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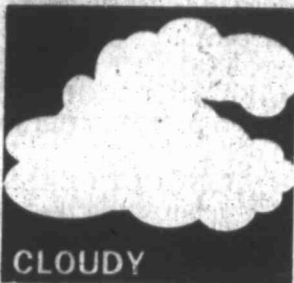
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Filing for county office ends Wednesday

Those wishing to run for Howard County office in 2002 must file their candidacy with their party chairmen by the end of the day Wednesday.

Positions up for election locally and the incumbents that hold them are county judge, district judge, district clerk, county clerk, county treasurer, county surveyor, county commissioners of Precinct 2 and 4 and peace justices of Precinct 1, Place 2 and Precinct 2, Place 1.

For more information call the county clerk's office at 264-2213.

WHAT'S UP...

WEDNESDAY

- Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. at the Howard College Cactus Room.
- Senior Circle Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics meets at the SMMC cafeteria at 10 a.m.
- Big Spring Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.
- Duplicate Bridge Club meets every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 1 p.m. at the Big Spring Country Club.
- Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center. Call 398-5522 or 267-1628.
- Fraternal order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

THURSDAY

- Gideons International, Big Spring Camp 442160 meets at Herman's Restaurant at 7 a.m.
- Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for people 55 and over.
- Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. at Gale's Sweet Shoppe.
- Genealogical Society of Big Spring meets at 7:15 p.m. at the Howard County Library.
- Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

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Cox Communications going up on cable rates in February

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

Beginning Feb. 1, local cable bills will take another step up, their sixth in as many years.

According to a news release from Cox Communications, service charges for Limited Basic will increase by 75 cents from \$14.94 to \$15.69, while Expanded Basic will go up from \$15.46 to \$16.23, a 77-

cent hike.

The two increases together means most cable subscribers will be paying \$31.92 for their basic cable service, compared to \$24.47 six years ago.

According to the release, the monthly rental fee for a digital cable converter box will also go up from \$3.30 to \$3.70, a 12 percent jump.

Cox became the local cable television vendor in

1999 when the company purchased TCA Cable, known locally as Big Spring Cable, the area's previous provider. Company officials blamed a fee increase in 2000 on programming price increases, but were unavailable for comment Monday.

In 1999, the combined fee for Limited and Expanded basic cable services was \$26.95. In 2000, Cox increased the rate to \$28.95, while in

2001, they bumped it up to its current \$30.40.

Limited cable includes network stations, TBS, the Weather Channel, Fox, Fox Family, GNN, CNN Headline News, Home Shopping Network, C-Span, the Learning Channel, TV Land, a Spanish-language station, a Christian station and Community Bulletin Board.

Expanded Basic adds

A&E, Discovery, CNBC, TNT, Fox Sports, ESPN, American Movie Classics, History Channel, BET, VH-1, The Nashville Network, Great American Country, Nickelodeon, Home and Garden, Sci-Fi, Lifetime, USA, the Disney Channel and C-Span 2.

In 2000, the company also eliminated the manager's position at its Big Spring office.

Snow blankets Howard County on the first day of the new year

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Winter welcomed the new year in West Texas with snow.

A winter storm, the second of the season, dropped about an inch of powdery snow on Big Spring before 6 a.m. and was expected to release up to twice that amount after that time today before making its way to the east of the Crossroads area.

"Most areas in West Texas — Big Spring, Midland — got about an inch of snow," said Ray Fagen, meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Midland. "Once you get to up to Lamesa, you get about two inches and some areas in eastern New Mexico got three inches."

Fagen said the snow wasn't finished yet.

"As far as today, we're expecting another inch or two additional accumulation before the whole system exits to the east," he said.

Temperatures will remain cold through Wednesday night before warming up to about 50 Thursday, he said. "Expect a high only about 30 degrees today," he said. "We're running about 26 or 27 now (around 7 a.m.). Tonight, lows will be down to around 20 degrees."

Fagen added that temperatures Wednesday would be 30 to 35 degrees, while



Snow adorns this tree in Heart of the City Park Tuesday morning. An inch of the white stuff fell in the Crossroads area before 6 a.m. Tuesday and up to double that amount was expected during the daylight hours New Year's Day. The steeple of First Methodist Church can be seen in the background.

Wednesday night would see the mercury dip back down to around 20.

A spokesperson for the Howard County Sheriff's Office said the snow had

only caused one minor one- See SNOW, Page 2

Troop 401 offering to pick up your Christmas tree

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

The ho-ho-holidays have come and gone, and now you've got a tree in your living room to deal with.

Why not make a donation to a worthy cause and let a group of eager youths haul

that spruce or Douglas Fir to the compost facility for you?

The youngsters of Boy Scout Troop 401 are offering to haul your tree off for a donation of any amount. They ask that you remove all decorations from it before calling Assistant

Scoutmaster Charles Wiley to request the service.

"It costs to be a Scout," Wiley said. "It's \$30 for a shirt, \$20 a day when they go to camp, \$130 or more for summer camp in the Davis Mountains."

Wiley said he got the idea from a similar Scout project

in Midland.

"Midland's been running in their paper where their Scouts do them for \$5 a tree," he said. "I thought we might make more money if we just took donations."

All money raised will be

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City council considering 17 proposed amendments

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council is currently considering 17 proposed changes to the city charter, and will meet Jan. 14 to hear public concerns and suggestions and to try to hammer out a ballot of amendments for the 2002 election.

The public is invited to attend and participate in the Jan. 14 workshop.

Each proposition begins with the words "Shall the charter of the city of Big Spring be amended by..."

Proposition No. 1 "...amending Article IV, Section 5 to delete the requirement that city council members "shall not be in arrears in the payment of any taxes or liabilities due the city."

"That has been held unconstitutional by the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals," said City Attorney Jean Shotts. "You can't bar someone from running for office for not paying their taxes." That decision overrules the city ordinance anyway, so this proposition is simply a housekeeping measure to modernize the charter, Shotts said.

Proposition No. 2 "...amending Article IV, Section 10 to delete the requirement that resolutions be read at two meetings of the city council prior to passage."

Shotts pointed out the differences between resolutions and ordinances.

"Ordinances are when you are enacting laws. Resolutions are when you are doing housekeeping things, like contract work," Shotts said. "If the citizens are comfortable having resolutions read once, that would certainly simplify things. This propositions

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Jay Lopez and Cory Baker of the Big Spring Water Department set up a pump to drain water from around a leaky 12-inch water main Monday morning in Comanche Trill Park before they get down in the hole to patch the pipe.

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Poll: 2002 will bring economic recovery; possibly more attacks

WASHINGTON (AP) — A majority of Americans believe the country is headed in the right direction and that their own finances will get better, an Associated Press poll says. But they also fear more terrorist attacks are likely in 2002.

Seven in 10 Americans believe there will be another terrorist attack in the near future, although their worry is less intense than it was a few months ago, according to the AP poll.

"I think terrorism is not done yet, we have to be a little leery," said Ron Kaiser, a 33-year-old employee of a medical products company in Buffalo, N.Y.

"I think we're too sophisticated a country to miss a major attack coming. It's more likely to be little things, like things in the mail."

The number of people who believe a terrorist attack is "very likely" in the near future has dropped by half — from 48 percent to 23 percent — since October, according to the poll taken for The AP by ICR of Media, Pa. An additional 47 percent in the new poll thought another terrorist attack was "somewhat likely."

The poll of 1,013 people, taken Dec. 14-18, has an error margin of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

The interviews were conducted before the arrest of a man on a Paris-to-Miami flight who allegedly had bombs in his shoes. Several people surveyed said in follow-up interviews that arrest hadn't changed their view about the likelihood of future attacks.

While they remain worried about terrorism,

Americans are increasingly optimistic about the direction of the country. More than half — 56 percent — said they think the country is headed in the right path. A year ago, slightly more people thought the country was on the wrong track than felt it was headed in the correct direction.

"I feel the country is on the road to recovery, both from economic troubles as well as the terrorist attacks. Things are looking up," said Rick Sergeant, 40, a contractor in Grand Junction, Tenn. "There's still going to be a concerted effort to execute terrorist attacks."

The question about the country's direction drew differing responses depending on gender, race and political affiliation.

Men were more likely than women — 60 percent

compared with 50 percent — to think the country is headed in the right direction, and whites were three times as likely as blacks to think so. Three-fourths of Republicans felt the country is headed in the right direction, while half of Democrats and fewer than half of independents felt that way.

"We're absolutely on the wrong track," said Lois Kain, a Democratic retiree from Santa Maria, Calif. "There are no peace talks going on anywhere in the world. Now, Pakistan and India are squaring off. We had better pay more attention to the poor people, or we're going to be in deep trouble."

Retired policeman George Zigler, a Republican from Cape May, N.J., feels good about the country's direc-

tion, despite concerns about terrorist attacks.

"I think we're headed in the right direction," he said. "Bush is a real good guy, he knows what he's doing. This stuff's been building up, but he'll get us out of it. But I don't think the terrorists are done, something else will happen."

The number who considered themselves very confident in the government's

ability to protect citizens from terrorists attack was up slightly — from 37 percent in October to 37 percent.

"Everyone's confidence in our government is rising," said Shelly Conlin, a 29-year-old Las Vegas restaurant worker. "We pretty much feel secure, but we won't be going anywhere near the (Las Vegas) strip on New Year's Eve."

'9-11' and other terrorism terms top banished list

DETROIT (AP) — The Sept. 11 terrorist attacks should be referred to as just that and not "9-11" or "nine-eleven," according to the annual list of banished words compiled by Lake Superior State University.

The authors of the "List of Words Banished from the Queen's English for Mis-Use, Over-Use and General Uselessness" at the Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., school say they received numerous nominations for the abbreviations to be included in the 27th annual list.

Most people nominating "9-11" and "nine-eleven" said they were not trying to make light of the attacks, but asked if finding a "cute" abbreviation for the day makes them any easier to accept.

But others objected strongly.

"I can't believe people are abbreviating the worst act of war this country has seen since Pearl Harbor," wrote a nominator from Colorado Springs, Colo. "I've never heard anybody refer to the attack on Pearl Harbor as Twelve-Seven or 12-7."

Lake Superior, the smallest public university in Michigan with just over 3,000 students, releases the list each Jan. 1 from submissions gathered around the world from academia, advertising, business, journalism, the military, politics and sports.

The list was born out of a New Year's Eve party in 1976 and sent out as a publicity play for the Upper Peninsula school. Then-public relations director W.T. (Bill) Rabe started the list, in part because he thought the school needed more name recognition.

Among the other words included on this year's list:

Lee will not seek U. S. Senate

HOUSTON (AP) — After considering a bid for the U.S. Senate, Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee says she has decided instead to seek re-election to the House.

She surfaced as a possible successor to U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, soon after he announced in September that he would retire.

Jackson Lee, a Democrat who has represented the 18th Congressional District since 1995, said she decided to seek another two-year term in the House.

Other Democrats running for Gramm's seat include U.S. Rep. Ken Bentsen, former Dallas Mayor Ron Kirk, former state Attorney General Dan Morales, Austin sports lawyer Ed Cunningham, teacher and 1996 Democratic Senate nominee Victor Morales and frequent candidate Gene Kelly.

Republicans vying for the seat include state Attorney General John Cornyn, Douglas Deffenbaugh of San Antonio and Lawrence Cranberg, a University of Texas professor.

"friendly fire," once popular during the Gulf War and revived by the recent military action in Afghanistan.

Several other terrorism-related terms made the list, including "surgical strike" and "bring the evildoers to justice."

"Practically every news reporter and our president

has uttered these words," wrote a nominator from the Queens borough of New York City. "Now, hearing this phrase is almost comical, even under these most serious circumstances that profoundly affect my hometown."

Among the other words and phrases on this year's

list: "in the wake of," "synergy" and "faith-based."

"Reality TV" and "Reality-based TV" made the list.

"Banish the words, banish the shows, banish the people who came up with the idea for the shows, because there is nothing real about this form of television," wrote Mary Li of Toronto.

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THIS WEEK'S GAMES

Baltimore at Tampa Bay	Minnesota at Green Bay
Arizona at Carolina	NY Giants at Philadelphia
Atlanta at Miami	Oakland at Denver
Buffalo at NY Jets	Pittsburgh at Cincinnati
Chicago at Detroit	San Francisco at Dallas
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Kansas City at Jacksonville	Alamo Bowl*

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POWER POINTS OFFICIAL RULES

- Object of the game is to amass as many of the 136 possible points as you can. Simply review the week's schedule of games, listed on entry form, and decide which game you are SUREST of picking a winner in. Write the name of your projected winner on the 16-point line. If that team wins its game that week, you win 16 points. Write the name of your second-surest winner on the 15-point line, and so on down to the 1-point line, which game you figure to be a long shot. Next, fill in Tiebreaker 1, the total points scored by both teams in the week's designated game. If this step fails to produce a winner, the judges will apply Tiebreaker 2, total offensive yards from scrimmage in this game. If a winner still doesn't emerge, a drawing will be held among those contestants still tied. Decisions of the judges are final. The weekly Southwest winner of the contest will receive \$1,000.
- Any entry form that does not contain a legible name, address, etc., will be disqualified.
- Entries that fail to forecast a winner from each and every game will be disqualified, as will entries that fail to distinguish between the Jets and Giants of New York and other similar teams.
- No points are awarded on tie games or in case any game is not played for any reason during its scheduled week.
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- Limit: one entry per person per week. Each entry must represent the original work of one entrant; group entries, systems or other attempts to enter multiple entries will be disqualified. Filing out extra forms and putting your friends and relatives names on them violates this rule. Any such entries are destroyed prior to grading.
- Contestants must have reached the age of eight (8) years by the Sunday of any week's play.

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OUR VIEWS

Let's work together in the new year

As we head into another new year, we do so with some trepidation. After all, the war continues in Afghanistan and hostility permeates many other parts of the world. Peace, it seems, is certainly not close at hand.

The threat of terrorism, both at home and abroad, fills our radios, televisions and newspapers. We are asked to be ever vigilant, yet told to go on about our daily lives as though we were free of concern.

Locally, we move into a new year with some uncertainty as a community. Winds of discord chilled the efforts many of our citizens were working on early in 2001: a better quality of life for residents and visitors alike. Was it really just a few short months ago that economist Carolyn Corbin was saying we needed to pull together as a community and work toward the future? What happened to the town hall meetings, the committees that were to be working on ways to enhance our entryways, neighborhoods, Comanche Trail Park and the amphitheater?

Yet, we do have great reason, of course, to look at 2002 in a positive way. While the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks rocked us to our souls and had repercussions we will live with for decades, the response of the nation was one of solidarity and commitment. It has made us more cautious, yet more understanding. It made us want to go forward, in strong resolve.

As Howard Countians, we will always have our differences, but we have always had the ability to look past them. If not, there would be no United Way and many of the agencies it serves. Hundreds of children and seniors would have a much more bleak Christmas every year and our friends and neighbors stricken with cancer, heart disease and other physical and mental maladies would be far worse off. Educational institutions and hospitals would not have been built, and our parks and recreational facilities would not be the envy of communities across West Texas.

And so, as we head into 2002, let's keep an ever watchful eye out for how we can make things better. Let's open the lines of communication more. And let's resolve to restore those town hall meetings and get those committees working again.

And let's greet the new year with a new passion, together.

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New year always a pig in the poke

I never celebrate on New Year's Eve. Who knows what the new year will bring?

Nobody. Even people who make a living claiming to be able to foretell the future really can't. Why celebrate a pig in a poke? We might not like the new year once it arrives.

Mostly what we do when we think about a new year is review our expectations. We expect that we will be here during the whole year. We expect to see winter end and spring begin. We expect to enjoy summer and then fall. But while the seasons will surely occur, we might not be around to see them.

It isn't gloomy to recognize the uncertainty of life. To do so is to realize how precious each new day really is. Just waking up is an excellent beginning. Wow,

another day to enjoy life. What a gift. The trick is to recognize each new day as the unique event it really is. It has never existed before; it never will again.

Every day ought to be memorable, and I think a sign that we are in trouble is when we look back on Friday and can't really remember what we did on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. When that happens, we should say, "Whoa, I've fallen into too many routines, and my life is slipping away unnoticed."

Habits can help us be more efficient, but they can also promote unawareness. Try going to work by a different route. Go someplace unusual for lunch. Change your work routine. Make it a point to meet somebody new. Read something you ordinarily would not read. I never read conservative publications, for example. I prefer to read liberal or progressive publications, because knowing I ordinarily will not agree with them, I'll be forced to think. If I were liberal, I would reverse the process. It is better to challenge

our beliefs and assumptions than to reinforce them.

When I first read "Diary of a Samurai," I thought it morbid. The old samurai advised that upon waking, you should imagine your own death that very day. Later I realized that it is not morbid at all. For one thing, once we conquer our fear of death, we are free to enjoy life. You run across the same idea in a lot of 19th-century American literature and letters.

For example, in a letter to his young daughter, Robert E. Lee wrote: "I hope you will also find time to read and improve your mind. Read history, works of truth, not novels and romances. Get correct views of life, and learn to see the world in its true light. It will enable you to live pleasantly, to do good, and, when summoned away, to leave without regret."

To see the world in its true light, to live pleasantly, to do good and to leave without regret is certainly a worthy goal, not to mention a challenge. Just see-

ing the world in its true light is not easy, especially in this age of misinformation, disinformation and just plain too much information to really absorb and sort out.

Still, things that are easy are usually not worth doing. I find that my curiosity has not slackened off, and that even now I'm not certain that I really understand the world in its true light. So there is more reading to do, more questions to ask, more people to seek out and listen to.

So while I won't celebrate the new year, I will look forward to each day that unfolds. Besides, I'll have the advantage of not starting the new year with a hangover. I hope all of you have a happy 2002. Sooner or later, it seems to me, mankind will figure out that life is too short to spend it fighting and arguing. Then everybody can greet each sunrise with a smile and go to sleep at night without fear.

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CHARLEY REESE



Israeli airport security the best

Arguably the safest airline in the world comes from one of the most dangerous places in the world: Israel. The airline, El Al, is an obvious target for the variety of terrorist organizations that specialize in killing Israeli civilians, yet they have been unable to bring one of the planes down. Why not?

Israeli airport security is based upon four legs: intelligence gathering, physical airport security, armed air marshals, and thorough passenger and baggage screening. This system contrasts with American airport security measures that primarily concentrate on inadequate passenger and baggage screening.

Intelligence is the first line of defense for Israel. Whereas American intelligence gathering relies heavily upon ELINT (electronic intelligence) and COMINT (communications intelligence), Israeli intelligence places emphasis on HUMINT (human intelligence). This means that Israeli agents infiltrate terrorist organizations or the

Mossad (Israeli intelligence) hires savory and unsavory informers. Through this network, preemption has become Israel's best defense.

Next comes the physical security of Israeli airports. They do not simply put up chain-link fences. They build fences that Americans would more likely see at a prison, complete with cameras, barbed wire, electrification and guards. Breaching an Israeli airport would be the equivalent of breaching an Israeli fortress. Breaching an American airport would be the equivalent of breaching an American playground. Spies, informers, and fortresses are the outer defenses of the Israeli system. The inner defenses begin with one-on-one interviews of each passenger — before they even reach the ticket counter. These interviews take five to 10 minutes and are conducted by specialists who are trained to detect the slightest abnormality or inconsistency. Richard C. Reid — the man with explosives in his shoe who attempted to blow an American Airlines passenger jet out of the sky — would never have passed an Israeli interview. The fact that he was traveling from Paris to Miami without luggage would have raised all the red flags, but there were many other sig-

nals an interviewer would have detected, such as his demeanor, lack of definite plans, and so forth.

The final Israeli security is on board — the plan in which armed air marshals guard every flight. They, too, are trained to detect unusual behavior. It is certainly a better system than having a flight attendant wrestle with a passenger, as happened on the American Airlines flight.

And what happens if terrorists attempt to turn a plane into a guided missile, as happened on Sept. 11? Israeli jets are always on alert, ready to scramble any time a plane veers off course. Tragically, a Libyan passenger plane was shot down in 1973 after sandstorms threw it off course. But steps have been taken to ensure that such an event does not recur.

Of all the Israeli measures, our favorite is the interview. It is also expensive and time-consuming. But a trained interviewer is more apt to deter a terrorist attack than any other method.

So daunting is the prospect of facing an interviewer that terrorists are likely to be deterred from making the attempt. After all, how many of the Sept. 11 terrorists could have passed such an interview? We venture to say none.



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You pull the wild card financially this year. If you feel like you have a lucky hunch, then play it out, as long as a loss won't ultimately do damage. The wild card will take you on the utmost roller-coaster ride. The key to achieving your goals will be to detach and find those who have specialties you need. If you are single, a relationship that has depth will enter your life. You could become more possessive of this person — whether you mean to or not. If you are attached, invigorate your life together by planning a special trip. VIRGO reaches out for you.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult
ARIES (March 21-April 19)**** Follow someone's lead. You gain creatively or emotionally, depending on what area of your life you wish to focus on. Make time for a child. All the presents don't make up for your time and attention. Start reorganizing your work and errands. Tonight: Get extra sleep.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**** Deal with pressures, understanding that someone has tried very hard to keep you clear of his or her problems. Nevertheless, you have very little choice but to dig in and handle a hot issue. Use your imaginative

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qualities and help everyone relax. The right action pays off. Tonight: Party as if there were no tomorrow.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**** Speak your mind, and others react. Sometimes you cannot predict what someone will do or say, but on the other hand, you need to remain clear and direct. Handle work and errands on your own. Later on, retreat to your office or home. Tonight: Happy at home.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)**** Financial wheeling and dealing could backfire with those around you. Give up playing games, and you'll get strong, positive reactions. If need be, ask for help. Someone listens with intensity and caring to your feedback. Tonight: At a favorite spot.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)*** Others respond far more strongly than you had intended. Be concerned with someone who sometimes holds back but now explosively reacts! Stay calm, cool and collected, and you'll get positive responses. Express your caring in an easy, effective manner. Tonight: Your treat.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)*** Listen, but try not to react when others give you feedback. Your perspective changes as a result. Focus on what is going on with a friend who might be quite uptight. Don't get distracted by his or her story, but lis-

ten to this person's emotions. Tonight: Do whatever makes you happy.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**** You might have a difficult time settling in. Children, loved ones and friends still prove to be major distractions. Carefully review a decision that involves your work. How much longer can you keep putting off the inevitable? Tonight: Get extra sleep.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**** Take the lead with an older relative or work-related matter. Someone might react strongly, as you could be quite distracted. This person easily becomes used to your attention. Don't back away from commitments and responsibilities. Tonight: Find your pals.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**** Surprises have become commonplace in your life, yet an event or conversation bolts you from the blue right now. Be imaginative and creative when handling an important matter. Think in terms of spontaneity. Slow down at work. A family member the limelight.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**** Carefully review a matter that impacts your finances. You could be set back by someone's reaction. You need to pull in your finances and spend less. Someone might have ideas as to how to spend your money. Know

when to say "no." Do some research on the Net. Tonight: Off to the movies.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**** As usual, you jolt others. You might cause yourself a problem as a result of your unpredictability. Review a problem with some perspective. You might need to ask a partner to chip in and help. Listen to this person's opinions. Work as a team. Tonight: Follow someone's lead.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**** Pace yourself. You have a lot of ground to cover. Think in terms of growth and a change of pace. Organize yourself with the help of some new technology or a new computer. Demonstrate your efficiency and help others who work with you. You accomplish a lot. Tonight: Where the crowds are!
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to disrupt their lives. I refuse to have an affair with a married man, but I don't want to abandon him, either. I love him enough that I'm willing to let him go in order for his life to be less complicated. Should I forget about Andy and hope he will come looking for me if he leaves his wife some day? Should I put a time limit on how long I will wait? His marriage is miserable. They have separate bedrooms and rarely communicate with each other. I can't bear to think of him being so unhappy. What should I do? In Love in Bedford, Mass.

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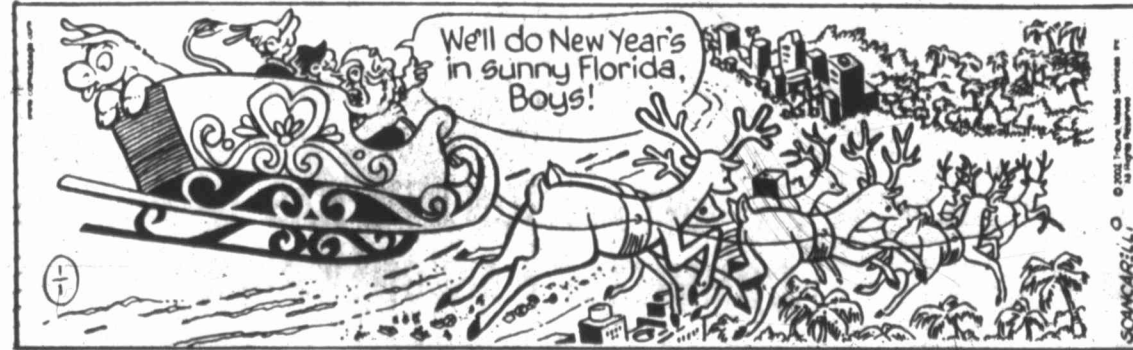
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Tuesday, Jan. 1, the first day of 2002. There are 364 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 1, 1863, President Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation, declaring that slaves in rebel states were free.

In 1752, 250 years ago, flagmaker Betsy Ross was born in Philadelphia.

In 1892, the Ellis Island Immigrant Station in New York formally opened.

In 1898, Manhattan, the Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island were consolidated into New York City.

In 1901, the Commonwealth of Australia was proclaimed.

In 1953, country singer Hank Williams Sr., 29, died of a drug and alcohol over-

dose while en route to a concert date in Canton, Ohio.

In 1958, treaties establishing the European Economic Community went into effect.

In 1959, Fidel Castro led Cuban revolutionaries to victory over Fulgencio Batista.

In 1993, Czechoslovakia peacefully split into two new countries, the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

In 1994, the North American Free Trade Agreement went into effect.

In 1999, the euro, the new single currency of 11 European countries, officially came into existence.

Ten years ago: President Bush became the first American leader to address the Australian Parliament, telling lawmakers the United States would continue to subsidize its agricultural exports, despite protests by Australia's farmers.

Boutros Boutros-Ghali succeeded Javier Perez de Cuellar as secretary-general of the United Nations.

Five years ago: An off-duty

Israeli soldier with a history of mental problems opened fire on a crowded vegetable market in Hebron, wounding five people and touching off a stone-throwing demonstration by angry Palestinians.

Today's Birthdays: Author J.D. Salinger is 83. Senate Commerce Committee Chairman Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., is 80. Actor Frank Langella is 62. Rock singer-musician Country Joe McDonald is 60. Writer-comedian Don Novello is 59. Actor Rick Hurst is 56. Country singer Steve Ripley (The Tractors) is 52. Rapper Grandmaster Flash is 44. Actress Ren Woods is 44. Actress Dedee Pfeiffer is 38.

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- 1 Floor-washing implements
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- 15 Gardener's need
- 16 Earth tone
- 17 Poet Teasdale
- 18 Actress Russo
- 19 Instances
- 20 Triple-decker lunch
- 23 Showed the way
- 24 Snoopy, e.g.
- 28 Training center
- 32 Pintail duck
- 34 Actor Harrison
- 35 Oar pin
- 36 Deep-sea catch
- 38 Steak order.
- 39 Specter
- 40 To boot
- 41 Food thickener
- 43 One with nothing to do
- 44 Golf instructor
- 45 Basketball rim
- 46 Concur
- 47 In a way
- 49 Yoko
- 50 Breath freshener
- 57 For a song
- 60 Verse
- 61 Make (one's way)
- 62 Lift with effort
- 63 Long story
- 64 Part of the eye
- 65 Typo
- 66 Not written
- 67 Pierre's noggin
- DOWN
- 1 Not fem.
- 2 Not quite round
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- 7 Sympathetic
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- 12 Flying formation
- 13 Speaker's pauses
- 21 ___ gin fizz
- 22 Composer Jacques
- 25 Protective auto screen
- 26 Reduce
- 27 Urge strongly
- 28 Purse handles
- 29 Elvis film of '69
- 30 Movie genre
- 31 Bread spread
- 32 Pounce
- 33 Nearly all
- 36 "Get away!"
- 37 Craze
- 39 Grand Canyon Suite composer
- 42 Big fib
- 43 "The heat ___!"
- 46 Twenty Questions category
- 48 National Park in Kenya
- 49 Last Greek letter
- 51 Lhasa (dog)
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