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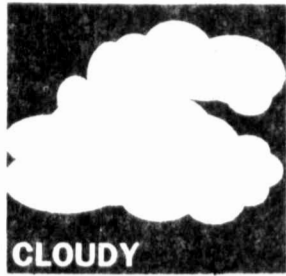
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WEATHER

Tonight:



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TONIGHT 33°-37° TUESDAY 38°-42°

Readers invited to help locate heroes, characters

The *Herald* is encouraging its readers to participate in this year's Progress Edition, "Heroes and Characters of the Crossroads."

Specifically, we are looking for people who have made some type of impact on others in the Crossroads Area, through their kindness, wit, talent, determination or other traits.

If there is someone you consider to be a hero or a character, submit that person's name to the *Herald* in writing. Be sure and explain why you think he or she should be included in this special, four-section edition. Also include information so that we may get in touch with you, as well as the person's name you submit. The person you submit may be living or deceased.

The *Herald* will select individuals from those submitted to feature in the special edition, which will be published in late March.

All names must be submitted in writing no later than Feb. 18 and either brought to the *Herald* office at 710 Scurry or mailed to P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

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

TUESDAY

Intermediate line dance classes, 9 a.m. Senior Citizens Center.
Coahoma senior citizens luncheon, 11 a.m., Coahoma Community Center.
Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.
Parent-Teacher Organization of Big Spring Junior High School meets 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.
VFW Post No. 2013, VFW Hall, 7 p.m.
Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Order of the Eastern Star, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Lodge, 219 Main.

WEDNESDAY

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room.
Senior Circle Big Spring Mall walkers meet 9:15 a.m. in front of movie theater box office.
Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard

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Linda Conway named to chair 2000 Pops in the Park celebration

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**
Staff Writer

Linda Conway, interim vice president for instruction at Howard College, will serve as chairman of the 2000 Pops in the Park celebration, scheduled for Monday, July 3 at the Comanche Trail Amphitheatre.



CONWAY

"I am honored to have this position, and a little awed. It takes a lot of people doing a lot of different things to make our Pops in the Park celebration a success," Conway said.

And although July 3 it is still five months away, Conway is

preparing to recruit her committee chairmen, and to organize the monthly meetings required when inviting thousands of people of one big event.

"It does take a lot of different people doing a lot of different things to make this happen, but it is worth it," Conway said.

The annual celebration draws more than 10,000 persons to the park itself, fills the amphitheatre and leaves area streets and highways lined with spectators.

The project will be presented by the Big Spring Symphony, City of Big Spring, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Big Spring Herald and first-time presenter KBST.

At least 16 committees will be organized to coordinate the different components of the event, said Carroll Jennings, an organization committee board mem-



HERALD photo/John H. Walker

The Big Spring Symphony and Chorale will again be the featured entertainment this year for the third annual Pops in the Park celebration, scheduled for Monday, July 3 at the Amphitheatre.

ber. And an opportunity for volunteer efforts in a variety of interests exists within the 16 sub-

committees, such as funding, food, booths, entertainment and fireworks.

been ordered, which is a good thing considering the backfireworks.

"The fireworks have already been ordered, which is a good thing considering the backfireworks." See **POPS**, Page 2



HERALD photo/Carl Graham

City water maintenance crew members Michael Sizenbach and J.D. Renteria close a main water valve at 10th and Main. Crews accidentally hit the main while drilling through some concrete nearby last Friday.

Tommy Sullivan named to head 911 program

By **CARL GRAHAM**
Staff Writer

Tommy Sullivan has been named the new Howard County 911 director, effective March 1.

Sullivan replaces Kay Kennemur, who resigned in after being suspended last November by the 911 board of directors.



SULLIVAN

Sullivan has been interim director since Kennemur's resignation and was elated at the announcement he was

selected.

"I am very excited about being named director and I feel real lucky to be a part of this important team," said Sullivan. "This is something I have always wanted and dreamed about."

According to Melinda Hernandez, chairperson for the Howard County 911 service, Sullivan has been doing an excellent job while acting as the interim director and was a right fit for the position.

"Tommy has been putting in a lot of hours since November keeping everything up to date and this has been in addition to his full-time job at Fina," said Hernandez, who volunteers her

time to serve as chairperson.

Sullivan will be paid through Howard County 911 collection fees and has already tendered his resignation at Fina effective Feb. 29. He has been with Fina about six years as a security supervisor.

"I just felt with this appointment I would not have the time to devote to both jobs and that would be unfair to both positions," said Sullivan. "It was a fairly easy decision for me to make because like I said this is something I have always wanted to do."

Sullivan says he will not be giving up his position as the

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Mayor's race

Time running out to file; Field currently has trio seeking to complete term

By **BILL McCLELLAN**
News Editor

Time is running out for anyone who may be considering joining the race for mayor of Big Spring.

"Filing ends at 5 o'clock Wednesday," confirmed city secretary Tom Ferguson.

The position came open when former mayor Tim Blackshear filed for the District 70 Texas House of Representatives' seat. An emergency call for an election by the city council drew some response early on, but no one has filed in more than a week and a half.

Currently, the race features two current council members — Oscar Garcia and Greg Biddison — and one former councilman — Russ McEwen.

Election day is March 4. To be eligible, a candidate must be at least 18 years old and have lived in the city limits for the past 12 months. State laws also apply.

The election is to fill out the final year of the current term for mayor and is not a full term.

City officials had attempted to get the Secretary of State's office to allow them to hold the mayoral election in conjunction with the May 6 city council election. However, that request was denied.

Filing in the May 6 election is Feb. 21 through March 22.

WHAT — Special election to fill the unexpired term of former mayor Tim Blackshear.

WHEN — Saturday, March 4
FILING DEADLINE — 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY CANDIDATES — Current council members Greg Biddison and Oscar Garcia and former council member Russ McEwen.



FERGUSON

Because the mayor's election is March 4, any of the candidates making an unsuccessful bid for mayor could file again in the council election — if they choose to do so.

Both of the council members in the mayor's race have seats coming up for election in May. Garcia, who serves as mayor pro tem, holds the District 2 seat, while Biddison represents District 6. The other seat up for election is District 4, held by Tommy Tune.

Like the mayor's race, city council candidates may reside anywhere within the city limits. However, unlike the mayor's race, only those voters living in a specific district may vote.

One other note for citizens interested in the elections — Wednesday is the last day to register to vote for the mayor's election. Anyone who does not have a valid voter registration card or who has recently moved may obtain a card at the Howard County Tax Assessor-Collector's Office in the courthouse annex.

United Way sets allocations, adds two agencies to list

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**
Staff Writer

The United Way of Big Spring and Howard County has released its allocations for 11 non-profit entities, and announced it will include two more organizations in its 2000-01 campaign.

"We will include two new agencies in 2001, the ARF, or pet therapy program through the Humane Society, and the Howard County Council on Aging senior meals program," said Carroll Jennings, United Way executive director.

The organization's annual meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. today at KC Steak House for all United Way officials.

"We will be installing new officers and new board members then," Jennings said.

Richard Steel returns as the

United Way president, and Frances Wheat returns as the corporate secretary.

Cavan McMahon is this year's first vice president, a position that calls for double duty as the 2001 campaign chairman. Sue Bagwell will serve as second vice president and Donna Tune is treasurer.

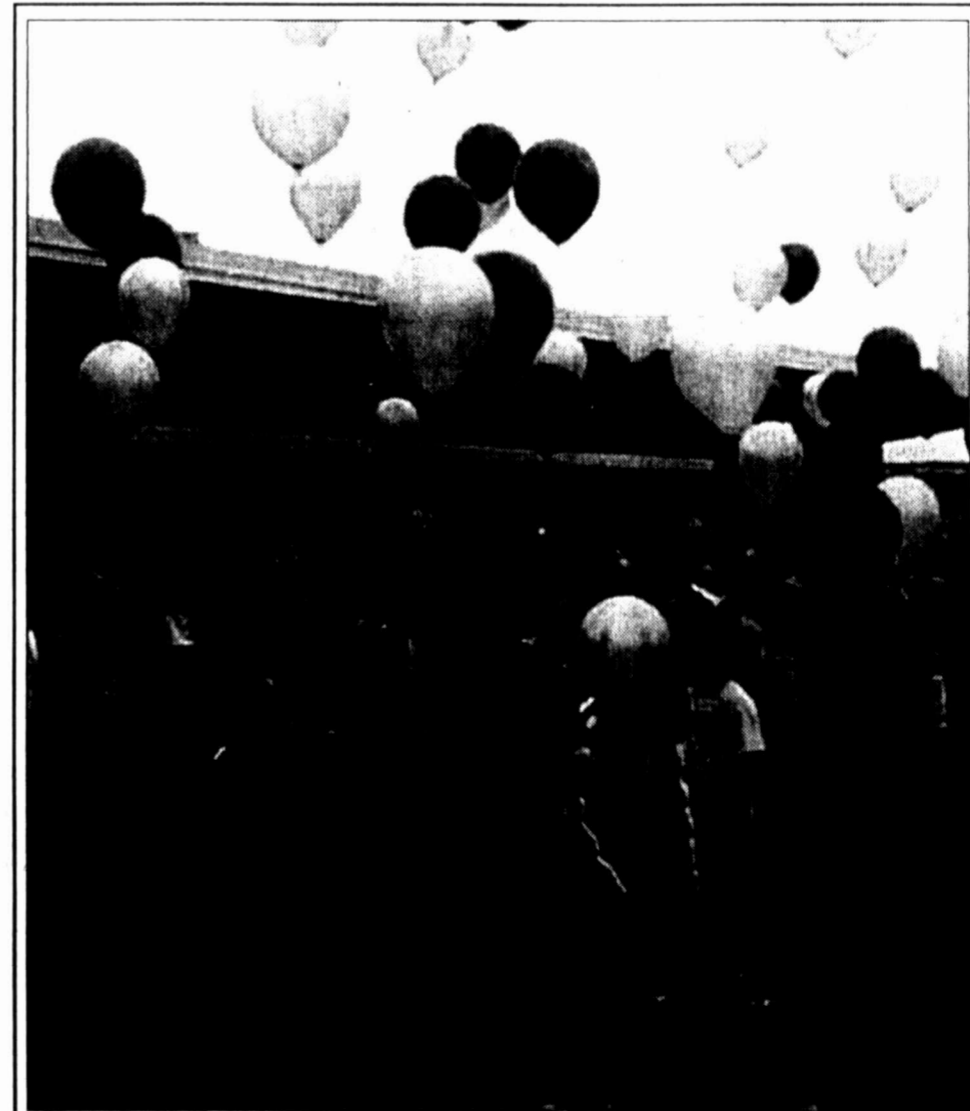
Other members of the board of directors are Don Ferguson, Rory Worthan, Eddie Tubbs, John Scott and Sylvia Casas. All these board members have positions that expire between 2001, 2002 and 2003.

"This will be our first assembly of the cabinet on Monday night. The board meets quarterly, except for the executive officers, who meet monthly," Jennings said.

The goal for the 2001 campaign, along with the cabinet members selected by McMahon and his committee, will be announced in July, Jennings said.

This year, the United Way contributions increased by

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Gollad Mavericks and Young Mavericks, along with students representing Junior Classics and Cavaliers attended special ceremony to welcome Gollad Elementary into the new year on Friday. The new sign for Gollad Elementary was unveiled, and the 100 or so students who took part released black and gold helium-filled balloons into the wintry sky.

HERALD photo/Marsha Sturdivant

OBITUARIES

Jerry L. Anderson

Funeral service for Jerry L. Anderson, 66, Paris, will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2000, at Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home Chapel with Glenn Cogburn officiating. Burial will follow in Evergreen Cemetery.

Mr. Anderson died Sunday, Jan. 30, at McCuiston Regional Medical Center.

He was born Dec. 15, 1933, in the Clardy community. He was an assistant manager for the Piggly Wiggly store in Paris for many years. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Paris.

Survivors include: three daughters, Janet Cogburn of Yatis, Angela Hiltz of Rowlett, and Shelly Hamilton of Plano; two sisters, Louise Hyden and Emma Ringener, both of Big Spring; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home.

Jimmy Gunn

Service for Jimmy Gunn, 37, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He died Sunday, Jan. 30, 2000, in a local hospital.

Melba Huddleston

Service for Melba Huddleston, 77, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She died Sunday, Jan. 30, 2000, in a Lubbock hospital.

POPS

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orders anticipated since this is 2000," Jennings said.

The fireworks cost \$10,000, as set in a four-year contract, but additional displays might be obtained as well, he said.

Funding efforts will begin immediately. Last year the event cost \$25,982. A total of \$26,329 was raised for the celebration, leaving a balance of \$400 carried over, he said.

Stan Hanes, president of the Big Spring Symphony, will coordinate the entertainment and conduct, the symphony and chorale.

The Greater Rotary Club of Big Spring will organize the booths, which will sell food, trinkets, souvenirs and other products.

In addition, local Boy Scouts and members of the Vietnam Memorial Committee are again expected to participate in the opening ceremony and presentation of flags, along with the Big Spring Police Color Guard, which will present the colors.

In an effort to fine-tune the process, some changes will be made in the area on top of the amphitheatre, where food booths were located last summer.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home

Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St.
(915) 267-6331

Melba Huddleston, 77, died Sunday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Jimmy Gunn, 37, died Sunday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288
Gary Wayne Ellet, 42, died Saturday. Graveside services will be 2:00 PM, Monday at Cuthbert Cemetery in Mitchell County.

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"Parking went very smoothly last year, and we had great success with the booths at the top of the amphitheater. We will change the path for traffic this year though, to allow easier access down from the booths," explained city parks director Becky Crane.

Monthly meetings will be conducted with committee chairmen and members from now until June. Then, weekly meetings will be needed to wrap up the details as the event draws near, Jennings said.

"This event takes a lot of contributions of time, labor, materials and equipment to be successful. We want to make this one better than last year, and with a lot of volunteer help, we are sure this Pops in the Park will be most successful," Jennings said.

(Staff writer John H. Walker contributed to this report.)

911

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Howard County Volunteer Fire Department fire chief, at least not yet.

"I really enjoy being with the fire department and I feel I can still act in that capacity and not cause any conflicts with the other position of 911 director," Sullivan said. "I feel like I have the best of both worlds."

Sullivan can be reached at the 911 office located at 309 South Main by calling 267-1900.

UNITED WAY

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one-half of 1 percent, with increased donations from all entities except the Combined Federal Campaign and the State Employees Charitable Campaign, he said.

"Those donations went down, yet we still had the best year ever, and we're expecting 2001 to be better still," Jennings said.

Allocations for the 2000 United Way Campaign combined funds are:

- American Red Cross, \$7,736
- Boys Club of Big Spring, \$32,196
- Buffalo Trail Council Boy Scouts of America, \$7,747
- Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, \$17,389
- Northside Community Center, \$17,419
- Rape Crisis/Victim Service, \$10,209
- Salvation Army, \$13,621
- West Texas Girl Scouts, \$4,435
- West Side Community Center, \$8,745
- Westside Day Care Center, \$20,559
- YMCA of Big Spring, \$11,763

Total funds provided these 11 agencies is \$145,819. Total funds raised this year came to \$226,112. Administrative costs amounted to about \$52,000 of the total raised.

WHAT'S UP

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College Cactus Room.
Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park.
Fraternal Order of Eagles, Aerie, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

THURSDAY

- Gideons International, Big Spring Camp No. 4206, Hermans, 7 a.m.
- Big Spring Senior Citizens Center Art Classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and older.
- Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, American Legion Auxiliary, 7 p.m.
- Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard County Library.
- Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

- AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron Restaurant.
- Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.

SATURDAY

- Dance, 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. Members and guests welcome.
- Big Spring Squares call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

TAKE TIME OUT FOR YOURSELF READ

BRIEFS

THE PARENT-TEACHER ORGANIZATION

From Big Spring Junior High School will meet Tuesday in the cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be Richard Hickham of MH/MR. All parents and teachers of junior high students are invited to attend, along with other interested persons.

Call John Richard Sparks, 263-8527, for more information.

THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS

(AARP) 55 Alive/Mature Driving Course will be offered Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 8-9 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Spring City Senior Center. The course includes a one-hour lunch break.

There are no tests or exams in this special course for senior citizens, which deals with safe driving techniques. Attendees will receive a certificate entitling them to a 10 percent discount in auto insurance rates for three years. The course is designed to improve the driving skills of anyone 50 and older, whether they belong to AARP or not.

Both sessions must be attended to receive credit. Tuition is \$10 which includes the cost of a workbook students can keep.

Reserve a spot in the class by calling 267-1628, the senior center.

BAPTIST TEMPLE CHURCH

will be having a divorce workshop starting Monday, March 6, at 7 p.m. and will continue for eight consecutive Mondays.

This workshop is for any divorced, separated or widowed person and the cost is \$35 (which includes materials, workshop and refreshments). The deadline to register is Feb. 21. Call the church at 267-8287 for more information. Child care is available upon request.

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

volunteers have been trained and are ready to begin preparing 1999 tax returns for individuals from Monday, Feb. 7-Monday, March 27. Hours are 9 a.m.-noon at the Spring City Senior Citizens Center, 1901 Simler Drive.

All citizens are eligible to receive this free assistance. Interested persons should bring their tax booklet, all W-2 and 1099 forms, as well as anything else received showing 1999 income and their 1998 tax return. Please call Dorothy Kennemur, 398-5522, or the center, 267-1628, for more information.

THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

will be giving flu shots starting on Wednesday, Nov. 3, and every Wednesday through the winter months to those persons 18 years and older, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m. If you are on Medicare we will file. The cost to others will be \$5. For more information call 263-9775.

SENIOR CITIZENS WHO HAVE

witnessed the effects of childhood diseases are needed to staff a new volunteer program that will promote immunizations.

Volunteers 55 and older are sought for the effort, to be known as the Seniors for Childhood Immunization Program. RSVP volunteers will visit new mothers at Scenic Mountain Medical Center and remind them of the importance of the immunizations.

To find out more about the program or to volunteer, call 264-2397.

HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM

is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Author Kurt Vonnegut

hospitalized after fire in his home

NEW YORK (AP) — Kurt Vonnegut, the author of "Cat's Cradle" and "Slaughterhouse-Five," was hospitalized after suffering smoke inhalation in a fire at his Manhattan home.

The blaze was reported at 7 p.m. Sunday in a rear bedroom

Scenic Mountain Medical Center
1601 W. 11th Place
263-1211

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on the top floor of Vonnegut's four-story East 48th Street brownstone, where the author was home with his wife and a daughter, fire department officials said.

Vonnegut, 77, was wheeled from the brownstone on a gurney while paramedics held an oxygen mask to his sooty face. He was being treated at New York-Presbyterian Hospital, but a hospital administrator declined to comment on his condition.

SUPPORT GROUPS

MONDAY

•TOPS Club (Take off pound sensibly), weigh-in 5 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., College Heights Christian church, 21st and Goliad.

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

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

•Alzheimer's support group, 7 p.m., Canterbury South, 1700 N. Lancaster, first Mondays of each month. Call Galynd Gamble at 263-1271.

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

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

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

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

•Encourager's Support Group (for widows) will meet Monday, Feb. 17, at 6 p.m. at Christine's Restaurant in Coahoma. They will also meet Feb. 21, at the First Presbyterian Church, Seventh and Runnels (enter through the north door). Bring a covered dish and a valentine. For more information call 398-5522.

TUESDAY

•Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

•Compassionate Friends support group for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October and December in the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 West Marcy. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-2769.

•Cancer support group, first Tuesday of each month, 7-8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Sue Jones, 263-7361 ext. 7179 or 264-7518.

•"Most Excellent Way," an addiction support group, 3610 Dixon, call 264-9900.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Dr. Ronald Meyer, D.Min., LCDC, LMFT, specializing in individual and marriage counseling, Attention Deficit Disorder and chemical depen-

dency, available for clients in Midland. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

•Big Spring Christian Home Educators meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 1:30 p.m. at the Family Life Center at First Baptist Church. Recreation is available for the kids and networking for the parents. For more information, contact Suzanne Haney at 263-7147.

•Innovators in glyconutritional are an independent group focusing on sickness prevention and management utilizing non-toxic simple saccharides to help our body heal itself. Training sessions are the second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at 1909 S. Gregg. For more information call 267-3013 or 267-2424.

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

MARKETS

March cotton 56.70, down 75 points; Feb. crude 27.44, up 22 points; cash hogs at \$1 higher at 40 even; cash steers steady at 69 even; Feb. lean hog futures 56.60, down 40 points; Feb. live cattle futures 69.70, down 2 points.

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Table with 2 columns: Stock Name and Price Change. Includes ATT, Atlantic Richfield, Atmos Energy, BP Amoco, Chevron, Cifra, Compaq Computer, etc.

FIRE/EMS

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

FRIDAY
7:02 a.m. — 2000 block Morrison, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

8:10 a.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transferred to Midland.

9:15 a.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to the VA.

10:28 p.m. — 3500 block I-20, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

SATURDAY
12:52 a.m. — Birdwell and I-20, fatal traffic accident.

8:25 a.m. — 1700 block Lancaster, trauma call, service refused.

9:03 a.m. — 1300 block Tucson, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

1:34 p.m. — 1500 Runnels, gas leak, false call.

2:13 p.m. — 6200 block Walter, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

6:25 p.m. — 500 block W. 17th, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

7:02 p.m. — I-20 and Hwy. 87, grass fire, extinguished.

9:30 p.m. — 1200 block Jeffery, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

SUNDAY
5:53 a.m. — 900 block Goliad, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

6:19 a.m. — 600 block Driver Road, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

7:06 a.m. — SMMC, medical call, patient transferred to 901 Goliad.

7:42 a.m. — 2400 block Anderson Road, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

8:22 a.m. — 501 W. 17th, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

6:50 p.m. — 1500 block Sycamore, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

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POLICE

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

MICHAEL RICHARDSON, 22, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

DEBRA SCHULTZ, 46, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

DAVID YANEZ, 50, was arrested on a charge of violation of city ordinance.

CLAUDIA SAENZ, no age given, was arrested on a charge of driving without valid license.

DWAYNE SMITH, 37, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated, second offense.

JUSTIN COLE, 21, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

MIGUEL CHAVARRIA, no age given, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

DANNY ZAMBRANO, 30, was arrested on a charge of driving without a valid license.

ASSAULT was reported in the 1600 block of Tucson and in the 1400 block of Tucson.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1400 block of 11th street and in the 600 block of Caylor.

JUVENILE PROBLEM was reported in the 200 block of N.E. 7th.

THEFT was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson.

ASSAULT was reported in the 900 block of Willa.

BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 300 block of Circle.

DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 400 block of Johnson.

RECORDS

Sunday's high 54
Sunday's low 22
Average high 58
Average low 29
Record high 81 in 1971
Record low 8 in 1918
Precip. Sunday 0.00
Month to date 0.42
Month's normal 0.56
Year to date 0.42
Normal for the year 0.56
Sunrise Tuesday 7:40 a.m.
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Bradley questions Gore's integrity; Bush, McCain spar over readiness

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — Al Gore and fellow Democrats jumped "into bed with special interests" during the 1996 fundraising scandal, rival Bill Bradley said Sunday, as he struggled with questions about his own health two days before New Hampshire's primary.

At the same time, Sen. John McCain claimed, "There's only one man who is fully prepared" to be commander-in-chief, and he said it's not Texas Gov. George W. Bush.

With polls showing Gore's once-commanding lead narrowing, the vice president struggled to deal with Bradley's sudden eagerness to attack. A political flame-thrower himself, Gore accused Bradley of impugning his integrity and "stepping down ... to the level of personal vilification."

Bush, the two-term Texas governor and national GOP front-runner, said his executive office experience would make for a better president. "I'm not of the Washington scene. I'm not a committee chairman," Bush said, digging at Senate Commerce Committee chairman McCain.

McCain holds a slight edge or is tied with Bush in polls here, after leading the Texan for eight weeks. Gore's edge over Bradley is slightly wider, but that con-

test also could be close Tuesday. Bradley, McCain, Bush and Republican Alan Keyes made the round of Sunday talk shows while the seven major-party White House hopefuls plowed toward Tuesday's vote with rallies and news conferences.

Running a distant third in Republican polling here, millionaire publisher Steve Forbes kept his eye on Bush. After the Texan told "Fox News Sunday" that he would cut taxes "hopefully in the first term," Forbes questioned his commitment to the concept.

Keyes, the conservative firebrand, picked up the endorsement of David Schippers, chief GOP investigator for President Clinton's impeachment trial. He said the race between Bradley and Gore is a choice between "the devil or Beelzebub."

Fellow conservative Gary Bauer, struggling to keep his candidacy alive, maintained a light schedule that included a Super Bowl party. Recognizing that football, not politics, held voters' interests Sunday, most of the candidates ended their day in front of the TV.

Bradley, a former basketball star, has been slow to reveal details about his irregular heartbeat condition and acknowledged Sunday that he has briefly undergone anesthe-

NEW HAMPSHIRE POLLS

John McCain
 • 39 percent (CNN-USA-Gallup)
 • 34 percent (American Research Group)
 • 38 percent (UNH-WMUR-Fox)
 (McCain was in low 40s in CNN-USA-Gallup and UNH-WMUR-Fox a week ago, has been in the 30s in ARG poll for last week)

George W. Bush
 • 34 percent (CNN-USA-Gallup)
 • 38 percent (American Research Group)
 • 35 percent (UNH-WMUR-Fox)
 (Bush has been in 30s for the last week in all three polls, picking up some undecided Republicans recently to close the gap)

Steve Forbes
 • 15 percent (CNN-USA-Gallup)
 • 17 percent (American Research Group)
 • 15 percent (UNH-WMUR-Fox)
 (Forbes has remained in teens in all three polls since before his strong showing in Iowa)

Undecided
 • 3 percent (CNN-USA Today-Gallup)
 • 3 percent (American Research Group)
 • 2 percent (UNH-WMUR-Fox)
 If you were voting in the 2000 New Hampshire Democratic primary today would you vote for Al Gore or Bill Bradley?

Al Gore
 • 48 percent (CNN-USA Today-Gallup)
 • 51 percent (American Research Group)
 • 53 percent (UNH-WMUR-Fox)
 (Gore had built a double-digit lead in some polls, but that is narrowing in some polls, has disappeared in the CNN-USA Today-Gallup)

Bill Bradley
 • 47 percent (CNN-USA Today-Gallup)
 • 45 percent (American Research Group)
 • 42 percent (UNH-WMUR-Fox)
 (Bradley's numbers have crept up in recent days as he increased his criticism of Gore)

Undecided
 • 5 percent (CNN-USA Today-Gallup)
 • 4 percent (American Research Group)
 • 4 percent (UNH-WMUR-Fox)

sia three times for treatment since December 1996.

Though the candidate and his doctors say the condition is simply a medical nuisance, it could become a political problem if voters worry about his health.

Bradley lost badly to Gore in the Iowa caucuses last week and would be staggered by a second-straight defeat in New Hampshire. The former lawmaker surrendered his lead to Gore in New Hampshire polls during the vice president's aggressive final week of campaigning in Iowa.

Bradley, however, has enough money to continue beyond this state, and has released a schedule showing that he intends to do so. The next contests — a series of March 7 primaries — include states where Bradley is strong.

Since the waning days of the Iowa campaign, Bradley has been torn between a need to attack Gore and a fear that negative campaigning will tarnish his self-styled image as a non-politician. Daily polling, which is sometimes unreliable, showed Bradley edging toward Gore — and the vice president seemed to be feeling the heat.

"Why would Senator Bradley break his promise to run a different kind of campaign and launch divisive, manipulative

attacks?" Gore asked supporters, as Democratic leaders backing the vice president urged Bradley to curb his criticism.

Bradley has turned the tables on Gore: The vice president revitalized his sagging campaign last fall by launching a full-throated case against Bradley's health care plan and questioning the former New Jersey senator's commitment to the Democratic Party.

With aides promising still harder attacks, Bradley stopped short of calling Gore a liar. "I don't think that he said the truth" about his abortion record in Congress, Bradley told ABC.

At a rally later, Bradley waved a recent article about Gore's 1996 fund-raising trip to a Buddhist Temple near Los Angeles and demanded an explanation. He said the fund-raising scandal "was a disgrace" to both parties, particularly Democrats.

"When we all get into bed with the special interests, I think that makes a more serious problem for us than for Republicans," Bradley said. He suggested that Gore's role in the fund-raising abuses would make him vulnerable to attacks by the GOP nominee.

"Unless we clean up our own house, Republicans will clean it up for us this fall," he told ABC.

Three Israeli soldiers killed in attack

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Hezbollah guerrillas blasted an Israeli patrol today with rocket-propelled grenades and machine-gun fire, killing three soldiers and wounding five others, Lebanese security officials said.

There was no immediate comment from Israel on the attack near the border in southern Lebanon.

Before and after the attack, Israeli warplanes staged nine air raids against suspected guerrilla positions in areas facing the Israeli occupied zone. It was unknown whether the air raids caused any casualties.

Today's deaths brought to four the number of Israeli soldiers killed in Lebanon this year and since the resumption of Syrian-Israeli peace talks in December. One of the three soldiers killed today was an officer, officials said.

Syria is the main power-broker in Lebanon and it was not clear how the latest escalation

would affect the talks, now on hold. Israeli leaders have warned that rising hostilities in Lebanon could undermine chances for peace, and Prime Minister Ehud Barak had promised retaliation for the Hezbollah killing of a senior pro-Israeli militia commander in the south a day earlier.

The attack on the Israeli patrol happened south of the Israeli outpost at Beaufort, a Crusader-era mountaintop castle with a commanding view of southern Lebanon and northern Israel, said the officials, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The patrol was attacked on a road between the villages of Taibe and Deir Mimas, about 2 miles south of the castle and about the same distance from Israel's Upper Galilee border.

The guerrillas opened up with rocket-propelled grenades and machine-gun fire, the officials said.

In Beirut, the Iranian-backed Hezbollah guerrilla group said

its fighters staged a "daring attack deep in the occupied zone," targeting Israeli soldiers as they gathered. Other guerrillas opened fire on nearby positions at Beaufort and Dabsh to prevent reinforcements and rescuers from reaching the area, a Hezbollah statement said.

It said the ambush was carried out "despite all the threats of Israeli leaders," a reference to Barak's statement Sunday that the killing of the militia commander would not go unpunished.

On Sunday, Hezbollah detonated a bomb outside the house of Col. Akl Hashem, considered the No. 2 man in the South Lebanon Army, a militia armed and paid by Israel. Hashem was killed and his son suffered minor injuries.

The occupied zone was shuttered today after SLA calls for mourning for the slain commander, and the four crossing points linking it with the rest of Lebanon also were closed.

Winter storm leaves Southeast, takes rain, snow up Atlantic coast

ATLANTA (AP) — A winter storm that glazed much of the Southeast in a thick coat of ice moved up the coast on Sunday, leaving warmer temperatures and drier roads for thousands of football fans who trekked to Georgia Dome to watch the Super Bowl.

The storm brought snow, sleet and rain from the Carolinas to southeastern New York, knocking out power to tens of thousands of customers.

The same storm had dumped more than a foot of snow in parts of the southern Plains and the South just days earlier. It was expected to reach western Maine on Monday.

"There are a lot of cars out there tonight, slipping and sliding all over the place," said Richard Parese Sr., whose towing company in Sinking Springs, Pa., had 30 calls from stranded motorists in less than three hours Sunday evening.

"I thought most people would have stayed home tonight to watch the Super Bowl," Parese said.

By Sunday evening, six inches of snow had fallen in western Maryland and dozens of flights were canceled at Baltimore-Washington International Airport. In Virginia, more than 175,000 electricity customers lost power as conditions worsened through the day.

In eastern Pennsylvania, where drivers were still sliding on side streets slick with ice from a storm earlier in the week, up to 12 inches of snow

were expected overnight. The Legislature canceled its Monday sessions.

A mix of snow, freezing rain and sleet was expected across Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island through Monday night, with accumulations of as much as eight inches of snow.

Although the icy conditions made driving hazardous, North Carolina authorities said there were few accidents and most motorists appeared to be staying home Sunday, especially with some stores closed and church services canceled.

"I think people are realizing that they shouldn't be on the roads if they don't know how to drive in it," said Penny Roark, a dispatcher in Watauga County, N.C.

North Carolina's two major utilities reported more than 11,000 customers without electricity Sunday afternoon.

In Georgia early Sunday, trees were "popping like popcorn" and power lines shorted out under the weight of the ice.

Temperatures rose above freezing for the first time in two days, clearing off roads that had been so icy Saturday even walking had been treacherous. Both the Tennessee Titans and the St. Louis Rams canceled plans to practice in the Georgia Dome on Saturday after hundreds of accidents were reported, including a 47-car pileup.

South Carolina Gov. Jim Hodges requested \$9.2 million

in federal disaster aid to help his state dig out. Power was knocked out to about 20,000 customers as the freezing drizzle encrusted lines, cars and roads.

"Snow and ice have pelted South Carolina for a week now," Hodges said in his request to President Clinton. "It's clear this unusual run of winter storms is causing unexpected problems."

Icy pavement and heavy fog in West Virginia contributed to a multiple-vehicle crash that killed three people Sunday morning west of Charleston, state police reported. Two weather-related traffic deaths were reported in Georgia.

Georgia utilities reported as many as 50,000 customers lost power across the central part of the state — far fewer than the 500,000 customers who faced blackouts after a storm that stunned North Carolina with nearly 2 feet of snow rolled through a week ago.

"Georgia just doesn't get two ice storms in a week," said Phyllis Turner, spokeswoman for the Georgia Transmission Corp. She said power line repairs were slowed because "we'll get one up and then have to go back when a tree brings it down again."

"The trees have been popping like popcorn down here," Mike Doster said Sunday from his home in Griffin, about 35 miles south of Atlanta. "Had I not moved my station wagon yesterday, it would have been flattened."

Delta sniper at Waco passes polygraph

DALLAS (AP) — Waco special counsel John Danforth gave a polygraph test to a Delta Force commando about his involvement in the Branch Davidian siege to clear up questions raised in a wrongful death suit. The Dallas Morning News reported Monday.

Quoting unnamed officials, the newspaper said a retired sergeant, a Delta Force sniper at the time of the siege, was deposed Thursday by lawyers for surviving Davidians and their families and was questioned Friday by House investigators and U.S. Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa.

The officials reportedly told the newspaper the polygraph test centered on whether he shot at the compound or got anywhere near the building.

The former sniper passed the test, saying he had no gun and never got closer than a kilometer to the compound.

What role the military played in the final days of the standoff has become a focus of the Davidians' wrongful death suit and investigations by Danforth

and committees in Congress.

Michael Caddell, attorney for the survivors and their relatives, has maintained that someone from the government — possibly soldiers — shot at the Davidian compound during the last hours of the siege.

An inferno destroyed the Davidian compound on April 19, 1993. Sect leader David Koresh and some 80 followers died, some from gunshots and others from fire. The government long has maintained that the Davidians died by their own hands.

The former sniper's answers contradict a Delta Force electronics specialist who testified in the Davidians' wrongful death suit.

In interviews with the unspecified officials, the former sniper said he drank a few beers the night of April 18, then went to bed early, the newspaper said.

The next morning, he went out to the FBI command post around 8 a.m. He reportedly said he went to lunch and when he returned he found the compound in flames.

He also told officials he did not recall seeing the other Delta Force soldiers on April 19, the newspaper reported.

A third Delta Force member testified he also did not see the sniper that day.

Caddell said he doubted the former sniper's testimony.

"This guy is there longer than anyone else from Delta, and he remembers nothing? He can't remember anyone he talked to, hung out with, saw," Caddell told the newspaper. "The contradiction between his testimony and that of the previous two soldiers is striking and incredible."

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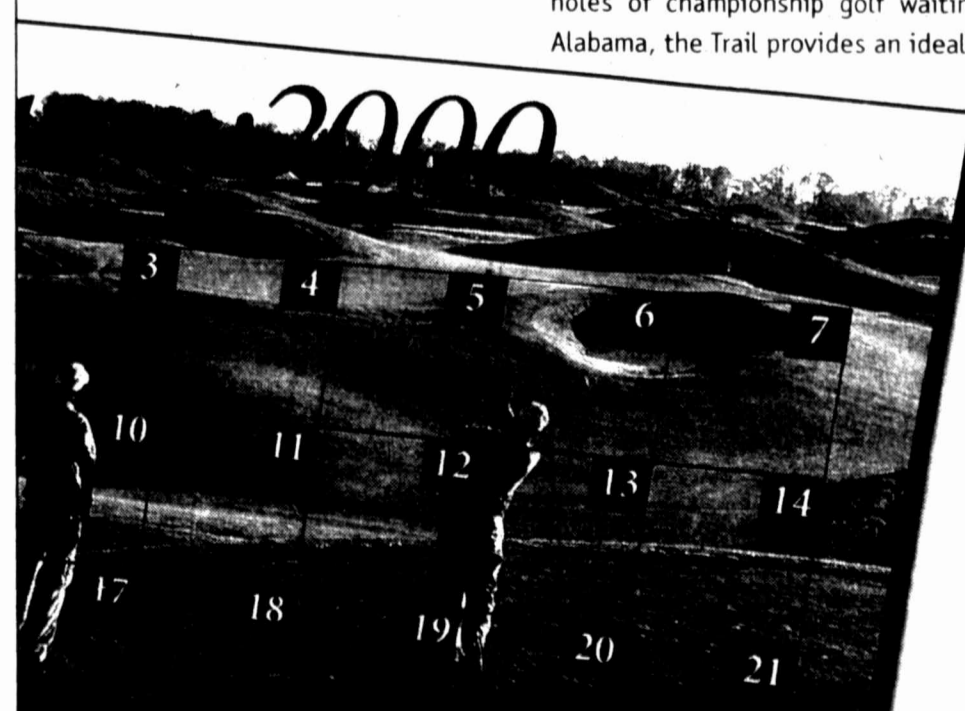
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OUR VIEWS

It's time to register if you plan to vote in March elections

If you haven't registered to vote, it's time to do so. In the next few months, three election dates are coming up that will have a bearing on you, no matter where you live in Howard County. First is the mayoral election set for March 4. That follows with the March party primaries, set for March 14. Finally, in May are city council, college and school board elections.

You might not live in the city, so the mayor's race and city council's race won't apply to you. Still, you need to have a say-so in the primaries - there is a contested race for sheriff. And you need to be able to choose who you want to represent you on the college and public school boards.

Wednesday is the last day you can register to vote in the mayor's election. There are three candidates, and eligible voters residing within the city limits have three candidates to choose from. If you register to vote in that election, you'll be registered for all upcoming ones, and that includes the November presidential election as well.

Unfortunately, the tax assessor-collector's office recently received more than 2,500 registration cards back in the mail. That means that 2,500 people who had held registration cards in the past, may not be eligible to vote right now. That's a lot of people, and a lot of votes. Unfortunately, by law, those notices can't be forwarded.

If you have moved recently, you need a new voter registration card. If you haven't voted in a while, you may need to register again.

Your vote is important. That vote, along with the vote of your neighbors, determines who will represent you in office. It is important that you elect someone who will represent you well.

If you haven't registered to vote, please do. If you aren't sure whether you are registered, call the Howard County Tax Assessor-Collector's Office. They can tell you if you are or not.

You have every right and obligation to make your voice heard. But it won't happen if you can't vote.

YOUR VIEWS

To The Editor:
Recently, I read a little write-up and a picture of a "wrecking ball" being used to demolish the Permian Building. The picture stirred a few nostalgic memories of days of yore.

On July 17, 1957 I was employed as a clerk at Sinclair Oil & Gas Company office in Big Spring. The office was located on the third floor of the Permian Building.

At that time Sinclair did not have a separate personnel office. One person hired as a clerk in January 1957, with two years of college, started at \$275 monthly. I had four years college with a Bachelor of Business Administration and I was paid \$300 monthly. To supplement income, I worked after hours as a janitor on the fourth and fifth floor. These two floors were occupied by Cosden personnel.

My wife was a teacher at Kate Morrison School. In August 1957, I was transferred to Sinclair's Odessa office. In 1961, I was transferred to Sinclair's Monahan's office. We lived at 1807 Young Street during our time in Big Spring.

JOHN C. HOLCOMB
Midland

I am delighted to hear of the gathering to Pray for Rain and the willing souls to Christ. There is no greater need for our city, county, state and government. God bless them.

A story was told of a church having a special prayer for the purpose of asking God to remove a dance hall and beer joint from the side of their church. When the meeting was over, one of the men went over to the place and set fire to the building. When the fire chief asked him why he did that, his reply was "I was putting legs to my prayer."

The object of the story is we have to do something along with our prayers. We need to get our candles from the closet, trim the wick and light it. Take our light from under the basket and let it shine.

Jesus said "You are the light of the world." If we show no light we have no testimony for the lost to see. If someone has a touch of the Holy Spirit, they are out of order. They will know you by the fruit that you bare. Are we all sour lemons?

There is a song titled "You Can't Warm Your Heart Where There Is No Fire." We need to let the Holy Ghost loose and free to kindle our fires and then people will see what Christianity is.

JAMES W. ABERNATHY
Big Spring

The Writer's Art: It don't make no never mind

What's wrong with saying, "I ain't got none"? Nothing at all, says professor Kirk Hazen. "It means the same thing as 'I haven't got any.'" Truer words were rarely spoken.



JAMES J. KILPATRICK

The professor teaches linguistics at West Virginia University, where he directs the university's study of regional dialects. The study surely is academically useful. All the same, it strikes me as nonsense to contend, as some pedagogues contend, that all dialects are equal and should be equally taught. The notion that teachers should not correct errors in standard grammar and pronunciation is a notion that ought to be stamped out.

These observations stem from a recent article in The Washington Times. The reporter quoted Hazen: "Teachers shouldn't tell their students how they're saying something is wrong. I don't think it's the job of the schools to correct dialect features."

Linda Coleman, an associate professor of English at the University of Maryland, supports Hazen: "Telling students that their dialects are wrong would lower the standards of education. That's educationally indefensible. It's simply not the case that one dialect is better than another."

Ah, well, hokum. As a student of the writing art, I can agree with much that the professors say, but it is stupid to pretend that in the English-speaking world there are no standards of good, better and best - and bad, worse and worst. As a practical matter, of course there are standards. Teachers would be out of jobs if it were not so.

This much we know and can agree upon: Spoken English and written English are two different things. The two languages employ different vocabularies and adjust to different audiences. It is just as the professor says. "He ain't got none" communicates the identical message conveyed by "he doesn't have any," but we also know that the two statements are not at all the same. One conveys an image of illiteracy, with all its associated social implications. The other conveys a different image.

Now, let us suppose that the purpose of public education in

West Virginia is to educate only those hillbilly children who expect to remain hillbillies all their lives. If so, perhaps nothing much is lost by letting their errors in speech or writing go uncorrected. But that is not the purpose. In the field of English usage, error is there to be combated.

To speak of "error" is to invite a surly question: Who says that "he ain't got none" is an error? An honest answer rings of elitism. We are led in matters of usage by an invisible hand. Writers, grammarians, lexicographers, editors and teachers form a kind of disorganized consortium. Over a period of years they agree on the spelling of "potato" and the meaning of "momentarily." They define "famous" and "notorious." They distinguish "immense" from "enormous." In matters large and small they prescribe standards of taste.

And there you have it. We speak of "correct" and "incorrect" usage in the same way that we acknowledge good and bad manners. Standards of behavior are real. They are as real as hemlines in the world of fashion, as real as the rules of golf, and our petty little realms are governed by them.

The rules of "standard" English usage are not immutable. The language con-

stantly sloughs off dead wood and produces new growth. I have lived to see respectable editors approve language that once would have gotten their mouths washed out with soap. I probably will not live to chronicle the end of "whom," but its doom is sealed. In my nonage I was firmly instructed on the use of "shall" in the first person. No more. The masculine referent pronoun is in feeble shape; two generations down the road, everybody will be driving their car and reading their paper, and I will be revolting in my grave.

Meanwhile, let me counsel deference to contemporary rules, and let me urge teachers to keep red pencils sharp. If children are not taught "proper" or "correct" or "standard" English once they're out of the cradle, they will face a painful task in learning it later. Regional dialects are wonderful studies - the Gullah of South Carolina and the French patois of Louisiana are fine languages - but they are languages for Gullahs, Cajuns and professors of linguistics.

As professor Hazen well knows, beyond the Alleghenies lies a great wide world. The first object of teaching should be to prepare the state's children for cultural life on the other side of the mountain.



Our nation's chance to do good

The real message from President Clinton's State of the Union address and the GOP



JACK ANDERSON

and public response is that budget surpluses have moved the nation's liberal vs. conservative political debate into a new era: The era of right and wrong.

The old budget debate over the allocation of scarce resources has become a new debate over the allocation of abundant resources. There is enough money pouring into government coffers not only to reduce the national debt, but, according to Clinton, to eliminate it altogether within 13 years, a feat not accomplished since 1835. There is enough money to cut taxes while shoring up Social Security and Medicare. No longer is it a question of defense spending vs. social spending. There is enough money to do both.

There is so much money that the old arguments of choice are fading. Previously it was a choice of aid to the poor or tax relief for families; choices between education, minimum wage hikes, a prescription drug benefit, infant health, child care, medical and scientific research, and on and on. But now there is enough money to do it all.

The question is whether there will be enough in the future if it is unwisely spent now. That is why the president's call for the elimination of the debt is the most significant aspect of his plan. Paying down the debt in good times will allow us a reservoir of borrowing in bad times. The pay-down becomes the financial safety net that will protect the economy even if we make some bad allocation decisions for the balance of the budget.

But once that pay-down is established, the question of right and wrong should prevail, and based upon preliminary responses, it will prevail. In his address, the president said, "Our chance to do good is so great," and he went on to say, "no child will be raised in poverty." There is nothing lib-

eral or conservative in those words, only the supremacy of right over wrong.

It is right that poverty, hunger and illiteracy be extinguished in this nation. It is right to provide universal medical care, improved aid to the elderly, and more help for the disabled. It is right to finally spend serious money on medical research for AIDS, cancer and the other diseases that have eluded our will or financial ability to cure. It is right to provide that most essential of all government obligations: safety. This includes safety on a national level against missile and biological attacks and on a local level against crime.

If future generations look back and historians write that these things were within our ability to accomplish but that we lacked the will to address them, we will not be remembered as the "greatest generation," as was the World War II generation, but rather as the "greedy and insensitive generation." The matter will be decided by our willingness to exchange politics for morality - the politics of left vs. right for the morality of right vs. wrong.

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IN BRIEF

Boys basketball boosters set meeting for Tuesday

The Big Spring Boys Basketball Boosters Club has scheduled its next meeting for 5:15 p.m. Tuesday at Big Spring Junior High School.

Members will be making plans for the Boys Basketball Banquet honoring all boys' basketball players on junior high school and high school teams. That banquet is set for March.

Parents of all Big Spring boys' basketball players and others interested in the program are urged to attend.

For more information, call Ruth Shellman at 263-3065 or 264-6738.

National Little League meeting is Thursday

The National Little League of Big Spring will hold a meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Allan's Furniture.

Officers for the league will be elected during that meeting.

For more information, call Jim Wilson at 263-0062 or Jerry Baker at 263-3242.

Hunter education class scheduled for Feb. 12-13

A hunter education course, required of all Texas hunters born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 12-13, in the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce conference room.

Boyce Hale and Steve Poitivent will be instructors for the class.

For more information, call Hale at 267-6957 or Dibrell's Gun Shop at 267-7891.

Softball umpires training set to begin on March 1

The Permian Basin Softball Umpires Association will begin training for all slow-pitch and fastpitch umpires at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 1, at the Bill Williams Complex Umpire Building in Midland's Hogan Park.

All prospective and returning umpires need to attend.

For more information, call Mack Gipson at (915) 520-5961.

Agassi dominant taking Australian Open title

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Andre Agassi serves better, moves faster, stays fresh longer and belts even his ordinary rally shots harder.

Yevgeny Kafelnikov, who lost 3-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-4 to the No. 1 player in Sunday's Australian Open final, knows what Agassi's sensational run during the last eight months means for other players.

"They have to practice hard, a lot harder than they did before, to compete with him," said Kafelnikov.

Kafelnikov came out hitting sparkling winners before Agassi turned things around.

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NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

7 p.m. — Edmonton Oilers at Dallas Stars, FXS, Ch. 29.

UConn at No. 1 in women's poll for 13th straight week

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Connecticut held the No. 1 spot in The Associated Press women's basketball poll for the 13th straight week today, the longest the Huskies have ever been on top.

UConn (19-0) was a unanimous choice for the fourth consecutive week and led a top five that was unchanged from the previous poll. Kansas was the poll's only newcomer, returning at No. 25 after a one-week absence.

Louisiana Tech was second, Georgia third, Tennessee fourth and Notre Dame fifth.

Connecticut had one of its toughest games of the season last week, beating Boston College 84-77 before routing Miami 84-36. The Huskies received all 44

first-place votes from the national media panel and had 1,100 points — 62 more than Louisiana Tech.

The longest previous stint at No. 1 for Connecticut came in the 1996-97 season, when the Huskies led the poll the final 12 weeks.

Louisiana Tech (14-2) beat Arkansas-Little Rock 95-52 in its only game last week. That game was played the morning after it was scheduled because of a snowstorm. The Lady Techsters' game with Arkansas State on Saturday was postponed.

Georgia (21-2), the first Division I team to reach 20 victories, was just 19 points behind Louisiana Tech in the voting. The Lady Bulldogs are coming off solid wins over Mississippi and Vanderbilt.

Tennessee (16-3), which had not been sharp in recent games, returned to form

with one-sided victories over North Carolina State and Kentucky. Notre Dame (17-2) beat St. John's and Georgetown to run its winning streak to 13.

Penn State climbed one place to sixth and LSU jumped five places to seventh, the Lady Tigers' highest ranking since they held the No. 7 spot the week of Jan. 15, 1984. LSU climbed after beating Mississippi State on Sunday.

Iowa State, Texas Tech and Rutgers completed the Top Ten.

The 83-63 loss to Tennessee sent North Carolina State from eighth to 11th, Duke fell three places to 12th after Sunday's loss to Virginia and Auburn and UC Santa Barbara were tied for 13th. Then it was UCLA, Old Dominion and Purdue, followed by Boston College, Arizona and Mississippi State.

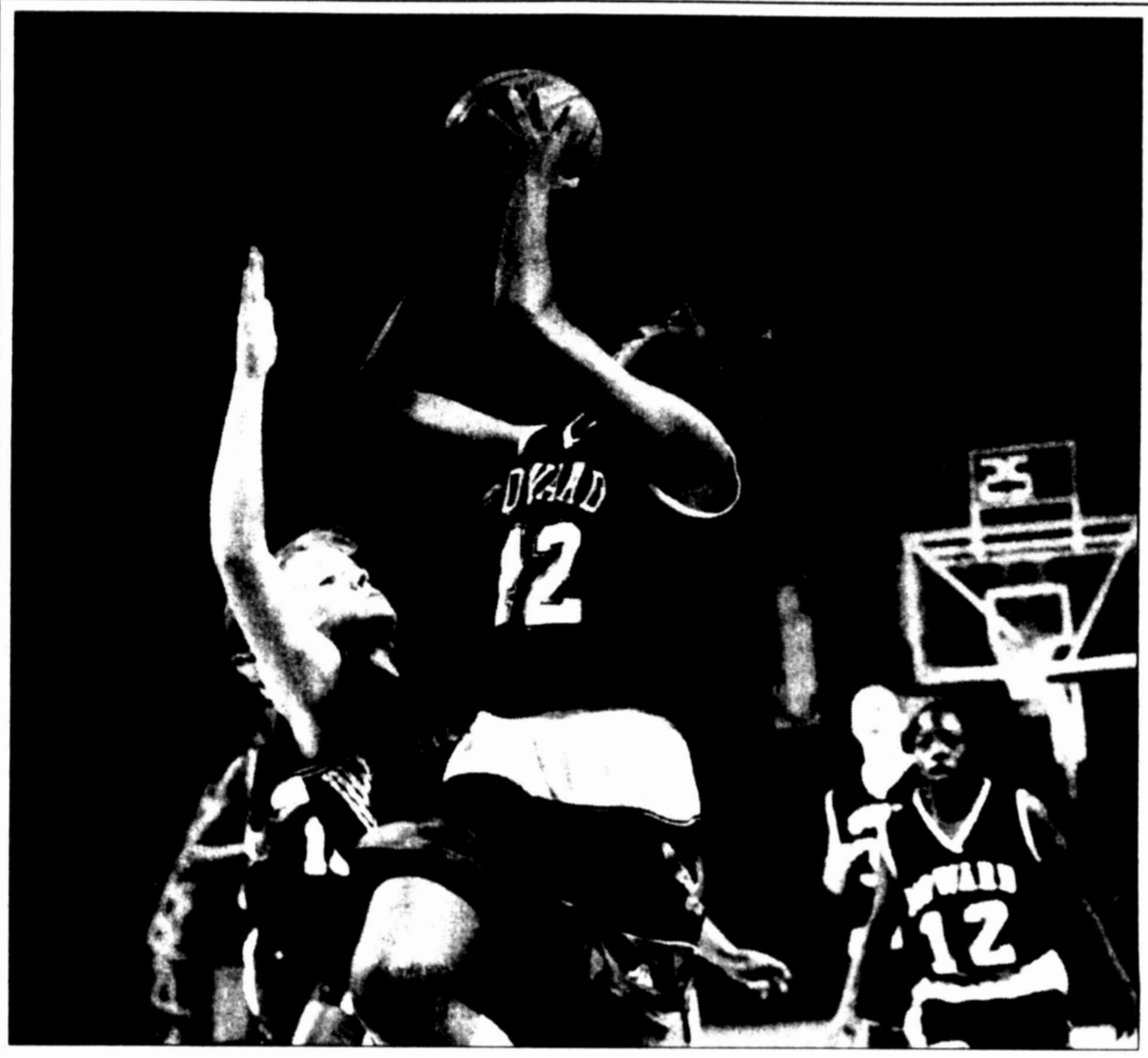
Tulane, Oklahoma, Illinois, Virginia and Kansas held the final five places.

Though nine ranked teams lost during the past week, only Stanford, which had been 24th, dropped out. The Cardinal, who had been in for just one week after being ranked for three weeks early in the season, lost to Washington on Thursday.

Kansas (14-5) returned after an outstanding defensive performance in a 58-49 victory over Iowa State, which had been averaging 80 points a game. The Jayhawks defeated Missouri 90-71 earlier in the week.

Texas Tech matched LSU's climb of five spots with its jump from 14th to ninth. The Lady Raiders have won five straight since a Jan. 8 loss at Oklahoma.

UCLA's fall from 10th to 15th was the biggest drop.



Howard College's Yolanda Grant (42) and teammate Shaketha Ashley (12), shown here in action against Midland College in January, will join the rest of the Lady Hawks tonight as they resume Western Junior College Athletic Conference play in Levelland. The Lady Hawks' and Lady Texans are scheduled for a tip at 6, while the Hawks and Texans will square off at 8.

Just Super! Rams' 22-16 victory over Titans offered almost everything

ATLANTA (AP) — This was why they invented the Super Bowl.

This one had long touchdowns, record-setting performances, courageous comebacks and a thrilling finish. Nobody could have asked for more than the St. Louis Rams and Tennessee Titans supplied Sunday.

That the Rams held on — by inches — for a 23-16 victory didn't necessarily make the Titans losers. Each team could leave the Georgia Dome with pride.

"It was a fight to the finish," said Rams receiver Isaac Bruce, who caught the 73-yard game-winning pass from Kurt Warner just 18 seconds after the Titans overcame a 16-0 deficit to tie it. "It was one of the best games I've ever played in. I am just proud to be part of this."

As were the Titans, who fell just short when Kevin Dyson was tackled by linebacker Mike Jones at the 1 as time ran out.

"To come this far and be a half-yard short is just a sick feeling," Dyson said. "But this team leaves here winners inside."

They weren't winners on the scoreboard because Jones made a classic tackle on the final play. It was the last of a Super series of second-half plays providing a scintillating finish.

"I said, 'This time, no matter who it is, I can't let him in the end zone,'" Jones said. "We got a chance to win this game. Get him on the ground."

"They've got the hearts of warriors. They were down 16-0, and a lot of teams would have tucked tail."

At the end, all of these warriors were worn out. The Rams' defenders barely could stand, and the Titans' attackers were just as wobbly.

"Football is the most emotional roller coaster you can be on," Dyson said. "It leaves you with nothing left emotionally."

Tennessee could do nothing in the first half, which the Rams dominated. St. Louis gained 294 yards to 89 for the

Titans. The Rams ran 44 plays to 24 for Tennessee. League MVP Kurt Warner, who also won the game's most valuable player award, already had 19 completions and 270 yards.

But it was just 9-0 on Jeff Wilkins' field goals of 27, 29 and 28 yards. Every time the Rams, whose 526 points were the third-highest in league history, got near the end zone, they couldn't get it in.

"We were getting points, but we knew we had to get the ball in the end zone," said Bruce, who would make six catches for 162 yards. "We couldn't win with just field goals."

They stopped kicking for points on their first drive of the second half, when Warner found rookie Torry Holt for a 9-yard score. The touchdown came three plays after safety Blaine Bishop was carted off the field with a neck injury. He later returned to the Dome after going to the hospital for X-rays, which were negative.

St. Louis (16-3), a city that never had a pro football champion, was up 16-0 and looking at a potential rout.

Finally, Steve McNair and Eddie George got on track for the Titans (16-4), who took the difficult wild-card route to their first Super Bowl. McNair engineered a 12-play, 66-yard drive that included 23-yard run to the St. Louis 2. George scored from the 1, but a 2-point pass went behind Frank Wycheck.

Emboldened, the Titans forced a Rams punt for the first time, and George scored on a magnificent 2-yard run on which he broke three tackles. Suddenly, it was 16-13, and when the Rams once more went 3-and-out, Tennessee was in charge.

"In the second half, the guys buckled down and made things happen," said McNair.

They had to make things happen one more time to even things, and thanks to Mike Horan's 30-yard punt, they did. Al Del Greco made a 43-yard field goal with 2:12 to go.

Lehman survives real war of nerves to win Phoenix Open by one stroke

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Four years ago, Tom Lehman was the PGA's Player of the Year and set a record for earnings.

He bottomed out quickly after separating his right shoulder just before the 1997 British Open, where he was the defending champion, and having surgery in November 1998.

He came all the way back at the Phoenix Open.

"I'd have to say it's every bit as good," Lehman said about his game after beating Robert Allenby by a stroke Sunday and winning his first official title in 58 starts since the Tour Championship in October 1996.

"My whole game is improved," he said. "My good shots are better, I think my putting is better and my chipping is better. I think mentally

I'm better."

Lehman won with a 4-under-par 67 and 14-under 270 total.

He saved par with a 10-foot putt on the final hole, while Allenby missed a 6-footer for par, and that was the difference after a wild round which saw Frank Lickliter, Allenby, Phil Mickelson and Hal Sutton all hold the lead.

Allenby shot a 69, good for a tie for second with 1999 champion Rocco Mediate.

"I'm still very, very happy with the way I played," said Allenby, an Australian who had his best U.S. finish. "I'm obviously disappointed about the putt, I've got a long way to go, and I know I'm going to win one."

Brandt Jobe, Kirk Triplett and Sutton tied for third at 272, with Edward Fryatt, Mark

Calcavecchia and Steve Flesch in a group another shot back.

As painful as Allenby's finish was, it couldn't have been as sharp as the anguish of Lickliter, the third-round leader, and Mickelson, the 1996 winner who was one shot behind him.

Lickliter dropped out of contention early, bogeying No. 1 and taking a triple-bogey 8 on No. 3.

Mickelson reached 14 under and held the lead until he bogeyed 11 and 12. He had a 73 and also finished at 274.

Casey Martin, who battled the PGA Tour for the right to ride in a golf cart because of a medical condition that affects the circulation in his right leg, made the cut for the first time in his second tournament as a rookie.

Iowa State, Missouri making solid bids in Big 12 hoops chase

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

When they go back and review this year's preseason poll by the Big 12 media, a lot of writers and sportscasters will feel embarrassed.

Who picked Missouri? Who picked Iowa State?

Hardly anybody. Kansas, Texas and Oklahoma State, were universally thought to be just about the only ones with any chance of capturing the title.

But Kansas has lost two straight road games — at Missouri and Iowa State and dropped to 5-2 in the conference. Iowa State, a 74-66 victor over No. 12 Kansas on Saturday, is 6-1.

Missouri, which beat Kansas by 22 last week and then on Saturday pounded Texas A&M 93-62, stands 5-1.

Sure enough, Texas and Oklahoma State are holding form. The Longhorns raised their conference record to 6-1 Saturday with a 75-65 victory over Colorado and Oklahoma State beat Baylor on Sunday 67-51 and went to 5-1.

On the other end of the scale are Baylor, Kansas State and Texas Tech. No. 18 Oklahoma raised its conference

mark to 4-2 with a 78-61 victory that left Texas Tech 0-6 in the league.

Baylor's loss on Sunday left the Bears 1-5. And Kansas State's 81-72 loss Saturday to Nebraska left the Wildcats with a six-game losing skid and a 1-6 record in league play.

The Cyclones, who are 18-3 overall, expect to crack the national rankings this week after yet another attention-grabbing victory. It was they who handed Missouri its only loss. And the only time they've been beaten so far in the conference was at Oklahoma, in double overtime.

"They're 18-3 and they're a whisker from being more than that," said Kansas coach Roy Williams. "They had the last shot to win a game at Oklahoma and had a free throw to win that game in the first overtime or they'd be undefeated in the league right now."

In beating the taller, deeper Jayhawks, the Cyclones overcame numerous setbacks. The Cyclones basically used six players, and only two of them, Marcus Fizer and Paul Shirley, are taller than 6-foot-8. Kansas used six players at least that tall, including 7-1 Eric Chenowith.

Yet Iowa State outrebounded the Jayhawks 42-41, with Shirley and Fizer each getting nine.

"This team is out for respect," Iowa State coach Larry Eustachy said. "You understand why Kansas gets it with all their history and the great players they have on this team now and the great coach they have. Our team worked awfully hard to get to this point."

Texas center Chris Mihm was not, for a change, double- and triple-teamed by Colorado. He responded with 28 points and a career-high 17 rebounds in the 17th-ranked Longhorns' victory.

"I had a little freedom and didn't get yanked every twist and turn," Mihm said. "I enjoyed it when it happened and I don't think it's going to happen too many more times."

Missouri saw the return of freshman Kareem Rush, who didn't have any rust at all for sitting out nine games in an NCAA-ordered suspension. He rejoiced with a career-high 16 points and fueled a couple of key runs as the Tigers asserted their legitimacy as Big 12 contenders.

"Kareem brought something extra to the table," said teammate Clarence

Gilbert. "We were playing good basketball. But when Kareem came back, he added an extra scorer, rebounder and a few more things."

Rush was glad to be back. "Kareem has been on cloud nine the whole week," said his roommate, freshman guard Josh Kroenke. "The first thing he said in the locker room (after Missouri's last game) was, 'I'm back.'"

"That's the way he's been all week." At Nebraska, the Huskers scored only one field goal over the final seven minutes against Kansas State. But they went 13-for-13 at the foul line and held off the Wildcats. It was the second straight road game the Wildcats had lost by fewer than 10 points when its opponent shot more than twice as many free throws.

While Nebraska made 28-of-41 from the line, Kansas State made 7-of-12.

"Throw out the shooting," said Kansas State coach Tom Asbury. "We both shoot 46 (percent) from the field. We make more field goals. That's a wash. You have to look somewhere else."

Oklahoma's Eduardo Najera, while hampered with injuries, had 20 points and 13 rebounds for the Sooners.

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Must be able to type 25 wpm. For further information contact city hall personnel 310 Nolan, Big Spring, TX 79720 or call 915-264-2346. The City of Big Spring is and Equal Opportunity Employer.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, FEB. 1:

You are a powerhouse and are hard to stop this year. Use your strength and self-assurance. Maintaining detachment will only help your clarity and increase your insights. Listen to others. Evaluate goals frequently to see if you are heading in the right direction. You are unusually dynamic; others respond to your energy. If you are single, you will see a major change in a key friendship. Love comes with the summer heat. If attached, be more vulnerable and trusting with your mate. Your relationship will change and gain simultaneously. CAPRICORN understands you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

****Don't turn your back on a unique opportunity. You could suddenly become involved in travel, writing or perhaps spiritual pursuits. Your mind loves playing in this realm. Take charge. Be willing to zoom in on exactly what you want. Tonight: A force to be feared.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

****Your intuition serves you, and you know exactly which way to turn to attain your objectives. Your sense of direction lands you in a position to increase your net worth. Let others watch as you embark on a new course. Tonight: Explore the Internet.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

****Reach out for others. Share a long-term dream with friends and associates. Together you can make what you want happen. Make the most of an opportunity. A key partner supports your venture and is willing to pitch in financially. Tonight: Where the action is.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

****You have a strong sense of direction and a lot of ground to cover. Be aware of your choices and where they could take you. A boss is more than willing to acknowledge you for a job well done. Others open up and share their news. Tonight: Out and about.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

****Go for what you want. Take the high road. Listen to your instincts with a child or loved one. Whatever you do seems to work; you know what is right. Plunge into work and get the job done. Others admire your ability to read situations. Tonight: Have a good time.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

****When working with a partner, you build a strong foundation in understanding. Decisions you make are grounded. Allow more creativity in the mix. Your work surges because of high energy and a willingness to follow through. Tonight: Be ready to

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revamp plans. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ****Others are in the mood to say yes. Go for what you want this morning, as you naturally draw agreement. Evaluate, think and listen. New opinions are formed; ideas are changed. Recognize the importance of nudging a family member into your ballpark. Tonight: Beam in what you want.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

****Your efforts pay off wonderfully. A boss is more than willing to give you what you ask for. Popularity soars, allowing a new opportunity. Talk about your financial expectations with family. Your communication hits the bull's-eye. Tonight: Visit with a friend.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

****Take a risk. Trust your inspiration. You have a strong sense of your finances and make excellent choices as a result. Touch base with others. Talk about long-term money objectives. You feel a sense of teamwork. Know that others are there for you. Tonight: Treat yourself well.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

****You come in to work fortified and ready to go. Do not sell yourself short. Prepare to take strong action. Others clearly want feedback and information. As you evaluate and take in facts, you digest new insights about someone close to you. Tonight: A sk for favors.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

****Grasp your objectives in discussion with a friend. You gain more insight as you listen to a group of people. You don't always have to be the focal point. In fact, when taking a back seat, you gain new and key information. Tonight: Some hard-core thinking!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

****Accept the limelight. Take charge, and you'll make a big difference in what happens, both at work and personally. Knowing what you want helps you organize your plans. Don't lose sight of objectives when others make demands. Tonight: Where your friends are.

BORN TODAY

Actress Sheryllyn Fenn (1965), actor Bill Mumy (1954), singer Rick James (1952)

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Woman's spiked bar drink could have been last call

DEAR ABBY: The letter about club drugs really hit home. I would like to warn all young women about the potential for their drinks to be "dosed" with these drugs without their knowledge.

I went to a neighborhood bar over Thanksgiving weekend, and found myself feeling very woozy and overintoxicated for the amount I had to drink. I had left my drink on the bar while I went to use the ladies room, and when I came back, it tasted strange. Since it was a new drink, I assumed the bartender had mixed it differently.

Shortly after consuming this drink, I became sick to my stomach and lightheaded. A fellow I had chatted with — and who coincidentally had offered to watch my drink — started asking me questions about how I felt and if I wanted a place to crash. I have no doubt he had less than innocent intentions.

Fortunately, two gentlemen by the names of Andrew and Chris came to my aid. They stayed by my side, talking to me, keeping me alert, calling a car service for me and making sure the other guy didn't bother me.

MONDAY

JAN. 31

Table with 24 columns (station call letters) and 12 rows (time slots from 6 AM to 12 AM). Each cell contains the station name and the program being aired.

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Monday, Jan. 31, the 31st day of 2000. There are 335 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 31, 1950, President Truman announced he had ordered development of the hydrogen bomb. On this date: In 1606, Guy Fawkes was executed for his part in the "Gunpowder Plot" against the English Parliament and King James I.

In 1797, composer Franz Schubert was born in Vienna. In 1865, General Robert E. Lee was named General-in-Chief of all the Confederate armies. In 1917, Germany served notice it was beginning a policy of unrestricted submarine warfare.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Clues include: 1 Boisterously, 6 Johann Sebastian Bach's 'Mass in B...', 11 Price ceiling, 14 Sir Arthur Conan..., 15 Vibrant, 16 Vein to mine, 17 Picnic fare, 19 T-shirt size, 20 Fronts on, 21 Study, 23 Puts side by side, 26 Dazes, 27 Hollers, 28 Dead turf, 29 Dame University, 30 Kicks, 31 Believer: suff., 34 Greek letters, 35 Spanish priest, 36 Externat: pref., 37 Go bad, 38 Father of modern dance, Rudolf von..., 39 Stamp pad, 40 'The Plough and the Stars' playwright Sean, 42 San __, Texas, 43 Broadway show, often, 45 Intuits, 46 Jubilant, 47 Chair or car style, 48 City in GA, 49 Picnic fare, 54 Song syllable, 55 I give up!, 56 Spine-tingling, 57 Spirited, 58 Detachable pieces, 59 Speak monotonously, 4 Hands and knees, 5 Stick back together, 6 Knights' weapons, 7 Sorts, 8 Nothing, 9 Give too much credit, 10 Ushers after the interval, 11 Picnic fare, 12 Debate, 13 Chick calls, 18 Chills, 22 Very old: abbr., 23 Ed who played Lou Grant, 24 Pic, 25 Picnic fare, 26 Irritant, 28 The present, 30 Tangle of tongues, 32 Inscribed stone slab, 33 Spanish bulls, 35 Rose Bowl Parade city, 36 Stage-manage, 38 Tied, as skates, 39 Violated, 41 Op. __ (in the work cited), 42 Coadjutant, 43 Butcher's stock, 44 Ne plus __ (the ultimate), 45 Removes from text, 47 Sedimentary material, 50 TV adjunct, 51 144, 52 Cotton separator, 53 Get the picture

Saturday's Puzzle Solved grid with words filled in: ABACUS, SCARCEST, PABELLY, POSEIDON, SKIRTS, IMPUDENT, OUTFIT, NEIN, MEASURINGUP, COXCOMB, PETIOLE, ARAL, SUV, RECAST, LIVIA, TOW, SETTE, LAINES, WAS, LEER, ONEIRON, FLAYERS, NARCOLEPTIC, LAVA, VULCAN, LATTICES, EMILIA, INVITERS, REPENT, DISPERSE, SNOOTS

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In 1934, President Roosevelt devalued the dollar in relation to gold. In 1944, during World War II, U.S. forces began invading Kwajalein Atoll and other parts of the Japanese-held Marshall Islands. In 1949, the first TV daytime soap opera, "These Are My Children," was broadcast from the NBC station in Chicago. In 1958, the United States entered the Space Age with its first successful launch of a satellite into orbit, Explorer 1. In 1971, astronauts Alan B. Shepard Jr., Edgar D. Mitchell and Stuart A. Roosa blasted off aboard Apollo 14 on a mission to the moon. In 1987, discount airline pioneer People Express flew its last flights before merging into Continental Airlines. Ten years ago: McDonald's Corp. opened its first fast-food restaurant in Moscow. Five years ago: President Clinton scrapped a \$40 billion rescue plan for Mexico, announcing instead that he would act unilaterally to provide Mexico with \$20 billion from a fund normally used to defend the U.S. dollar. Legendary Broadway producer-director George Abbott died in Miami Beach, Florida, at age 107. One year ago: The Denver Broncos repeated as NFL champions, defeating the Atlanta Falcons 34-19 in Super Bowl XXXIII. Researchers from the University of Alabama at Birmingham presented what they called convincing proof that the AIDS virus originated in chimpanzees and spread to people in Africa. Today's Birthdays: Actor John Agar is 79. Author Norman Mailer is 77. Actress Jean Simmons is 71. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Ernie Banks is 69. Composer Philip Glass is 63. Actress Suzanne Pleshette is 63. Actor Stuart Margolin is 60. House Minority Leader Richard A. Gephardt (D-Mo.) is 59. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Nolan Ryan is 53. Singer Phil Collins is 49. Singer-musician KC (KC and the Sunshine Band) is 49. Rock singer Johnny Rotten is 44. Actress Kelly Lynch is 41. Actor Anthony LaPaglia is 41. Singer-musician Lloyd Cole is 39. Actor John Dye is 37.