SUNDAY

December 12, 1999

WEATHER

Today:



TODAY 45°-48° **TONIGHT** 20°-25°

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 Mail 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:**

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It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!



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"Reflecting a Proud Community"

Big Spring Relay for Life makes national Top 10 per capita list

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Features Editor

Big Spring's 1999 American Cancer Society Relay for Life made the top 10 list for the nation in per capita fundrais-

"We are very grateful to this community, that they have come around again," said Diane Wood, chairman of the 1999 Relay. "You start out thinking the economy is not good, and then the community comes

through for you anyway. It just of \$94,402, or \$2.86 for every perputs the icing on the cake for

Relay for Life is a 24-hour encourages teams of participants to walk for donations. Locally, it takes place at Blankenship Field, including special competitions, musical performances and other fun activities throughout the day and night.

The local Relay was ranked eighth in the nation and second in Texas, raising a net amount 2001 event.

son in Howard and Glasscock counties.

The total raised by Relay in community campout that Big Spring was \$106,000. Erath County, which includes Stephenville, was ranked seventh in the nation and first in Texas.

> Already, the organizing committee is meeting to plan Big Spring's Relay 2000. Wood will again chair the event, with cochair Lucy Clinton, who will take over as chairman of the

said. "We thought we would give people a chance to start early on their fundraising, hoping to give them some help in that area.

Team captains have been given ideas on how to start fundraising during the holiday "They are excited about those ideas to get them started," Wood

said. "Then in the spring, they will hit it hard, like they always

ACS uses the money raised by

"We have kicked it off," Wood Relay for patient education and support services, including cancer prevention and help for those fighting the disease. Relay for Life includes a luminaria ceremony where those who are currently fighting, or have lost their battle with cancer are honored, and a Survivor's Walk for those who have had cancer.

Teams for the 2000 event are forming now. For information: about starting a team, call; Wanda Gamble at 263-7180, or-Gloria McDonald at 263-4835.

Solitaire Homes

Contract signed between firms, homes expected by mid-January By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

Signal Homes is out and Solitaire Homes is in following the signing of a purchase contract Wednesday. The signing ensures the Duncan, Okla. firm will construct modular homes here.

Solitaire expects to be operational by mid-January.

"Everything was signed and sealed, and they are doing renovations now and expect to start by Jan. 10, give or take a few days," said Moore executive director Kent

"This is a very solid company for Big Spring. We can expect \$4 million to \$5 million in wages for the community, plus they have 401K and profit sharing, major medical and life

insurance," Sharp said. Solitaire is a full-line manufactured housing company. Everything from the manufacturing plants, where the homes are built to the trucks that deliver merchandise to the retail outlets are owned by Solitaire.

"No one but a Solitaire employee touches Solitaire products until they get to the customer," Sharp said.

Initially the firm is expecting. to have their first finished product by the end of January or first of February, Sharp said. Once the manufacturing plant

in Big Spring is running at full capacity, 150 to 200 new jobs will have been created, he said. "Once they ramp up they

should have that many jobs

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Lakeview Head Start teacher Velma Flores' 5-year-olds Tashalla Young, Sarah Salazar and Alysha Garza joined with four other classes and sang Christmas carols for the residents of Comanche Trail Nursing Home. Pam Richards' 3-year-olds class, and Belinda Marquez, Edna Gonzales and JoElda Garza's 5-year-old classes also participated.

Many names remain on children, senior's Angel Trees

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

Today may be the last chance to adopt a child from the Salvation Army Angel Trees at Wal-Mart, and early Monday may be the last chance for the senior tree from the Big Spring Herald, or a child's tree at Gale's Sweet Shoppe

"We'll be picking up all the angel cards and the trees on Monday, because we've got to get these presents" prepared and ready for pickup by Dec. 21," cer at the Salvation Army. "We still have quite a

said Maj. Mary Nell Tolcher, commanding offifew angels left, but I feel sure they will be adopted,' she said.

Tolcher urged anyone who might have

Hallman, 51,

dead in her

front yard by

her landlord

Tuesday. Lee

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Investigation,

'said there was

also "some evi-

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Lynn Hayes and

dence of fire associated with the

Hallman's step-daughters,

Thomason, live in Big Spring.

HALLMAN

found

decided to adopt an angel and selected a card but has not returned the gifts to take those gifts to the office, 811 W. Fifth. "And then we usually have those who

TOLCHER

adopted an angel but then for whatever reason were unable to purchase the gifts," she

The Salvation Army Angel Tree program provides new toys and clothing for needy children in Howard County each

Families are qualified through income guidelines for the program, and must meet certain criteria to be eligible. At the start of the holiday season, more than 500 children and 175 elderly names had been placed on cards for adoption.

These cards, dubbed angels, are then placed on Christmas trees as ornaments. The trees are then placed in retail locations throughout Big Spring.

"We really don't know yet how many angels we will have who were not adopted. We will make a thorough count next week, and begin contacting those who have not brought their angels back," Tolcher said. She said a large volume of gifts have been

returned within the past several days, and she remains optimistic that all needs will be answered this Christmas.

"We'll just wait and see how we do next week," she said.

In other efforts, the Salvation Army Bell Ringers will continue to man their stations until Dec. 24.

And most canned food drives will close this week, as pickups of the canned goods are scheduled. However, any donations of canned food or

angel presents may still be made to the Salvation Army through the holiday sea-"We just need everyone to turn in every-

thing as quickly as they can," Tolcher said.



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody Phyllis Graumann looks at the cards on the

Salvation Army's senior Angel Tree before making an "adoption." All trees will be down by Monday afternoon.

Murdered Georgia woman had family in Big Spring She also had step-grandchil-By JOHN H. WALKER dren in Big Spring. Police suspect Madison Howell, who goes by A 51-year-old Georgia woman "Billy," killed Ms. Hallman. who was murdered Tuesday They have sworn out a warrant had two step-daughters in Big for his arrest. Dreama

"The Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI) told me she (Hallman) had run out of her trailer and had gotten into her car," Hayes said. "They said she had already been stabbed, because there were puddles of blood in her car.

"Then, she either got out of the car or he drug her out .. they (GBI) said he tried to stuff her under the car.

Hayes said persons in the community became suspicious when Hallman failed to open her used furniture and appliance store.

See MURDER, Page 3A



Heather Hise, Chanz Reed and William Toomy, Forsan eighth graders, along with their class contemporaries from Big Spring, Stanton, Sterling City, Coahoma, Garden City, Ackerly and **Grady attended Next Generation Day at Howard** College. The students will have seminars on possible career choices such as agriculture, business and industry and medicine.

HERALD photo/Marsha Sturd

City of Lubbock Cemetery.

Dec. 9, 1999, in Lubbock.

Catholic Church.

Mrs. Garza died on Thursday,

She was born on July 2, 1924

in Colorado City. She moved to

Lubbock in 1962 from Big

Spring. She married Juan

Garza. She was a homemaker

and a member of St. Joseph's

She is survived by her hus-

band, Juan Garza of Lubbock;

one son, Alejandro Garza of

Euless; eight daughters: Sofia

Rios, Rosa Hernandez, Bertha

Ramirez, Janie Gonzales, Lupe

Hernandez, Julie Vasquez,

Margie Garza, and Isabelle

Lucio, all of Lubbock; two sis-

ters: Estolia Moncada and

Socorro Corrella both of Big

Spring; 34 grandchildren and 27

Arrangements were under the

direction of White Funeral

Gregory Silva
Funeral service for Gregory

Silva, 80, of Stanton will be held

at 10 am. Monday, Dec. 13, 1999,

at St. Joseph Catholic Church

with Father Arturo Pestin

Officiating and Deacon Ernie

Sanchez assisting. Rosary will

be recited at 8 pm. tonight, at

Stanton Memorial Funeral

Home & Chapel. Burial will be

Mr. Silva died on Friday, Dec.

He was born in Midland on

He is survived by his daugh-

ter, Mary Linda Marquez of

Stanton; one son, Freddy Silva

of Graham; one sister, Sarita

Olgin of Midland; three broth-

ers: Johnny Silva of California,

Larry Silva of Odessa, and

Julian Silva of Midland; seven

grandchildren and two great-

Arrangements are under the

Funeral service for Calla Mae

Perkins, 89, of Big Spring are

pending with Myers and Smith

She died on Saturday, Dec. 11,

1999, at Scenic Mountain

MEETINGS

High school auditorium

excellence indicator system

Monday Dec. 13 10 a.m.

Commissioners' Courtroom

Appointment of Texans

Veteran Land Board commis-

Burn ban proclamation

· Invoice, bills, purchase

requests, payroll report, per-

Aerial fireworks ban

sonnel considerations

HOWARD COLLEGE

Monday, Dec. 13

Board Room

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular meeting 12:30

Student Union Building

Agenda items are:

Executive session 11 a.m.

and school report card

HOWARD COUNTY

COMMISSIONERS

Agenda items are:

Joint election

sioner

p.m.

· Christmas program

Public Hearing on academic

direction of Stanton Memorial

Funeral Home & Chapel.

Dec. 24, 1918 and was a veteran

10, 1999, at the Big Spring Care

at St. Joseph Cemetery.

of World War II.

grandchildren.

Perkins

Medical Center

SANDS CISD

Today, 2 p.m.

great-grandchildren.

Home of Lubbock.

project

board visit

4:30 p.m.

2000

Institute for Deaf campus

Update on sports complex

Mission statement for 1999-

Results of coordinating

Program pass rates

MOORE DEVELOPMENT

Catalog changes

FOR BIG SPRING

Board of Directors

Wednesday, Dec. 15,

Chamber board room

Financial reports and

COAHOMA INDEPENDENT

Monday, Dec. 13, 7 p.m.

Admin. Bldg. board room

· Personnel - a physical edu-

District Handbook commit-

· Procedures for January

Water leaks/water bill

superintendent evaluation

GLASSCOCK COUNTY

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL

Monday, Dec. 13 7 p.m.

Consult with attorney

regarding board procedures

Appoint member to

STANTON CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, Dec. 14 7 p.m.

Take action of Mobile Home

· Take action of CRMWD con-

• Take action of Energas rate

• Take action on amendment

Consider open house for

police department, open meet-

to BSISD band's

Christmas recital

The public is invited to a

Christmas recital of the Big

Spring band students at 6:30

Auditorium.

other selections.

Harris said.

p.m. Saturday in the Municipal

Rocky Harris, band director

for Big Spring Independent

School District, said at least 300

students will participate in the

concert that will feature classic

Christmas carols as well as

"We'll be playing "Sleigh

"We will actually have two

types of bands. At 6:30, the

junior high concert band will

perform. and at 7 the junior

high school symphonic band

The high school band should

He added that at the end the

high school portion of the con-

cert, the band will perform the

The concert is free and open

to the public. Harris said the

students have been working

several weeks on their perfor-

will perform," Harris said.

begin about 7:30 p.m.

marching show.

mances.

Ride" and "Christmas Fantasia"

and "Little Drummer Boy,"

Public invited

Council chambers

Agenda items are:

of annexation plan

TASB board policy Update

Approve audit report

Agenda items are:

Director's report

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Trustees

Agenda items are:

cation teacher

DISTRICT

Board room

and personnel

appraisal board

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Agenda items are:

Campus reports

Financial audit

investment reports

Robert Kern McGary

Robert Kern McGary, son of Dr. and Mrs. C.R. Sutton Jr. of Big Spring, died Saturday, Dec. 4, 1999, in an automobile accident near Austin. He was a resident of Austin since 1974, and was raised in Uvalde. He was an aerospace engineer and inventor, and had received many awards for his work, including one from Tracor of Austin for his improvements in the production engineering for their products.

He is survived by his parents, Katharine and C.R.; wife, Linda; daughters, Robin and Rana; son, Robert Shane McGary, of U.S. Submarine Service, Sardinia; five grandchildren; a brother, Kevin; sister, Kathleen; stepsister Rosemary Sutton; foster sister Linda Tennant; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Lisle McGary, and one son, Robert Kern McGary.

Memorials may be made to Southwest Texas Research Foundation, or the local Episcopal Church.

Arrangements were with Beck Funeral Home, Cedar Park. (Paid obituary)

J.D. 'Red' Gresham

Graveside service for J.D. "Red" Gresham, 77, of Big Spring will be held at 2 pm. Tuesday, Dec. 14, 1999, at Trinity Memorial Park with Rev. Dudley Mullins officiating. Mr. Gresham died on

Saturday, Dec. 11, 1999, at his residence.

He was born on Jan. 23, 1922 Quitman, and Ada Married Mitchell on July 18, 1973 in

Clinton, Ark. He worked for Robinson Drilling Company as a tool

pusher. He also served with the ing World War II and was a He is survived by his wife, four great-grandchildren.

daughter, Judy Miller of Teague; three step-sons: Jimmy Freeze of Abilene, J.R. Freeze of Washington State, and David Freeze of Denison; four stepdaughters: Shirley Gedney of Odessa, Joyce Gammons of San Angelo, Lorene Nix of Big Spring, and Irene Wilson of Tampa, Fla.; his mother, Mary Lee Gresham of Jonesboro, La.; one brother, Paul Gresham of Quitman, La.; one sister, Charlotte Jeeter of Jonesboro, La.; 14 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society Memorial Program, c/o Lucy Bonner, P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring, 79721-2121

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle &

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Calla Mae Perkins, 89, died Saturday. Services pending (probably Wednesday).

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH **Funeral Home**



J.D. "Red" Gresham, 77 died Saturday. Graveside services will be 2:00 PM Tuesday at Trinity Memorial

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Enemorio Chapa

Funeral service for Enemorio Chapa, 74, of Stanton was held at 2 pm. on Saturday, Dec. 11, 1999, in St. Joseph Catholic Church with Deacon Ernie Sanchez officiating. Burial followed at St. Joseph Catholic cemetery.

Mr. Chapa died on Dec. 8, 1999, at his Stanton residence. He was born in Beeville on Sept. 7, 1925 and was preceded in death by his wife, Rosa Chapa. He was a farmer.

He is survived by two sons: Luis Antonio Chapa, Sr., and Enemorio Chapa, Jr, both of Stanton; three daughters: Solia Perez, Sylvia Hernandez, and Juanita Chapa, all of Stanton; two brothers: Agapito Chapa of Stanton and Marcial Chapa of Bertram; five sisters: Inez Castillo of Stanton, Elida Salazar of Plainview, Minnie Padron of Stanton, Mercedes Valles of Stanton, and Juana Lopez of Plainview; 21 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of Stanton Memorial Funeral Home & Chapel.

Minnie Fae Hopper

Graveside service for Minnie Fae Hopper, 82, of Chattanooga. Tenn. will be held at 2 pm. today, Sunday, Dec. 12, 1999, in Evergreen Cemetery, Stanton. Mrs. Hopper died on Tuesday,

December 7, 1999, Chattanooga, Tenn.

She was born on March 10. 1917 in Carrollton and married on Aug. 18, 1934 in Stanton. She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester A. Hopper. She moved from Stanton to Chattanooga, in 1996. She was a member of the Church of God.

She is survived by her son, Calla Mae Ronald Hopper of Graham; one daughter. Ann Grissom of Chattanooga, Tenn.; two brothers: J.C. Rich of Stanton and United States Marine Corps dur- J.T. Rich of Colorado City; a sister, Lillian Mayers of Tuscon, Funeral Home and Chapel. Ariz.; five grandchildren and

Ada Gresham of Big Spring; one Memorials may be made to a local Hospice

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral

Billy R. Derryberry

Funeral service for Billy R. Derryberry of Colorado City will be held at 2 pm. today, Sunday, Dec. 12, 1999, in the Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Sammy Elliott officiating. Burial will follow in the Lone Wolf Cemetery in Scurry County.

Mr. Derryberry was born on Sept. 12, 1923 in Loraine. He served in the United States Army where he received the Bronze Star. He was an electrician for Caldwell Electric for

over 30 years Friends will gather for visitation before the funeral at 1 pm. in the Colorado City Veterans of Foreign Wars, located at 1266

Arrangements are under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral

Isabelle Garza

Mass for Isabelle Garza, 75, of Lubbock was held at 10 am. on Saturday, Dec. 11, 1999, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church with Father Michael O'Dwyer, celebrant. Burial followed in the

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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.

 Church of the Nazarene will collect canned food for the Salvation Army during the drive-through nativity scene, Dec. 9-12.

Pizza Inn, Goliad Mary's Elementary, St. 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. · Parks Convenience Center, 311 Gregg, is having a canned food drive for the Salvation Army. For four cans of food you get "The Works" car wash, a \$6 value, free through Dec. 10.

 Isaiah 58, Christian assistance agency, is accepting food and toy donations to be given to needy families in time for Christmas. Hours for donating are Monday and Tuesday, 9:30-11 a.m. or 5:30-6:30 p.m. at 107-109 Runnels, or anytime at First Christian Church.

BRIEFS

BIRDWATCHERS THOSE WHO have knowledge of different species are asked to participate in the Dec. 18 Christmas Bird Count. This is the 100th anniversary of the count. Call Pat Simmons, 263-4607, for more information.

FORSAN HIGH SCHOOL AND junior high bands will present their Christmas concert Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium. There is no admission and everyone is invited to attend this concert of holiday music.

miles north of Stanton on Hwy. 137, will have a Christmas light display.

There will be hayrides to tour the camp and see the lights at 6 p.m. on Dec. 3-5, 10-12, and 17-19. After the hayride, there will be hot coffee, hot chocolate and homemade cookies.

there will be a donation box set

For more information call 458-3467.

There is no cost, however,

CIRCLE SIX, LOCATED SIX

Dec. 18 for 'Customer Appreciation Day." Office hours will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

THE COAHOMA POST

OFFICE will be open Saturday,

THE AREA AGENCY ON Aging Ombudsman Program will begin a new training session to train volunteer ombudsmen to visit residents in Big Spring nursing homes. The training will begin after Jan. 1. Please call 800-491-4636 for more information.

A MEMORIAL TREE FROM the American Cancer Society is set up at Merle Norman in Big Spring Mall. Donors can give a gift to the Big Spring Unit of ACS in memory or honor of a loved one.

When the tree is removed, the ornament marking the gift will be sent to the person honored or the family of the person memorialized. Donations can be made through Dec. 25. Call Lucy Bonner at 263-6305. Memorials can also be mailed to P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents through noon Saturday:

· KIM STAMBAUGH, 39, was arrested on a charge of no driver's license.

· GENETTIA HUGHES, 35, was arrested on a charge of theft by check.

· THOMAS BRADBERRY, 32, was arrested on a charge of family violence.

 MELISSA BRADBERRY, 30, was arrested on a charge of family violence.

· LUCIANO DELGADO, 24. was arrested on local warrant

for driving while intoxicated. DOMESTIC DISTUR-BANCE was reported in the 200

block of Circle, the 1700 block of Alabama, and the 1800 block of East F.M. 700. THEFT was reported in the 3200 block of Duke, the 2400

block of Allendale, the 500 block Highland, the 2300 block of Wasson, the 300 block of Gregg, and the 1300 block of Runnels. CRIMINAL MISCHIEF OF

A VEHICLE was reported in the 3700 block of Parkway. BURGLARY OF A VEHI-

CLE was reported in the 1600 block of East F.M. 700. ASSAULT BY THREATS was reported in the 3600 block

· ASSAULT was reported at

the police department.

LOTTERY

The following numbers were drawn Saturday night in the Texas

LOTTO: 11,23,28,41,9,50

Family of Donald Anderson In the midst of our sorrow, we wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to our many relatives, friends and neighbors for the kindness and sympathy shown us in the loss of a our beloved husband & father Donald A. "Don"

A special acknowledgment goes to Rev. Gary Groves and Rev. Jimmy Watson for the beautiful

May God bless us all.

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Trim the house with color! Give Teleflora's Holiday Ornament Bouquet They'll love the bouquet for the holiday They'll treasure the oversized ceramic keepsake jar forever. A dazzling recreation of the traditional ornaments we al love, this unique gift is perfect for everyone on you list. To send it anywhere in the U.S. or Canada, just call or visit our store. Available in solid red or red and green with a band of silver snowflakes.

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BIG SPRING ! Sunday, Dec

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Staff Writer

The Big Department ex in forgery rep two weeks. "Forgeries with holiday

and unemploy ment periods, according to Roge Sgt. Sweatt, public information officer for the Big Sprin Police.

Sweatt warn merchants th types of chec when some e stolen check. some one ca check but la check was stol

To combat Big Spring F local stores **Thumb Print** Sales clerk their custon checks to lear on the check.

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Enter for C LYNDEL MOOI Staff Writer

Local reside reason to vis third annual Festival of Lig Four nights tainment is p tival of ligh Tuesday, Thursday.

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BSPD: Seasonal forgery increase expected over the next two weeks

Staff Writer

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The Big Spring Police Department expects an increase in forgery reports in the next two weeks.

"Forgeries tend to rise with holidays and unemployment periods,' according to Roger Sweatt, public information officer for the Big Spring Police.



SWEATT

Sweatt warns merchants that there are two types of check frauds. One is when some else is cashing a stolen check. The other is when some one cashes their own check but later claims the check was stolen.

To combat check fraud, the Big Spring Police encourages local stores to participate in Thumb Print.

Sales clerks would require their customers who write checks to leave a thumb print on the check.

The ink dries almost immediately, and the customer can brush the ink off. Because the ink dries so quickly, the ink

will not stain clothes or fingers. Donna McIntosh, manager for 7-Eleven store No. 505 on Owens

is in support of Thumb Print. "We have had some customers refuse to be thumb printed," she said "We then ask for their identification, but they refused

To help merchant protect their customers and themselves, Sweatt has some advice.

Always request and check the identification of all customers writing a check.

"Compare the check information with identification of the person," he said. "If the identification does not match with the check, do not take the check."

The Big Spring Police Department recommends to sales clerks to look at the check for any inconsistencies, and refused to take temporary or altered checks.

Watch the check being written. See if the person signs the name without hesitation and correctly. Make sure the name

Norwest has seen an increase in forgeries this year, according register. to Mark Barber, Norwest personal banker.

Barber has a few tips for individuals who would like to protect themselves against forgers. Leave the driver's license eries according to Sweatt.

make the merchant ask for identification.

Do not give any account information over the phone.

"Norwest will never call our customers and ask for account information," he said. "We will only verify account information.'

Only make purchases over the internet when you are convinced the site is secure.

"Much of the increase in forgeries is due to people giving their debit card numbers over internet," Barber said.

If making a purchases with a debit card or credit card, always keep receipt because the account number will usually be printed on receipt. Thieves can obtain the account number off the receipt.

Carefully check bank statements to make sure all the expenditures are yours.

Check the check registers to make sure all the checks are in order. According to Barber, thieves sometimes steal personal checks from the back of the

Offer to show the sales clerk your driver's license to verify the signature.

Big Spring loses an estimated \$100,000 a year because of forg-



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"Her landlord went by to check on her and found her body." Haves said.

While investigators have not given a motive for the slaving, Hayes said it was her understanding that her stepmother had withdrawn a large amount of money from the bank and that robbery was under consideration as a reason.

Howell, 42, was described as an acquaintance of Ms. Hallman's who had done odd jobs for her in the past.

Ms. Hallman's husband died in May and she was preparing to move out of her mobile home at the time she was killed, police said. She had owned a used furniture and appliances store in Darien, a coastal city 52 miles south of Savannah.

"She was planning to move to Louisiana to live with her daughter and granddaughter," Hayes said. "The last time I two of this model, they can

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time she sounded happy since my dad died. From what I understand, she had hired this guy (Howell) to help her pack and move.

Hayes said her father died in May and that the couple had

been married 14 years. Funeral service is pending in West Virginia following completion of an autopsy.

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here. And one of the greatest things about this location for them is the close proximity to their retail outlets. They couldn't ask for a better location," Sharp said.

Solitaire Homes has retail locations in Odessa, Lubbock, San Angelo and Abilene, he

"Now, if one of their retail stores calls and says we need

talked with her, it was the first reach Highway 87 and head south or north, or reach I-20 and head east or west," he said.

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ment on the northeast corner

The land acquisition north of the manufacturing plant on East 11th Place by Solitaire will be used as a \$7.5 million ware house site.

As part of Solitaire's agreement to buy the land, manufactured housing retailer Beacon Homes agreed to relocate to the west portion of the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, near I-20, which was also a strategic move for that firm as well.

"They wanted to be closer to I-20 for shipping and trucking purposes," Sharp said.

The move of Beacon Home should be accomplished after the turn of the year. Moore Development agreed to assist the city of Big Spring with the cost of water and sewer line service in that new Beacon Homes

"Solitaire will not need that land immediately, and should have access to it by June or

LETTERS TO SANTA DEADLINE IS 5 P.M. MONDAY

DON'T MISS THE MAILBAG TO THE NORTH POLE!

Entertainment planned four nights for Comanche Trail Festival of Lights The entertainment will be Comanche Trail is lit at 6:30

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Staff Writer

Local residents have another reason to visit or revisit the third annual Comanche Trail Festival of Lights.

Four nights of musical entertainment is planned for the festival of lights on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

"Please come and enjoy the holiday festivities," said publicity chairman Gloria McDonald.

held at the pavilion at The every night with a 250,000 light Historic Spring. Festival of display. Lights volunteers will be selling refreshments, such as hot drinks, cookies and cakes.

The entertainment schedule will be as follows: · Big Spring High School

Band, 7 pm., Monday · Big Spring High School Choir, 7:30 pm., Tuesday Robert Pruitt, 7 pm.,

Wednesday pm., Thursday

tured this year. — an eight-foot nativity scene, a six-foot peace sign and lighted arches that run the length of the bridge

Three new displays are fea-

"The first thing you notice is the look in everybody's eye that come to see the display," said volunteer Bobby McDonalds. The lights at the park were

illuminated on Saturday, Dec. 4 • St. Thomas Catholic Choir, 7 and will remain lit until Dec.



Scenic Mountain Medical Center receives high marks from leading independent accreditation organization, again.

Scenic Mountain has just received a 92% score from JCAHO, the Joint Commission of Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations. The JCAHO score recognizes the quality and professionalism offered right here in Big Spring at Scenic Mountain.

JCAHO is the nation's oldest and most distinguished accreditation organization. They conduct on-site reviews of hospital operations and procedures to determine if a hospital meets their accreditation standards. The score is a way to compare healthcare facilities on an equal apples-to-apples basis.

We at Scenic Mountain Medical Center are proud to have received such a superior score from JCAHO. The high ranking supports what more and more of our patients and their family members are telling us - that quality health care is right here, close to home at Scenic Mountain Medical Center

The next time you or a loved one needs healthcare services, try Scenic Mountain. We'd like to show you our recent improvements to both our facility and services in emergency, surgical, diagnostic, maternity and all the other services in the hospital



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OUR VIEWS

Next Generation offers opportunity for youngsters

n Friday, Howard College brought in upwards of 650 eighth-grade students from Big Spring, Coahoma, Forsan, Stanton, Garden City, Grady, Sands and Sterling City to participate in Next Generation Day.

No in its fourth year, Next Generation Day is presented by the college, along with the help of the both Big Spring Rotary Clubs, and Moore Development for Big Spring, and offers the students a peek into their future — helping guide them through high school.

"Eighth grade is the prime age to allow students an opportunity to stop and think about what they would do for a profession, because upon entering high school, students must decide on the educational tract that best prepares them for their future," said Rotarian Jan Foresyth.

The students were grouped into seminars where they could receive information about various occupations, getting a diverse cross-section that included agriculture, industry, medicine, law enforcement and manufacturing and industry.

While the students themselves might have been a captive audience, so-to-speak, the opportunities they were afforded served as eye-openers to many of them.

As time passes, the necessity to get a grasp of what the future could hold for us becomes more and more important — which makes programs such as Next Generation Day even more vital to the future of its participants.

Howard College, Moore Development and both the Big Spring Rotary Club and Greater Big Spring Rotary Club are to be commended for their efforts in laying an early foundation for our future and the future of those who will someday be our leaders.

OTHER VIEWS

They (EU leaders meeting in Helsinki this weekend) will make their vacuous pronouncements even as the horror rains down on Grozny, without a trace of a **S**lush, and then go home. ... It is simply not true nothing can be done ... what is Lacking is the political will. THE GUARDIAN, London

Why, just days before the **B**eginning of the third mil-**1e**nnium, in a country that wants to be democratic **x**overned by laws and **Pe**spectful of human rights 🎏 do military commanders act like Attila the Hun and Hitler? And are even applauded by their people, who seem to have suddenly

forgotten the catastrophic consequences of Yeltsin's eight-year regime. The questions are agonizing. To build consensus around the indiscriminate massacre of civilians must fundamentally disturb every conscience. But maybe not. In fact, it doesn't seem to upset the Russians — not even the opposition or the intellectuals, if either even exist. Western leaders made somewhat of a scene at the November Istanbul summit, and then? Washington is raising its voice a little, but we wait for concrete action.

In Grozny, uniformed assassins are carrying out a Cfinal solution" to the Chechen problem, with justifications little more valid than those given by the Nazis for the Holocaust.

Our banks are more concerned with guaranteeing their loans than with the morality of the borrowers. Everyone is responsible. Even we, are tired and disinterested. Chechnya is too far away, the perpetrators too different from us to provoke our rage. We even risk falling behind Bill Clinton.

IL MANIFESTO, Rome

While European defense ministers agreed in Brussels that they wanted a pan-European rapidresponse military force, **U.S. Defense Secretary** William Cohen stated publicly for the first time that the Europeans, and especially the Germans, seriously lacked sufficient military capability. The subtext: There is a split in NATO, and the Germans cannot be depended on in military operations.

The deployments in Bosnia and Kosovo were only made possible by a supreme effort. Old equipment isn't replaced. Soon the soldiers will be younger than the equipment that

serves them. NATO must keep up with the revolution in military technology taking place in America, or it will no longer have any international say in things. A European corps of lesser quality is irresponsible.

> DIE WELT, Berlin

Don't let Angels — young or old — go without

here is a disturbing headline on Page One of today's Herald. It

stark, it was gloomy and it scared me. It read. "Many names remain on children,

senior's Angel Since I first arrived in Big Spring on Dec. 1, 1991, I have always impressed

with the com-

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WALKER passion within this community

... with the willingness of her people to dig deep and help others less fortunate. Once again, it's time ... only now, there's little time left.

Help me with this one, please. Close your eyes and picture a child ... a child all excited about the holidays and the

prospects of Christmas because all they have seen and heard and read for the past few weeks - at school, on television, on the radio and in the **newspaper** — have dealt with Santa Claus and Christmas and gifts and toys and special holiday meals and treats:

But the stark reality is that deep down — and sadly enough for some, maybe it's not so far **deep down** — that this particular child knows there won't be

any such Christmas ... at least, not for them.

The home they live in is barren of decorations ... there is no tree, and there certainly aren't any presents or pack-

Their mom and dad, if they are lucky enough to have both mom and dad at home, work hard for their money. They fight to pay the bills, to keep the old car running and to try and do their very best to provide warm clothes, a warm home and nourishing food for their children.

Sadly enough, Christmas gifts, holiday meals and shiny decorations just don't have a place in a budget stretched to the limit every pay day.

The child knows their mom and dad loves them ... they know they care ... but they wonder why it is that they can't have something special at Christmas like all of their little friends

Again, picture that child for me. Now ... imagine that it is your child or grandchild.

Now, back to reality. Because you are luckier than some, your child and family won't go without this holiday season, will they?

You'll do everything within your power — everything the Good Lord will allow you to do to make certain little Susie and little Johnny have everything it is they've asked for these past few weeks.

I know, because when I

became a grandfather I promised myself that if there was any way on God's green Earth that if I could do, that I would for Miranda. Now that I have been blessed with Andrew, I feel that way even more strongly

Miranda and Andrew will have a wonderful Christmas. No, they won't get everything ∢ they wanted, but they will get more than enough.

But there are Mirandas and Andrews and Johnnys and Susies who won't get anything unless you and I go to Wal-Mart today or Gale's Sweet Shoppe and the Herald on Monday and take an Angel's name off one of those trees.

Unless we do that, there won't be any Christmas morning excitement with paper being ripped away and packages opened.

There won't be any "ooohs" and "aaahs" as they discover what Santa brought them.

For those children, the stark reality that there may well be no such thing as Santa Claus will break through the holiday facade that they have been forced to live with.

Can you imagine your child getting up on Christmas morning and there being nothing for them? I can't imagine that of Miranda or Andrew, and the mere thought of it brings tears to my eyes.

Christmas should be a wonderful time of the year for children. A time of lights and parades and toys and candy

canes and memories that will last a lifetime.

Won't you help give a child less fortunate than your own or your grandchildren or even your great-grandchildren - the opportunity to experience a child's Christmas?

What gift could you give that could be as wonderful as one that would put a smile on the face of a child or bring that wonderful child's giggle that makes us all smile ... and what thought could be worse than knowing that unless you do something, that on Christmas morning a child some place in Big Spring will get up, hoping against hope — but knowing all too well that there'll be no Christmas for them.

And on that day of all days, what could be worse than a child without Christmas.

Today, go to Wal-Mart and adopt an Angel Tomorrow, go by Gale's or the Herald ... but don't wait past tomorrow, because after Monday, there are no more tomorrows.

Even if you've already adopted an Angel, adopt another if you can afford it and help make the difference in the life of a child.

Give them that smile and that laugh — but more importantly, give them the gift of being able to be a child at Christmas.

Please ... time is slipping away and after Monday, there are no tomorrows.

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The CIA's take on Mexican situation

high-ranking intelligence source tells us the CIA is amazed at President Bill Clinton's inattention to

Mexico. During seven years in office, our source notes, the president has

only visited our southern neighbor once, this though the North American Free Trade Agreement increased

(NAFTA) has Mexico's a trading partner; this

importance as though

Mexico has become the primary conduit for the flow of illegal drugs; this though illegal immigrants continue to pour across the

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border. Our source says the intelligence community is taken aback by the president's globe trotting, when perhaps the nation's most significant foreign-affairs problem is ready to

explode next door. Mexico has never been a

democracy in the American sense. Power there has always been concentrated in the hands of the small wealthy elite that controls the Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI). This party has run the country

for 65 years, though in 1997 it lost its absolute majority in the Chamber of Deputies. Corruption is pervasive and

the country's last president, • Carlos Salinas de Gortari, now lives abroad because investigators uncovered substantial wrongdoing during his administration. Mexican corruption has now taken on a more omi-

nous twist: drug money. Seventy percent of the mari-States comes from Mexico as

juana coming into the United do substantial amounts of cocaine and other illegal drugs, and Mexico has become the primary money-laundering point for illegal drugs wending their way from several other countries.

Quite apart from the drug problem is the perpetual discontent of impoverished, powerless people that manifests itself through occasional outbursts of revolutionary activity, which today includes the activities of several dozen armed insurgency groups.

But these are not the days of Pancho Villa, when we could choose to ignore our neighbor or send Gen. Pershing's army across the border after him with impunity. Modern Mexico, with 95 million inhabitants and the world's fifth largest oil reserves, is one of the United State's major trad-

government routinely certifies the nation for its cooperation in the Drug War, a prerequisite for continued free trade. This certification, of course, ignores reality, and that reality is contained in intelligence briefs regularly delivered to the White House and Congress:

The Drug War is being lost due

to American consumption and

ing partners, which is why our

Mexican corruption. Our intelligence source says we have three options: legalize and regulate drugs; employ the zero tolerance Singapore Solution that regularly enforces the death penal-

· fumble along the way we are going, allowing crime to run rampant in our inner cities and standing by while drug money and power corrupt, and even control, the government of Mexico.

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Judge scraps Hampton coach's civil rights lawsuit against Lubbock LUBBOCK (AP) — A federal Patricia Bibbs, her husband and employees after they were Bibbs and Kelso filed the law-

judge has dismissed a \$30 mil- an assistant failed to show lion civil rights lawsuit racial bias led to their 1998 Hampton University women's arrests near a Lubbock Walbasketball coach filed against the city of Lubbock.

Mart store.

She and the others sued the U.S. District Judge Sam city, several police officers and Cummins ruled that the coach some University Medical Center

arrested in November 1998. All three are black.

Four hours after the arrest. police released them. The city's mayor later apologized for the

racism and wrongful arrest. Police had said Ms. Bibbs, her husband Ezell and assistant Vanetta Kelso appeared to fit the description of a group sus-

Six months after the incident, pected of running a con opera-

Authorities arrest, charge driver after tractor-trailer slams into school bus on I-35, near Cotulla

COTULLA (AP) — Authorities from the wreckage. have arrested the driver of a tractor-trailer that slammed into the back of a school bus carrying special-needs students. Fourteen people were injured, at least three critically.

The accident happened at about 3:30 p.m. Friday on Interstate 35 about 10 miles south of Cotulla, in south

Thirteen passengers, almost all of them students from the Cotulla Independent School District, and the bus driver were injured, said Tom Vinger. a spokesman for the Texas Department of Public Safety.

It took rescue workers more than an hour to free bus driver Emma Gonzalez, 67, of Encinal,

Officials at Wilford Hall Medical Center in San Antonio said Ms. Gonzalez and two boys, ages 6 and 7, were in critical condition Saturday morning.

Rosa Flores, 29, a library aide; a 14-year-old boy and two girls whose ages were not disclosed were taken to University Hospital. All were listed in stable condition Friday night.

"This was a special-needs school bus. Some (students) needed wheelchair assistance,' Vinger said.

The truck driver, Arturo Valdes, 34, of Laredo, was arrested and charged with reckless driving. He was taking a load of glass from San Antonio

department had received severoperated recklessly, though alcohol was not considered to be a factor in the crash.

"He was just driving like a madman," he said.

The 18-wheeler slammed into the back of the bus, Vinger said. The bus rolled one way and the 18-wheeler rolled into the northbound lanes, closing I-35 in both

"The bus ended up on its top. The kids were trapped, and DPS and other law enforcement officials had to extricate them from the bus," Vinger said.

Students were being bused at the end of the school day from campuses in Cotulla to their 332 in 1994.

Vinger said the sheriff's homes in Encinal, 30 miles away. The children ranged from al calls about a truck being elementary school to high school students, school district spokeswoman Mary Sobrevilla

> Officials have been concerned about the volume of truck traffic on I-35 since the North American FreeAgreement took effect in 1994.

Truck traffic on the route has increase increased 272 percent in the past 3 1/2 years, according to U.S. Customs Service

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reported the number of large trucks involved in fatal accidents in Texas rose to 422 in 1998 from

suit, accusing Lubbock police of Cummings ruled Ms. Bibbs failed to show her arrest and that of her husband and assistant was racially motivated.

"The victim (of the alleged con) had identified two black women, so the police would not be looking for white women," Cummings wrote. "The victim positively identified plaintiff Vanetta Kelso, and stated that plaintiff Patricia Bibbs possibly fit the description of the other black woman.

"Further, (Ezell) Bibbs states in his affidavit that he and his wife, Patricia, had noticed that they were the 'only African-American patrons' in the Wal-

Mart store, Cummings wrote. The plaintiffs will appeal, said their attorney, Faye Hardy-

"The plaintiffs are not surprised at all with Judge Cummings ruling," she said. "In fact, we had expected this."

The Virginia school's team was in Lubbock for a basketball game against Texas Tech, but the game was canceled because of the arrests. Hampton University joined in the lawsuit, alleging the city interfered with their contract to play the

basketball game. Hampton attorneys had earlier asked that Cummings remove himself from the case, saving he showed favoritism toward Lubbock in his courtroom. They noted that the city had never lost a case Cummings presided over.

'We had previously asked Judge Cummings to recuse himself because of his unfairness. so we are not surprised to decided to grant summary judgment," Ms. Hardy-Lucas said.

Spokesman Tony Privett said the city of Lubbock will have no comment on the case until all appeals are exhausted.

Odessa jury metes out death sentence in connection with 1992 beating death of 5-year-old Earth girl

LUBBOCK (AP) — A laid-off farmhand was sentenced to death Friday for the 1992 murder of a 5-year-old West Texas

Eddie Rowton was sentenced by an Ector County jury in Odessa for the beating death of Shawnlee Perry in the small South Plains town of Earth, about 55 miles northwest of Lubbock. The punishment came after about an hour's delibera-

The trial was moved to Odessa because of the publicity surrounding the case in the South

Shortly after the sentencing, the girl's mother, Becky Perry, told the court of how unfair it was that her other children would have to grow up without their sister.

"We should be a family of five, not four," Becky Perry told the gallery. "What did this little girl ever do to that man for him to murder her?

Shawnlee's body was found in August 1992, three months after she disappeared, by a farmer in a grassy field northwest of Earth. Shawnlee suffered sever-

al broken bones and her clothes were turned inside out.

The jury could have opted for a life sentence for Rowton, who was convicted of capital murder

Rowton already is serving a 35-year sentence in Houston for the rape of a New Mexico woman. He has spent portions of the last 20 years of his life in and out of the criminal justice system for crimes such as rape, burglary and forgery. In 1978, Rowton escaped from a New Mexico prison during work

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During testimony, Daniel Garcia, who said he was a close friend of the girl's father, told jurors he saw Rowton beat Shawnlee to death. Garcia said he told Earth Police Chief Curtis Coffman that Rowton had killed the girl, but Coffman never followed up on the infor-

At one time, Garcia was considered a suspect in the May 1992 disappearance. His statements have varied from witnessing the killing to having heard about it from Rowton.

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Oilfield service firms guilty of contempt

HOUSTON(AP) - A federaljudge has found two Houston oil-field service companies guilty of criminal contempt, ruling that they formed a joint venture in violation of a 1994 consent decree.

U.S. District Judge Stanley Sporkin in Washington, D.C., fined Smith International and Schlumberger \$750,000 each Thursday and imposed five years probation.

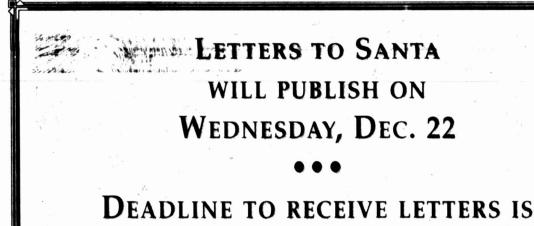
The companies will be allowed to continue operating the drilling fluids joint venture in exchange for payment of a \$13.1 million civil penalty, which they will share. The amount reflects profits earned by the joint venture while the companies were in contempt, the Justice Department said.

Smith issued a written statement saying the companies disagree with the ruling and are considering an appeal.

"This ruling sends a strong message that companies must comply with antitrust consent decrees," Joel Klein, the Justice Department's chief antitrust enforcer, told the Houston Chronicle. "Consent decrees are an essential tool in our efforts to enforce the antitrust laws and this ruling clearly demonstrates that companies subject to consent decrees must respect the rule of law.'

The case was the first since 1983 in which a company had been accused of criminal contempt in violation of an antitrust decree.





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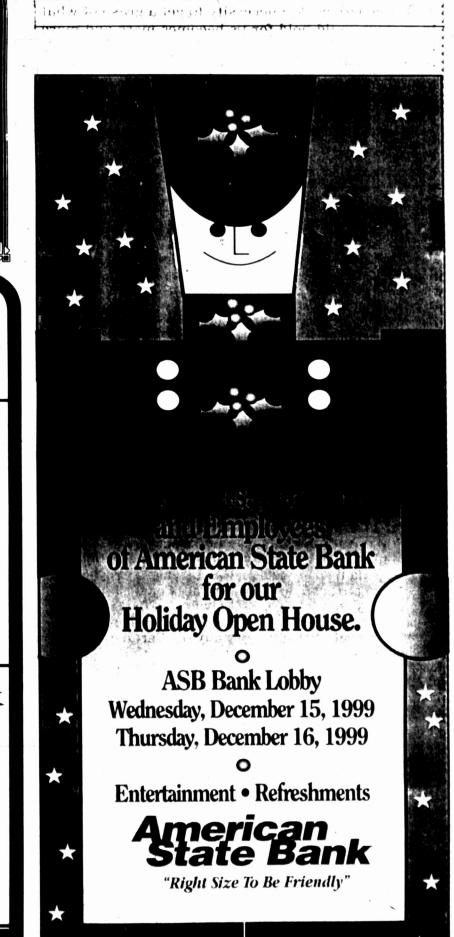
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Mars Lander scientists disappointed with craft's loss, ready to try again

Dozens of computers sit idle in a cavernous room where pictures, sounds and data from the Mars Polar Lander were to be beamed. A "Mars or Bust" sign hangs at one of many empty desks near a TV tuned to a soccer match.

The room should be bustling. But the 132 scientists and engineers who spent years preparing the payload of the first spacecraft sent to search for water, study the climate and analyze the atmosphere near the Red Planet's south pole have nothing to work with.

The Lander's 90-day mission on the planet's surface was supposed to begin Dec. 3. But it hasn't yet sent back a signal and probably never will.

Many of the scientists who gathered at the University of California, Los Angeles, laboratory are returning to other pursuits, leaving behind a hightech ghost town as they scatter like dust in the Martian wind.

'It's just a shame to see so much good work go into no results," said planetary scientist David Paige, who also lost instruments aboard the Mars Observer in 1993 and the Mars Climate Orbiter in September.

The event had been in the making since 1995, when Paige's \$22 million proposal to build an integrated payload to study the polar regions of Mars was accepted by NASA.

For UCLA, having the operations base could have been the biggest newsmaker since legendary basketball coach John Wooden retired. The Lander mission was the first time the lead scientists worked outside Jet Propulsion Laboratory during a Mars surface mission.

As the Lander began its descent Dec. 3, the scientists were ready on a moment's notice to begin analyzing results from the spacecraft's

have dug a trench and collected samples for evidence of water, a key ingredient of life.

Their spirits remained high even after no signals were received in the first hours after the landing. During each contact opportunity, they crowded near computers, munching on Lucky Charms cereal and cheering each other on. At one point, they held up an "MPL Phone Home" sign for NASA TV cameras.

"It was like we were in a locker room," said postdoctoral researcher Ashwin Vasavada. "Until Tuesday, everybody kept showing up, watching those screens for two hours.

The search for a signal from the Lander is continuing, but NASA and its Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena will soon launch formal investigations into what went wrong.

investigators November determined that the lost Mars Climate Orbiter burned up in the planet's atmos-

beyond the loss of a \$165 million robotic arm. The arm was to phere because engineers had failed to convert English measures to metric.

"Some people have said science is pushing things too hard and we should cut back on the science," Paige said. "I'm not of that opinion.

He and the remaining members of his team are already exploring opportunities to launch another probe to explore the south polar region. On a table inside his cluttered office is a list of dates when the planets will be properly aligned.

Future missions could learn from what went right with the Lander mission, like the cooperation among UCLA, JPL and spacecraft builder Lockheed Astronautics Colorado.

The scientists hold no grudges against the designers and builders, Paige said. There's no evidence that human error doomed the mission. The Lander could have come down on a boulder and toppled over.

Kids, adults getting extreme to obtain Pokemon cards

Tony Ward wishes his 10-yearold son would take up a less dangerous hobby. But the boy insists on collecting Pokemon

Ward has worried since his son and a friend were robbed of \$60 worth of cards last week.

"Hopefully he has learned his lesson and won't carry around as many cards anymore," Ward

What started as a fad has turned serious as some kids and adults — have resorted to crime and violence to get the Japanese cartoon trading cards.

A 9-year-old in Connecticut hid inside a store after it closed to steal cards, authorities say, only to call for help because there was no way out. A 14year-old in South Carolina is accused of smashing a store

window to steal \$250 worth of the cards - ignoring thousands of dollars worth of rare coins. In the last week, four chil-

dren from one Philadelphia middle school were arrested for attacking other students to steal cards. A 14-year-old in Quebec was recently stabbed during a fight over the cards.

Various toys associated with Pokemon have also sparked violence. A North Carolina man was charged with assault for punching a Burger King cashier after he did not get a Pokemon toy with his meal.

"They're Pokemon card sharks out there," said police officer Charlie Sarkioglu. "This is worse than the Cabbage Patch Kid craze because now it's the kids who are actually fighting each other instead of just the parents."

CORRECTION NOTICE

In our December 12 insert, we advertised the CD Still I Rise by 2Pac + Outlawz as available Tuesday, December 14. Due to manufacturing delays, this title is not currently available. However, we will be offering rainchecks on this title.

We apologize for any confusion or inconvenience this may have caused.



Mother who left baby outside in stroller went inside restaurant because it was cold

NEW YORK (AP) - A city lawyer told a Danish mother she couldn't understand why her 14-month-old child was left asleep in a stroller outside a New York restaurant while she warmed up inside.

In a case that drew international attention, lawyer Patricia Miller questioned Anette Sorensen at length Friday about an arrest two years ago that led Sorensen to sue the city and its police officers for \$20 million.

Ms. Sorensen, 32, claims she was falsely arrested on charges she had endangered her child's welfare. The criminal charges

in the early morning hours,

belonged to Lt. Thomas

Spencer, 42. The second set, dis-

covered at about 10 a.m., have

not yet been identified, said

On Friday night, searchers

found the remains of firefighter

Spencer's body was found in

the middle of the collapsed, five-

story brick warehouse, near a

doorway in the firewall that

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were eventually dropped.

Miller wanted to know why Ms. Sorensen left her infant in the stroller while she sat inside, a tall drink in front of her.

Ms. Sorensen testified that she had considered sitting outside the restaurant with the Exavier father, Wardlaw, but changed her mind "because it was chilly

"So you went inside but it wasn't too cold for your baby to be left outside?" the lawyer asked.

"Correct," Sorensen answered.

Ms. Sorensen, an actress from

Remains of two more firefighters discovered

around the clock since Dec. 3 in

Copenhagen, had been visiting the child's father, Exavier Wardlaw, a movie production assistant who lives in New York. The couple was arrested in May 1997 after police saw their 14-month-old daughter, Liv, in the stroller.

The couple said they could see their daughter from inside, and defended their actions as commonplace in Denmark.

Ms. Sorensen and Wardlaw, 52, were jailed for two nights, and their daughter was placed in foster care for four days.

Ms. Sorensen identified for the U.S. District Court jury

heavy fabrics that covered the baby. She noted that the baby was asleep the five or six times she got up from her table to look closely at her during the hour or so before her arrest

At times, Ms. Sorensen wept on the witness stand. She described what she said was the worst experience of her life an arrest, a strip search and the two days in the city's jail system awaiting a court appearance without being told what was happening to her child.

With help from the Danish consulate, she said she was reunited with her child within four days but was so traumatized by the experience that she told a psychologist she was questioning her abilities as a

mother.
"Was I good enough?" she

The case is expected to go to. the jury on Monday.

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the remains of two more fire-said. fighters buried in the rubble of The body discovered later firefighter and father of two. When she returned a warehouse that burned last Saturday, the fifth recovered so was a carpenter until he Denmark, she said she noticed far, was found near an exterior became a firefighter two years week and claimed the lives of that people were watching her six firefighters. ago. On Friday, worked paused wall, he said. closely, she said. Firefighters have labored The first set of remains, found



The search for the missing has been hampered by poor weather and unstable conditions in the building. But the discovery of the two bodies within 12 hours bolstered the spirits of the searchers.

"The weather made it difficult does not slow us down at all," Giard said. "We feel like we're

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WORCESTER, Mass. (AP) – building, Giard said. It was making progress, finding them firefighters today discovered near the body of McGuirk, he and bringing them nome."

to mark the one-week anniversary of the fire and more than

ple accused of accidentally starting the blaze have pleaded innocent to involuntary manslaughter.

Support for the firefighters' families continued to pour in Friday. Nearly \$1.25 million had been received at - the cold, the rain — but it Firefighters Fund, an account set up by the Telegram & Gazette of Worcester.

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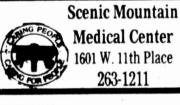
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Russian military backs away from plans for assault on Grozny

- With Russia under intense international pressure to end its offensive in Chechnya, the military on Saturday backed away from plans for a massive assault on the breakaway province's capital, Grozny.

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The military had given Grozny residents an ultimatum to leave the city by Saturday or face annihilation. But senior generals said the army would wait two to three weeks before trying to take Grozny.

The first deputy chief of the Russian General Staff, Maj. Gen. Valery Manilov, said Russia had no immediate plans to pound Grozny with powerful air and artillery strikes, and authorities stepped up their efforts to get civilians out of the ravaged city.

trated around Grozny but there were no combat operations Saturday, although fighting continued in other parts of Chechnya. The military halted all airstrikes against Grozny until midnight on Sunday, the Interfax news agency reported.

International pressure has built on Russia in recent days to withdraw the ultimatum to

Grozny's civilians.

condemned the Russian military campaign, particularly the ultimatum for Grozny residents, and said the organization would divert some funds aimed at supporting the Russian economy to purely humanitarian causes to protest the war.

In an attempt to deflect criticism, Russian Emergency Situations Minister Sergei Shoigu traveled to Alkhan-Yurt on the outskirts of Grozny on Saturday to arrange safe pas-

sage for the capital's civilians. "As you can see, today is Dec. 11 but there is no ultimatum for civilians. The military operation has been suspended, the corridor is open," Shoigu said, according to the ITAR-Tass news agency.

The Russian military has Russian forces were concen- repeatedly accused Chechen militants of barring civilians from leaving the city and using them as human shields. However, many of the remaining civilians appeared unable to leave because they are old or infirm or lack transport.

"The streets are deserted," said Alik Elmurzayev, a 46-yearold Grozny resident, who left the city late Friday and walked In Helsinki, the leaders of the path. "Only the militants ride

all night on a hidden wooded

STARYE ATAGI, Russia (AP) European Union on Saturday around in cars, but there have cover," the leader of the neighbeen very few even of them in recent days."

Elmurzayev said rebel fighters told him about the pathway leading south. Russian troops control all roads leading in and out of Grozny.

A safe corridor that was opened Tuesday from Grozny to the village of Pervomaiskava is 12 miles long, and fewer than a dozen civilians made the trip during the first two days.

"This is a distance that many old and sick people who remain in the city simply cannot

boring Russian region of Ingushetia, Ruslan Aushev, said Saturday.

He estimated that between 25,000 and 30,000 civilians still remained in Grozny - nearly three times the estimates by Russian military commanders the Interfax news agency reported.

The Russian military said that a second safe corridor was opened Saturday through the suburb of Chernorechye and the village of Alkhan-Yurt, less

Officials on the Ingush border, about 40 miles west of Grozny, said that just five residents of the Chechen capital had arrived Saturday via the second route.

We can fully guarantee safety and a decent reception," Manilov told the NTV television network.

But a Russian military commander in the Alkhan-Yurt district said guerrilla groups in the region were still active than two miles southwest of Saturday, and there could be no

security guarantees.

Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin said the Russian; forces "will try to have as few losses among the (Russian) military and (Chechen) civilians as possible.

However, he added, "if our proposals (to militants) to lay down their arms are not accepted, more decisive action will be taken.'

Russian forces entered Chechnya in September, pursuing militants who had invaded the neighboring Russian region of Dagestan a month earlier.

Masked men attack Mexican prison in Chiapas; One child killed, more than 40 prisoners escape

SAN CRISTOBAL DE LAS mother was visiting her ently were Maya Indians from same prison on Jan. 1, 1994, CASAS, Mexico (AP) Militant Indians trying to free imprisoned colleagues apparently assaulted a state prison with automatic weapons, killing one child and allowing more than 40 inmates to

Chiapas state Attorney General Eduardo Montoya said 44 of the prison's 239 inmates fled the facility, 10 miles east of San Cristobal de las Casas, on Thursday night. Two were recaptured.

escape, officials said Friday.

A 5-month-old child, whose

killed. Two guards were injured

Authorities increased security at all 12 prisons in the area, including the facility where the break took place, deploying hundreds of soldiers, as well as federal and state police.

Leftist rebels are active in the region, but Montoya said the assault on State Prison No. 5 apparently was a result of a religious conflict.

He said the attackers appar-

imprisoned husband, was Chamula, just north of San Cristobal, who have been engaged in a long struggle with village authorities over the right to practice Evangelical Protestantism in a community where a mixture of Roman Catholicism and Indian beliefs has been virtually mandatory.

> "The plan, in addition to freeing their comrades, was to again empty the prison of San Cristobal de las Casas," Montoya said.

The Zapatistas captured the

and freed its 180 inmates as they swept out of the jungle to briefly occupy San Cristobal de las Casas and other cities in Chiapas, Mexico's southernmost state. A cease-fire took effect two weeks later and has largely held.

The prison was reopened in 1998, but in May this year 80 inmates fled when a bungled transfer of inmates led to a riot. Many of those escapees were never recaptured.

Plane carrying 35 people crashes in Azores Islands

(AP) — A plane flying through thick fog slammed into a mountain Saturday in the Azores Islands. Officials held out no hope of finding any of the 35 peoble aboard alive.

Rescue teams reached the wreckage more than four hours after the ATP turboprop plane local inter-island flight when it crashed on Sao Jorge island, scattering debris and bodies a densely forested across ravine.

The search was called off after dark and was to be resumed Sunday. An investigation team was sent to the isolated crash site from mainland

no more hope of finding survivors."

The airline said it would reveal the identities of the 31 passengers and four crew only after their families had been contacted.

Seven bodies were recovered as rescuers using ropes and carrying stretchers scrambled over the steep, rugged mountainside, combing the area before night fell.

Jose Joaquim, a rescue official, told TSF radio it was unlikely survivors would be found.

Thick mist shrouded the area, which was inaccessible to vehicles. TSF reported.

Portuguese Air Force helicopters were on standby to winch out any survivors.

The Azores, a nine-island group, lie about 900 miles west of mainland Portugal.

Sao Jorge is 35 miles long and five miles wide and is sparsely inhabited. The mountain range where the plane came down has

TERCEIRA, Azores Islands steep escarpments rising more than 3,300 feet. There are few paved roads in the crash area.

"It's a very difficult area to work in," Dionisio Silveira, head of the local Civil Protection Service, told state radio Antena 1.

The 64-seat aircraft was on a crashed in thick fog.

The plane left Ponta Delgada on Sao Miguel island at 8:37 a.m. en route to Horta, on the island of Faial, about 190 miles to the west, Antena 1 reported.

At 9:13 a.m. the captain told air traffic controllers he was beginning his descent to Horta. The last contact was at 9:19

ing the causes of the accident," received from the aircraft Internal Affairs Minister before it went down. The cause Fernando Gomes said. "There's of the crash was not immediately known, though the pilot apparently had taken an alternative course to avoid bad weather on his planned route.

> The pilot had more than 20 years' experience as a civil aviation pilot and his copilot was a former Portuguese Air Force officer, TSF radio said.

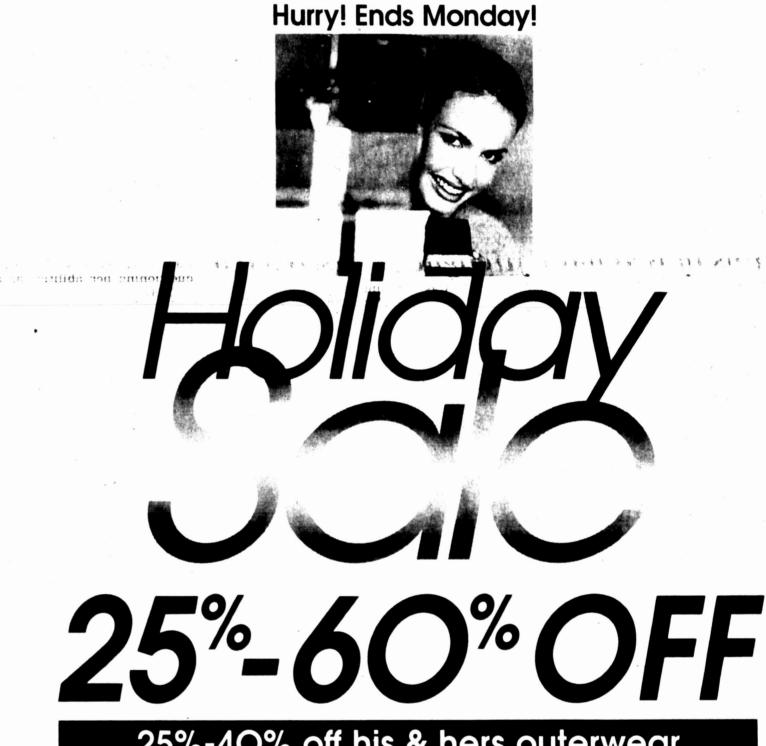
> The aircraft, built by British Aerospace, had been in service between the islands for 15 years, according to Lusa. All SATA flights were can-

> celed after the crash. SATA is the only airline that flies between the islands.

> Portuguese Prime Minister Antonio Guterres, who was in Helsinki, Finland for a European Union summit, canceled a planned visit to Kosovo and headed straight for the Azores Islands.

> Emigration from the Azores to the United States is common and SATA has offered to arrange flights back to the islands for far flung relatives of crash victims.

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IN BRIEF

Lady Hawks post victory; Hawks fall at Hagerstown

Howard College's Lady Hawks opened play at the Tyler Junior College Classic in strong fashion Friday night, posting a 58-51 win over Westark Community College from Fort Smith, Ark.

Sophomore guard Ashanti Nix paced the Lady Hawks' scoring attack with 13 points, while post Caryn Ross added 11 more.

Howard's Hawks weren't so fortunate in their first outing at the Hagerstown Classic in Hagerstown, Md., however.

The Hawks suffered a 79-61 defeat at the hands of Hagerstown Junior College's host team, leaving Howard with a 5-6 record.

"We were really flat," Hawks head coach Tommy Collins said following the loss. 'We're still struggling to find a go-to guy and that's hurting

"But our guard play has improved and that is a plus," he added. "We've just got to keep trying to put it all together, and I'm sure that eventually we will."

BSHS softball boosters slate Thursday meeting

The Big Spring Softball Boosters Club has scheduled a meeting for 7:30 p.m Thursday in the meeting room of the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center.

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

Youth basketball program still registering players

Registration for youngsters interested in playing on a Big Spring Youth Basketball Association team will continue through Friday at All-Star

Players can sign up from 9 a.m. through 5 p.m. Monday through Friday

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

The league is divided into three divisions for first through sixth-grade players.

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 fee includes a full service YMCA youth membership for two months.

YMCA full members will pay \$15. Basic members pay \$25 and non-members \$32. For more information, call

the YMCA at 267-8234.

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.

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Dallas Cowboys, FOX, Ch. 3. 3 p.m. — Detroit Lions at Tampa Bay Buccaneers, FOX, Ch.

3 p.m. — Miami Dolphins at New York Jets, CBS, Ch. 7.

7 p.m. — Minnesota Vikings at Kansas City Chiefs, ESPN, Ch.

GOLF

3 p.m. — Diners Club Matches, ABC, Ch. 2 and Ch. 8. RODEO

3:30 p.m. - National Finals Rodeo, championship round, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Cowboys don't need reminder slide began against Eagles

fine for the Dallas Cowboys this season. Then they went to Philadelphia.

What was supposed to be a fourth straight victory, matching the start of their last Super Bowl team, turned into a disastrous loss. Michael Irvin went down and Dallas hasn't been the same, losing six of nine.

For the Eagles, beating the Cowboys was validation that rookie coach Andy Reid is turning things around. Two more victories and several near misses have served as further proof.

Two months since their prophetic first meeting, the teams play Sunday. And, again, it should provide a good idea of where each is headed.

Dallas (6-6) needs to get on a roll if it's going to make the playoffs. A sense of urgency is apparent in the Cowboys'

IRVING (AP) — Everything was going moves this week: letting Deion Sanders play receiver and signing kicker Eddie Murray and linebacker Quentin Coryatt, both of whom last played in the NFL in

"It's disappointing to see all the talent walking through this locker room and not be 10-2," safety Darren Woodson

Philadelphia (3-10) is one win from topping last season's total. Getting No. 4 against archrival Dallas would do wonders for the Eagles' already soaring confidence. "We're so close, I truly believe that,"

Philadelphia led 17-7 in Arizona last weekend, only to lose 21-17. The previous

Washington. Previously, they lost by one at the Giants. At home, the Eagles took the Giants to overtime before losing. "It gives us a little confidence that we

can compete with these teams, and if we can eliminate some mistakes we can come out with wins," said rookie quarterback Donovan McNabb. 'We're not frustrated to the point

where we're turning things in. We're staying focused and hopefully changing things around so we can pick it up next season.

The Cowboys are saying many of the cornerback Troy Vincent said. "We're same things about eliminating mistakes going on the road now and being very, and trying to stay focused. Those comvery competitive. It wasn't like that a ments are targeted at an offense that has failed to score enough to win four games when the defense allowed just 13 points. Coach Chan Gailey has likened his

game was a 20-17 overtime loss in offense to a jalopy: it can sometimes get you from Point A to B, but not often. And it doesn't look good trying.

Starting with the game in Philadelphia, Dallas' offense has scored one touchdown or less in five of nine games. The Cowboys have one offensive touchdown in the last 11 quarters.

"I'm quite sure everybody is tired of hearing me say we have the potential of doing this, because it hasn't happened,' running back Emmitt Smith said. "So now we've got to win and we've got to win in the right way, whether that is making some big plays or just showing some consistency for four quarters or eight quarters or 16 quarters. Those kind of things have to happen in order for us to be where we want to be at the end of the year."

Injuries are partly to blame.

Steers take consolation title

Coronado too much for Matadors, 70-52

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Sports Editor

Excitement proved to be the rule rather than the exception Saturday during the final four games of the Spring City Crossroads Classic basketball tournament.

In the title game, however, Lubbock Coronado's Mustangs methodically claimed the championship in much the same manner they'd gotten to the spotlighted affair.

The Mustangs simply had too much height and power for Lubbock Estacado to handle and took a 70-52 win over the Matadors behind the 15 points of tournament MVP Nick Cummings.

In addition to Cummings' 15, the Mustangs to 12 from 6-foot-10 post Zach Spivey and 10 from Gabriel Hall.

Spivey joined Cummings on the all-tournament team, along with Tahoka's Brad Pebsworth, Brownfield's Brian Hooper and Amarillo Caprock's J. Fields.

The third-place game saw Merkel's Badgers improve to 9-1 on the season with a 72 70 win over Brownfield's Cubs., The Badgers claimed third place, but not

before Brownfield's Jody Garcia threw a scare into them with a three-point shot at the buzzer that rimmed out.

Michael Qualls scored a game-high 21 points in leading Merkel to the win, while Adam Stafford and Chad Gohlke added 17 apiece and Wes Jordan chipped in 13 more.

The Cubs also placed four in double figures keyed by Byron Branch's 18 points. Brian Floyd and Hooper added 13 and 12, respectively, while Stephen Walker scored

Big Spring's Steers turned around a dismal shooting trend in the consolation championship game of the Spring City Crossroads Classic on Saturday and chalked up a 67-61 win over Tahoka's Bulldogs.

The Steers, who had fallen short of shooting 30 percent from the field in their first two games of the tournament, erupted with an impressive 22-of-40 Saturday.

That 55 percent shooting left five Big Spring players in double figures. Junior swingman Jason Woodruff led the way for the Steers, scoring 16 points, while point guard John Purcell connected on 11 of 14 trips to the free throw line en route to a 13point game.

Posts Blair Nutting and Lance Brock added 12 and 10 points, respectively, while guard Justin Dille turned a trio of threepointers into an 11-point showing.

Purcell, Nutting and Woodruff earned honorable mention in the all-tournament team balloting.

Game-high honors in the consolation game belonged to Tahoka's Pebsworth, who chalked up 24 points to finish the tournament with an impressive 72 in three games. Teammate Sedrick Williams added

The tournament's seventh-place game saw Clyde's Bulldogs take a 51-49 win over



Big Spring's Jason Woodruff (32) goes up for a shot during the Steers' 50-45 win over Clyde in Friday's consolation semifinal game of the Spring City Crossroads Classic. Buildog defenders Jamie Robinson (44) and T.J. Thompson (34) try to stop the play. Woodruff scored 16 points in the Steers' 67-61 consolation championship game

Amarillo Caprock's Longhorns when Drew Thompson hit a game-winning three-point-

It was another Thompson, T.J., who was supposed to take the last shot of that game, but the Bulldogs couldn't get the ball into their leading scorer and his younger brother was forced to put up the long-distance

T.J. Thompson did prove to be the game's leading scorer with 16 points, while See TOURNAMENT, page 9A

Cody Carter added 13. Derrick Collins paced the Longhorns with 14 points, while Junior Correa had a dozen more in the losing effort.

The two Lubbock teams advanced to the championship game with convincing wins Friday night — Estacado posting a 77-54 win over Merkel, while Coronado defeated Brownfield, 76-46.

Midland Lee claims 5A crown again

AUSTIN (AP) — The pressure is over now. Midland has staked its final claim as the best high school football team in the country.

Cedric Benson shook off three fumbles to rush for 189 yards and scored five touchdowns as Midland Lee ran past Aldine Eisenhower 42-21 Saturday for the Class 5A Division I state football championship at the University of Texas' Royal-Memorial Stadium. But there was even more at

stake, primarily the Rebels' ranking at the best team in the nation by USAToday. The Rebels (15-0), who won the 5A Division II title a year ago, have won 23 in a row. "These kids have had a

tremendous amount of pressure all year," said Midland Lee coach John Parchman. "It's been a dull headache for

them all year and they responded like champions. "These are some football-

olavin' little dudes.'' he said. The biggest "little dude" all season has been Benson. A junior, he finished the year with 3.517 vards rushing and 51 touchdowns after running for more than 2,000 yards as a sophomore.

Benson scored on runs of 36, 1. 2 and 5 yards. His 78-yard touchdown on a screen pass in the third quarter gave Midland Lee a 35-14 lead and squelched an Eisenhower rally.

"This team is tough," Benson said. "I just feel like I play a lot better when I'm under pressure. I made a couple of mistakes but I made some good things happen also.' Ladedrick Smith had 111

yards rushing and a touchdown for Eisenhower (13-2), which tried to rally from a 28-0 deficit in the second half. "We felt like if we could keep

it close, we would have a chance," said Eisenhower coach Richard Carson.

"We didn't quit and I was proud of them.

Both teams struggled early with the wet conditions caused by a steady drizzle, combining for four turnovers before half-Eisenhower set up Midland

Lee's first touchdown when quarterback Joseph Henderson tossed an errant pitchout that

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Lady Buffs take tournament championship from Sands win over Greenwood.

HERALD Staff Report

STANTON — It took a shot at the final buzzer, but Stanton's Lady Buffs claimed the girls' championship of the ninth annual Hooptown Classic tournament Saturday night with a win over Sands' Lady Mustangs.

In taking the win, the Lady Buffs rallied from a 23-18 deficit at the end of the first quarter to trail by just two, 31-29 at halftime.

Stanton took a 45-43 lead into the final

eight minutes, thanks to Rachel Madison's team-topping 19 points. Sands was paced by Trisha Nichols'

game-high 20 markers. The boys' division championship saw Colorado City's Wolves take a 53-41 win

over Reagan County's Owls. San Angelo Central's junior varsity took the consolation championship with a 71-57 win over Sands, even though the

Mustangs' Coby Floyd scored 38 points.

That showing put Floyd on the boys' all-tournament team along with Stanton's Brady Cook and Blaine Smith, Reagan County's Joaquin Campos and Kellen Thompson, Colorado City's Chase Pharris and Marquise Lenard, Robert Lee's Matthew Pitcock, Greenwood's Derek Gash, Kermit's Erick Alvarado and Midland Trinity's Nick Whitley. Colorado City's Lenard was the most valuable player.

The girls' all-tournament team included Stanton's Madison and Stephanie Washington, who shared most valuable player honors, and teammate Jessica DeLeon; Robert Lee's Jodee Helwig; Brady's Veronica Jones; Ira's Morgan Clements; Greenwood's Elizabeth Havlak; and Sands' Nichols, Brianne Fryar, Brandi Taylor and Shelli Blagrave.

It was also a good day for Stanton's Buffs, who rebounded from a Friday loss

to claim fifth place in the boys' field with a 59-51 win over Midland Trinity.

Other boys' games saw Coahoma drop its consolation game with Robert Lee, 59-48, while Greenwood took a 74-64 consolation win over Grape Creek. The Lady Buffs reached the girls'

over Ira on Friday, the same margin they'd managed earlier in the day by dispatching Alpine to the consolation bracket with a 61-57 victory. The Lady Mustangs, on the other hand.

championship game with a 59-55 win

reached the title game with a little more comfort, knocking off Brady 62-53 Friday morning before coming back for a lopsided 64-38 win over Midland Greenwood in the semifinals. Stephanie surprisingly, Washington led the way for Stanton,

scoring a combined 44 points in the two

games, while Sands was paced by Trisha

Nichols' 17 points in the win over Brady

and Brianne Fryar's 21 in the lopsided

In the tournament's boys division, none of the Crossroads Area teams fared

Stanton saw its hopes for a championship come a cropper Friday afternoon when Kermit's Yellowjackets dealt the Buffs a 62-57 defeat behind the 25-point scoring of Erick Alvarado. Blaine Smith paced the Buffs with 15 points.

Alvarado was anything but through, however, as he came back to score 27 points in the Yellowjackets' 54-50 semifinal loss to Colorado City.

Sands' Mustangs reached the consolation championship with a 71-55 win over Grape Creek, as Coby Floyd scored 27 points, but Coahoma's Bulldogs suffered their second straight loss of the tournament when Midland Greenwood took a 53-39 win in their first game of the consolation round.

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Lubbock at San Angelo (n)

El Paso at Odessa (n)

Fort Worth at Waco (n)

Central Texas at Austin (n)

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BOWLS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Dec. 18

11:30 a.m. (NBC)

Wednesday, Dec. 22 Mobile Alabama Bowl Payout: \$750,000

Saturday, Dec. 25.

(6-5), 2:30 p.m. (ABC)

7:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Dec. 27 Motor City Bowl At Pontiac, Mich.

Payout: \$750,000

Tuesday, Dec. 28

At San Antonio Payout: \$1.2 mil

3), 6:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Wednesday, Dec. 29

Music City Bowl

p.m. (ESPN)

Marshall (12-0) vs. Brigham (8-3), 12:30 p.m. (ESPN)

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New York Giants at St. Louis, Noon San Diego at Miami, Noon Washington at Indianapolis, Noon Tampa Bay at Oakland, 3:05 p.m.

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Chuck McElroy to the Baltimore Orioles or LHP Jesse Orosco.

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utional Basketball Association LOS ANGELES LAKERS—Activated F-G Devean George from the injured list. Placed F-C Travis Knight on the injured

NEW YORK KNICKS—Activated C Patrick Ewing from the injured list. Placed G Rick Brunson on the injured

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FOOTBALL

HOUSTON—Named Laura Morris vice president of administration and oadcasting. NEW YORK JETS—Placed LB Brian Cox on injured reserve.

etional Hockey League
EDMONTON OILERS—Reassigned D Brett Hauer to Manitoba of the IHL PREDATORS-NASHVILLE PREDATORS— Suspended D Dan Keczmer for refusing o report to Milwaukee of the IHL. NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Recalled D Ray Giroux from Lowell of the AHL LOS ANGELES KINGS-Placed RW Ziggy Palffy on the injured reserve list.

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Recalle RW Nils Ekman from Detroit of the IHL

USA CANOE-KAYAK—Named Elaine Mijalis team support chair. COLLEGE BOWDOIN—Announced the resigna ion of Howard Vandersea, football

coach.

KENTUCKY STATE—Announced the einstatement of the school's women's esketball team. MICHIGAN STATE—Named Clarence

Inderwood athletic director and Bobby Williams football coach.

MOREHEAD STATE—Dismissed basketball F Quentin Smith and C Mouhamadou Wilane from the team for riolating rules and policies.

UCLA—Suspended sophomore F JaRon Rush from the men's basketball

NBA

Friday's Gamer Milwaukee 107, Toronto, 91 Indiana 136, Cleveland 88 Boston 100, Houston 96 Charlotte 106, Denver 99 Golden State 107, Atlanta 99 New York 85, Philadelphia 78 Detroit 107, L.A. Clippers 83 Chicago 71, New Jersey 69 Utah 101, Seattle 83 Miami 107 Sacramento 97

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San Jose 4, Atlanta 1

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Davne turned family troubles into family triumph with a record-setting season at Wisconsin, and then secured his place in college football his-

the Heisman Trophy. Dayne, who moved in with relatives when he was 15 after

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CLASS 4A DIVISION I CHAMPIONSHIP Hereford (13-1) vs. Texas City (13-O), late Saturday

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Port Neches Groves vs. Schertz Clemens (14-0), late Saturday CHAMPIONSHIP Stephenville (15-) vs. Port Neches Groves or Schertz Clemens, TBA.

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nt (14-1) vs. Detroit or

(7-4), 7 p.m. (ESPN) Kansas State (10-1) vs. Washington CLASS 2A DIVISION I Thursday, Dec. 30 Boyd (14-0) vs. Mart (14-0), 2 p.m At Boise, Idaho Saturday. DIVISION II Payout: \$750,000
Boise State (9-3) vs. Louisville (7-4).
2 p.m. (ESPN2) SEMIFINALS Stratford (12-2) vs. Celina (14-0)

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ut: \$750.000 Boston College (8-3) vs. Colorado (6-5), 12:30 p.m. (ESPN) Sun Bowl
At El Paso, Texas
Payout: \$1 million
Oregon (8-3) vs. Minnesota (8-3).
1:15 p.m. (CBS) Las Vegas Bowl
At Las Vegas
Payout: \$1.2 million
Utah (8-3) vs. Fresno State (8-4), 5

Liberty Bowl
At Memphis, Tenn.
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Colorado State (8-3) vs. Southern Hampton (7-4) vs. SWAC champion. Missisisippi (8-3), 4 p.m. (ESPN) Independence Bowl

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Mississippi (7-4) vs. Oklahoma (7-4), 1:30 p.m. (ESPN) Texas Christian (7-4) vs. East

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TOURNAMENT

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The Matadors' 22-point win was paced by the 11-point showings by Carlton Phillips and Quincy Parks, as all but one of the 13 players on the Estacado rosters figured in the semifinal's scoring. Gerone Duvall, who had led the Matadors in scoring on Thursday's tournament opener over Tahoka, added nine more.

Merkel, which suffered its first loss of the season, turned in a balanced scoring effort led by Jordan's 12 points and Qualls' 11. Gohlke and Stafford added eight apiece in the setback.

The other championship semifinal saw Coronado chalk up its eighth win of the season behind swingman Michael Thorvilson's 12 points and 10 contributed by Gabriel Hall.

After taking a 38-26 lead in the first half, the Mustangs literally decimated Brownfield with a 23-4 onslaught that iced the game.

Walker scored a game-high 16 points for the Cubs, but the best support his Brownfield teammates could muster was Sean Decker's seven markers.

consolation title game with a 50-45 win over Clyde's Bulldogs on Friday night, while Tahoka got there with a 54-49 win over Amarillo Caprock.

Tahoka got double-digit scoring from three players, as Pebsworth led the way with 15, while Sedrick Williams and Larry Davis added 12 apiece.

Caprock's J. Fields had his second straight game-high performance of the tournament with 19 points, while Collins added 16 more, but the Longhorns got scoring from just two other players — Josh Cardell chipping eight points, while Correa added six.

While still plagued by nightmarish shooting — the Steers managed just 18-of-66 shooting (27 percent) — Big Spring got a big performance by Dille in its consolation semifinal win over Clyde.

Dille scored 16 points, including a pair of crucial three-pointers that sparked an early thirdquarter run as the Steers increased their lead to as many as 12 points.

The Steers had taken a 31-26 edge into the intermission, primarily because of an impres-The Big Spring reached the sive 19-point showing in the points.

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first quarter, Jason Woodruff leading the way with all nine of his points.

Big Spring saw that 12-point third quarter lead almost disappear, as they failed to score in the final three minutes of the period.

In fact, the Steers didn't score again until 4:52 remained in the fourth quarter and the Bulldogs had pulled to within two at 42-

Brock pulled down a rebound and hit a crucial putback at the 4:52 mark and Purcell added a baseline jumper a couple of minutes later that forced Clyde into the position of having to foul to get the ball back.

When the Steers missed the front end on a pair of one-andone situations and Clyde's Drew Thompson hit a three-pointer, it looked as if Big Spring could be in trouble

Purcell hit a pair of free throws on his next trip to the line, however, and Arthur Belvin did the same to ice the victory.

While Dille's 16 led the way for Big Spring, game-high honors went to T.J. Thompson, who finished the game with 18

ROUNDUP

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Chris Smith paced the Rangers with 11 points in the win, but it was Coahoma's Stephen Henry who edged him for game-high honors, finishing the game with 12.

Bulldogettes drop title game at Wylie tourney

ABILENE - Coahoma's Bulldogettes came up just a bit short Saturday in the girls' championship game of the Wylie Catclaw Abilene Tournament, dropping a 47-41 decision to the host Lady Bulldogs. Jayci Roberts paced the

Bulldogettes with 11 points, while Kortney Kemper added 10 more. Crystal Atkinson and Brandi Hart added nine apiece. But the host Wylie squad got

12 points from Hannah Jones and 10 more from Holly Pruitt. The Bulldogettes reached Saturday's title game with a 42-

38 win over Haskell, as Roberts blistered the nets for 26 gamehigh points.

Lady Bearkats take title at Miles tourney

MILES - Garden City's Lady Bearkats took the Miles Invitational basketball tournament championship Saturday night with a 41-24 win over Bronte's Lady Longhorns.

The Lady Bearkats, now 10-1 on the season, jumped out to an early lead and owned a 23-10 halftime advantage.

Senior M'Lynn Niehues paced Garden City with 17 points, earning a spot on the all-tournament team along with Lady Bearkats teammates Jill Hoelscher and Kyndra Batla. Batla was named the tourna-

ment's most valuable player,

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points in the title game, thanks Veribest, despite having lost

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Dayne takes Heisman Trophy NEW YORK (AP) - Ron Alvarez, and shook hands with

and Reid's wife, Debbie.

and smiled.

After thanking his coaches

and teammates, Dayne looked

toward his daughter and uncle,

ter, Jada, for being the biggest

inspiration in my life," he said.

"I'd like to thank the real

Heisman winner, Uncle Rob,

who is always there for me.'

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"I'd like to thank my daugh-

the other finalists. Most of Dayne's family attended the ceremony, including his girlfriend, Alia Lester, and their 2-year-old daughter, Jada. tory Saturday night by winning Also in the crowd were Dayne's legal guardians, uncle Rob Reid

divorce and drugs ravaged his family, led the Badgers to the Big Ten Conference title and a second straight Rose Bowl.

Ricky the record books with 6,397

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6-Man Cherokee 43, Marathon 12

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6 Man Cherokee 40, Marathon 26

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B Wheeler 33, High Island 21
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4A Spring Branch Stratford 29, Plano 13

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Franklin ran for two touchdowns and passed for a third as Liberty-Eylau routed Mathis 49-6 to win the Class 3A Division I championship Saturday at the The Leopards (14-1) outgained Astrodome.

Freeman scored on an 85-yard run in the first and a 13-yard run in the third. He also found Brandon Jones with a 55-vard touchdown pass in the second.

Jones had scored earlier on a 76-punt return. That was after teammate Ambrose Hunt gave the Leopards a 14-0 lead by returning a fumble 67 yards for a touchdown with 1:26 to play in the first

Jamie Green had two interceptions and also scored on a 47yard run for Liberty Eylau.

rushing yards and a touchdown on 25 carries. Franklin rushed for 88 yards on six carries.

Mathis (12-3) 468-315 and also had 176 return yards. The Pirates, who moved into Leopard territory on eight of 11 possessions, did not score until

quarterback Justin Soza found Ryan Dauphin with an 11-yard pass with 40 seconds to play. The Pirates were led by Troy Collavo, who compiled 77 yards

rushing and 96 total yards. The Leopards ran only 19 offensive plays during the first half but led 34-0 by the break.

After the Leopards' first possession netted only one first

stalled. After a punt Liberty-Eylau took over at the 20.

After a five-yard penalty, Franklin faked a handoff, cut down the right side and turned upfield and raced untouched to the end zone to give the Leopards the lead for good.

The Pirates drove to the Liberty-Eylau 36 on their next possession when Collavo failed to come up with the pitch on a sweep to the right side. Hunt picked up the loose ball and raced 67 yards for the score. John Michael Mitchell's point after gave the Leopards a 14-0 lead.

Jones' punt return with 11:26 to play in the half made it 21-0.

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the Rebels recovered at the Eisenhower 31 on the game's second play. Midland Lee scored seven plays later on a 1 yard run by Allen Griffith.

Griffith appeared to fumble the ball away on his TD run but the officials ruled he had already crossed the goal line.

Eisenhower then lost two good scoring chances in the second quarter. The Eagles had the ball at the Midland Lee 32 after Benson fumble. Henderson's pass into the endzone was intercepted by T.J.

Glover. Eisenhower defensive end Eddie Brown set up another good scoring opportunity when he intercepted a screen pass and returned it to the Midland Lee 8. But the Rebels' defense threw Henderson for consecutive losses before Kody Matthews returned an interception 55 yards to the Eisenhower

Benson, who had 26 yards rushing up to that point, carried eight straight times and scored from the 1 for a 14-0 Midland Lee halftime lead.

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The Rebels drove 62 yards on the first possession of the second half for a 21-0 lead on Benson's 36-yard TD burst off

Midland Lee recovered the ensuing kickoff when kicker Michael Wynn drilled a line drive off of Eisenhower's Vernon Hudson, who had turned his back to the kick. Benson capped the drive with his touchdown from two yards out and the Rebels led 28-0.

Eisenhower needed only three plays to cut the deficit to 28-14.

After Smith went 69 yards up the middle for a touchdown, Eisenhower recovered the ensuing kickoff on the Midland Lee 13 when Rebels players just watched a pooch kick bounce around instead of covering it.

Henderson's 3-yard touch-

down run pulled the Eagles within two touchdowns and appeared to shift momentum their way Benson then deflated the rally

when he caught a screen pass at his ankles, broke two tackles and outran the Eagles defense 78 yards to the endzone. "We have to tackle him,"

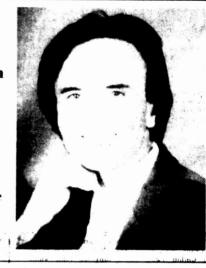
Carson said. "He's a great back, but we play great backs every week."

Eisenhower pulled to within 35-21 when Henderson found Ruben Burrell streaking behind the Midland Lee defense for a 51-yard scoring pass with 7:46 It proved too little, too late.

Midland Lee drove 60 yards for its final touchdown on Benson's 5-yard scoring run with 2:18 to play.

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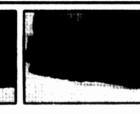
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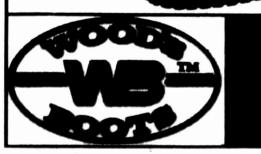




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RESULTS-Disfunctional

Spring Music over Timeless Arrow Refrigeration 6-2, Am Cats 8-0, BSI over KC Stea MGM 6-2, Rapid Masonry Name (unopposed) 8-0; h Music 59-4, American Statu

570; hi sc team series American State Bank 169 hdcp team game Spanky's Disfunctional 693; hi hdcp

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PIN POPPERS WEEK 14

RESULTS-Rose Barber
Gas "N" Grub over Perco (by Randy over Health Foo over Kuykendall 7-1. Restaurant 8-0; hi sc s Velma Campbell 502; h 211, Alma Posey 193; hi by Randy 1940, Rose Ba game Hair Designs by Ri 658; hi hdcp series Berna

658; hi hdcp series Berna 641; hi hdcp team series Gas "N" Grub 2360; hi hby Randy 819, Gas "N" G STANDINGS-Rose Barbby Randy 62-50, Perco (Grub 60-52, Guy's Restanting Standard 145-67, Health WEDNESDAY STRIKERS

RESULTS-Scaltech tied over Ghost 8-0, Monistat over Allans Furniture 8-0

Devils 4-4; hi sc series 653, Rafael Frausto 652 251, Tony Saldana 246, team series Scaltech 28! team series Scattech 28£ 2707; hi sc team game Scattech 946; hi hdcp Heath Carlile 693, Tom C Patterson 265, Rafael F 262; hi hdcp team ser 3070, Eye Ball Records 3 Ball Records 1174, Scatt StANDINGS-Spades Scattech 60-44, Metal M. R. Looney, Tunes 56-48. ords 42-72, SWCID 3

WEDNESDAY STRIKERS WEEK 14 RESULTS-Eye Ball Red Monistat 5 over Spade Ghost 8-0, Dust Devils of Metal Mart 6-2; hi sc ser Bogard 611, Ray Gutie Bogard 267, Jerald Burge

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WEEK 13

RESULTS-Fourtee Misfits 8-0, Untouable BSI over NFS 6-2, The Seven over Sex Pistol: Undecided 8-0, Thirtee over Fifteen 8-0; hi sc to Eight 2025, The Dream Bette's Bandits 743, Brumley 513; hi sc gan Lavonne Brumley 196. I hdcp team game Seve Fourteen 941; hi hdcp

718. Irene Jackson 71 Parrish 284, Carol Sm. 42, Winners 59-45, The BSI 54-50, Do's and Do Three 52-52, Seven 50-5 43-61, Sex Pistols 41-63

RESULTS-Rocky's 8-0 8, Cline Construction 2 Witches of the West 2-6 See Monkey Do 2-6, A8 4. Pack-Sender 4-4, Čas series Big Spring Mus Barber Glass & Mirror 1 2513, Roll-N-Hope 251 224, Nena Cruz 220. . Joycee Davis 620, Nena hi hdcp game Nena Cru Kathy A Willis 260; hi Kathy A Willis 682, Irene

WEEK 14 RESULTS-Cline Cons RESULTS-Cline Const 2-6, Wicked Witches of Green House Photogra Rainbow Brite 2-6, Best 1 A&B Farms 6-2, Monke Sender 6-2, Campbell Neighbors Auto Sales (Hope 2-6, Barber Glas Builders 8-0: hi sc team Builders 8-0; hi sc tean Western 680, Big Spring Pack-Sender 1991, Big Western 1912; hi hdcp Green House Photograpi hdcp team series Pack

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STANDINGS-Big Spring Music 84-28, Disfunctional 78-24, Spankys 71-35, Rapid Masonny 65-45, KC Steakhouse 63-49, BSI 62-48, Timeless Design 61-51, American State Bank 58-54, No Name 56-56, Loan Stars 54-58, Slow Starters 50-62, Arrow Refrigeration 49-63, MGM 44-68, Our Gang 44-68, Alley Cats 37-75.

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WEEK 14
RESULTS-Mason's Collectables tied Parks Agency 44, Collums Réstaurant over BSI 8-0, Bob Brock Ford
over O'Daniel Trucking 8-0, Trio Fuels over Burgess
Atuomotive 8-0; hi sc series Terry Davis 672, Ray
Kennedy 658, Jackie Lecroy 648; hi sc game Ray
Kennedy 279, Jerald Burgess 268, Terry Davis 248; hi
sc team series Trio Fuels 2933, Bob Brock Ford 2773,
Collums Restaurant 2743; hi sc team game Trio Fuels
1053, Bob Brock Ford 1003, O'Daniel Trucking 989; hi
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Burgess 713; hi hdcp game Ray Kennedy 294, Jerald
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Restaurant 3253; hi hdcp team game Trio Fuels 1197.

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WEEK 14

RESULTS-Rose Barber Shop over Dixie Chicks 6-2,
Gas "N" Grub over Perco Care Center 6-2, Hair Designs
by Randy over Health Food Store 6-2, L&M Properties
over Kuykendall 7-1, Bowl-A-Rama over Guy's
Restaurant 8-0; hi sc series Bernadine Sealy 581,
Velma Campbell 502; hi sc game Bernadine Sealy
211, Alma Posey 193; hi sc team series Hair Designs
by Randy 1940, Rose Barber Shop 1884; hi sc team
game Hair Designs by Randy 673, Rose Barber Shop
658; hi hdcp series Bernadine Sealy 641, Shella Welch
611; hi hdcp series Bernadine Sealy 651, Shella Welch
611; hi hdcp series Bernadine Sealy 658. 641; hi hdcp game Sheila Welch 252, Ber

541; hi nocp game Shella welch 252, bernadine Sealy 231; hi hdop team series Hair Designs by Randy 2378, Gas "N" Grub 2360; hi hdop team game Hair Designs by Randy 819, Gas "N" Grub 811.

STANDINGS-Rose Barber Shop 72-40, Hair Designs by Randy 62-50, Perco Care Center 60-52, Gas "N" Grub 60-52, Gus" s Restaurant 59-53, Dixie Chicks 54-58, L&M Properties 54-58, Bowl-a-Rama 52-60, Kuykendall 45-67, Health Food Store 42-70.

WEEK 13
RESULTS-Scaltech tied Spades 4-4, Looney Tunes over Ghost 8-0, Monistat 5 over SWCID 8-0, Metal Mart over Allans Furniture 8-0, Eye Ball Records tied Dust Devils 4-4; hi sc series Tom Cruz 687, Jackie Lecroy 653, Rafael Frausto 652; hi sc game Jimmie R. Wood 251, Tony Saldana 246, Scotty Patterson 243; hi sc team series Scaltech 2853, Spades 2710, Dust Devils 2707; hi sc team game Scaltech 992, Spades 962, Scaltech 946; hi hdcp series Rafael Frausto 748, Heath Carille 693, Tom Cruz 687; hi hdcp game Scotty Patterson 265, Rafael Frausto 263, Jimmie R. Wood 262; hi hdcp team series Scaltech 3135, Spades 3070, Eye Ball Records 3036; hi hdcp team game Eye Ball Records 1174, Scaltech 1086, Spades 1082. Ball Records 1174, Scaltech 1086, Spades 1082 STANDINGS-Spades 76-28, Dust Devils 74-30, Scattech 60-44, Metal Mart 58-46, Allans Furniture 56-48, Looney Tunes 56-48, Monistat 5 56-48, Eye Ball Records 42-72, SWCID 38-66, Ghost 0-104.

WEDNESDAY STRIKERS

RESULTS-Eye Ball Records over Looney Tunes 6-2, Monistat 5 over Spades 6-2, Allans Furniture over Ghost 8-0, Dust Devils over Scaltech 6-2, SWCID over Ghost 8-0, Dust Devils over Scattech 6-2, SWCID over Metal Mart 6-2; hi sc series Jerald Burgess 699, Aaron Bogard 611, Ray Gutierrez 602; hi sc game Aaron Bogard 267, Jerald Burgess 240, Ray Gutierrez 233; hi sc team series Dust Devils 2574, Allans Fumiture 2432; hi sc team game Space 915, Dust Devils 986; hi hdcp series

Health Carlille_725, Jerald Burgess 705, Victor Cervantes 663; hi hdcp game Aaron Bogard 278, Health Carlille 259, David Blackshear 253; hi hdcp team series Allans Furniture 2993, SWCID 2863, Looney Furniture 1026, Spades 1024

STANDINGS-Dust Devils 80-32, Spades 78-34, Allans Furniture 64-48, Scattech 62-50, Monistat 5-62-50, Metal Mart 60-52, Looney Tunes 58-54, Eye Ball Records 48-64, SWCID 44-68, Ghost 0-112.

RESULTS-Fourteen over Eight 5-3, Winners over Misfits 8-0, Untouable Dogs over Bette's Bandits 6-2, BSI over NFS 6-2, The Dread over Hoot Owls 8-0, Seven over Sex Pistols 8-0, Do's and Don'ts over Undecided 8-0, Thirteen over Three 6-2, Lighthouse Undecided 8-0, Thirteen over Three 6-2, Lighthouse over Fifteen 8-0; hi sc team series Sex Pistols 2045, Eight 2025. The Dreamers 1997; hi sc team game Bette's Bandits 743, Seven 693, Eight 692; hi sc series men Joe Krug 623, Randy Robertson 620. Richard Robertson 602; hi sc game men Jim Gaither 256, Abe Yanez 242, Joe Krug 234; hi sc series women Irene Jackson 554, Jan Graham 523, Lavonne Brumley 513; hi sc game women Irene Jackson 197, Lavonne Brumley 196, Irene Yanez 190; hi hdcp team series Seven 2757, Fourteen 2699, Winners 2676; hi hdcp team game Seven 972. Bette's Bandits 963. hdcp team game Seven 972. Bette's Bandits 963, Fourteen 941; hi hdcp series men Richard Robertson 785, Joe Krug 776, Roy Escobar 746; hi hdcp game 785, Joe Krug 776, Roy Escobar 746; hi hdcp game men Jim Gaither 300, Joe Krug 285, Abe Yanez 278; hi hdcp series women Kim Parrish 785, Irene Yanez 718, Irene Jackson 716; hi hdcp game women Kim Parrish 284, Carol Smith 274, Sam Horton 265. STANDINGS-Eight 65-39, NFS 64-40, Lighthouse 62-42, Winners 59-45, The Dreamers 58-46, Untouchable Dogs 58-46, Hoot Owls 56-48, Bette's Bandits 56-48, BSI 54-50, Do's and Don'ts 52-52, Fourteen 52-52, Three 52-52, Seven 50-54, Undecided 44-60, Thirteen 43-61, Sex Pistols 41-63, Misfits 40-64, Efferen 32-72.

43-61. Sex Pistols 41-63. Misfits 40-64. Fifteen 32-72

WEEK 13
RESULTS-Rocky's 8-0, Green House Photography 08, Cline Construction 2-6, Dream Team 6-2, Wicked Witches of the West 2-6, Big Spring Music 6-2, Monkey See Monkey Do 2-6, A&B Farms 6-2, Rainbow Brite 4-4, Pack-Sender 4-4, Casa Blanca 0-8, Best Western 8 O. Day & Day Builders 2-6, Roll-N-Hope 6-2, Campbe Cement Construction 2-6. Barber Glass & Mirror 6-2. Neighbors Auto Sales 6-2. Bowl-A-Rama 2-6; hi sc team game Big Spring Music 716. Barber Glass & Mirror 677, Campbell Cement Construction 645; hi sc team series Big Spring Music 2050, Dream Team 1857. Barber Glass & Mirror 1846; hi hdcp team game Barber Glass & Mirror 907, Campbell Cement Construction 879, Roll-N-Hope 877; hi hdcp team series Barber Glass & Mirror 2536, Campbell Cement Construction 2513, Roll-N-Hope 2511; hi sc game Barbara Stanley 224, Nena Cruz 220, Joycee Davis 212; hi sc series Joycee Davis 620, Nena Cruz 545, Irene Jackson 544; hi hdcp game Nena Cruz 279, Barbara Stanley 270, Kathy A Willis 260; hi hdcp series Nena Cruz 722, Kathy A Willis 682, Irene Jackson 682.

RESULTS-Cline Construction 6-2, Big Spring Music 2-6, Wicked Witches of the West 4-4, Rocky's 4-4, Green House Photography 4-4, Dream Team 4-4, Rainbow Brite 2-6, Best Western 6-2, Casa Blanca 2-6, Farms 6-2, Monkey See Monkey Do 2-6, Pack. der 6-2, Campbell Cement Construction 2-6, hbors Auto Sales 6-2, Bowl-A-Rama 6-2, Roll-N e 2-6. Barber Glass & Mirror 0-8, Day & Day Hope 2-6, Barber Glass & Mirror 0-8, Day & Day Builders 8-0; his c team game Pack-Sender 722, Best Western 680, Big Spring Music 671; hi sc team series Pack-Sender 1991. Big Spring Music 1932, Best Western 1912; hi hdcp team game Pack-Sender 921, Green House Photography 902, Best Western 885; hi hdcp team series Pack-Sender 2588, Best Western

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2527, Rainbow Brite 2524; hi sc game Michael Hull 236, Kathryn Senter 225, Mary Ellis 221; hi sc series Kathryn Senter 602, Joycee Davis 544, Michael Hull 535; hi hdcp game Mary Ellis 282, Kathryn Senter 277, Michael Hull 271; hi hdcp series Kathryn Senter 758,

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RESULTS- Burgess Auto tied A&B Poleline 4-4,
Tough As Nails over Glickman Armory 8-0, Santa Fe
Sandwiches over Allain's Furniture 8-0, Bowt-A-Rama
over WGAS 8-0. Partee Drilling over Four Way Gin 8-0;
hi so game Dale Pittman 259; hi sc series Dale Pittman
690; hi hdop game David Hobbs 265; hi hdop series
David Hobbs 7-43; hi sc team game Burgess Auto 845;
hi hdop team game A&B Poleline 896; hi sc team
series Burgess Auto 2462; hi hdop team series Santa
Fe Sandwiches 2502.
STANDINGS-Santa Fe Sandwiches 72-32, Burgess
Auto 71-33, Allan's Furniture 64-40, Partee Drilling 6143, Bowl-A-Rama 58-46, Glickman Armory 55-49, A&B
Poleline 48-56, Four Way Gin 42-62, Tough As Nails 3965, WGAS 10-94.

MENS CAPROCK

RESULTS-Glickman Armory over Partee Drilling 6-2, A&B Poleline over Santa Fe Sandwiches 6-2. WGAS over Tough As Nails 6-2, Four Way Gin over Burgess Auto 6-2. Bowl-A-Rama over Allan's Furniture 8-0; h is a game Jim Nipp 249, h is c series Chris Spivey 693, h indcp game Chris Spivey 264, h indcp series Chris Spivey 741; h is c team game Burgess Auto 8-39; h indcp team game Partee Drilling 878; h is c team series Partee@Prilling 2342; h indcp team series Glickman Armory 2518. Armory 2518.

STANDINGS-Santa Fe Sandwiches 74-38, Burgess Auto 73-39, Bowl-A-Rama 66-46, Allan's Furniture 64-48, Partee Drilling 63-49, Glickman Armony 61-51, A&B Poleline 54-58, Four Way Gin 48-64, Tough As Nails 41-

TUESDAY COUPLES

WEEK 15
RESULTS: The Four S's over A Timeless Design 8-0, Carlos Restaurant over Double R Cattle Co. 6-2, Tonn Carlos Restaurant over Double R Cattle Co. 6-2, Tonn Cleaners over Cowboy's 6-2, Ups & Downs over White Motor Co. Stanton 6-2, Nix Dirt Daubers over Haridson Appliance Service 6-2, Parks Agency, Inc. tied Rosie's Gun Shop Loraine 4-4; hi sc game man Junior Barber 237; hi sc game women Joycee Davis 210; hi sc series man Junior Barber 635; hi sc series women Joycee Davis 552; hi hdcp game men Vance McCright 258; hi hdcp game women Jerilyn Wilkerson 261; hi hdcp series men David Cruz 706; hi hdcp series women Lanelle Witt 655; hi sc team game Double R Cattle Co. 724; hi hdcp team game Nix Dirt Daubers 916; hi sc team series Double R Cattle Co. 2035; hi hdcp team series Nix Dirt Daubers 2557.

STANDINGS: White Motor Co. Stanton 79-41, Parks Agency, Inc. 74-46, Ups & Downs 66-54, A Timeless

Agency, Inc. 74-46, Ups & Downs 66-54, A Timeless Design 66-54, Double R Cattle Co. 64-56, The Four S's 64-56, Carlos' Restaurant 60-60, Nix Dirt Daubers 54-66, Hardison Appliance Service 51-61, Cowboy's 50-70, Rosie's Gun Shop Loraine 44-76, Tonn Cleaners

The ASSOCIATED PRESS vice president Rod Thorn, the

Officially, three spots remain mittee. up for grabs on the U.S. Olympic basketball team.

Unofficially, only two of them are open because one is earmarked for Grant Hill.

One of the open spots will go to a big man, but it won't be Shaquille O'Neal. The Lakers' center said this week that he plans to spend his summer with his 3-year-old daughter rather than commit to a 42-day tour of duty with the latest incarnation

of the Dream Team. The USA Basketball selection committee plans to meet by conference call in early January to make the selections, and the tightest race appears to be in the backcourt at the shooting

guard position. Based on discussions with several members of the 11-man selection committee, the consensus is that the competition may have already been narrowed down to Ray Allen vs. Vince Carter.

"We're both top-class citizens and world-class athletes," Allen said. "I think I have a little more maturity than he does, but I really can't say who's the better player. With he or I, they'll get dynamite guys.'

Allen's head-to-head matchup against Carter in Friday night's Bucks-Raptors game was going to be watched closely by NBA

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Allen, Carter may vie for final spot on Olympic team

chairman of the selection com-Thorn has been lobbying to

add another shooter ever since watching the team play in a qualifying tournament last summer in Puerto Rico.

Of the nine players already on the roster, Allan Houston and Steve Smith are the only shooting guards, although point guards Jason Kidd, Gary Payton and Tim Hardaway can all fill that spot.

Tim Duncan, Vin Baker, Kevin Garnett and Tom Gugliotta are the current big

"We've got three sports to go," Thorn said. "We need someone who can play center, somebody with all-around skills and a shooter. There are a lot of players who are awfully good who are still out there.

O'Neal would have filled the need at center, and his withdrawal opens up a spot for a true center like Alonzo

"The guy I'd like to see, although he probably won't get it because he doesn't play for a high-profile enough team, is Antonio McDyess,"

Hill, who withdrew from the Olympic qualifying team because the tournament conflicted with his wedding, would fit the bill for someone with allaround skills.

That leaves the 12th spot to a shooter



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Proceeds of all sales at the Heritage Museum gift shop go

At the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, there

love of the local area.

the town are \$5 each.

projects.

to fund museum exhibits and

are several choices for those

GIFTS FROM HOME

ooking for something unique to give a friend or family member who has everything? How about a gift that has Big Spring or Howard County written all over it - literally.

There are a variety of home-grown gifts to choose from, including clothing and tree ornaments, afghans and books.

They can be found at several locations in the community, or purchased from Big Spring service club members.

We've gathered here just a few of the items that are out there. With a few phone calls, or a short trip around town, you can find hometown gifts of your own.

Give them to your neighbors, who share your love for their community. Or send them off to relatives who wish they lived someplace like Big Spring and the Crossroads area.

Big Spring Downtown Lions Club is selling decorative throws in red and green with designs that highlight the features of the area.

The afghans, which include pictures of local landmarks and industries such as cotton, and a colorful map of Texas, are \$40 each and can be purchased from any member of the club. Call Wayne Bonner at 263-6305 for more information.

All proceeds from the sale of the throws go to fund projects of the club, including eyesight preservation and youth camps for the disabled and those with diabetes.

At the Heritage Museum, there are a variety of items and books that recall the history of the local area. Christmas tree ornaments printed with images of the Potton House and Settles Hotel are popular at this time of year, available for \$10 each. A new book, "West Texas," by John Lumpkin and Mike Cochran of the Associated









area, or someone who grew up here? You might include a bottle of Parker's Steak Sauce, which has been made and sold locally for more than a decade by the

Brandin Iron Inn restaurant. It is available by the case for mailing, and is sold at H-E-B Grocery Stores by the bottle. And it says, "made in Big Spring, Texas" on the label.

By no means are these all the 'Big Spring" products available, as we said above, but just a sampling of what can be found. Be creative, and you might take the term, "Shop Big Spring" to another level. —Debbie L. Jensen

Some gifts that say "Big Spring:" top left: ornaments picturing the Settles Hotel at the Heritage Museum; a lithograph of the chamber mural, with a coffee cup and belt buckle touting the city; and a new book, "West Texas" available at the Heritage Museum, shown by visitor Susan Weber.

More hometown gifts, pictured above, include embroidered denim shirts from the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, shown by Lindsay Hull; and historic throws available from the Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, shown by club member Wayne Bonner;

Gold, frankincense and fur: A child's point of view is refreshing

ing their fresh viewpoint on life, are always interesting, always refreshing.

The other day I heard of a little boy who, before getting dressed in the morning, regularly asks. "Am I going to be handsome today?"

It seems that to be handsome means wearing his shirt tail tucked in.

The newsletter. Sounds of St. Mary's, reports that when asked what gifts the wise men brought to baby Jesus, one student confidently replied, 'Gold, frankincense, and fur."

Another student was certain the name of the angel who told the shepherds of Jesus' birth was Lo. ("And Lo, the angel of

Children's comments, reflect- the Lord appeared unto ested. them...")

> After reading a poem using the word, "adore," the teacher as ad if anyone knew what ore" meant. One young man very proudly pointed to the classroom door and said, "There's one right there — a door!

When one of the teachers asked the class why we bow our heads when we pray, one child said, 'Because when our heads go down, our prayers go

I hope readers are not weary of hearing about my grandchildren. I love hearing about other people's children and grandchildren; if you have stories to share. I'm always inter-

At 19 months, London is still

a woman of action, rather than words. I mistake of showing her light how switches operate.

Now drags a chair to the wall and amuses herself by turning the

lights on and

WARREN She is absolutely fascinated

with electrical outlets, and on

occasion, has removed the

One day I observed her having a meeting with her teddy bear and a couple of dolls, "We're meeting today," she said, "to raise some money."

child protective caps her parents have placed in outlets not in use

She long ago explored every shelf and cupboard she could reach in the kitchen. Now she drags a chair from the breakfast room to the kitchen. climbs up on it, and then gets up on the counter.

Her mother has found that the simplest solution to all the interest London takes in meal time preparation is to let her stand on a chair at the kitchen sink and "wash" dishes.

Madison, who turned 5 in September, is enjoying preschool and yearning to read.

She loves to talk on the telephone. If I am visiting there and her parents are not at home, I frequently let her answer the phone

One day, after an extended conversation with a caller, she said, "Ill have my mother call you.

"Who was that?" I asked. "I don't know," she replied. "He didn't leave his name."

church and serves on a number of boards in the community. Madison has occasionally accompanied her to meetings and has evidently absorbed some ideas

One day I observed her having a meeting with her teddy bear and a couple of dolls, "We're meeting today," she said, 'to raise some money.

Her perception of things is becoming increasingly adult. When London was squalling over some imagined injustice. she tried to comfort her, saving, "London, it's just part of

Jean Warren's column appears monthly in the Big Spring Herald life! section.

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Stroud

Wayne and Geri Stroud will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception at 2 p.m. on Dec. 18, 1999, at the Stanton Church of Christ hosted by their children and grandchildren.

He was born in Stanton, and she was born in Sterling City as Geri Long. They were married on Dec. 24, 1949, at the Stanton Church of Christ. They have two children, David, and his wife Leonor, Stroud of Austin, and Ann, and her husband Robert, Quaid of Stanton, and three grandchildren.

After graduating from Sul Ross University in Alpine, the couple lived in Midland and Houston while Wayne worked for Superior Oil Company and Geri worked for The Western Company.

He is a veteran of the U.S. Navy, having served in World



WAYNE AND GERI STROUD

They moved to Stanton in 1963 and farmed until retiring in 1981. They are affiliated with the Stanton Church of Christ.

'Green Mile' an exceptional story, visual treat

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

He is healthy, yes, but so old - passing his days in a wellkept senior center, walking the rolling hills that surround it and losing himself in his memories. Paul Edgecomb is a man whose present is engulfed by his past.

Edgecomb has a secret he has long held close - one that dates to the time he worked as a prison guard on Louisiana's death row during the Depression. It is a story of fate and cruelty, redemption and kindness, and an unexplained force that flows from the hands of a condemned man.

'The Green Mile," Frank Darabont's film based on Stephen King's 1996 serialized novel, chronicles this tale in a manner that, paradoxically, manages to be both textured and bleak. Despite a three-hour running time, it succeeds wildly. It is a treasure chest of characterizations - an epic tale set on a canvas of ordinariness in the best King tradition.

Edgecomb (Tom Hanks, meatier than usual) oversees "the green mile," the lime-

painted death row of Cold victed of raping and killing two ter are Paul Edgecomb and Mountain Prison. Imprisoned there are convicted murderers who await the electric chair. There is the incongruously gentle Arlen Bitterbuck (Graham Greene); Eduard Delacroix (Michael Jeter), a manic Cajun; and, most recently, the thoroughly repulsive

Wild Bill (Sam Rockwell). On the other side of the bars is the complement of guards: Brutus "Brutal" Howell (David Morse), who is not brutal at all; loyal assistants Dean Stanton and Harry Terwilleger (Barry Pepper and Jeffrey DeMunn); and Percy Wetmore (Doug Hutchison), a sniveling, greasy man-child who relishes cruelty and is hanging onto his job because the governor's wife is his aunt.

Watching over it all is Warden Hal Moores (James Cromwell), whose (Patricia Clarkson) is battling brain cancer. Finally, there is one more character crucial to the plot: a tiny mouse.

Into this combustible mix comes John Coffey (Michael Duncan), a towering giant con-

young sisters; a posse found him weeping by a river, cradling their broken bodies. "I tried to take it back, but it was too late," he says to Edgecomb.

His size and crime, though, belie his apparent gentleness. He is docile, quiet and respectful, and when he speaks, it is barely above a whisper.

As the movie settles into chronicling life on death row, it emerges that Coffey is more than he seems. He has a special healing power. He gets rid of Paul's excruciating urinary tract infection with a touch. He can feel the pain of others. He barely knows where he came from, yet he has the power of prescience. At nearly 7 feet tall, with bulging muscles, he fears the dark.

To reveal any more would be an injustice, since the serpentine path to its harrowing ending is what makes the film exceptional. Suffice it to say that each character's slice of the story contributes to a larger moral quandary — one that encompasses life, death, compassion, even God. At the cen-

group as well as the overall tal-

ent title for all ages 0-16. As the

overall winner, she performed

She is a freshman at Garden

City High School, and is the

daughter of Floyd and Martha

Schwartz of St. Lawrence, and

the granddaughter of Emma

her tap dance to "Believe."

John Coffey, intertwined, each condemned in his own way, redemption that will lead to salvation.

tion is crucial. Hanks is brilliant, as expected; his Edgecomb is sometimes gentle, sometimes stern, always fair. Cromwell, grappling with a dving wife and a compound of dangerous men, alternates between tough and vulnerable.

canvas.

Greenville store's closing ends an era

more than 20 years at the Ardis Heights Grocery Store, Maxine Day closed the doors for the last time Tuesday — at least for

With the closing comes an end to an era in Greenville.

The store did not close for a lack of customers — Day said the location at the corner of Farm Roads 118 and 499 has always attracted plenty of business — but rather for a lack of help.

"Nobody wants to go to work." I've hired two girls in the last two weeks," she said. "They come in, I hire them and they never show up, never call, nothing. I've never had that problem before. I've always had girls waiting for a job.'

Day said she is not sure why she has had such a problem keeping workers, but it is a common problem among the area businesses.

same thing, they've got the what I'm going to do." same problem. All the business-'help wanted' everywhere," she said. "I'm not happy, but my body can only take so much. I had to make a decision to either kill myself or close up."

it, the store was one of the oldest continuously-running establishments in Hunt County, second only to the Greenville Herald Banner.

The store has been forced to close before. One of the most notable was on Nov. 5, 1921. when a fire burned the original building. The next day, the Greenville Evening Banner reported that the fire was believed to be the work of "safe crackers." The door on the safe had been completely stripped off and most of the silver in the store —which was still used in some transactions - was missing. The damage to the build-

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GREENVILLE (AP) — After ing and loss of merchandise was estimated to be about \$5,000 to \$6,000.

Such a story would not be a surprise to local historians, who say it was reported that the road through Ardis Heights was a favorite route of Bonnie and Clyde's when they passed through Greenville on their way east. Whether or not the store figured into the picture is not known, but there were stories they patronized the old filling station just down the road.

In an update on Feb. 4, 1922, the Evening Banner proclaimed that the new store "when completed will be one of the most handsome brick suburban stores in or near the city.'

Day is not certain what will become of the store this time, but she has no plans to sell it.

"It's not for sale right now. I own more than a city block and I'm not going to get rid of it," rea businesses. she said. "I may open it again were similar to that of Rascoe teverybody's telling me the at a later date; I'm not sure and Oxford, and a few were

Day and her husband John es — if you'll look, you'll find bought the store in April of 1978 from Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Spainhour who still live in the same block as the business. Day said she had planned to use it as a means to sustain her With about 112 years behind when she retired. With the store closing, she plans to find work somewhere else.

"I'm the only woman that's ever owned it and I've made more changes, probably, than it had in all its years."

One of those changes has been the installation of a grill for cooking hamburgers, which has proved to be good for business. The store sold the usual assortment of groceries, soft drinks, detergent, cigarettes and automotive supplies up to its last day, but the bulk of the business in recent years has been lunch, featuring Day's own oversized hamburgers, known as Texas Burgers.

Day said the best part of running the store has been the interaction with her customers, many of which were Greenville Police officers, such as Billy Rascoe, who was a regular for

about five years. "It's good food," he said. "We'll miss it. This is a regular eating spot for us.'

Sgt. Buddy Oxford, who was a customer for nearly 10 years, said he came because of the "atmosphere and the fellowship" and said he found it hard to believe she was actually going to close the store.

always here," Oxford said. "I hate that she's closing." So where will the regulars go

"It's good food and Max was

to eat now? "That's the big question," Rascoe said.

Day made the decision to close on Nov. 22. She said many of her customers' reactions even "heartbroken."

They all tell me they're coming to my house for dinner,' she said, laughing.

Although reopening the store at a future date has been in the back of her mind, Day admits that it would probably take "a small miracle" to accomplish "I may at a later date sell it.

If I don't open it, I don't know what I'm going to do.' In 1994, Day told the

Greenville Herald Banner she hoped to set a record of at least 20 years in operating the store, as the previous few owners had only operated it for about 17 years at a time. Four months shy of her 22nd

year of operation, Day finds letting go to be hard.

As she reflects on how much the store has meant to her, she grows tearful and says softly, 'I'm going to miss my cus-

WHO'S

Chelsea Schwartz, 15, was recently

named 'Miss Teen San Angelo 2000."

The teen pageant, held in conjunction with the "Miss San Angelo Pageant," had 14 contestants ages 13-16 who

SCHWARTZ were judged on personal interview, poise,

beauty and onstage modeling. In addition, Chelsea also won the talent crown in her age Doe of Big Spring, and Joe and Rose Schwartz of Garden City. The poem "Forgotten Hero" written by Fannie Price of Big

Spring, has been selected to be published in "America at the Millennium The Best Poems and Poets of the 20th Century."

Monica Chen, of Coahoma, was among those named to the Who's Who Among American **High School Students**

each trying to grasp the The meandering pacing of 'The Green Mile," which could easily become ponderous, is

instead ideal for the plot and captures the epic ordinariness of a King story. But the movie is also a visual treat, full of texture and shadow and backlight-There is not enough space to list all the wonderful performances; everyone's contribu-

King's tales work best when the supernatural operates in the background. That's what happens here. He and Darabont know that the people who populate the story are what matter. The story itself is merely the

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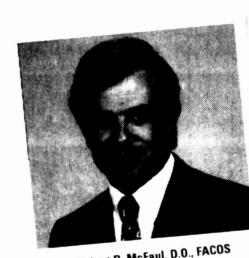
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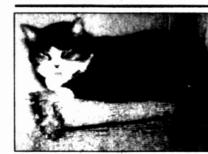
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Gary and Melissa Hale, Abilene and Stanton. He works for Pollard Chevrolet.

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Ricky and Kristi Carstensen and daughters Sarah and Karis, Baird. He is the minister of Wesley Methodist Church.

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'Tumbleweeds' is quirky tale of mother-daughter love

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

It's a truism of buses in many cities that you wait for ages and then they all arrive togeth-

This season has its own cinematic equivalent: After a daughter Ava in tow. Mother dearth of meaty female roles on and child take to the highway screen, along come two motherdaughter dramas that begin as road movies and arrive at that placeless emotional destination

known as love. Of the two, "Anywhere But Here," directed by Wayne Wang, boasts the Hollywood stars — Susan Sarandon and Natalie Portman, both in fighting form. Now comes its lowbudget thematic cousin in fledgling filmmaker Gavin O'Connor's "Tumbleweeds," featuring two little-known Mary Jo's dreams. But it isn't actresses — Janet McTeer and Kimberlv J. Brown — who bv

rights will now become stars. Or, to put it another way: the Oscar race is getting hot.

McTeer, of course, isn't exactly unknown, having carved out an impressive niche for herself in British TV and theater. In 1997, her Broadway debut galvanized New York, where her fearlessly skittish and physical Nora in "A Doll's House" won the best actress Tony.

The performer's earthy Mary Jo in "Tumbleweeds" might seem to inhabit a different world. After all, Ibsen's cloistered heroine is a well-bred. essentially domestic creature who breaks free at the explosive climax of Ibsen's play.

Mary Jo is a rough-and-tumble American Southerner, portrayed by a Yorkshire-born actress with a background in some of the theater's tonier classics.

Great acting, however, transcends issues of nationality and even accent, both of which McTeer finesses as if they were no big deal. And maybe they aren't, since McTeer connects with her character in the far more important realm of truth.

As was true of her Nora, a woman at once pliable and headstrong, McTeer presents Running time: 104 minutes

Mary Jo in all her contradic-

At the start, she's a fiery, feisty woman on the run from another bad relationship with a man and has her 12-year-old to visit an old flame of Mary Jo's — an encounter that lasts barely a minute once Mary Jo gets a glimpse of the bloated creature that her onetime romance has become.

From Missouri, they continue west to San Diego, by which point Mary Jo has installed Ava and herself with a trucker named Jack (played by

O'Connor, the film's director). At first encounter, Jack seems the "Marlboro man" of long before he is making his own demands, first quietly and then violently. O'Connor does an excellent job playing a man whose calm is like a time

The film's abiding topic is a mother and daughter's rich and genuine love, as drawn by cowriter Angela Shelton from her own life story.

As acted at full-throttle by McTeer, Mary Jo's devotion to her daughter is clear during even their most exasperating encounters.

Similarly, Ava — played by gifted young actress Brown without a trace of precocity understands that her mother is a fugitive from love except where it matters most.

In its own quirky way, "Tumbleweeds" is the best possible advertisement for what we now think of as "family values," because for all her restlessness and packing up and moving on, Mary Jo understands one thing: When it comes to her daughter, home is

where the heart is. "Tumbleweeds" is a Fine Line release, produced by Greg O'Connor. It is rated PG-13, which means it can be enjoyed by mothers and daughters alike as well as fathers and sons.



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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

NEW YORK (AP) - News that his 11-year-old son already is in college caught Woody Allen by surprise.

"This is the first I'm hearing of it," Allen said in today's Daily News. "It's news to me."

Allen said it has been four vears since he has seen or spoken to Seamus Farrow, his biological son with former girlfriend Mia Farrow. Seamus is attending a college in Massachusetts that caters to younger students.

In addition to Seamus, born Satchel, the couple have two mutually adopted children. Ms. Farrow has custody of all three and has 11 other children.

Seamus, who turns 12 on Dec. 19, "is positively phobic" of his father and refuses to see him, said William Beslow, Ms. Farrow's attorney. "He sees Woody less as his father and more as the man who was having an affair with his sister, Soon-Yi (Previn).

Allen, 63, married Ms. Previn, 28, in 1997, and they have a 5-month-old daughter. Their affair caused an uproar in 1992 when Ms. Farrow accused Allen of molesting adopted daughter Dylan. Allen denied the charges.

NEW YORK (AP) - Good morning, Cindy.

Supermodel Cindy Crawford. a frequent visitor to ABC's "Good Morning America" during her recent pregnancy, joined the breakfast show as a special correspondent today.

She will appear the second Wednesday of each month with segments on various lifestyle topics. She also will present a child development series called "Presley's First Year," named for her 5-month-old son.

In her first regular appearance on the show, Crawford spoke about her favorite infant toys for the holidays. Surrounded by moms and infants, Crawford cooed her way through the segment. Her son was not there.

As a new mom, Crawford said the hardest part is finding balance between mom and self. "I have all the plates in the air and I'm keeping them all, but the only thing that is suffering is me," she said.

Now moms in music business can band together

AUSTIN (AP) - Quicker than it takes to buckle up a kid in a carseat, Annie Melvin sums up why being a mom in the music business is tough: "I have a child who doesn't like loud music and wants to be in her bed at 7:30 at night. All of a sudden you're watching Disney and it's very hard to be hip."

Melvin, 34, gave up being in a band after her first child was born six years ago.

"I wasn't being the musician I wanted to be," she says. "I wasn't being the mother I wanted to be.'

The sacrifices haven't stopped: This year, she'll give up a couple of business trips abroad to be with her two kids, now 3 and 6. Melvin may be devoted, but she isn't willing to sever all ties to the music industry, and she's determined to make things easier for her and other moms in the biz.

So her third baby is Mother Rock Star, an Austin-based business network with 70 members here and in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago and New

Who joins MRS? "Musicians or people in the industry with very young children who are

They tend not to be the sort of "moms who wear stirrup pants and Keds tennis shoes,' Melvin says.

They read alternative parenting sines. And their kids have names like Blixa. Zed and

trying to reinvent themselves," Melvin says, adding that the network also includes a few supportive women without children and stay-at-home dads connected to the music biz.

Like Melvin, all MRS-member moms work independently in careers ranging from performance, event promotion, recording and engineering and copyright consulting - to provide flexible schedules for their families.

They share other defining characteristics.

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They read alternative parenting zines. And their kids have names like Blixa, Zed and Lulu. And, implicitly, these are mothers who understand the

frustration of trying to succeed

in a business where appearance is everything - though their wardrobe may consist of milkstained T-shirts and sweatpants, "and it's hard to even care about that," Melvin says.

MRS moms stay connected through monthly meetings, phone calls and e-mail. The network provides them with a sounding board, as well as more tangible benefits, like reliable people to call for child care when they're working in other cities, kids in tow.

The main function of MRS. though, is to support mom-run businesses. Members pay \$35 in annual dues in exchange for publicity, job offers and networking opportunities. MRS, which Melvin runs with partner Julia Austin, takes a 10 percent commission on the jobs it helps broker.

Lately, the group's visibility

3. (5) "60 Minutes," CBS,

4. (12) "JAG," CBS, 12.4, 12.5

5. (26) "CBS Wednesday

Movie: The Test of Love,

CBS, 12.3, 12.4 million homes.

5. (3) "Frasier," NBC, 12.3.

7. (2) "Friends," NBC, 12.1,

8. (8) "Everybody Loves

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Raymond," CBS, 12.0, 12.0 mil-

Showcase," ABC, 11.4, 11.5 mil-

12.6, 12.7 million homes.

Hersh, of Throwing Muses fame, put the MRS logo on her most recent CD, "Sky Motel." Members around the country organized an effort to help North Carolina flood victims earlier this year. And in November, MRS donated goods it collected to Austin's Salvation Army, Pediatric AIDS League and Any Baby

Recently, the group staged a show with MRS-member performers, with a portion of the proceeds to the benefit the group itself.

Elizabeth Lee, one of those performers, is happy to support a grass-roots business she hopes will grow and take on a bigger national profile.

'For me, (MRS) is sort of a life force to keep my music veins alive while they're laying dormant," says Lee, whose band (the Elizabeth Lee Band), has been on hiatus since the birth of Lee's son, 15-month-old Angel Paz Chaney.

Angel's dad is guitarist Larry Chaney of Edwin McCain's band. Angel's first word was "guitar," and guitar magazines are the only kind of literature

has been growing: Kristin he's interested in at the moment.

In MRS, Lee has not only found like-minded moms facing some of the same challenges she is, but other kids whose parents are immersed in a cutting-edge music culture.

Which isn't to say all the children wholeheartedly endorse their parents' careers.

Melvin's dream gig, for instance, is for MRS to operate a one-stop music biz emporium with on-site child care. It would include mom-run businesses such as a booking agency, a recording studio, internet services and desktop publishing under one roof, which would perhaps double as a performance stage.

Melvin's dream, sadly, stops there. Her kids, Exene and Gus, love seeing their dad, drummer Snoopy Melvin, perform with Jackastronaut. But they scream if she threatens to play guitar.

Perhaps it's a phase they'll grow out of. Meanwhile, "they want me to be what I'm supposed to be," Melvin says. And that's Mommy.

The Mother Rock Star Web site is at www.motherrockstar.net.

Five years later, Letterman's ratings finally on the upswing

NEW YORK (AP) - After five years of bad news in the ratings, things are starting to look up again for David Letterman.

His "Late Show" average audience of 4.1 million last month was up 10 percent over 1998, putting him in the closest competitive position with rival Jay Leno in a major ratings 'sweeps' month since November 1996, Nielsen Media Research said Thursday.

Before the recent upswing, Letterman had lost more than half of his audience since 1994, when he used to beat Leno's "Tonight" show in the ratings.

Leno's average audience of nearly 6 million in November was essentially identical to the year before, Nielsen said.

CBS's improved fortunes in prime-time, particularly the new hits "Family Law" and "Judging Amy" that air at 10 p.m. EST; means more viewers en repeats of "Seinfeld" and their appeal is starting to fade,

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By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Prime-time ratings compiled by Nielsen Media Research for November 29-December 5. Top 10 listings include the week's ranking, with rating for the week and season to-date rankings in parentheses.

An "X" in parentheses denotes a one-time-only presentation. The rating is the percentage of the nation's estimated 100.8 million TV homes. Each ratings point represents 1,008,000 households.

1. (X) "ABC Original Movie: Tuesdays With Morrie," ABC, 15.2, 15.3 million homes.

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are staying tuned the "Friends" had sharply cut into Letterman. Late-night syndicat-

Letterman's core audience hadn't really abandoned him, they were just watching less often, Poltrack said.

"People are re-connecting with the show and are starting to watch more," he said.

NBC doesn't appear particularly worried. Rick Ludwin, NBC senior vice president, said "Tonight" show had widened its lead over the "Late Show" within the past year in the 18-49-year-old demographic that advertisers covet.

Letterman's new viewers don't appear to come at the expense of Leno's audience, Ludwin said.

"If there are more viewers coming to the time period, then welcome to the party," he said.

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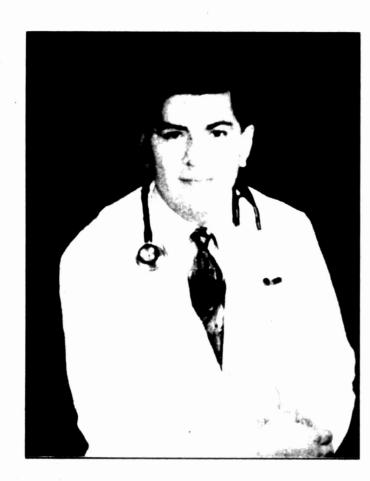
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Madison Layne Sandell, girl, Sept. 23, 1999, 12:05 p.m., six pounds 15 ounces and 19 3/4 inches long; mother is Paige

Grandparents are Geraldine and Jody Hodnett and Jeanette Duffer, all of Big Spring.

Sydnie Nichole Gilbert, girl, Nov. 30, 1999, 2:10 p.m., eight pounds 11 ounces and 21 1/2 inches long; parents are James and Shele Gilbert.

Grandparents are Phillip and Shyrlee Reid of Sand Springs, James Gilbert Sr. of Big Spring, and Neel and Linda Barnaby of Abilene.

Christian Skylar Nalley, boy, Nov. 30, 1999, 5:36 p.m., six pounds six ounces and 19 inches long; parents are Joshua and Crystal Nalley.

Grandparents are Tom and Julie Coates of Big Spring, Belle Barlow of Coahoma, and John Nalley of Napa, Calif.

Dario Brycson Pineda, boy, Dec. 2, 1999, 1:12 p.m., eight pounds one ounce and 20 inches long; mother is Kimberlie Pineda.

Grandparents are Dan and Arlene Pineda and Vickie and Robert Walker, all of Big Spring.

KayLa Leeann, girl, Dec. 1, 1999, 12:09 p.m., five pounds 14 ounces and 17 inches long; mother is Donna Parnell.

Grandparents are Annetta Sue Parnell and Vernon Lee Parnell, both of Big Spring.

Lorena Brianne Yanez, girl, Dec. 1, 1999, 7:13 p.m., five pounds 13 ounces and 18 1/2 inches long; parents are Laura and Lorenzo Yanez.

Grandparents are Roberto and Maria Franco and Arturo and Rosa Yanez, all of Big Spring.

James Marquise Cantu II, boy, Nov. 24, 1999, 8:02 a.m., eight pounds two ounces and 23 inches long; parents are James and Priscilla Cantu.

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Mateo Thomas Castillo, boy, Nov. 25, 1999, 5:37 p.m., five pounds 15 ounces and 19 inches long; parents are Madaleno Castillo Jr. and Noemi Salazar

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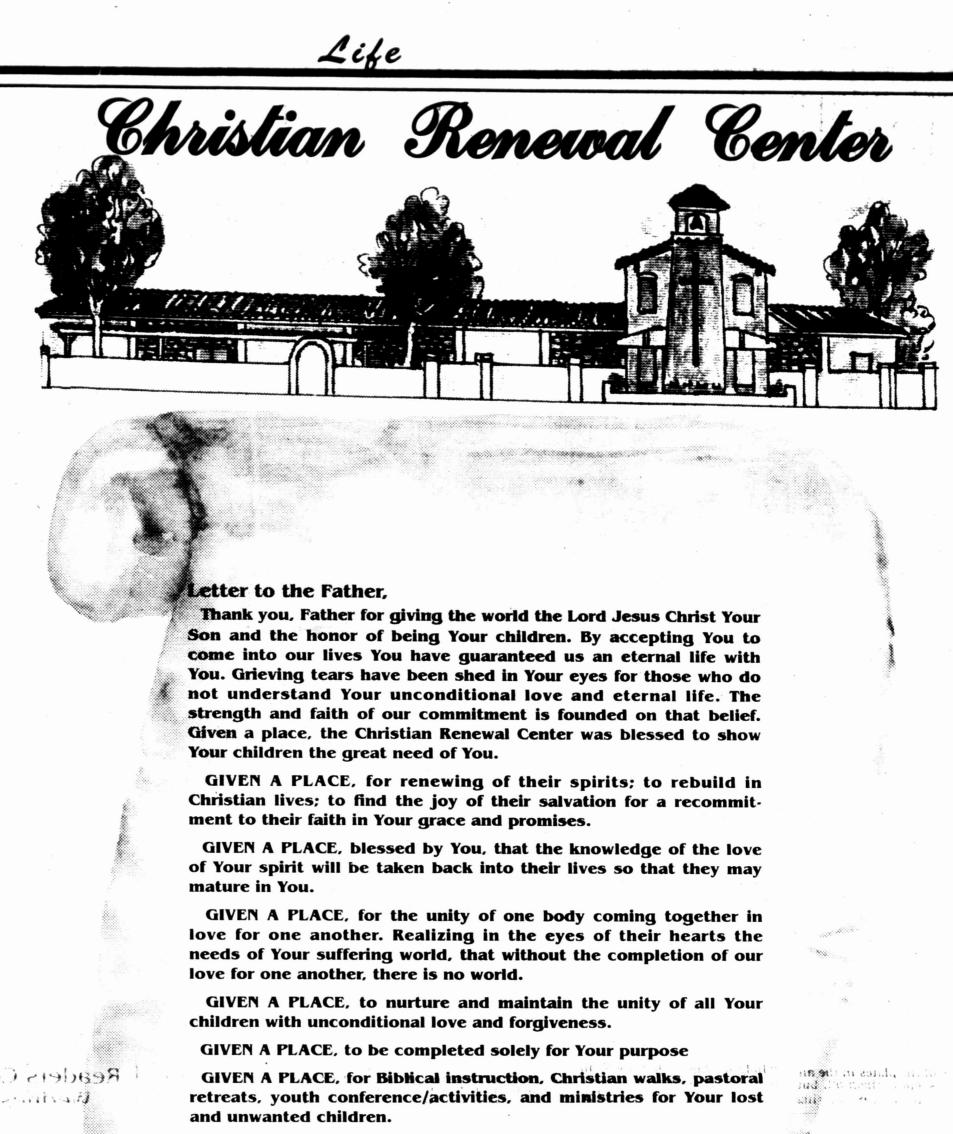
Tall Talkers Toastmasters Club of Big Spring held their meeting on Dec. 8 at 6:30 a.m. at 606 Johnson Street Dene Sheppard's Mary Cosmetics Sales Office.

Steven Gray resided as the toastmaster of the meeting. The topic master was Dene Sheppard who led the discussion topic on the most auspicious moment last week. The best table topic was awarded to Bailey Anderson. The best speaker of the day was Lyndel Moody who presented a poem by Robert Browning. Virginia Martin evaluated her. Joelle Ford was timer grammarian and Bonnie Saenz was the general evaluator of the meeting.

The word of the day was auspicious meaning favorable, favoring success. Ex: With the sun shining bright, it was an

auspicious day for a picnic. For those wishing to improve their communications skills, we welcome you to visit our next meeting on Wednesday Jan. 5 at 6:30 a.m. at 606 Johnson Street Mary Kay Cosmetics sales office. Communication is the key to

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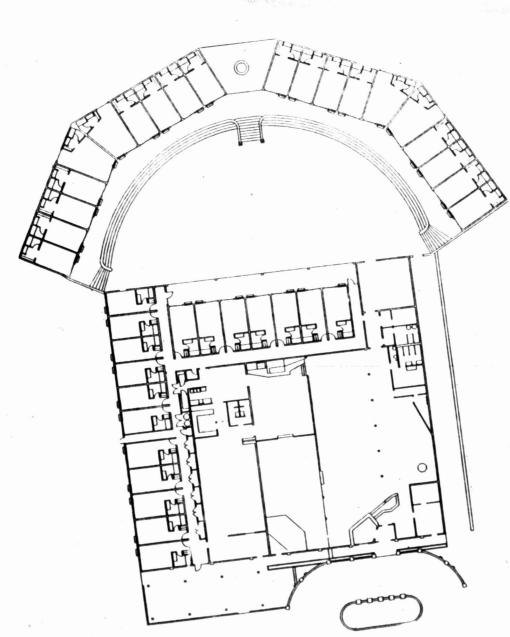
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Due to the generosity of a local philanthropic organization 20 rooms east of the original building are now near completion. This will enable CRC to offer overnight accommodations for activities for one or more days, for the convenience of uninterrupted conferences retreats, seminars and other functions.

Presently, three Christian walks, adult and youth have been sched uled through the year 2000, a seemingly miraculous occurrence considering the fact that the construction is not yet complete. We know from the inquiries that the potential of future commitments is immi-

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State officials from Texas, Mexico meet to discuss trade issues

AUSTIN (AP) - Representatives for two days of meetings at the Capitol. mon problems that we face along the Carlos Zambrano Plant, secretary of three countries become a region on the from Texas and four Mexican border states met Wednesday to discuss trade, economic development and other issues in what officials said would be the first of many state-level talks between Mexico and Texas.

"As we increase trade, as we increase relationships, we will see more of these working sessions on both sides of the border because ultimately we all represent the future of the people in the respective states," said state Sen. Eliot Shapleigh, D-El Paso.

State legislators joined officials from the Mexican states of Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo Leon and Tamaulipas

The group discussed trade, economic development, tourism and environmental issues

Shapleigh and Sen. Frank Madla, D-San Antonio, said the sessions were unique because they involved local representatives talking about federal issues such as the North American Free Trade Agreement and border transportation, including the recent Mexico car deposit debate.

"I think it's probably about time that we got together and it's a shame that it hasn't been done earlier. But I hope that what results from us getting together today will be us solving comborder and improving the quality of life for citizens on both sides of the Rio Grande," Madla said.

The Mexican representatives spoke about the need for improved infrastructure and economic development. promising a potential for stronger business in both countries, including in the tourism and high-tech industry.

"In the United States, Fortune Magazine declared Dallas as the most important city for doing business in the United States while Monterrey, the capital of the state of Nuevo Leon, was declared the No. 1 city in Latin America for doing business," said

economic development in Nuevo Leon.

"So we feel that if we put together these two powerful cities and work together on economical development issues and many others we can really obtain excellent results for our communities and our citizens," Zambrano Plant said.

The meetings produced little more than discussion of key issues, but were important because of approaching NAFTA deadlines that will require such cooperation among the United States, Mexico and Canada, the offi-

"Between the year 2001 and 2003 the

industrial side of NAFTA and we need to integrate within the region in order for our products to flow free of duties," said Francisco Uranga, secretary of industrial development in Chihuahua.

"If we don't talk at the state and local level about issues - just connecting up roads, about working on health, about access to credit — then what happens is at the larger level of trade the policies don't really get put fully into effect," Shapleigh said.

"So the idea of increasing the local and state contacts is a very good idea at this point in NAFTA because that is what is absent.'

Judge sides with meat processor vs. USDA

DALLAS (AP) — In a setback to the government's new food safety standards, a meatpacking plant that supplied 15 percent of the ground beef for the nation's school lunch program will be allowed to continue its operations despite an attempt to shut it down because of salmonella contamination.

"No one thinks that salmonella in meat is a good thing," said U.S. District Judge A. Joe Fish. "The question is whether the Department of Agriculture had the authority to do what it did."

Fish said he questioned the USDA's power under existing legislation to set the salmonella testing standard and to withdraw inspectors from the plant when it failed the test.

His order Friday continues a temporary restraining order keeping the plant open until the matter is resolved at trial.

Mirroring the company's concerns, the judge also said he was troubled that there is no independent review of the meat testing process.

But USDA spokesman Andy Solomon said the agency will fight to keep the testing proam in place.

We believe these standards e key to our ability to reducg food-borne illnesses among nericans," Solomon said. ince we've put our system in ace, the incidence of salmolla in raw meat and poultry s declined by at least 25 per-

Executives at Supreme Beef ocessors Inc. argued in court at the company is not to ame for the salmonella found meat from their plant.

But the U.S. Department of griculture said that its new od safety program depends on ing able to withdraw its spectors, an action that effecely shuts down the place.

The plant is a major supplier the department's school nch programs. Of the 90 milon pounds of beef USDA has archased since July, 14 million me from the Dallas facility.

inder the new program, SDA inspectors analyze meat mples for salmonella, and no ore than 7.5 percent of the mples taken in one testing contaminated. reviously, USDA inspectors mply poked and sniffed for oblems

The USDA withdrew its spectors from the plant Nov. after the meat there failed ree salmonella tests. The apreme Beef plant was the st company to flunk three sts, a failure that requires the spectors to be pulled out. eat processing plants that ant to sell their products ross state lines must have the spectors present to certify

However, the department was rced to send the inspectors ck later in the day when Fish anted a restraining order. till, USDA suspended school nch program purchases from e plant the same day.

Company officials said in urt that its own tests contracted those of the USDA. We found that the plant was

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Feds says Union Pacific service crisis over

WASHINGTON (AP) - Three years into the federal government's five-year oversight of the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific merger, regulators say the railroad has emerged from a catastrophic service meltdown that began in Texas in 1997 and clogged its entire 36,000-mile network.

The service crisis "is over," the Surface Transportation Board pronounced in its annual post-merger assessment.

"It appears that the merger is continuing to produce competitive benefits and improved service," the board's three commissioners said in a decision issued last week.

Critics who had complained bitterly about the service disruptions that caused widespread difficulties from the Gulf Coast to the Pacific Northwest, idling plants and leaving piles of grain on the ground, agree the service problems are over.

Some, however, appear less sure than the federal regulators about the benefits of the merger, which created the nation's largest railroad.

"Things are better. You don't hear as many complaints,' Texas Railroad Commissioner Charles Matthews conceded in an interview Tuesday.

But Matthews, who strongly criticized the STB for not moving more swiftly to address the Houston's rail yards, remains worried that not enough competition exists — particularly in Texas, which has more miles of track than any other state. "The manufacturers that I've

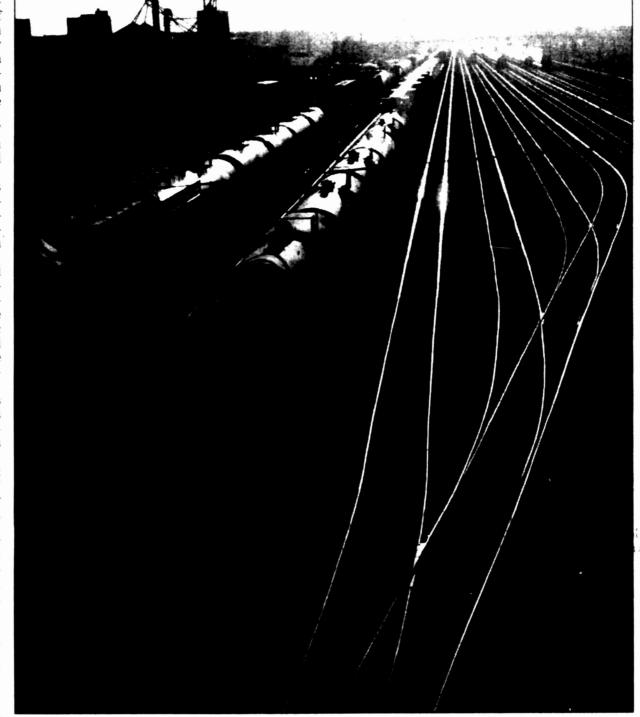
talked to say they desperately want other alternatives. They don't want to be caught into a situation they were caught in before, that is if a management team of a large, out-of-state corporation makes a mistake in judgment, they pay a penalty,' Matthews added, in a swipe at Union Pacific managers who have acknowledged they should have implemented the merger differently.

Matthews remains convinced that Texas must develop a rail policy that will enhance competition, particularly among smaller railroads that haul over short routes

"I believe any time a shipper is captive, that's not a good situation," he said.

The Chemical Manufacturers Association, which in a recent study found that more than 60 percent of its members are served by a single railroad, agrees.

"The number of railroads has shrunk dramatically. The competition is so much less than it



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The sun sets on the Big Spring Union Pacific yard as tank cars wait to be added to a consist. Last week, the Surface Transportation Board said Union Pacific had gotten past its service crisis.

was before," said CMA official. Mike Heimowitz. "The deck is basically stacked against the customers and in favor of the railroads.'

The president of the National Industrial Transportation League, which also complained loudly about Union Pacific's service woes, agrees that shippers are voicing few complaints

these days. But they remain concerned about the reliability of Union Pacific and other railroads in delivering cargos by specified dates, said NITL head Ed Emmett. "Railroads still cannot produce service that's as timely and predictable as trucks," he

Union Pacific's leadership deserves "an awful lot of credit" for solving the service meltdown, Emmett acknowledged. The crisis now a memory of the past, Union Pacific officials say they not only have restored service to the 1996 pre-merger levels, but have improved it to new highs.

"We are now setting new records in terms of our service parameters that didn't exist prior to the merger," railroad spokesman John Bromley said Tuesday, citing train speeds and size of cargos hauled chief among them.

Union Pacific, like the STB, contends that competition has been enhanced post-merger. Instead of the moribund Southern Pacific as chief competitor, Union Pacific now must deal with Burlington Northern Santa Fe - which gained the right to operate over

some Union Pacific track under merger terms imposed by the

BNSF, however, in a filing to the STB, complained that Union Pacific isn't living by all the regulators' conditions — a dispute the board said the competitors should resolve by themselves.

As for shippers' complaints that the railroad has a nearmonopoly, Bromley cited pressure of competition from the trucking industry and others. While U.S. railroads carry 40 percent of the nation's tonnage, they only account for 7 percent of freight revenues, he said.

"That kind of underscores the fact that far from being some sort of transportation monster, we're just one of the players,' Bromley said.

Grocer to expand Mexican operations

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) -H.E. Butt Grocery Co., which opened its first Mexican store in 1997, plans to open six new stores south of the border next

Company officials Mexico's dine-at-home culture and a growing middle class make it a logical place for the chain to expand.

"We consider Mexico an important part of H-E-B's future," said chairman and chief executive Charles Butt. "We're excited about the opportunities there and hope to build a significant presence.

Butt said San Antonio-based H-E-B was attracted by the low per capita concentration of supermarkets in Mexico. Also, he told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times, the company cuts its costs by buying about 85 percent of H-E-B-Mexico's products in Mexico.

H-E-B opened its first grocery store in Monterrey, Mexico, in 1997 and now has five stores in the city and another opened last month in Saltillo. Next year, the company plans to open three more stores in Monterrey and three stores along the Texas-Mexico border in Nuevo Laredo, Reynosa and Matamoros.

Unlike its stores in the United States, which stock lots of heatand-eat foods, H-E-B's Mexican stores focus on more basic, traditional products.

"The focus there is still more on food preparation at home,' Butt said. "Mexican families at all income levels tend to eat together for the evening meal more than they do in Texas."

Selling actual ingredients instead of pre-cooked meals could mean higher profits, said Arun Jain, chairman of the marketing department at the University of Buffalo in New York. He also said H-E-B has picked a good market in Mexico.

"There's a very large, affluent segment in Monterrey. It's a very prosperous town," he said.

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End of federal trial nears against Koch Industries

TULSA, Okla. (AP) Testimony in the federal trial against Koch Industries will wrap up Monday with the chief executive of the country's second-largest privately held com-

Charles Koch is scheduled to take the stand in the civil case filed by his younger brother, Bill Koch.

Koch Industries is accused of training employees to underreport the amount and quality of oil purchased from producers. The plaintiffs contend Koch Industries received \$170 million worth of oil without paying for it in the 1980s.

Bill Koch, 59, whose net worth is \$650 million, was not in the courtroom Thursday afternoon as his brother began to testify. However, Charles Koch, 63, whose net worth \$3.4 billion, did not forget him.

Charles Koch said his brother never expressed a concern when the company received more oil than it paid for while Bill Koch owned a 22 ownership interest in Koch Industries and was a board member.

As for when he first learned about overages, Charles Koch said he was a teen-ager digging pipeline ditches in Oklahoma when one day some producers started making fun at how his father's oil company always had more oil than it bought.

"They explained to me the nature of the crude oil industry and how a company like ours would tend to be over," he said Koch Industries does not conshrinkage and sediment in

tanks. This is the second time in just over a year that Bill Koch has taken his older brother to federal court. Last year in Topeka, Kan., Bill Koch claimed he was cheated out of more than \$1 billion when he sold his stake in Koch Industries back in 1983. He

Charles Koch is the 141st witnesses to be called over 10

The jury of four women and four men have heard testimony from gaugers, producers, experts and Koch's top executives, who gave technical and tedious testimony in oil industry lingo

Neither side will say how test that measurements were much potential liability is changed when purchasing oil, but says the adjustments were faced by Koch Industries, for field conditions such as oil which has \$30 billion in sales.

But Bill Koch could receive up al incentives not to go along to one-third of the court award if he wins.

Earlier Thursday, an economic expert testified that if Koch had a deliberate widespread scheme of stealing oil, producers would have known. "It is a scheme that could not

possibly be pulled," Jonathan Walker said. Koch had about six to nine

percent of the total United States oil production in 1983 to 1991. It was the leading purchaser in Oklahoma with up to 30 percent of the market. Other states named in the lawsuit are: Kansas, Utah, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, California, New Mexico, Nebraska, Louisiana, Texas, North Dakota and South Dakota.

The competitive oil market, federal inspectors and "person-

with criminal schemes' would have made it impossible idr Koch to get away with a corporate policy of intentionally ta ing more oil than it purchased Walker said.

But Koch did not always get away with it, the plaintiffs argued.

The lawyer displayed a hand ful of written complaints by producers. One producer wrote he "caught Koch gaugers steal ing" another told of "constant measurement discrepancies.'

Walker agreed that some gaugers said they consistently made adjustments in Koch's favor, however, the testimony did not prove that the adjustments were a company, wide scheme.

"One hundred percent cheating, the probability of that is null," he said.



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"It forces us to allow one plant to operate without meet ing the regulatory requirements," said Thomas Billy. USDA admininstrator of food safety and inspection services. "It creates an uneven playing filed and allows Supreme Beef to sell beef without meeting the same standards.'

Billy said that all of the largest plants and 91 percent of the smaller plants passed all their sampling tests. Supreme Beef is in the smaller category.

The company has challenged the testing standards as "arbitrary and capricious," pointing to standards that permit 5 times as much salmonella in chicken and turkeys than in red meat. Salmonella kills an estimated

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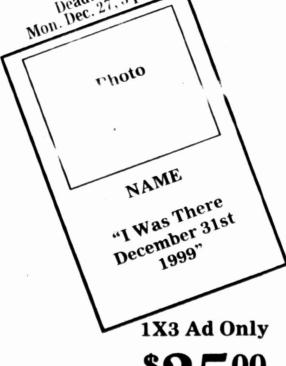


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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) **** Reach out for another; make long-distance calls. You are pushed financially as the holiday takes its toll. Remember, gifts can also come in the form of experiences. Excitement and unexpected events blend. Go with the flow.

Tonight: Join friends. TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** A partner wants to play a greater role in the holiday preparations. Consider revising Santa's chores, and talk this through. You might find that vou are unwilling to let go of the responsibilities. You could be startled by your own reac-

tions. Tonigh t: In the pink. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Everyone gets an occasional Scrooge attack. Don't let it get to you. Think of the more spiritual side of Christmas and express your feeling to those you care about. A change in plans proves to be a real pickme-up. Another has a great

idea; follow h is lead. Tonight:

Detach from your stuff. CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** A friend makes a demand that puts weight on your primary relationship, however unintentional this might be. Be open to discussing it, and you'll find a way to make everyone happy - including yourself. Make special plans with your significant other. Tonight: Surprise another with a mas-

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

**** Your buoyant personality draws others, who cannot get enough of you. However, there could be a surprise packed into your day. Cancel plans that have been weighing on you,

especially as they aren't really necessary. Tonight: On the prowl.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** Pace yourself; know what you need to get done and what you can scrap. Keep a perspective. Don't get caught up in details. Making calls to another at a distance proves to be difficult. Do your errands; get a head start on work if possible. Tonight: In your easy chair.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** By now you need to come to grips with a difficult partner. You won't change him and vice versa. A flirtation could be heating up. News could have you plotting to go in another direction. Add whatever makes you happy to your life. Tonight: So what if it is Sunday night?

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***Others appear to close down when you approach them. Perhaps you are more tired

than you realize. Loll around and let this be a day to spend time with your family. Discuss remaining Christmas details. Perhaps a party is in order. Tonight: Don't go far .

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

**** Though you are tired, you energize and get going. Discussions are invigorating and others are full of ideas. Stress creativity and put a greater emphasis on your imagination. You have a strong sense of what another is thinking before he says it. Ton ight: Let go and have a good time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

****Be direct with others. Listen to your inner voice. It might be telling you something important. A child or loved one might be a bit dour. Give him space, and do what you need to do. You pull the financial wild card. Careful. Tonight: Balance your ch eckbook.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ****Listen to what a friend whispers in your ear. He has great suggestions. You might be dealing with a family member who is quite depressed. Do your best here. You do the unexpected and make others laugh. Tonight: Follow up on

what is important. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ** Maintain a low profile: don't push. You could get cranky where you least expect. Take stock of what you need to do. Give some thought to Y2K preparations. Your sense of humor helps an older relative talk. You know what to do and

when. Tonight: Early to bed. ©1999 by King Features Syndicate Inc.

Computer literacy essential for children now in school

DEAR ABBY: This letter is for "Manny in Las Vegas," who wanted to buy a computer for his grandson but his wife argued against it. She felt he wouldn't need one until he was ready for college. She couldn't be more wrong.

I am the mother of three chil-

dren, two of them in high school. Students todav use computers to write papers, just like we used typewriters when we were in school. My high two schoolers use our computer

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nights a week to complete their homework assignments. In fact, their high school requires that the students complete a keyboarding course as a requirement for graduation.

Computers are part of our children's future. The younger they learn how to use them, the easier it will be for them. -SUSAN IN MASSACHUSETTS

DEAR SUSAN: I agree that young children are "wired" to learn more easily than adults. They are also less likely to be technophobic. (Ask anyone who has had to ask his or her children how to program the VCR!) Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I read with interest the letter from the grandfather who wanted to buy his grandson a computer. I had the same idea, but I held off buying a computer until my son entered — kindergarten!

When he was in first grade and needed reading assistance, I bought reading-oriented programs that he looked forward to using, then math, then science and also spelling. He was able to play educational games on the computer because we held out until last year to buy him video games (although all of his friends had a set). My son is in the third grade now, and our computer is, of course, outdated, but I am very happy with our decision.

It was not necessary for him to have a home computer, because his school has a computer class, and even at 6, my son would help his dad negotiate our computer. I hear from friends with older children that they do quite a bit of their homework assignments or research on their home computers.

In my opinion, computers would be an enhancement for a child of any age, and the grandfather should purchase one for his grandson. — AMBER IN OVILLA, TEXAS

DEAR AMBER: I have a stack of letters on my desk from people of all ages who agree with you. Computer literacy has become a necessary survival skill — although like any other technology, children's use of it should be supervised by the

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