Worcester St. 55, Brandeis 49  
**SOUTH**  
Belmont Abbey 68, Mt. Royal 59  
Coastal Carolina 69, Furman 54  
Florida 93, Cent. Florida 56  
High Point 94, S. Carolina St. 68  
North Carolina 72, Arizona St. 69  
Ottawa 84, Va. Wesleyan 76  
Pfeiffer 82, Averett 69  
Pine Bluff 88, Va. Intermont 60  
Richmond 79, Wake Forest 71  
South Florida 85, Florida Atlantic 64  
Tulane 75, Miami 66  
W. Kentucky 71, Tennessee Tech 60  
Wright 97, Prairie 35  
**MIDWEST**  
E. Michigan 90, Detroit 71  
Illinois St. 65, San Francisco 52  
Pittsburgh 58, Cincinnati 55  
Wayne, Neb. 81, Mount Mary 61  
Wisc.-Milwaukee 62, N. Illinois 57  
Wisc.-Milwaukee 81, Northeastern 80, 2OT  
**SOUTHWEST**  
North Texas 92, Air Force 53  
Oklahoma 83, Oral Roberts 66  
TCU 88, Wichita St. 80  
Tulsa 72, Oklahoma St. 69  
**FAR WEST**  
Long Beach St. 58, San Jose St. 58  
Montana 64, Utah 58  
Tennessee 85, UCLA 77  
UC Irvine 65, Minnesota 54

TOP 25 - FOOTBALL

Table with columns: Rank, Team, Record. Lists top 25 college football teams.

TOP 25 - BASKETBALL

Table with columns: Rank, Team, Record. Lists top 25 college basketball teams.

DIV. III PLAYOFFS

**First Round**  
Saturday, Nov. 20  
Ohio Northern 56, Hanover 44  
Wittenberg 42, Alma, Mich. 39  
Montclair St. 37, Buffalo St. 34  
Rowan 29, Rensselaer 15  
Ursinus 43, Bowdoin 38  
W. Kentucky 71, Tennessee Tech 60  
Washington & Jefferson 14, Lynchburg 7  
Hardin-Simmons 28, Washington 21  
Augustana 39, St. Norbert 32  
Central Iowa 38, Wisc.-La Crosse 17  
1. Xavier 1.

LOCAL BOWLING

**LADIES MAJOR**  
WEEK 11  
RESULTS-Dream Team 8-0, Bow-A-Rama 0-8, Big Spring Music 8-0, Day & Day Builders 0-8, Rookley's 2-6, Campbell Cement Construction 6-2, Neighbors Auto Sales 4-4, Casa Blanca 4-4, Roll-N-Hoop 2-6, Pack-Sender 2-6, Wicked Witches of the West 2-6, Best Western 2-6, The 24's, Green House Photography 2-6; hi sc team game Big Spring Music 7-0, Dream Team 7-0, Best Western 6-1, hi sc team series Big Spring Music 2-235, Dream Team 2046, Best Western 1944; hi hdp team game Big Spring Music 328, Dream Team 298, Best Western 891; hi hdp team series Big Spring Music 2613, Monday See Monkey Do 2578; hi sc game Joyce Davis 254, Denise Richard 222, Alice Ewing 220; hi sc series Joyce Davis 660, Alice Ewing 608, Pam Brown 601; hi hdp game Denise Richard 272, Rebecca Barton 275, Joyce Davis 273; hi hdp series WBC Pam Brown 739, Rebecca Barton 738, Alice Ewing 731.

LOCAL BOWLING

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Couples hacks his way out of shrubs to Skins Game records, huge payday

INDIO, Calif. (AP) — Fred Couples took a wild trip through the 1999 Skins Game, whacking shots out of rocks, sand and even a flowering shrub. A model of inconsistency, Couples still managed to rewrite a string of records as he took the tournament title for the third time and won \$635,000 in the 18-hole event. His total take was a Skins Game all-time high, and he won \$410,000 of that on one hole, also a tournament record, with a scrambling birdie on No. 18. The finishing hole was typical of Couples' play over the two days, when he either was hitting into trouble or knocking in birdie putts. On No. 18, he did both. "I had nine birdies, and I bet I still only shot par," said Couples, alluding to the fact that individual scores aren't kept. Despite already being the Skins Game career-leading money-winner, Couples hadn't planned to play this year. He joined the foursome as a replacement for the late Payne Stewart.

With the \$410,000 and tournament title riding on No. 18, Couples began by pulling his drive off the fairway to the left. The ball sailed into a shrub and wedged in between blooms, 6 inches off the ground. No problem. Couples poked a recovery shot into the fairway, then sailed a 4-iron shot some 210 yards, stopping the ball 15 feet from the pin. After watching Sergio Garcia miss a 10-foot try for birdie, Couples then calmly rolled in his putt. "There's a lot of luck involved," he said. "Going down to that last hole, I hit it into the shrub, and I still wind up winning the biggest skin. That's luck." Couples obviously has had abundant luck in the Skins Game, winning \$1,975,000 in seven appearances, the equivalent of just seven rounds of golf, not counting playoff holes. "Freddy is Mr. Skins, or even better, Fred Skins," Couples said. Mark O'Meara, who was the champion in 1998 and finished second this time with \$245,000. Garcia, the 19-year-old Spaniard who is the only teenager ever to play in the Skins Game, won \$120,000 and David Duval didn't win a cent for the second time in as many appearances. Skins game competitors donate 20 percent of the money they win in the tournament to charity, and Couples chose to donate 30 percent of his earnings to the Payne Stewart Memorial Fund, honoring his friend who died in a plane crash on Oct. 25.

Garcia donated 20 percent of his money to the same fund, and O'Meara split his donation between the Stewart fund and another charity he picked to honor the late Winnie Palmer, Arnold Palmer's wife. Couples, who won a record 11 skins as he added the 1999 title to his victories in 1995 and 1996, again proved well-suited to the Skins Game format, in which horrible play on some holes can be offset by good shots and big putts at the right time. "There were a lot of birdies made out there, and Freddie made most of them. He's perfect for this because he can put bad shots behind him," said O'Meara, who won five skins in the competition at Landmark Golf Club, a course that was completed just a month earlier in the rugged desert. Garcia won two skins, but missed the birdie try on No. 18 that would have sent the tournament to extra holes. He called his first Skins Game a "great experience," adding, "I was disappointed I didn't make a few more putts." O'Meara chimed in: "We are, too, especially on 18." Duval was mildly disappointed with being shut out for the second time. "Nobody helped me out," said Duval.

NFL

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and two touchdowns and joined Jerry Rice, Andre Reed and Art Monk as the only players in NFL history with 900 career catches. Jeff George was 28-of-43 for 363 yards and four TDs. Jim Harbaugh went 25-for-39 for 404 yards and one touchdown for visiting San Diego (4-7) as the teams combined for more than 900 yards. Bucs 16, Seahawks 3  
Rookie Shaun King had an auspicious debut at Seattle. After Trent Dilfer broke his collarbone, King threw a 2-yard scoring pass to Patrick Hape for Tampa Bay's first offensive touchdown in three weeks. "I wasn't scared, I wasn't nervous, I was excited," said King, who helped lead Tulane to an unbeaten season and a Liberty Bowl victory last season. The Bucs (7-4), led by Warren Sapp, intercepted Jon Kitna a career-high five times. He also lost a fumble as Seattle (8-3) saw its five-game winning streak end. Colts 13, Jets 6  
Indianapolis (9-2) won its seventh straight to take a one-game lead in the AFC East over Miami. Although they have scored 307 points this season, only 29 have come in two victories over the Jets (4-7), who saw a three-game winning streak snapped. Peyton Manning passed for 198 yards and a touchdown for the hosts, who have their longest winning streak since 1975, when they played in Baltimore. Bills 17, Patriots 7  
Doug Flutie threw touchdown passes to Eric Moulds and Sam

Gash as the Bills (8-4) won at home and severely damaged New England (6-5) in the playoff race. The Buffalo defense held the Patriots (6-5) to 267 yards and avoided their first shutout in six years on Drew Bledsoe's 45-yard TD pass to Terry Glenn with 2:41 to play. It was the Patriots' third straight loss. Redskins 20, Eagles 17  
Brett Conway missed a 28-yard field goal at the end of regulation for host Washington (7-4). He got another chance in overtime, only to have holder Brad Johnson bobble the snap and get tackled. But that happened on third down and Conway got another try, hitting from 27. The Eagles (3-9) beat the Skins two weeks ago and rallied from a 14-point hole to tie Sunday's game. Jaguars 30, Ravens 23  
When they played in Jacksonville, the Jaguars (10-1) won 6-3. It wasn't nearly so defensive at Baltimore (4-7). Jacksonville needed a 23-point fourth quarter capped by James Stewart's 4-yard run with 1:39 left to win. It trailed 16-7 after three periods and 23-22 with 6:26 remaining. But Mark Brunell went 10-for-13 for 125 yards in the final 15 minutes and finished with 338 yards and two touchdowns. Titans 33, Browns 21  
Cleveland remained winless at home because of Tennessee's special teams, which set up a go-ahead score with a fumble recovery. Then Derrick Mason ran back a punt 65 yards for another TD as the Titans (9-2) came from behind. Tennessee remained one game behind

first-place Jacksonville in the AFC Central. Rookie Kevin Johnson had six receptions for 90 yards and a touchdown for the Browns (2-10). Chiefs 37, Raiders 34  
Pete Stoyanovich finished a rally by Kansas City (6-5) with a 44-yard field goal as time expired, breaking a three-game slide. Kris Dishman scored on a 47-yard interception return and a 40-yard fumble runback for the visitors. Stoyanovich's third field goal of the game came after Michael Husted of Oakland (5-6) missed a 44-yard field goal. The Raiders blew a 34-20 lead. Cardinals 34, Giants 24  
Arizona (6-6) climbed back into the NFC wild-card picture with its third successive win. Jake Plummer replaced former Giants quarterback Dave Brown in the second half and threw two touchdown passes. The host Giants (5-6) lost their third straight as Kerry Collins threw for 298 yards, but also threw three interceptions and lost a fumble. Bengals 27, Steelers 20  
Kordell Stewart was benched for Mike Tomczak and won't be back at quarterback soon for the slumping Steelers (5-6). Tomczak threw two touchdown passes to make it 24-20 after replacing Stewart, but couldn't overcome Rodney Heath's two interceptions, one for a touchdown and the other setting up a score, for the Bengals (2-10). Steelers coach Bill Cowher said Stewart will return to his "Slash" role as a receiver-quarterback.





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2 BR, 1 bath, 1404 Tucson. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

2510 Carlton. Good neighborhood. Nice, clean 3BR, 2bth, C/H/A, 2 living areas, fenced backyard, double carport. \$550/mo, \$250/dep. 267-1543.

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405 W. 5th 2 bdr. \$200/mo. \$100/dep. Sorry no pets 263-4922

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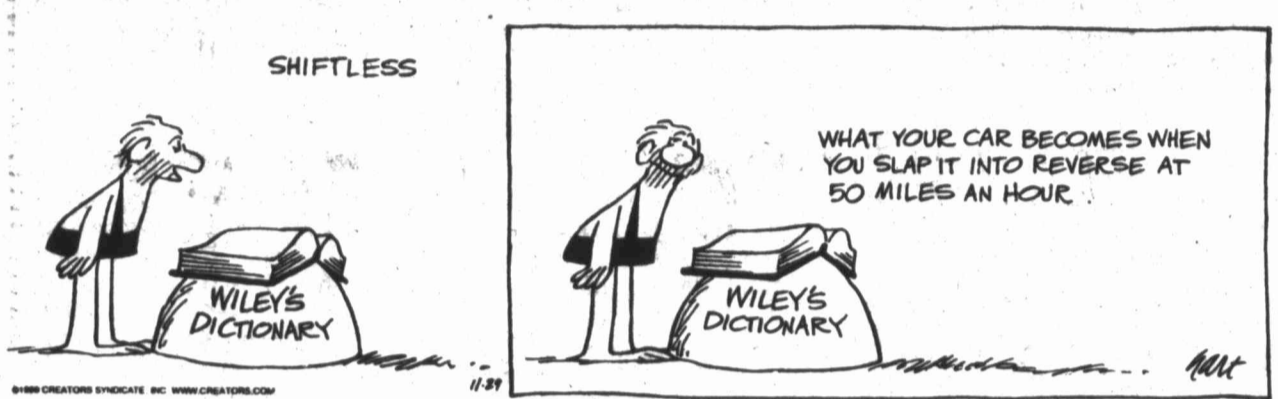
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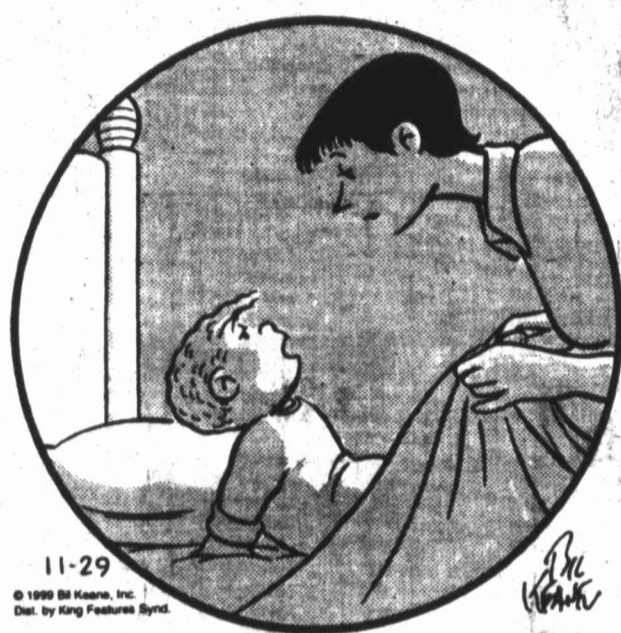
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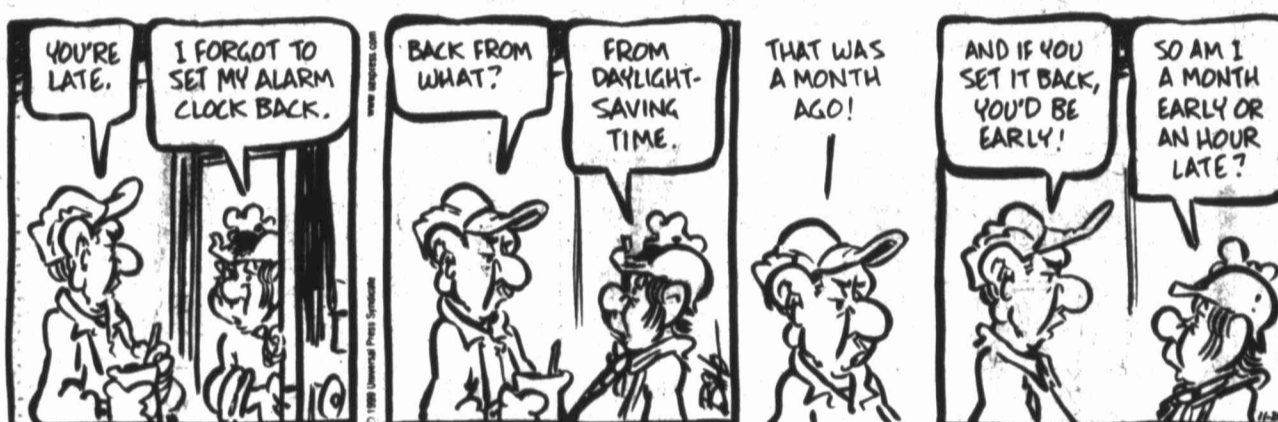
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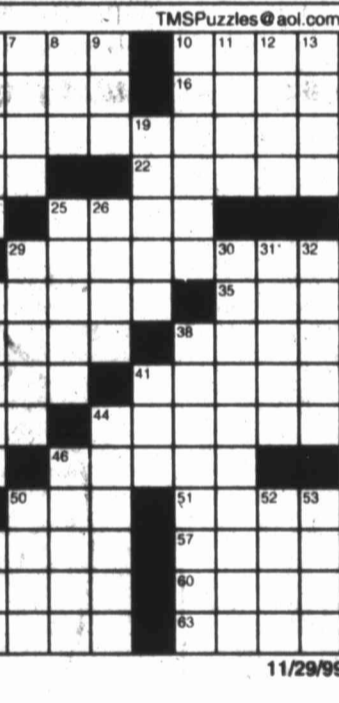
The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Monday, Nov. 29, the 333rd day of 1999. There are

32 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 29, 1952, President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower kept his campaign promise to visit Korea to assess the ongoing conflict. On this date:

In 1530, Cardinal Thomas Wolsey, onetime adviser to England's King Henry VIII, died. In 1890, the Imperial Diet, forerunner of Japan's national legislature, opened its first session, four days after its members were summoned by Emperor Meiji. In 1924, Italian composer Giacomo Puccini died in Brussels before he could complete his opera "Turandot." It was finished by Franco Alfano. In 1929, Navy Lt. Cmdr. Richard E. Byrd radioed that he had flown over the South Pole, the first person to do so. In 1947, the U.N. General Assembly passed a resolution to partition Palestine between Arabs and Jews. In 1961, "Enos" the chimp was launched from Cape Canaveral aboard the Mercury-Atlas V spacecraft, which orbited earth twice before returning. In 1963, President Johnson named a commission headed by Earl Warren to investigate the assassination of President Kennedy. In 1967, Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara announced he was leaving the Johnson administration to become president of the World Bank. In 1981, actress Natalie Wood drowned in a boating accident off Santa Catalina Island, Calif., at age 43. In 1986, actor Cary Grant died in Davenport, Iowa, at age 82. Ten years ago: In response to a growing pro-democracy movement in Czechoslovakia, the Communist-run parliament ended the party's 40-year monopoly on power. Five years ago: The House passed, 288-146, the revised General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Fighter jets attacked the capital of Chechnya and its airport hours after Russian President Boris Yeltsin demanded the breakthrough public end its civil war. One year ago: Swiss voters overwhelmingly rejected legalizing heroin and other narcotics.

THE Daily Crossword

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