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## WEATHER

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## Still time to enter big parade

It's not too late to make plans for the *Big Spring Herald* Community Christmas Parade, set for Saturday, Dec. 1.

Some 48 individuals, groups and organizations signed up to participate in the parade and will be eligible for prizes in several categories. Late entries are accepted, but those who wish to enter need to notify the *Herald* in order to be placed in the parade lineup.

The parade is scheduled to get under way at 5:30 p.m. and will make its way from the Gregg Street/FM 700 intersection down Gregg to Sixth Street. It will take Sixth to Main, and then proceed on to the courthouse.

The grand marshal will be State Rep. David Counts.

For more information, call Elizabeth Flores at the *Herald*, 263-7331.

## WEEKEND TICKET

### FRIDAY

□ Signal Mt. Quilting Guild meets 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

□ AMBUCS meets at noon at La Posada.

□ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Spring City Senior Citizens country and western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All area seniors are invited.

### SATURDAY

□ Howard County Scottish Rite Club meets at 7:30 a.m. at the Masonic Lodge, 21st and Lancaster. Breakfast served.

□ The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

□ The Pottou House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m.

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## Some BSISD employees faced with insurance premium hike

By LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

Some Big Spring Independent School District employees will be faced with a 30 percent increase in insurance premiums beginning in December as the district enters its last year for its partially-funded insurance program.

"All employees can make changes to their coverage either in their plans or in number of dependents

through Nov. 30," said Sandra Waggoner, business manager.

Those on the low plan for employee-only or on the hospital indemnity plan will not be affected by the increase as the cost is paid through the district's \$180 contribution for each employee on its insurance program.

The majority of the district's employees are on either the low employee-only or the hospital indemnity plan.

Employees on the low plan pay 50 percent of medical costs while hospital indemnity plan pays for \$65 per day an employee is in the hospital for as much as 180 days.

Those on the low plan who include their spouse, however, will see a \$130.80 increase in monthly payments from \$256 to \$386.80 per month while those who insure dependents will see a \$107.48 jump from \$178.25 to \$285.73 per month.

Employees who insure

their entire family on the low plan will see a \$146.35 increase in monthly payments from \$307.84 to \$454.19.

The medium plan calls for an employee to pay 30 percent of medical costs while insurance picks up the rest. The employee-only monthly rate will increase by \$77.29 from \$77.65 to \$154.93.

Those on the medium plan who include a spouse on their insurance will see a \$156.05 increase from \$340.18 per month to \$496.23 while

those including only children will pay \$127.04 more each month from \$243.45 to \$370.49.

Employee and Family insurance on the medium plan will see a \$172.64 jump per month from \$395.45 to \$568.09.

Employees only on the high plan — insurance covers 80 percent of medical cost while the employee pays 20 percent — will see a \$99.38 increase in monthly

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HERALD photo/Roger Cline

Margo Conner of Tommie's Treasures rings up Christmas purchases for Rosemary Garrett of Big Spring and her friend, Annie Mae Harris of Midland. The two were at the gift shop at 223 Main St. in downtown Big Spring this morning, the busiest shopping day of the year.

## Shoppers taking advantage of big holiday sales today

By ROGER CLINE  
Staff Writer

Early morning specials on the busiest shopping day of the year have been good for area merchants.

"It's been real busy," said Wal-Mart store manager Daryl Holley. "We had people lined up to get the sale items at 6 a.m. They started lining up around 5:15. It was real busy until about 8 and it's been real steady since then."

The day after Thanksgiving marks the traditional start of the Christmas shopping season and brings out large crowds of shoppers who have the day off for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Annie Mae Harris of Midland and Rosemary

Garrett of Big Spring were at Tommie's Treasures in downtown Big Spring looking for unique Christmas gifts.

"We wanted individual gifts, so we came here," Harris said.

Store employee Margo Conner said business at the gift shop was "steady" this morning.

Bealls manager Jay Howell said sales at that department store have been much higher than normal. "It's been great, lots of traffic," he said. "We had some all-day sales but we didn't have any early-bird things."

On down in the Big Spring Mall at Sears, assistant manager Tony Teague said specials on tools and 0-percent financing on Sears credit cards were bringing

holiday crowds to his store this morning.

"We've been pretty busy," he said. "We've got bargains on tools until 11:30."

Teague said Sears has planned for the whole weekend, with a one-day sale on Saturday as well.

"From 7 to 12, we've got 10 percent off everything in the store," he said.

Despite what local merchants were saying this morning, Wall Street analysts believe this will wind up being the worst Christmas for retailers in a decade.

Faced with major layoffs, volatility in the stock market, and heightened economic and political uncertainties following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, many

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## Sales tax

### Rebates up 5 1/2 percent for Big Spring, reports State Comptroller's Office

By BILL MCCLELLAN  
News Editor

Sales tax rebates were up more than 5 1/2 percent this month for Big Spring, according to the State Comptroller's Office.

Monthly statistics indicated Big Spring received \$398,211.39 for November, some 5.56 percent higher than the \$377,225.42 received in November of 2000. For the year, Big Spring has received \$3,463,034.33, up 4.49 percent from a year ago.

Sales tax rebates were up slightly in Coahoma, which received \$6,136.44 in November, compared to \$6,115.63 a year ago. That's a difference of 0.34 percent. For the year, Coahoma has received \$45,842.13, down 6.92 percent compared to the same period in 2000.

Forsan continued to see a large increase in sales tax rebates — 239.01 percent when comparing the \$4,747.77 received in November of 2001 to the \$1,400.46 received in November of 2000. For the year, Forsan has received \$39,464.24, up 210.13 percent.

Most of West Texas witnessed increases in sales tax rebates. Abilene received \$2,682,327 in November, up 6.13 percent compared to the \$2,527,273.89 taken in during the same month in 2000. For the year, the Key City has received \$23,525,851.62, up 3.31 percent.

Andrews received \$80,794.37, up 3.18 percent over the \$78,296.97 taken in during November of 2000. For the year, Andrews has received \$714,169.04, up 11.49 percent.

Colorado City took in \$46,927.17 in tax rebates for November, up 2.62 percent when compared to the

### AT A GLANCE

Big Spring — up 5 1/2 percent  
Coahoma — up 0.34 percent  
Forsan — up 239.01 percent

\$45,728.13 received in November of 2000. For the year, the Mitchell County seat has received \$402,744.18, up just 0.13 percent.

Rebates were up 4.83 percent for Fort Stockton, comparing the \$88,939.64 received this month to the \$84,834.72 received in November of 2000. For the year, Fort Stockton has received \$937,869.13, up 2.96 percent.

Sales tax rebates soared 44.95 percent in Kermit, where receipts totaled \$34,479.25 this month compared to \$23,786.07 a year ago. To date in 2001, Kermit has received \$325,410.42, up 17.92 percent over the same period last year.

Lamesa received \$101,918.81 for November, up 5.62 percent compared to the \$96,486.77 received a year ago. To date for 2001, the Dawson County seat has received \$828,637.82, up 3.28 percent.

Sales tax rebates were up 19.11 percent for Levelland, which received \$151,411.49 this month compared to \$127,115.35 in November of 2000. For the year, Levelland has received \$1,435,116.73, up 14.47 percent.

Lubbock received \$2,792,102.36 for the month, up 8.19 percent from the \$2,580,579.07 received in November 2000. For the

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## Howard College to perform Shakespeare's 'Othello'

By LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

The Howard College Theatre Department will be presenting William Shakespeare's "Othello" next week in the Big Spring Auditorium.

"The two main characters of the play are Othello and Iago," said Clay Gizzard, Howard College theater instructor. "Othello is a general and Iago is an old soldier. Iago says he is angry at Othello because Othello promoted someone else over him."

"He sets out to destroy Othello," he continued. "He creates situations of jealousy, divisiveness and ultimately brings about Othello's ruin and his own."

The play runs about three hours with an intermission. Admission is \$1 for students and \$3 for adults. Admission for Howard

### 'OTHELLO'

Where: Big Spring Auditorium  
When: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 8 p.m. Saturday.  
Tickets: \$1 for students, \$3 for adults at the door.

College students and employees is free.

Performances are set for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday with an 8 p.m. showing on Saturday.

"It's a typical Shakespeare tragedy with the normal three bodies on the stage at the end of the play," Grizzle said.

Howard College actors plan to present the play as closely as possible to the way the Shakespeare's troupe of actors would have

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Howard College theater instructor Clay Grizzle is building the set for the production of *Othello*, a play by William Shakespeare.

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OBITUARIES

**Billie Pheba Ann Craft**

Billie Pheba Ann Craft, formerly of Sand Springs, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 22, 2001, at the Stanton Care Center.



She was born on Dec. 25, 1912, to John William and Billie Lee Beatrice Ward in Healtown, Okla. She came to Ross City in 1929, met and married Murray Isaac Craft on Jan. 13, 1930.

Children: two sons, Robert Craft of Monahans and Keith Craft of Odessa; three daughters, Louise Chance of San Angelo, Lee-ella Dee Hooper of Big Spring and Lois Ray Craft of Big Spring; three granddaughters, Cindy Watts of San Angelo, LaDonna Hudgins of Sand Springs, Tanya Patterson of Acton; six grandsons, Melvin Craft of Monahans, Kem Hooper of Forsan, Kie Shannon of Newark, Chad Shannon of Newark, Doug Craft of Odessa, Michael Franis of Austin; 25 great-grandchildren; 20 great-great-grandchildren; and one great-great-great-grandchild.

Preceded in death by her husband, M.I. Craft on June 17, 1969; grandson, Byron Keene Shannon; two sons-in-law, Byron Hooper and Bill Chance.

Private family services will be held. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. www.npwelech.com

**Lorhea Essie Patton**

Funeral service for Lorhea Essie Patton, 87, of Wichita, Kan., formerly of Big Spring, will be 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 24, 2001, at First Church of the Nazarene with the Rev. Jerry McGuire, pastor, officiating and assisted by the Rev. Roger Huff. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Mrs. Patton died Tuesday, Nov. 20, in a Clearwater, Kan. nursing home.

She was born on Feb. 12, 1914, in Colorado City and married Virgle Ray Patton on Dec. 16, 1947, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on July 19, 1984. She came to Big Spring as a child. She grew up here and attended Big Spring schools. She was a homemaker. She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene.

Survivors include one son, Billy Patton of Wichita, Kan.; two grandchildren; and two step-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. www.npwelech.com

**Greta Elizabeth Renshaw**

Graveside service for Greta Elizabeth Renshaw, 64, of Grand Prairie, was held today, Nov. 23, 2001, at Aurora Cemetery in Wise county.

Mrs. Renshaw died Tuesday, Nov. 20, at her residence.

She was born Aug. 11,

1937, in Brownwood. She was a longtime employee of Southwestern Bell.

Survivors include her husband, L. Wayne Renshaw of Grand Prairie; sisters, Wanda Woods Arcencibia of Big Spring and Nancy Woods Parnell of Arlington; step-sons, David Wayne Renshaw, Dan J. Renshaw and Doug L. Renshaw; nieces, Elizabeth Arcencibia of Midland, Vienna Pope of Coahoma, Eileen Nelson of Arlington and Wanda Brewer of Midland; nephews, Wayne Gorum of Arkansas and William Arcencibia of Lubbock; and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

Arrangements are under the direction of Shannon North Funeral Chapel.

**Marguerite Thompson**

Marguerite Thompson, 81, of Big Spring, died on Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2001, in a Stephenville nursing home.

Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 24, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Jimmy Watson, pastor of First Christian Church, and Dr. Claude Craven, retired Baptist minister, officiating. Interment will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born on Sept. 23, 1920, in Gordon and married W.L. "Squeaky" Thompson on Dec. 3, 1939, in Brownwood.

Mrs. Thompson came to Big Spring in 1935 with her family and graduated from high school in 1938. She and her husband owned and operated Thompson Furniture and Carpet from 1956 to May of 1977 when they retired.

She was a member of the First Christian Church, past president of Evening Lions Club and member of the Pythian Sisters.

Survivors include her husband, W.L. "Squeaky" Thompson; her son and daughter-in-law, William L. and Cookie Thompson of Stephenville; her daughter and son-in-law, Martha Ann and Marvin Simmons of Houston; two grandchildren, Scott Simmons of Port Aransas and Catharine Thomas of Houston; and three great-grandchildren.

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

The family suggests memorials to Lions Camp for Crippled Children, P.O. box 247, Kerrville 78028, or First Christian Church, 911 Goliad, Big Spring 79720.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. www.npwelech.com

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people are rethinking their priorities and cutting back their holiday spending this season.

Stores are doing their best to get shoppers to spend. They are running deeper promotions that start earlier than last year, allowing shoppers to haggle over prices, and offering some unconventional enticements.

"This is going to be one of the most challenging holidays," said Michael P. Niemira, vice president of Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi Ltd. "We are holding our breath and watching. The cast is set, and it is a matter of what the consumer does."

Niemira said he expects that sales at stores open at least a year, known as same-store sales, will be up 4 percent this holiday. However, much of the growth will be driven by discounters.

The Washington-based National Retail Federation predicts total holiday retail sales will rise in the range of 2.5 percent to 3 percent, to roughly \$206 billion. That would make it the worst retail performance since 1990, when sales were basically unchanged.

Last year, retailers rang up a modest \$201 billion, up 3.9 percent from 1999.

A recent Conference Board survey of 5,000 consumers was not comforting, projecting that shoppers will be spending 6 percent less on holiday gifts this season.

Associated Press reports contributed to this story.

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performed it.

"We are going to give as close as possible a historic reconstruction of the way Shakespeare presented his plays," Grizzle said.

Actors will speak more to the audience than interacting with each other, he said.

"In his day, a lot of lines were delivered to the audience," Grizzle said.

The play was originally slated to be performed at the Settle's Hotel but last week's rain seeped into the performance area, resulting in a change in the venue.

The cast includes Pat Vera-Bererra as the Duchess of Venice; Levi Vance as Brabantio, a senator and as Gratiano, brother of Brabantio; Tiffany Hancock as the first Senator and as Bianca, mistress to Cassio; and Kimberly Lepard as Senator Lodovico, a relative of Brabantio.

Also, Ben Solis as Othello, a noble Moor; Patrick Farquhar as Cassio, his lieutenant; Brandon

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Johnson as Iago, his ancient; Clay Grizzle as Roderigo, a Venetian gentleman; Kristi Taylor as Montano, governor of Cypress; and Amber Choate as the Fool, a servant to Othello.

The cast includes Autumn Pherneton as Desdemona, a daughter to Brabantio; Celeste Bond as Emilia, wife to Iago; Parker Brooks as the soldier of Venice and musician; and Travis McMillian as the soldier of Venice and musician.

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payments, from \$151.27 to \$250.65.

Those who insure a spouse on that plan will be faced with a \$199.58 hike from \$485.26 to \$519.19 per month. Employees who insure children on the high plan will have a \$161.35 increase, from \$357.84 per month to \$519.19.

Employees who insure their family will see a jump of \$214.19 per month from \$533.97 to \$748.16.

All BSISD employees who work more than six hours a day qualify for insurance.

The hike in insurance premiums is significant. BSISD faculty salaries range from \$26,240 per year for a first-year teacher to \$43,000 or \$44,000 for a member who has 20 years of experience or more. Waggoner said.

The increase employees must pay is a result of a 102 percent hike in insurance premiums to the district's partially-funded insurance plan.

To help offset the jump, BSISD trustees approved a \$580,000 increase in the district's unfunded liability from its fund balance at a Nov. 8 board meeting.

With this increase, the district may be liable for as much as \$580,596.58 in insurance costs at the end of the coverage year.

Also, trustees increased the district's stop-loss insurance from \$50,000 to \$75,000 per employee; therefore district will pay as much as \$75,000 after an employee reaches his or her out-of-pocket expenses.

According to Waggoner, the district sought insurance bids from four different companies before taking the option to renew with Group & Pension Administrators Inc. of Richardson for the third year of the original contract.

"We had a three-year contract and we had an option to renew our protection for the third year," Waggoner said. "Our broker did go out to four other insurance third-party agencies and all of them declined."

Waggoner said the past insurance history of claims from the district and the fact the district was seeking only a one-year coverage may have contributed to the lack of interest from insurance companies.

As of Sept. 1, the district will join in on the state insurance program, Waggoner said, hoping to alleviate the employees from jumps in premiums.

"These will help the teachers because they probably

**TEXAS LOTTERY**

won't see the increase like they will have to because of our coverage," she said.

"One thing, there will be a much larger group insured. We feel like because of that the increase will be smaller in size because of the larger group," she said.

In the state plan, the district continues to fund \$180 per employee and the state will fund \$225 toward the insurance. Each employee will receive \$83 per month which can be put towards insurance if they chose, Waggoner said.

The result of the state-funded insurance plan comes from teacher organizations lobbying efforts.

**REBATES**

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year, Lubbock has received \$26,340,944.19, up 4.84 percent.

Tax rebates were up 12.03 percent in Midland, comparing the \$1,745,167.26 received this month to the \$1,557,703.42 taken in last November. For the year, the Tall City has received \$15,910,636.85, up 19.82 percent.

Monahans was one of a handful of West Texas communities to note a drop in sales tax rebates for November. The city received \$68,528.86 this month, down 8.66 percent when compared to the \$75,027.73 received a year ago. So far in 2001, Monahans has received \$779,464.79, up 9.7 percent over the previous year.

Odessa received \$1,489,962.37 this month, up 12.64 percent compared to the \$1,322,712.76 received in November 2000. For the year, Odessa has received \$13,184,468.76, up 12.06 percent.

Pecos received \$71,493.59 this month, up 7.27 percent compared to the \$66,642.21 taken in for November 2000. For the year, Pecos has received \$705,819.85, off last year's mark by 0.69 percent.

Plainview received \$274,831.94 this month, down 6.19 percent compared to the \$292,995.15 received a year ago. To date in 2001, Plainview has received \$2,608,563.99, up just 0.58 percent.

Sales tax rebates were up 4.41 percent in San Angelo, comparing the \$1,406,507.24 received this month to the \$1,347,007.94 received in November 2000. For the year, San Angelo has received \$12,621,786.50, up

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4.3 percent.

Rebates were up 9.14 percent in Snyder, which received \$153,430.34 this month, compared to \$140,570.27 in November 2000. For the year, the Scurry County seat has received \$1,332,299.07, up just 0.44 percent.

Stanton received \$12,957.11 in November, down 2.33 percent compared to last year's 11th-month receipts of \$13,266.57. For the year, the Martin County community has received \$112,646.79, down 3.01 percent.

Sweetwater received \$204,825.80 this month, up 6.99 percent when compared to the \$191,432.79 received in November a year ago. For the year, Sweetwater has received \$1,760,674.46, up 2.87 percent.

**POLICE**

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Wednesday until 8 a.m. today:

• **REBECCA VALA**, 17, of 2200 Alabama was arrested for three local warrants.

• **ALVARO VILLALPANDO**, 36, of 4800 Parkway was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **RAFAEL MENDEZ**, 49, of HC 77 Box 203F was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• **JEFFREY CATE**, 19, of 3108 Sherrod was arrested on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and disorderly conduct — language.

• **MICHEL THOMAS**, 18, of 3507 E. Highway 80 was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct — language.

• **MARTIN NORWOOD**, 18, of 2602 E. 24th St. was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana.

• **JESSICA HERNANDEZ**, 21, of 409 Aylesford was arrested for a local warrant.

• **JOHN PAUL FIERRO**, 24, of 1203 E. Third St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES** were reported in the 100 block of East 24th St., the 1300 block of Lindbergh Street and the 800 block of Lorilla Street.

• **DISTURBANCE/FIGHT** was reported in the 1000 block of South Nolan.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1600 block of Oriole Street.

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Marion A. (Al) Long, 81 died Tuesday. Services will be 2:30 PM Saturday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

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# Texas consumers expected to trim their holiday spending

DALLAS (AP) — The trunk of Diana Flores' car could be a roadmap to this year's holiday shopping season.

Flores is a dedicated shopper who has been on the lookout for holiday gifts since July. But she doesn't throw her money around.

"I never pay full price for anything. You have to be selective, that's why I'm out every day," the Dallas woman said this week while rummaging through her trunk, which was stuffed with Wal-Mart shopping

bags. Discount stores such as Wal-Mart, Target and Costco are expected to be among the season's strongest retailers, while department stores are expected to compete for shoppers by slashing prices.

The National Retail Federation predicts holiday sales will rise 2.5 percent to 3 percent, to \$206 billion, the smallest increase since 1990. But some analysts consider the trade group's forecast too rosy considering the weak economy and a reluctance by Americans to celebrate while the country is worried about terrorism and war.

Patrick Dunne, a marketing and retailing professor at Texas Tech University, predicts flat sales. He said by the first week in December, retailers will acknowledge their predicament and cut prices again and use all the other tricks of the trade.

"In Lubbock, we had Santa come to the mall before Thanksgiving," he said. "It's panic."

Retailers might find reason to panic in the recent unemployment reports. Last week, state officials reported that 27,800 Texans lost jobs in October, the worst month in more than a decade, and the jobless rate has risen by more than one-fourth in the past year.

Dunne predicted that upscale stores will hang on by offering better service to affluent customers, and so will discounters that offer lower prices. Department stores that appeal to the masses will be hit hardest

as their customers cut spending and gravitate toward the discounters, he said.

"We know it's going to be a much more aggressive, competitive holiday season," said Stephanie Brown, a spokeswoman for J.C. Penney Co.

Penney pumped an extra \$100 million into its advertising budget this year, with much of it earmarked for November and December. Penney officials hope the extra promotions and price-cutting will result in fourth

quarter sales a few percentage points higher than last year.

Luxury retailer Neiman Marcus suffered "two horrible weeks" after Sept. 11, but traffic has rebounded to provide hope for a decent sales season, said spokesman Ken Downing.

"I know the economists are predicting a lot of doom and gloom, but people have spent their time away from shopping. Now they're looking for an opportunity to get away from the television," Downing said.

# Lawmakers question difference in sexual assault statistics

HOUSTON (AP) — Wide discrepancies between state and federal reports on sexual assaults have prompted Texas House Speaker Pete Laney to charge lawmakers with scrutinizing the statistics.

In the most recent Uniform Crime Report, compiled by the Texas Department of Public Safety, there were an estimated 7,629 sexual assaults committed in Texas in 1999.

But the national crime victims center at Medical University of South Carolina puts that number at 104,516.

UCR data is based on information from 956 Texas sheriffs and chiefs of police, while the national

data is based on national random surveys about crime and 2000 Census data for Texas.

Laney, D-Hale Center, asked the House Criminal Jurisprudence Committee earlier this month to study the manner in which sexual assaults are reported by different groups.

Ellen Cohen, president of the Houston Area Women's Center, said many of the women counseled by the center choose not to report their sexual assaults.

"Clearly the numbers that are reported do not indicate the number of sexual assault survivors," Cohen told the Houston Chronicle for Friday's editions.

Laney also told another group of lawmakers, the House Judicial Affairs Committee, to study the feasibility of creating a statewide sexual assault prevention program.

Both committees will report to the Legislature in January 2003 any suggestions for changes in the law.

"We are very pleased that Speaker Laney recognizes the importance of dealing with the silent crime of rape," said Sherry Boyles, executive director of the Texas Association Against Sexual Assault. "We look forward to working with legislators to examine these critical aspects of the

fight to end sexual violence in Texas."

There are two problems with the DPS crime statistics, said Ron Acierno, an assistant professor with the National Crime Victims Research and Treatment Center at Medical University in South Carolina.

"First, a person actually has to report it to the police. And we know that only about one out of eight rapes is reported," Acierno said. "Step two, the police actually have to believe the person. It's always a subjective evaluation on the part of a police officer about whether an event occurred." Police are likely to be most skeptical about date rapes and spousal rapes, Acierno said.

And there are many other limitations to collecting sexual assault data.

Texas and California have unique reporting problems related to their large population of Mexican immigrants, Acierno said. Language barriers, cultural factors and fear of deportation mean Hispanics may be even less likely to report sexual assault.

Chris Lippincott, a spokesman for TAASA, said rural communities also may have lower reporting, possibly because of the stigma still attached to being a rape victim.

# U.S. judge sentences grandmother to 5 years probation for robbery

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A U.S. judge went easy on a 57-year-old grandmother this week, sentencing her to five years probation, instead of the federal prison sentence she could have gotten for robbing a bank last year.

Lois Elizabeth Haese of Pleasanton had no weapon, no note and no plan of escape last June when she single-handedly pulled off a robbery at the Bank of Alice.

Unemployed and lacking insurance to buy her medicine, the woman donned a

trench coat, drove a mile from her home in the rain, and demanded money from the bank tellers.

"I'm cold. I'm wet, and I want some money," she said.

The tellers began handing over cash, until Haese simply told them, "That's enough."

Haese left with about \$1,400. She calmly walked to the market next door and went grocery shopping.

She was arrested within minutes.

Haese faced a maximum

of three years and one month in federal prison for the crime.

But in a show of compassion Wednesday, she was sentenced to five years probation.

"It never was my intention to send you to prison," U.S. District Judge Orlando Garcia told Haese.

Asked if she had anything to say to the court, Haese replied: "Just that I'm so ashamed and embarrassed and sorry for what I did."

The bank's funds were recovered immediately after

the robbery. Haese later tried to make amends by sending flowers and an apology note to bank employees, her attorney Jack Carter said.

"When you leave here, just put this behind you," the judge told Haese.

Prison time is expected in most bank robberies, but Haese's attorney argued

that her case was unique.

"It's not very often that a (57)-year-old grandmother stands before the court for sentencing. For the crime of bank robbery, it is even rarer," Carter stated in a brief to the court.

The federal public defender argued the crime was "a cry for help," committed by an otherwise law-abiding

citizen at the lowest point in her life.

"In my opinion, she just snapped," he said.

At the time of the crime, the longtime nurse had just lost her job because of a disabling injury.

Without insurance, she couldn't afford her medications to treat chronic pain and depression.

# Pilot's body returned to Texas for burial

DALLAS (AP) — Diana Dale's search for answers about an uncle lost in World War II led to a mountain meadow in Italy where the body of 2nd Lt. William O. Wisner had been buried for nearly six decades.

On Wednesday, family members gathered at Laurel Land Cemetery to rebury Wisner's remains in a service that Dale noted was appropriate that it came at a time the country is again at war.

"These are difficult times, and we look on his burial as

a tribute to all the boys who never came back," she said.

"We thank you for a loved one who has come home, and we thank you for a family that finally has an answer," Army Chaplain Rodney Thomas said. "As many of us are leaving overseas, one of us is coming home."

"It's not peace," Dale said of her emotions at the ceremony. "It's a feeling of finally answering a question that my mother never stopped asking. This was for her and for a sister that he idol-

ized."

Wisner went to Europe in 1943 as the Army Air Forces pilot of a P-38 Lightning fighter plane.

His plane was hit by debris from the collision of two other planes during a dogfight on Oct. 20, 1944, near Bolzano, Italy.

He was reported missing in action.

His identification bracelet was found in 1952, but the family was never told. Wisner's mother kept writing letters to her missing son.

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## OUR VIEWS

### We salute:

Each week, the *Herald* salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

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

This week we salute:

• **THE SALVATION ARMY** and **VOLUNTEERS** on their annual Thanksgiving Day meal which served several hundred people.

• **LOCAL "CHEFS"** and **BUSINESSES** who participated in the Big Spring Herald Recipe Guide Contest.

• **VICTIM SERVICES**, for its "thank you" gesture of homemade cookies and pies to local law enforcement agencies and fire stations.

• **SANTOS L. LUJAN JR.**, Big Spring native who was named the first Hispanic superintendent for Kermit Independent School District.

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

## OTHER VIEWS

A bit of history was made Saturday as Laura Bush became the first president's spouse to deliver the traditional Saturday morning radio address from the White House. She did so to stress the importance of saving the women of Afghanistan from the brutality they suffer at the hands of extremist factions.

However, there was an important message behind Mrs. Bush's easy style. She did nothing less than bring to light a new reason for the war in Afghanistan. The president has cited only U.S. interests in the campaign to bring down the Taliban and al-Qaida. It is a matter of self-defense. But Laura Bush added the issue of the Afghan women.

Her speech focused on common humanity, rather than cultural differences. She said

repression of women is a trademark of the Taliban and terrorist regimes, not of mainline Islamic teaching. That redefined the message that President Bush offered in his national address of Sept. 13: The enemy is terrorists, not Islam.

Her radio address, along with a State Department report on the repression of Afghan women released the same day, move the Bush administration into the forefront on international women's rights. Mrs. Bush may not see herself as a follower of Eleanor Roosevelt (as Mrs. Clinton did) but her radio address was in a spirit of humanitarian leadership that Mrs. Roosevelt would have admired.

THE MORNING CALL,  
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## We swore to uphold the constitution

**W**HOA! The problem is the premise. We are having one of those circular arguments about how many civil liberties we can trade away in order to make ourselves safe from terrorism, without even looking at the assumption — can we make ourselves safer by making ourselves less free? There is no inverse relationship between freedom and security. Less of one does not lead to more of the other. People with no rights are not safe from terrorist attack.



MOLLY IVINS

Exactly what do we want to strike out of the U.S. Constitution that we think would prevent terrorist attacks? Let's see, if civil liberties had been suspended before Sept. 11, would law enforcement have noticed Mohamed Atta? Would the FBI have opened an investigation of Zacarias Massouli, as Minneapolis agents wanted to do? The CIA had several of the 9-11 actors on their lists of suspected terrorists. Exactly what civil liberty prevented them from doing anything about it?

In the case of a suspected terrorist, the government already had the right to

search, wiretap, intercept, detain, examine computer and financial records, and do anything else it needed to do. There's a special court they go to for subpoenas and warrants. As it happens, they didn't do it.

Changing the law retroactively is not going to change that. Certainly, we had a visa system that had more holes than Swiss cheese. What does that have to do with civil liberties? When we don't give an agency enough money to do its job, it doesn't get done. As you may have heard, Immigration and Naturalization has been a bit overwhelmed in recent years. In fairness to law enforcement, it's hard to imagine how anyone could have seen this one coming. It's always easy to point the finger after the fact. It was just a damnable act.

Absolutely nothing in the Constitution would have prevented us from stopping 9-11, so why would we want to change it? I also think we're arguing from the wrong historical analogies. Yes, during past wars civil liberties have been abrogated and the courts have even upheld this. We regret it later, but we don't seem to learn from that.

But the Bush administration's rhetoric aside, we are not at war. War is when the armed forces of one country attack the armed forces of another. What we're looking at is more akin to the 19th century problem with anarchists, the terrorists of their day.

And we made some memorable errors by giving in to hysteria over anarchists.

In the infamous 1886 Haymarket Square affair in Chicago, after a bomb killed seven policemen, eight labor leaders were rounded up and "tried," even though there was no evidence against them — four hanged, one suicide, three sentenced. Historians agree they were all innocent.

Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, executed in 1927, were finally exonerated by the state of Massachusetts in 1977. That outbreak of hysteria over "foreign anarchists" led to, among other abuses, a wave of arrests for DWI: "Driving While Italian." And no one was ever made safer from an anarchist bomb by the execution of innocent people. We all know other groups, from the Irish to the blacks to the Chinese, have been targeted for legal abuse over the years — all betrayals of our laws, values and the sacrifices of generations. Let's not do it again.

The counter-case was neatly put by David Blunkett, the British Home Secretary: "We can live in a world with airy-fairy civil liberties and believe the best in everybody — and they will destroy us." Unless, of course, we destroy ourselves first.

"Fascism" is not a word I throw around lightly, but what do you think happened in Germany in the 1930s? The US.

Constitution was written by men who had just been through a long, incredibly nasty war. They did not consider the Bill of Rights a frivolous luxury, to be in force only in times of peace and prosperity, put aside when the going gets tough. The Founders knew from tough going. They weren't airy-fairy guys.

We put away Tim McVeigh and the terrorists who did the 1993 World Trade Center bombing without damaging the Constitution. If the laws break into some apartment full of al-Qaeda literature and plans of airports, absolutely nothing prevents them from hauling in the suspects and having a nice, cozy, cop-like chat with them. Because there's evidence. That's what they call "due process."

When there is no evidence, no grounds for suspicion, we do not hold citizens indefinitely and without legal representation. Very airy-fairy of us, to be sure. Foreign citizens have only limited rights in this country, depending their means of entry — different for refugees, permanent residents, etc. So what's the problem?

Attorney Gen. John Ashcroft has been so busy busting dying marijuana smokers in California and doctors in Oregon who carry out their terminal patients' wishes to die in peace, he obviously has no time to consider the Constitution. But he did swear to uphold it.



## Democracy clearly the future

**M**istakes are about to happen. The collapse of the Taliban in Afghanistan is leaving a power vacuum that is being filled with the old tribal factions that have created chaos in that unhappy nation for years. So bent is the United States upon avoiding what is derisively called nation-building that we are about to witness nation-imploding. We have written that America's greatest export should be democracy, not simply because it is right and just, but because it is in our self-interest. It is a self-interest that turned Germany and Japan into powerful allies. It is a self-interest that turned a hostile Latin America into a region of democratic nations now generally friendly to the United States.



JACK ANDERSON

But in the Middle East, we continue to botch the job. After the Gulf War, America could have brought democracy to Kuwait and Iraq, but we never made the attempt. So, today, Kuwaiti citizens are among those denouncing the United States, and we have the temerity to call them thankless. After all, did not America liberate them from the grasp of Saddam Hussein? Yes — but not from the grasp of the nondemocratic Kuwaiti ruling family. And Saddam Hussein still rules with an iron fist over a people who do not even share in his oil riches. Is it any wonder that Iraqis view America as a nation that believes in the will of the people — as long as those people are Americans?

Now America has moved into the tangled web of Central Asia, and we are showing the same disdain for the will of the poor people who inhabit the region. All we hear is talk about all factions being represented, by which we mean all tribes, by which we mean tribal rulers. And we naively believe that the victorious Northern Alliance is going to abide by our wishes even though they ignored us and entered Kabul.

The Northern Alliance is a nondemocratic organization of Northern Afghan minorities who despise

Pakistan and Pashtun tribes supported by them in the southern part of the fractured nation.

Their enmity is returned by Pakistan, whose leaders are adamant that the Northern Alliance not dominate a new Afghan government.

So America has a choice. We can sit back and plead with the various factions to reconcile, or we can take the lead and replace tribal rule with the rule of law and the rule of the people. If we choose the first option, civil war is almost assured. If we choose the second option, the road will be long and difficult, but the result will be the creation of a true democratic state in the heart of Central Asia that will serve as a beacon to the surrounding nations.

It is a scenario that should be pursued by America wherever it is possible for us to do so, including in Kuwait and Iraq.

Further, there is great concern that our friends, the Saudi royal family, must remain in power to preserve peace and a continuous flow of oil, but this anachronistic policy is already guaranteed to fail.

Democracy is the future, and the people of the world know it, even if we do not.

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# U.S. teams testing for chemical weapons in Afghanistan

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. teams are searching and taking samples from sites in Afghanistan where the al-Qaida terrorist network may have been building chemical or biological weapons, a top Pentagon official says.

Marine Corps Gen. Peter Pace said U.S. forces have visited some, but not all, areas where al-Qaida may have been making such weapons of mass destruction. Results of tests from those sites have not come back yet, Pace said Wednesday.

"That one place where the only vial that had English on it said 'anthrax' kind of gives you pause," said Pace, vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. "We are going to have the analysis, and don't have that yet."

Sept. 11 attacks suspect Osama bin Laden, al-Qaida's leader, has said his group has chemical, biological and even nuclear weapons. U.S. officials have said al-Qaida probably has crude chemical or biological weapons but not a nuclear bomb.

U.S. planes have bombed sites that officials believe could have been used to produce chemical or germ weapons. U.S. airstrikes hit

## Three hijackers had already lost legal status by Sept. 11

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States granted business, educational and visitor visas to all 19 of the Sept. 11 hijackers but three were in the country illegally by the day of the attacks, the Justice department says.

Only two of the attackers entered the United States last year, in January and December, the department said Thursday. Most of them, 14, were admitted in May and June of this year.

Fifteen of the hijackers were from Saudi Arabia, while two came from the United Arab Emirates, one was an Egyptian, and another was Lebanese.

Satam M.A. Al Suqami entered in May this year as a temporary visitor for business, but his visa had expired by Sept. 11.

Nawaf M.S. Alhazmi was the first of the 19 admitted, entering on a visitor's visa in January 2000. His visa also had expired.

Hani S.H. Hanjour arrived in December 2000 on a visa for academic studies, but became illegal when he failed to attend school.

The hijackers' legal entries contrasted to actions of other

a laboratory in Kabul that worked with anthrax, for example. Scientists at the lab say they only made anthrax vaccines for livestock.

Two journalists killed in Afghanistan on Monday had reported finding what they believed were glass vials of deadly sarin nerve gas at an abandoned al-Qaida camp southwest of Jalalabad, an eastern city near the border with Pakistan. At other sites abandoned by the Taliban or al-Qaida, other

reporters have found guides to making chemical and biological weapons, including directions for making the deadly nerve agent sarin from castor beans.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld visited special operations troops at Fort Bragg, N.C., Wednesday to thank them for their service. Special forces in Afghanistan have helped guide bombs to targets and given anti-Taliban forces advice and supplies.

"The success of the target-

ing has just improved so dramatically" since special forces landed in Afghanistan, Rumsfeld told the soldiers: "The air war enabled the ground war to succeed."

Airstrikes also have killed several al-Qaida and Taliban leaders, such as al-Qaida military chief Mohammed Atef, killed in a raid Nov. 14.

"There's one (leader) right now that is trying to get out of the country because his legs were badly damaged in

an attack, a senior official," Rumsfeld said Wednesday on CBS' "60 Minutes II."

"We have had good luck in finding these folks and putting weapons on them," Rumsfeld said the United States hopes to base AC-130 gunships in Uzbekistan, a former Soviet republic on Afghanistan's northern border. The airplanes are armed with rapid-fire cannons that rain down 2,500 rounds per minute.

Rumsfeld said AC-130s were not yet in Uzbekistan.

He said the U.S. wants to use them to support anti-Taliban forces besieging Kunduz, the only northern city still under Taliban and al-Qaida control.

The Pentagon probably will send up to 1,500 Marines into Afghanistan, perhaps this week, officials said on condition of anonymity.

They would come from one of two Marine Expeditionary Units based on ships in the Arabian Sea off the coast of Pakistan. Those troops are specially trained for quick raids, counterterrorism and urban warfare, as well as reconnaissance and more traditional forms of combat.

The Pentagon also announced Wednesday that U.S. Navy ships in the Arabian Sea would begin stopping and searching vessels that could be carrying Taliban or al-Qaida leaders. The fleeing leaders would have to cross through Pakistan to the coast before getting on a ship, since Afghanistan is landlocked.

Pace said no ships have been chased, boarded or searched so far. He said the Pentagon did not have specific information indicating Taliban or al-Qaida leaders would flee by sea.

## D.B. Cooper's disappearance still a mystery 30 years after he jumped from hijacked plane

SEATTLE (AP) — Thirty years have passed since D.B. Cooper jumped from a hijacked, Seattle-bound jetliner with \$200,000 in ransom money and disappeared into a remote forest.

With the 30th anniversary of the crime coming on Saturday, Cooper's escapade remains the only unsolved skyjacking in the United States. The FBI has received thousands of tips, but investigators have nothing to go on — no suspect, no leads, nothing to prove who Cooper was or where he went.

"He's our Jesse James and Billy the Kid," said Jerry Thomas, a retired Army infantryman who has searched the backwoods of southwestern Washington for any trace of Cooper.

Many who have studied Cooper's actions on Thanksgiving Eve in 1971 are certain he died trying to escape. They have reason to believe that, too. He exited the plane in heavy rain and jumped over a dense forest of pine and Douglas fir. He was dressed in a suit and loafers and one of the two parachutes he used was defective.

But his story continues to fascinate.

On Nov. 24, 1971, a thin man in his 40s calling himself Dan Cooper showed up at the Northwest Orient Airlines ticket counter at Portland International Airport in Oregon. He paid \$20 in cash for a one-way flight to Seattle departing at 4:35 p.m. He boarded the plane and took a seat near the back, where he had the

row to himself. Soon after takeoff, Cooper handed a note to a stewardess and said he had a bomb on board. He let her peak into his briefcase at wires and red sticks that looked like explosives. He then demanded \$200,000, four parachutes and "no funny stuff." At 5:40 p.m., the plane landed at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport and authorities met his demands.

He ordered the plane back into the air and demanded that it fly toward Mexico through Reno at no more than 10,000 feet. He later jumped, and hasn't been seen or heard from since.

He's beaten the best crime fighters in the country, earning him folk hero status among some. On Saturday, the tiny town of Ariel, Wash., will throw a party for Cooper for the 27th straight year at a bar called the Ariel Store.

Along with earning him admirers, his case inspired some copycat attempts and prompted new airport security measures nationwide.

After years of investigating the case, all authorities know about Cooper is that he smoked Raleigh cigarettes, drank whiskey and was familiar with aerodynamics.

Only some of his ransom money — a bundle of \$20 bills — has turned up. A child digging in a sand bar on the north bank of the Columbia River west of Vancouver found the money in 1980. The serial numbers had been recorded by the FBI.

## FDA approves first sepsis drug; could save thousands of lives

WASHINGTON (AP) — Doctors are about to get an eagerly awaited breakthrough through treatment that could save thousands from deadly bloodstream infections: Xigris, the first drug ever found to directly attack sepsis.

The Food and Drug Administration approved Xigris' sale Wednesday, and manufacturer Eli Lilly & Co. pledged to ship the medicine to hospital intensive-care units within days.

"Sepsis is a huge public health problem," said Dr. Gordon Bernard, who led clinical trials of the medication. "This drug, although not a cure-all — it doesn't save everyone — it reduces the mortality, and it's the only drug ever shown to do that."

The FDA cautioned that Xigris is to be used only for the sepsis patients deemed least likely to survive. When given to such people, the drug can cut the chances of death 13 percent.

"We're talking about tens of thousands of lives per year potentially saved by this product if used appropriately," said Dr. Jay Siegel, FDA's director of blood therapies.


Sepsis is a bacterial infection of the bloodstream that strikes about 750,000 Americans a year. Some 225,000 of them die when the infection sets off a chain of chemical reactions that destroy their organs.

Sepsis can strike anyone — it can be a complication of trauma, surgery, pneumonia and numerous other illnesses. Patients are treated with antibiotics, fluids, ventilators for lung failure and other supportive care.

But until now, there has been no drug that directly attacks the way sepsis destroys organs — by causing inflammation and blood clots. Because Xigris works by interfering with blood clotting, it can cause severe bleeding, including strokes, the FDA warned.

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**Mary Kay  
Ash, founder  
of Mary Kay  
Cosmetics,  
dies at age 83**

DALLAS (AP) — Mary Kay Ash, whose pink Cadillacs and eponymous cosmetics company made her one of the most famous women in American business, died at her home in Dallas on Thursday. She was 83.

Ash, who had been in fragile health in recent years, died of natural causes, Mary Kay Inc. said in a news release.

"The world has lost one of its greatest champions of women and one of the most loving and inspirational business leaders," said Ash's son, Richard Rogers, who is also co-founder, chairman and chief executive officer at Mary Kay.

Mary Kay Inc. grew from a sales force of 11 in 1963 to more than 850,000 in 37 countries and wholesale revenue of \$1.3 billion last year. But Ash's fans said she was about more than profits, and enriched women's lives at a time when it was difficult for them to succeed in the corporate world.

"I wasn't that interested in the dollars-and-cents part of business," Ash once said. "My interest in starting Mary Kay Inc. was to offer women opportunities that didn't exist anywhere else."

Ash spent most of her life known simply as "Mary Kay," one of the most recognizable names in the United States. As Mary Kay Corp.'s founder and chairman emeritus, she inspired devotion from her sales force.

Each year the convention she held in Dallas attracted thousands of saleswomen who paid their own way to hear, cheer and revere their founder.

With hard work, the saleswomen — and occasionally a salesman — could move through the ranks of the company to earn the prized position of national sales director. The person who now holds the position earns more than \$800,000 annually, and company spokesman Randall Oxford said more than 150 women have earned at least \$1 million working for Mary Kay.

"I want you to become the highest-paid women in America," Ash said in her motivational speeches.

Mary Kay also created an award system designed specifically for women, including such items as mink coats, diamond rings and the famous pink Cadillac.

The compacts and boxes that contained her makeup were also pink, and Ash once owned a pink 19,000-square-foot mansion with a gigantic pink marble bathtub.

She was born Mary Kathryn Wagner on May 12, 1918, in Houston. By age 6, she was caring for her seriously ill father while her mother worked 14 hours a day at a restaurant. Ash said her mother encouraged her to excel in everything from school work to selling Girl Scout cookies by telling her almost daily, "You can do it."

Ash married Houston radio personality Ben Rogers at 17 and had three children. Ash wrote in her autobiography that the marriage dissolved after Rogers entered the Army.

Moving to Dallas, Ash took a part-time job for Stanley Home Products, selling household goods at parties in women's homes in 1938. She studied to become a doctor, but focused on sales full-time as her success grew. She would write weekly sales goals in soap on her bathroom mirror.

Ash is survived by her two sons, 16 grandchildren, 28 great grandchildren, and a great-great grandchild.

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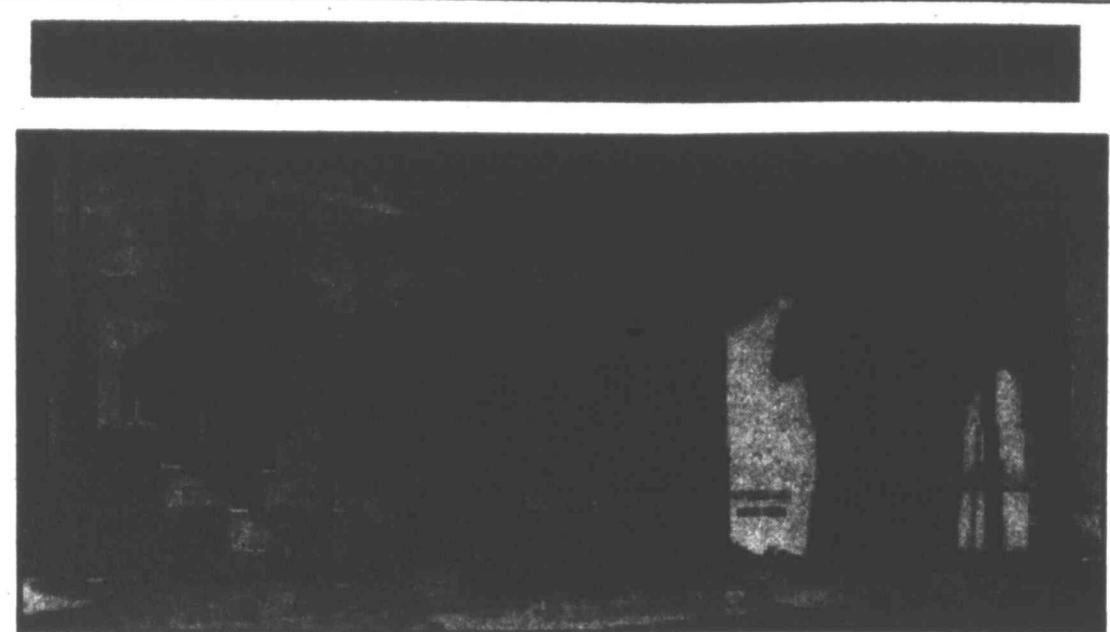
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Every so often I hear a parent prompt a toddler or younger child with, "Did you say 'Thank you?'" Often I can hear the voice of my own mother through the prompts of the younger mother. How do we appreciate a gratitude? Is saying "Thank you" the same as having a sense of person for the kindness individual? Through the have found my to answer this a whole range of tions. Later, I times wonder or not I had fulfilled. Most of us difference between handed "Thank you" has a sarcasm bunch!" and a of genuine appreciation a kindness response. I have also many friends from the Father His own struggle to appreciation a respond as a t

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By ANDREA M. Features Editor  
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## Do you mean it when you say 'thanks'?

Every so often I hear a parent prompt a toddler or younger child with, "Did you say 'Thank you?'" Often I can hear the voice of my own



DWAYNE WHEAT

mother through the prompts of these much younger mothers.

How do we learn to be appreciative and express gratitude?

Is saying "Thanks" the same as having a deep sense of personal gratitude for the kindness of an individual?

Through the years, I have found myself trying to answer this question in a whole range of situations. Later, I have sometimes wondered whether or not I had been successful.

Most of us can tell the difference between an off-handed "Thanks" or perhaps a sarcastic "Thanks a bunch!" and an expression of genuine appreciation for a kindness received.

I have also received many deserved "prompts" from friends, family, and the Father Himself in my own struggle to express appreciation and to respond as a truly grateful

man. About 30 years ago, God began to work me over in the gratitude department. It seemed that everything that I read and heard related in some way to being grateful.

I was getting prompts around the clock from all kinds of sources.

I gradually began to realize that until we begin to respond with gratitude to what God does in our lives and to the ways that He blesses us through other people, our growth in Christ comes to a stop.

If we persist in an attitude which suggests that we some how had only received what we deserved and no gratitude was really needed, our relationship to Him is essentially at a standstill.

This attitude has the same effect on our relationships with people.

This first lesson in gratitude grew out of an understanding of God's grace in caring for us and, by extension, the grace that people show us through their kindness.

A second important lesson came when I learned something about the consequences of feeling self-sufficient.

Moses warned against an attitude of self-satisfaction and self-sufficiency when he wrote, "Beware lest you forget the Lord your God by not keeping his commandments and His ordi-

nances and His statutes which I am commanding you today, lest, when you have eaten and are satisfied, and have built good houses and lived in them and when your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and gold multiply, and all that you have multiplies, then your heart becomes proud and you forget the Lord your God who brought you out from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery."

There is no greater mark of our ingratitude than an attitude of arrogant self-sufficiency. The "I did it myself and in my own way" attitude clearly tells God that He isn't needed. We can take care of things without any help.

The Bible and newscasts both provide frequent examples of this attitude, and we can readily see what happens when people adopt this way of thinking.

God is always faithful to give us opportunities to discover just how badly we really need Him.

I am beginning this Thanksgiving season with a prayer of confession as I say, "Lord, forgive me for my attitude of arrogant self-sufficiency. I know that every good thing and every blessing of life comes to me from You — not from me to me."

*Dwayne Wheat is pastor of Berea Baptist Church*

## CHURCH NEWS

**First United Methodist**  
Pastor Ring's post-Thanksgiving sermon message is entitled "Dancing Before the Lord," based upon multiple Bible passages—II Samuel 6:1-5, 12-18 and Ephesians 5:19b-20.

Everyone is invited to join Pastor Ring at the new Veterans Administration Nursing Home at 2 p.m. for a brief chapel worship.

Junior and Senior High Youth will meet in combined session at 5 p.m. in the Partee Building. At 6 p.m., everyone is invited to gather at Baker's Chapel AME Church, 911 N. Lancaster, for a combined area-wide Methodist worship and fellowship time.

Food will be served following that worship.

Each evening Monday through Friday, Nov. 26-30, rehearsals for the "Living Christmas Tree" will be held beginning at 7 p.m. in Garrett Hall.

Anyone from the area who would like to sing in this gift to the community is welcome to join in these practices.

Living Christmas Tree performances will be held in the First United Methodist Church sanctuary at 1:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Saturday, Dec 1st and 8 p.m. on Sunday, Dec 2nd.

Kid's Club/Five Alive will meet from 3:45 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. on Tuesday.

Children's Day Out will meet on Monday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Wednesday Noon Bible study will meet from noon to 12:50 p.m. on Wednesday; lunch is served.

All of these programs are open to the public. For further information, call 267-6394.

**St. Paul Lutheran**  
St. Paul Lutheran Church, located at 810 Scurry, will have a special

Thanksgiving church service at 10 a.m.

**First Assembly Of God**  
This Sunday will be a great day of worship at First Assembly of God located at Fourth and Lancaster. The day will begin with Bible Study in the Sunday School hour at 9:45 a.m. There is a class for every age.

The Worship Service will begin at 10:40 a.m. with singing.

Sunday evening's service begins at 6 p.m. with lots of music and Bible preaching.

Wednesday night is Family Night beginning at 7 p.m. There is Royal Rangers, a program designed for all ages of boys, Missionettes, a girls program for all ages.

The adults enjoy a Bible Study in the main auditorium.

Pastor Havener and the congregation of First Assembly invite you to join them as they celebrate Jesus this week.

**St. Mary's Episcopal**  
Everyone is welcome to attend worship services at St. Mary's. Holy Communion will be celebrated this Sunday at 8 and 10:30 a.m.

St. Mary's also has Sunday School for all ages at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday.

The Rev. David Krause, Chaplain to Canterbury at Texas Tech, will be teaching a two part series for the adults Sunday School class

and his topic will be the faith of Islam.

St. Mary's Church will present Advent Offerings, our annual concert series on Thursday, Dec. 6, and Thursday, Dec. 13.

The December 6 program will feature music for Advent and Christmas performed by Joyce Bradley, a soprano; Scott McLaughlin, guitar; Gloria Steelman, flute; and Villia Walter, cello.

Our special guest for the Dec. 13 concert will be the Lone Star Brass Quintet.

The concerts will begin at 12:05 p.m. and will be approximately 30 minutes in length.

Everyone is invited to bring a sack lunch, and to join us in the Parish Hall afterwards.

St. Mary's will provide coffee, tea and cookies.

**Hillcrest Baptist**  
Have you noticed that the stores and many homes are already decorated for Christmas?

Hillcrest is starting their Christmas themes and sermons on Nov. 25.

The theme for Sunday is Hope, Anticipation, and Prophecy.

Kevin Parker will bring the message "What Are You Looking For?" based on Matthew 22.

Our service starts at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday morning.

The church location is 2000 W FM 700. There is a nursery available for babies.

## Neighbors and Newcomers hosts event

By ANDREA MEDLIN  
Features Editor

Five years ago a new club was formed by Pam Brewer for people who were new to Big Spring.

However, as time passed the members of the club made a discovery that changed the course of the club's history.

"We suddenly discovered that we were no longer new so we changed the name to Big Spring Neighbors and Newcomers," said Brewer during her speech at the social and dinner held recently at the Big Spring Country Club.

The event was hosted by the Neighbors and Newcomers Club and boasted 42 total attendees.

During the dinner new members were asked to describe how they chose Big Spring as their new home.

Many reasons were given including milder weather, the Comanche Trail Golf Course and the familiarity that comes with home town living.

For those who had moved to the city and decided to stay the reasons were



HERALD photo/Andrea Medlin  
Paula Brookmole signs the guest book at the Neighbors and Newcomers social and dinner while husband Jerry looks on. Irene Medellin welcomes the couple to the event.

unhesitatingly easy to give.

Small town values, friendliness, acceptance and hospitality were unanimous among the attending newcomers who had made Big Spring their permanent home.

The club's philosophy is

simple and unpretentious as it hopes to host gatherings of people who simply desire to make new friends.

For information about the club and its events contact Pam Brewer at 267-7683, Sue Slattery at 264-6035, or Irene Medellin at 264-0946.

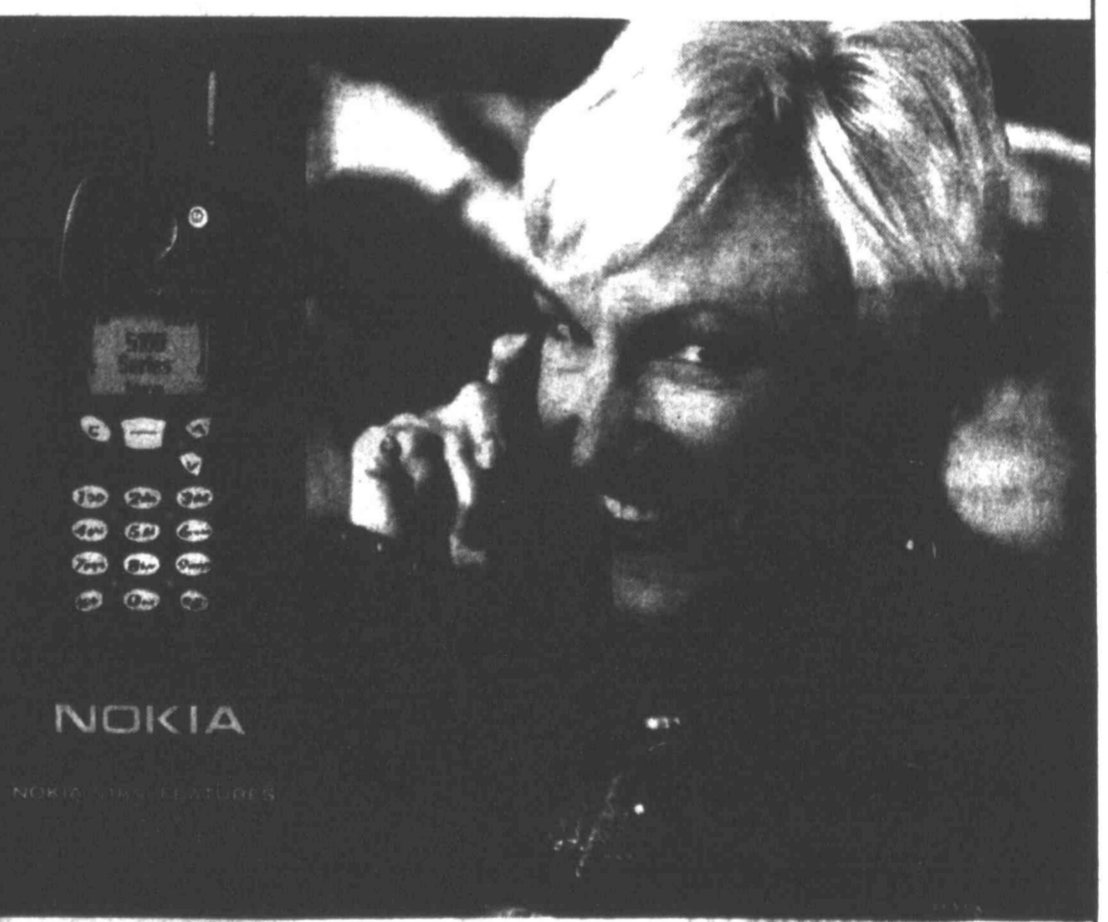
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**CLUB NEWS**

**1905 Hyperion**  
1905 Hyperion Club met Thursday in the home of Betty Thomas with 12 members attending.

Our Christmas party will be held in the home of Carol Scott Dec. 13. Members and husbands will attend.

The program was presented by Jan Hanson of Texas Electric Company.

She gave a brief history of the new wind farm which consists of 50 turbines.

Advantages of wind power include low cost, non-combustible, renewable generation, no fuel costs and no emissions.

**Mary Jane**

Ten members of the Mary Jane Club of Coahoma met Nov. 8, in Coahoma and traveled to Sweetwater to Mulberry Mansion Bed and Breakfast.

The ladies toured the mansion and were served a delicious lunch.

After lunch several of the group enjoyed visiting the antique shops and other interesting places.

The December luncheon and handmade gift exchange will be in the home of Joyce Choate with JoAnne Forrest and Mary Phillips co-hosting on Dec. 13.

**Sand Springs Lions**

The Sand Springs Lions Club met Monday with Phillip Reid, president, presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Fred Franklin and the opening prayer was

worded by Shyrlee Reid.

The minutes and the treasurer's report was given by Madeline Boadle, secretary/treasurer.

Jarrell Barbee reported the hauled trash for the senior citizens and Neil and Marjorie Squires reported they had helped with the serving at the Senior Citizen's Center.

The winning of the Thanksgiving basket was Victor Jackson. Shyrlee and Phillip will deliver the basket on Tuesday to the Jacksons.

The next meeting will be our Christmas party meeting beginning with dinner at KC Steak House and afterwards to the home of Ben and Madeline Boadle for desserts and gift exchange.

**TOPS #TX 21**

Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center at 306 W. Third was the meeting place for TOPS #21 when they met in a regular Monday night meeting on Nov. 19, at 6 pm.

Hughetta Roberts, leader, voiced the opening prayer and led the TOPS pledge.

After the roll call by Genay Bertran, weight-recorder, a no-gainers week was recorded.

Mrs. Roberts was best loser of the week for the TOPS and Gladys Russell was KOPS best loser.

Each one received the weekly prize and a certificate.

It was decided that each person recording a loss through the Thanksgiving to Christmas holiday would receive a charm.

Plans for the Christmas party set for Dec. 10 were

also finalized.

Carol Smith presented a helpful and informative program entitled "Ten Foods That Slow Down Aging."

TOPS is a non-profit, weight loss support group and anyone wishing to join can call 263-0391 or 263-1758 for more information or just come by Dora Roberts any Monday night by 6 p.m.

**Big Spring Art Association**

The Big Spring Art Association met Nov. 20 in the Howard County Library. Bonita Lyght presided and Kay Smith was hostess.

Vicky Clark of Seminole presented a pastel demonstration of a colorful sunset. She also gave instruction on painting people and landscapes.

Andreia Medlin won first place in the Tipping Of The Brush Contest.

Other winners were Estelle Howard, Arlys Scott, Smith, Judy Gibbs and Jean Money.

The project of painting or photo of an old building in Big Spring was won by D.W. Overman with his picture of the Morgan rock house on Scurry Street.

The Morgan family built this house using stones they hauled from Scenic Mountain.

Other winners were Laurie Petersen, Gibbs, Scott and Lyght.

In January Kay Smith and Estelle Howard will be holding workshops.

Howard will teach an oil painting and Smith will teach a watercolor painting.

The club will have a Christmas party Dec. 18.

**With end of tour near, U2 winds down with TV concert, airing on VH1**

LOS ANGELES (AP) — It's been a beautiful year for U2.

The Irish rock veterans have enjoyed the success of a multi-platinum album, nabbed three Grammy awards for their hit "Beautiful Day," and staged their most successful tour to date with sold-out dates across the country.

Now, the band begins to wind it down with "U2: Elevation Tour 2001," which airs Friday on VH1.

It's the band's first full-length televised concert.

"This thing that people are going to see on Friday is a moment in time where everything came together for us," lead singer Bono told The Associated Press.

Taped this past summer

at Boston's Fleet Center, the concert airs a week before the band concludes its world tour in Miami on Dec. 2.

"We've been waiting since we were kids to play this tight and to have this kind of material."

It took awhile and we've done some good stuff along the way, but this is our finest hour to date," Bono said.

For years, the group resisted doing a televised concert.

"It's hard to fit a head this big into a box that small," Bono joked.

The real reason was that band felt, its live performances didn't translate well to television.

"I think we've always been suspicious of televi-

sion because it's such a passive medium. ... People keep walking in and out of a room, and turning you up and down," Bono said.

"There's no control over the environment. Whereas when people are in the arena, you've created the environment."

But Bono said when the band released its album "All That You Can't Leave Behind" last year, U2 was committed to reintroducing itself to the United States.

"The lesson we learned from going on TV early in the year and now is that there's something sort of democratic about it."

You just have to not fear the flaws.

The flaws are what make it interesting," he said.

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### IN BRIEF

#### Iraan faces O'Donnell here in playoff game

Big Spring High School will host a Class 1A area football playoff game set for 7:30 tonight at Memorial Stadium. The game matches powerhouse 10-0 Iraan's Braves and the O'Donnell Eagles, who bring an 8-3 mark into the game.

#### YMCA basketball meeting scheduled

An organizational meeting for the upcoming Big Spring Youth Basketball League season has been scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3, at the YMCA.

For more information, call Rick Watkins at 267-2358 or the YMCA at 267-8234.

#### Deer harvest recommendations

Hunters and landowners are being reminded by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials that the general deer hunting season which will continue through Jan. 6.

The legal bag limit for Howard County is five deer. No more than two bucks are allowed.

Both antlerless deer and bucks must be properly tagged.

The recommended harvest in Howard County, is one antlerless deer per 1,200 acres and one buck per 2,500 acres.

#### YMCA expanding gymnastics program

The YMCA gymnastics program has expanded its offerings to include leading, boys gymnastics and a "Toddler Time," in addition to its traditional gymnastics classes for girls.

Registration for the December session is currently under way. Call Leslie Northrup at 267-8234.

#### New tennis pro planning events

Craig Bobo, who has been hired as director of tennis by the Crossroads Tennis Association, has outlined his plans for developing a rich program for players ages five and older.

Bobo will be offering a variety of activities, ranging from private lessons and clinics to tournaments and league play for juniors and adults.

### ON TAP

#### TODAY FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

• Coahoma Bulldogs vs. Mason Punchers, Class 2A area game, 2 p.m., San Angelo Stadium.

• Sands Mustangs vs. New Home Leopards, six-man area game, 7:30 p.m., at Wellman-Union.

### ON THE AIR

#### Radio

NBA  
6 p.m. — Denver Broncos at Dallas Cowboys, KBST-AM 1490.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL  
7 p.m. — Sands Mustangs vs. New Home Leopards, six-man area game, KBST-FM 95.7.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL  
5 p.m. — Louisville at TCU, ESPN.

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NBA  
8:30 p.m. — Preseason NIT, championship game, ESPN.

11:30 p.m. — Great Alaska Shootout, semifinal, ESPN.

## Lions still winless after wild 29-27 loss to Packers

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — Brett Favre and the Green Bay Packers played another wild and memorable game at the Silverdome. This time, it was the Detroit Lions who absorbed a forgettable loss.

Favre passed for 252 yards and two touchdowns and the Packers survived a late rally by winless Detroit, beating the Lions 29-27 on Thursday.

The Packers, who nearly squandered a 16-point lead, won on the road against Detroit for the first time in five years and for just the second time in the regular season since 1992.

Green Bay (7-3) moved within a half-game of NFC Central-leading Chicago.

"For 10 years, the games here

have always been like this — turnovers and a lot of wild things," said Favre "I'm just thankful that we got this win, because we have come in here and lost with better records and better teams."

Next season, the Lions will play in a new stadium in downtown Detroit.

Favre, who had thrown 10 interceptions in his last four games, completed 18 of 26 passes without an interception. He has thrown at least 20 TDs for an eighth straight year, a streak that trails only Dan Marino's 10 consecutive seasons with 20 or more TDs.

Ahman Green ran for 102 yards and a touchdown and also caught a 35-yard TD pass for the Packers.

Detroit (0-10) has lost its last seven

by an average of 4.6 points.

"It eats at your gut," team president Matt Millen said.

While the Packers don't feel bad for the Lions, Favre has a soft spot for Detroit's first-year coach Marty Mornhinweg, who was Favre's quarterback coach when the Packers won the 1997 Super Bowl.

"I've been rooting for Marty all year," Favre said. "I told him that before the game and again after, but he already knows. That team doesn't deserve to be 0-10, not the way they played. Pretty soon, Marty will have them turned around and they will be winning these games."

The Lions again came close to their first win this season, missing a chance to send the game into overtime when rookie quarterback Mike

McMahon threw an incomplete pass on a 2-point conversion with 10 seconds left.

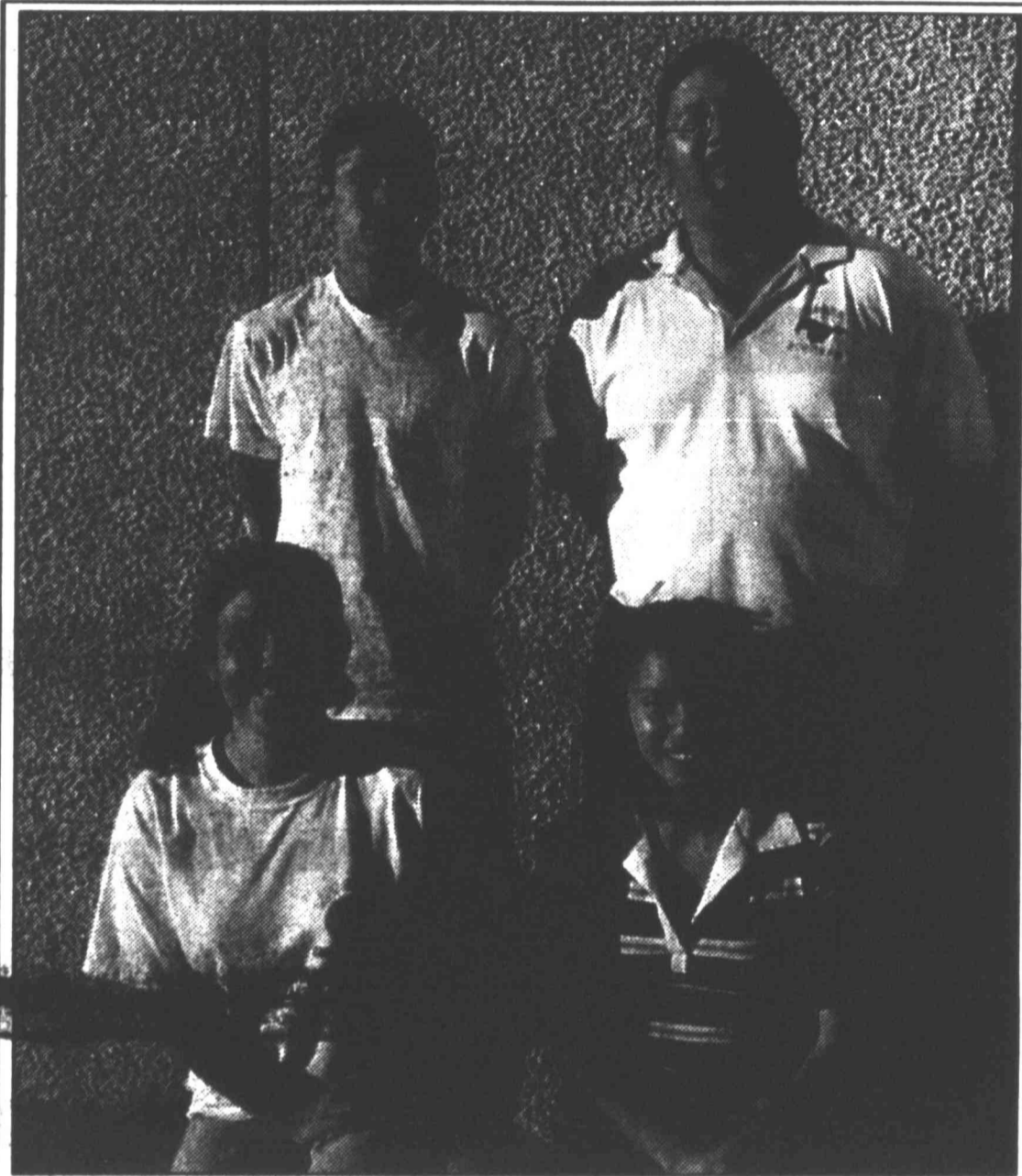
"We let another one get away," Detroit's Robert Porcher said. "I don't know how to put into words how I feel."

A defensive TD gave Detroit a 13-10 lead late in the first half, but the Packers scored the next 19 points and appeared to be set to win easily.

But McMahon, who was 9-of-20 for 89 yards with a touchdown, kept Detroit's hopes alive.

"I have the utmost respect for Charlie Batch, who is a class guy," Green Bay coach Mike Sherman said, "but when Mike McMahon came in the game, it turned the

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Sands' Mustangs and Lady Mustangs will be represented this weekend at the Foot Locker Cross Country Championships South Regional in Charlotte, N.C. Pictured, front from left, are: Delol Porras and Hope Jimenez. Behind are Jose Martinez and coach Felipe Castro. The three Sands runners will be competing against runners from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia.

## Tinsley leads Pacers over Wizards

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Jamaal Tinsley will savor his record-setting night for a long time.

Michael Jordan would like to forget his.

Tinsley set an Indiana franchise record with 23 assists and completed a triple-double with 19 points and 11 rebounds in the Pacers' 110-103 victory over Washington on Thursday night.

"I'll never forget this," the rookie guard said. "I don't know how to say the words. To play against one of the best players to ever play the game ... I just tried to play hard."

Jordan had 21 points on 8-for-26 shooting as Washington lost its eighth

straight — extending the longest losing streak of his career.

"I just had a bad shooting game," Jordan said. "I had some good looks, but I just missed them."

Jordan missed his first five shots and was 2-for-11 for six points in the first half.

"We're putting ourselves in good positions but because of our youth, we haven't been able to eliminate mistakes," Jordan said. "If this were a veteran team, I'd be a lot more frustrated. I think sooner or later we're going to get it."

In other games Thursday night, Milwaukee held off Toronto 78-75 and New Jersey beat the Los Angeles

Clippers 95-90.

Tinsley was selected 27th overall by Memphis in the June draft and ended up in Indiana after a series of trades involving Atlanta.

"He's a great defender, that's the surprising thing we didn't know we were getting," Pacers coach Isiah Thomas said. "Now that he's figured out how to score in this league, he's scoring in a variety of ways. He's something special that we're watching."

Tinsley broke the franchise record of 20 assists by Don Buse in 1976 — when the Pacers were in the ABA — and matched last season by Jalen Rose. Scott Skiles

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## Cowboys' comeback falls short

IRVING (AP) — Ryan Leaf nearly earned a place in Dallas Cowboys' lore alongside Thanksgiving Day heroes Clint Longley and Jason Garrett.

Coach Dave Campo might have cost him the chance.

Leaf's bid at the biggest comeback in team history fell short in the Cowboys' 26-24 loss to the Denver Broncos on Thursday, in part because Campo decided not to go for a 2-point conversion midway through the rally.

Jason Elam's fourth field goal gave Denver a 26-3 lead early in the fourth quarter, and the Broncos were on the verge of their largest blowout of the season.

Instead, Denver nearly squandered a second straight fourth-quarter lead. The Broncos led Washington 10-3 on Sunday and lost 17-10.

Leaf started the comeback by directing a 71-yard scoring drive, Dallas's first touchdown drive in nine quarters. Leaf threw for 59 yards and Troy Hambrick scored on a 1-yard run.

Just 43 seconds later, Reggie Swinton returned a punt 65 yards for another score as Dallas closed with a 26-16 with 7:29 left.

Campo initially called for a 2-point conversion, even sending the play to Leaf. He changed his mind during a delay and Jon Hilbert kicked the PAT.

Dallas could have closed within eight points with a successful 2-point conversion. Instead, the Cowboys trailed by nine and needed two scores to beat the Broncos.

Dallas wound up scoring only one more time, getting another 1-yard touchdown from Hambrick with 1:10 left. Hilbert kicked again, then tried an onside kick.

Denver's Detron Smith held on and the Cowboys

went away losers for the fourth straight game, the last three with Leaf.

"To make two 2-pointers, back-to-back, the percentages were not with us," Campo said. "I thought it was a better chance to take the point and get the onside kick. No, it wasn't a bad decision."

Leaf had seven completions worth 109 yards in the fourth quarter, and completed 16 of 32 passes for 193 yards.

Leaf might be headed back to the bench. Quincy Carter has recovered from a hamstring injury and could return against Washington a week from Sunday.

"He showed that when things are clicking he can make some nice throws," Hambrick said. "I'm happy that he didn't get down and show the side that everybody wants to see."

The Broncos, winners for only the third time since starting 3-1, went away with another injury to a key offensive player.

Running back Olandis Gary broke a bone in his left leg on the second drive and likely is out for the rest of the season. However, Terrell Davis could be back next week at Miami.

"It's always nice to find a way to win," Broncos coach Mike Shanahan said.

"We had a chance to put it away a number of times," he added. "We struggled a little bit. We have to execute better offensively so we can put people away. It's a credit to win that game with as many missed opportunities."

Mike Anderson, who gained 1,487 yards last season in place of Davis and Gary, ran 33 times for 118 yards and a touchdown. Brian Griese was 17-of-29 passing for 171 yards with a touchdown and an interception.

## Illinois survives lackluster showing in Las Vegas

### The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Illinois misfired with regularity and played like anything but a ranked team in the second round of the Las Vegas Invitational.

By the time their game against Pennsylvania was over Thursday night, the Illini had justified their No. 2 rating.

Frank Williams scored 22 points and second-ranked Illinois shot 70 percent in the second half en route to a 78-71 victory over Pennsylvania.

The Illini (3-0) trailed 45-34 at the half and didn't take the lead until midway through the second half.

Damir Krupalija scored to give the Illini a 61-60 lead with 10:23 remaining. The teams traded baskets until Illinois took the lead for good with 7:06 left.

Nick Smith and Robert Archibald each added 11 points, and Brian Cook had 10 for Illinois, which shot

71 percent from the floor in the second half. Krupalija had 11 rebounds as the Illini outrebounded the Quakers 34-26.

"We dodged a bullet," Illinois coach Bill Self said. "We were not a very good team in the first half. We were slow and we got into foul trouble."

In other second round games, it was Georgia Tech 70, E. Illinois 65; Southern Illinois 66, Iowa St. 57; Saint Louis 65, Hartford 62.

In the first round of the Great Alaska Shootout, Gonzaga beat St. John's 65-58, and Texas defeated Oregon State 78-68.

Illinois shot 35 percent (8-for-25) in the first half and trailed by as many as 12 points.

"We played better defense in the second half," Williams said.

The Illini limited the Quakers to 33 percent (9-for-27) shooting in the second half after allowing 57.1 percent in the first half.

Ugonna Onyekwe led Penn (1-1) with 28 points, including four 3-pointers. Koko Archibong added 12 points.

Onyekwe had 19 points on 7-of-10 shooting in the first half, while Illinois was 8-of-25. Archibald was particularly cold, missing three shots under the basket.

Penn also made 7-of-13 3-pointers in the first half, led by Onyekwe and Jeff Schiffer with three apiece. "Anytime you hold a player to 10 points in a half, I don't know if that's slowing him down," Self said. "He's a great athlete. Our big men didn't match up with him."

The Illini stayed in the game by shooting 15-for-20 from the line.

"We knew they would be tougher and tighten up defensively in the second half," Penn coach Fran Dunphy said. "We had some open looks. I thought we weathered the storm once."

"We didn't take enough advantage

in the first half. You know you're not going to shoot like that in the second half."

The Quakers led 12-10 with 13:27 remaining and scored 10 unanswered points for a 22-10 lead. Archibong scored the first two baskets and Onyekwe and David Klatsky hit 3-pointers. Illinois missed four straight shots and turned the ball over once.

"We were flat," Self said. "It's good to get out of here with a win."

In other games, Roland Roberts scored 24 points to lead Southern Illinois past Iowa State.

Roberts shot 10-for-16 and had six rebounds. Kent Williams added 10 points.

Jake Sullivan led Iowa State with 21 points.

Ross Varner and Drew Diener each scored 13 points in St. Louis' victory over Hartford.

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PACKERS

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NBA

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ROUNDUP

Continued from Page 1B Ryan Stys led Hartford with 11 points and six rebounds. Marvin Lewis scored 17 of his 21 points in the second half in Georgia Tech's victory over Eastern Illinois.

left. But McMahon scrambled and threw a pass through the end zone on the 2-point try. Batch was 8-of-19 for 118 yards with no touchdowns, an interception and a fumble after McMahon, who played one series in the first half, came on midway through the fourth quarter. McMahon refused to fuel a

quarterback controversy that has started percolating in Detroit. "I still have a long way to go," the fifth-round pick from Rutgers said. "Charlie is definitely the man." Detroit's James Stewart, who missed the previous four games with a sprained right ankle, rushed for 102 yards on 14 carries.

that ever played the game," Jordan said. "He has a lot of poise. He is more mature and it also helps that he is playing on a veteran backcourt." Indiana trailed by four at the half, but Tinsley had 10 points and eight assists in the third quarter as the Pacers gained control. He made a running jump shot and converted a 3-point play on the next possession to make it 68-63.

Nets 95, Clippers 90 Keith Van Horn scored 34 points and Jason Kidd had a

Bulldogs never trailed again. Dan Dickau scored 17 points for Gonzaga. Texas 78, Oregon State 68 Chris Owens scored 19 of his 21 points in the second half to lead the Loughorns past Oregon State.

Philip Ricci led Oregon State with 15 points.

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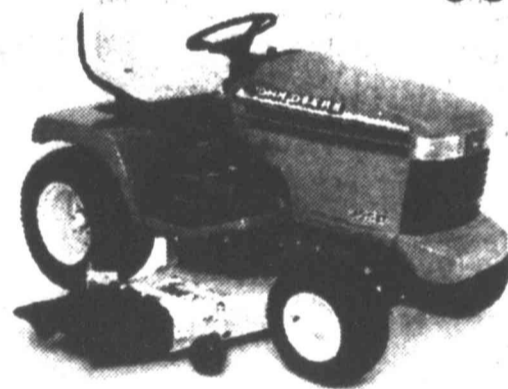
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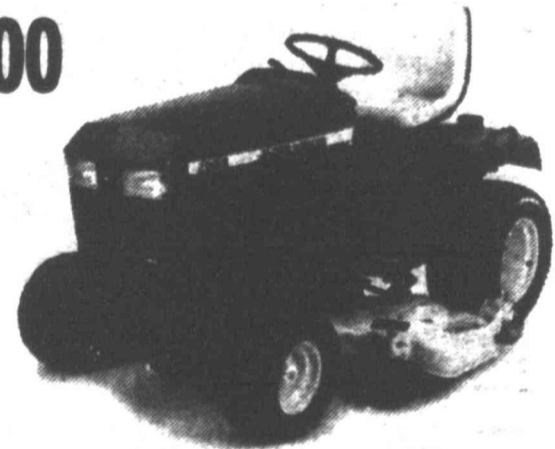
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ARIES (March 21-April 19)\*\*\* You're a fireball - hard to stop, especially if you don't get your way. Others misinterpret your reactions and behavior. Slow down, please. Think of those on the receiving end, not only for their sake but for yours, too! Use your intuitive sensitivity. Tonight: Wander home, stopping here and there. It's good medicine.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)\*\*\* Passion runs high between you and a friend or loved one. Be careful how you direct this intensity, and understand another's reaction. One-on-one relating could easily go off kilter if you do not hone in on another's needs. Keep talks going, even if you want to walk away. Tonight: Follow your friends.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)\*\*\* Stay on top of errands. You might not want to go in to work. A parent pushes your buttons. Chill out! Don't become a crab. Be friendly and seek out your pals. Make it OK to splurge - after all, this is Black Friday. Tonight: Have a good time, wherever you are.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)\*\*\* A partner surprises you. This person means well. You might have a project or a special hobby you would like to do. Invite a loved one along. Lighten up

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about expectations and accept what another offers. Tonight: Follow someone else's lead.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)\*\*\*\* Success develops by dealing with another as if he is the most important person in your life at the moment. Take this attitude in your home life as well. You shake up the status quo in a positive manner. Rock the boat and make waves. Tonight: Share with a loved one.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\* Pressure from someone you put on a pedestal forces you to handle something you would prefer to avoid. Your family also has expectations. Friends or a partner wants your time as well. Now you know how it feels to be in a pressure cooker! Tonight: Play ostrich.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\* Deal with others' demands first and free yourself up to do whatever you want. You don't need to have substantial plans; you need only to please yourself right now. A must appearance delights you, as others acknowledge and praise your abilities. Tonight: Don't get too carried away.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)\*\*\*\* A partner could let you down when you least expect it. Finances prove to be an issue that needs to be dealt with head-on, especially before you start your holiday shopping. Good news finds you through the mail or the phone. Avoid gossip. Tonight: Togetherness works.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)\*\*\* Someone inadvertently tests his limits and you give him the feedback he deserves. Though you might want to avoid a knee-jerk reaction, you can't help yourself. Slow down. Make time for a quiet one-on-one discussion with a special friend or a loved one. Tonight: Help another relax.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)\*\*\*\*\* Speak your mind, even if you feel a bit uncomfortable with the words you're going to say. You're pushed to the limit and are exhausted as an

end result. Another remains much more positive than you anticipated. This person reads you well. Tonight: Continue a pleasant chat over dinner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)\*\*\*\* Your possessive streak emerges with a child or new friendship. Don't make yourself uncomfortable, just state your feelings. Learn to express your emotions and thoughts in a more nurturing manner. Do something special for a friend, even if you really would prefer not! Tonight: Let someone else treat.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)\*\*\*\* Pressure builds on all fronts. You could lose your patience when dealing with others. Staying cool, calm and collected might not be possible unless you

visit or play.

2. Talk with their kids about guns.

3. Teach young children not to touch a gun and to tell an adult immediately if they find one.

The ultimate responsibility for safety is always on the adult, not on the child. For additional information, your readers can contact us at www.kidsandguns.org, or call our toll-free number: 1-877-955-KIDS (1-877-955-5437). Thank you, Ann, for helping to spread this lifesaving message. -- Victoria Reggie Kennedy, President, Common Sense About Kids and Guns

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In the wake of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, there have been reports of an increase in the number of first-time gun buyers. In the week following the attacks, a 3-year-old boy lost his life after accidentally shooting himself with an unlocked gun, which his father had brought into the home to "protect" his family. Sadly, that same story is repeated almost every day in communities across America.

Our non-profit, non-partisan organization, "Common Sense About Kids and Guns," is dedicated to educating parents about how to protect their children from gun-related death and injury. We strongly urge adults to exercise caution and engage in an honest assessment of their own personal family situation before deciding to bring a gun into the home. Do children live in or visit their home? Does someone in the family abuse drugs or alcohol? Is someone in the household depressed, or prone to violence or abuse? A responsible adult cannot rely on children not to touch a gun merely because they have been warned against it. It is impossible to predict what children, teenagers and their friends will do, and the risks are too great to place the burden of responsibility on anyone other than the adult who brings a gun into the home.

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- All gun owners must:
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  2. Lock and store ammunition separately.
  3. Keep keys and combinations where kids are unable to find them.
- All parents must:
1. Ask if guns are safely stored at places their kids

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7	PM AMERICA.01 (CC)	Movie: Big Daddy (CC)	Wash. Week West St. Week	**	Movie: The Rugrats	AMERICA.01 (CC)	Providence (CC)	Movie: Absolute	Amigos y Fiestas (SB)	Movie: The Sandlot	Star Trek: Next Gener.	**	Movie: Scream 3	Movie: Road Trip (CC)	Update With Faye Hardin	Biography (CC)	Giants: Lizards	Movie: Jack Frost (CC)	Jury Duty Wars (CC)
8	PM Thieves (CC)	**	Mystery (CC) (DVS)	**	Movie (CC)	Thieves (CC)	Detailing (CC)	Power..	Daroch de Nacar (SB)	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Movie: Lethal Weapon (CC)	**	Black Knight	Light of the Southwest	Movie: The Last of the	Giants: Giant Creepy Crawlers	**	Jury Duty Wars	
9	PM Once and Again (CC)	Cops (CC) Blind Date	Life 360 (CC)	Wonder Years	NSYNC Concert	Once and Again (CC)	Law & Order	Movie: Dirty Harry..	Diasador Humor Es	My Date-Freedom's	Star Trek: Next Gener.	**	Stargate SG-1 Going to	Creature Features	**	Giants: Spiders	Movie: Jack Frost (CC)	Jury Duty Wars	
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12	AM Cheers Maximum	Attorney Latino Gen.	Doctor Who (-44) Robot	Paid Program Paid Program	Show (CC) Street Smarts	(12:00) Oprah Winfrey (CC)	Night (CC) Frasier	Plains Drifter	**	Zorro (CC) Mickey Mouse	Ultimate Flung Small Shots	Movie: Dog Day	Lady Chatterly Movie: The	Movie: The	Faith Pleases God	Movie: The Last of the	Giants: Lizards	**	Jury Duty Wars

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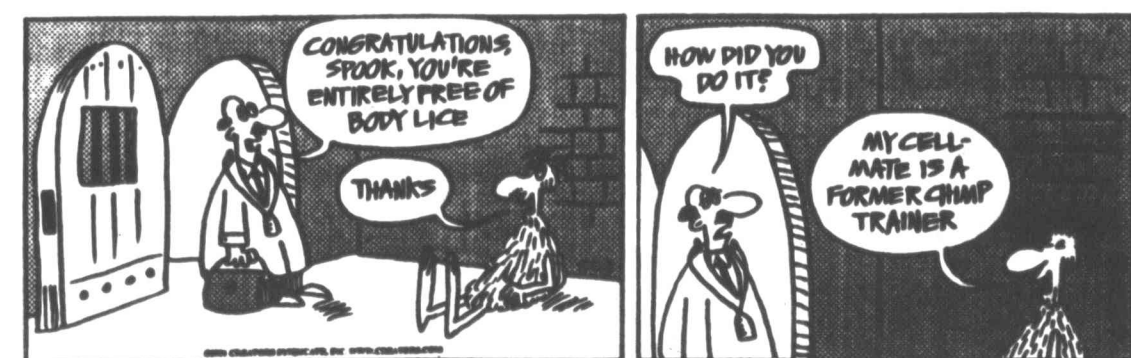
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Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 23, 1971, the People's Republic of China was seated in the U.N. Security Council.

On this date: In 1765, Frederick County, Md., repudiated the British Stamp Act.

In 1804, the 14th president of the United States, Franklin Pierce, was born in Hillsboro, N.H.

In 1889, the first jukebox made its debut in San Francisco, at the Palais Royale Saloon.

In 1903, singer Enrico Caruso made his American debut at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, appearing in "Rigoletto."

In 1936, Life, the magazine created by Henry R. Luce, was first published.

In 1943, during World War II, U.S. forces seized control of Tarawa and Makin atolls from the Japanese.

In 1945, most U.S. wartime rationing of foods, including meat and butter, ended.

In 1959, the musical "Fiorello!" with music by Jerry Bock and lyrics by Sheldon Harnick, opened on Broadway.

In 1963, President Johnson proclaimed Nov. 25 a day of national mourning following the assassination of President Kennedy.

In 1980, some 4,800 people were killed by a series of earthquakes that devastated southern Italy.

Ten years ago: Yugoslavia's rival leaders agreed to a new cease-fire, the 14th of the Balkan civil war.

Five years ago: A hijacked Ethiopian Airlines Boeing 767 crashed into the waves off Comoros Islands, killing 125 of the 175 people on board. Forty-four people were injured when an

Today's Birthdays: Actor Michael Gough is 84. Blues artist R.L. Burnside is 75. Broadway composer Jerry Bock is 73. Former Labor Secretary William E. Brock is 71. Actor Franco Nero is 60. Screenwriter Joe Eszterhas is 57. Actress Susan Anspach is 56. Actor Steve Landesberg is 56. Singer Bruce Hornsby is 47. Actor Maxwell Caulfield is 42. Actor John Henton is 41. Rock singer-musician Ken Block (Sister Hazel) is 35. Rock musician Charlie Grover (Sponge) is 35. Actress Salli Richardson is 34. Actor Oded Fehr is 31



Newsday Crossword

NATIONAL LEAGUE by Fred Piscop

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- ACROSS
- 1 Still in contention
- 6 First-stringers
- 11 Comics bark
- 14 All-important
- 15 Undeliverable mail
- 16 "The Gold Bug" author
- 17 Outspoken Slav?
- 19 Winner's take
- 20 Smeller
- 21 Scale syllables
- 22 Rock layers
- 24 Go under
- 26 Wiggly fish
- 27 Steppes distance?
- 34 Singer Shore
- 35 Little rascals
- 36 Chinese tea
- 37 Summary stats.
- 38 Candice's dad
- 40 Suffers from
- 41 Slip preventer
- 42 Bah
- 43 Knocked over
- 45 Working a nearly-empty Bangkok theater?
- 49 Blame, so to speak
- 50 Actress Vima
- 51 Type of pear
- 54 Throw in
- 55 Hang in there
- 59 Bat wood
- 60 Helsinki railroad?
- 63 Press info service
- 64 Make one
- 65 Actor Quinn
- 66 Israeli airport
- 67 Pool divisions
- 68 Sprang
- DOWN
- 1 Bard's river
- 2 Chinese poet
- 3 "How sweet \_"
- 4 Lynn's sister
- 5 Whiffenpool
- 6 Golf pro Sorenstam
- 7 Pointers
- 8 "Outer" word form
- 9 Feels achy
- 10 They get together
- 11 US coal region
- 12 Carrot or turnip
- 13 Greek cheese
- 18 Erstwhile science mag
- 23 Primary color
- 25 Comic Kabibble
- 27 Adversary
- 28 Not at all stiff
- 29 The \_ of the Iguana
- 30 Vocalist Sumac
- 31 Spring mo.
- 32 Boutros-Boutros
- 33 Bridge seat
- 34 Not quite dry
- 38 Long, long time
- 39 Faia or Checkers
- 42 Meerschaum contents
- 43 Peter and Paul: Abbr.
- 44 National Leaguer
- 46 Tie up the line
- 47 '50s tunes
- 48 Throws a line to
- 51 Author Bellow
- 52 Old gas brand
- 53 Director Wertmuller
- 54 Starting stake
- 56 Verdi heroine
- 57 Cereal sound
- 58 Portable lodging
- 61 French diarist
- 62 Actor Holbrook

