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January 22, 2002

**WEATHER**

**Tonight:**



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**BSISD forum set tonight at Washington**

The first of six public forums on closing Anderson Kindergarten Center and realignment of attendance zones for Big Spring Independent School District elementary schools is set for tonight.

BSISD administrators and trustees will be at Washington Elementary located at 1201 S. Birdwell Lane at 6:30 p.m. to hear concerns or alternate plans to the recommended zone alignments and closure.

Other hearings are scheduled at: Goliad Elementary, 6:30 p.m., Thursday; Kentwood Elementary, 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 31; Moss Elementary, 6:30 p.m., Monday, Feb. 4; Marcy Elementary, 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 5; and Bauer Magnet, 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 7.

**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.
  - 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 Ladies Auxiliary 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.
  - KJwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

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**Scenic Mountain Medical Center begins construction project**

**HERALD Staff Report**

It may be a little difficult to find where you need to go at Scenic Mountain Medical Center right now, but Crossroads area residents should reap some benefits when the \$1.8 million con-



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struction project is completed.

SM. began the seven-month emergency room expansion and renovation project earlier this month.

"The project will encompass an addition of approximately 6,000 square feet of new space while renovating the 4,000 square feet of existing space," said Tim Schmidt, Scenic Mountain CEO. "While we realize that bricks and mortar do not deliver quality to our

patients, we do believe that this project will enhance the care delivered."

When the construction is complete, the new eight-bed ER will also feature a trauma room, triage room, central monitoring area, and a new and larger waiting area. In addition to the construction and renovation, approximately \$200,000 will be spent on new equipment to furnish the high-tech facility.

"We plan to focus on con-

stantly improving the customer service provided to our ER patients," said Judy Roever, RN and director of the emergency room.

The construction process has caused a temporary relocation of the emergency room, along with a change in parking and entry. Visitors and patients should check the signal located inside and outside of the building for new directions. "We ask for everyone's understanding during this

renovation time," said Roever.

"Maintaining care in the current ER space during construction would not be the best environment and relocating to a temporary ER enables us to take two to three months off of the original construction time estimates."

The community can expect to see the steel portion of the new construction being erected by early March.

**March honors King**

**By LYNDEL MOODY**

**Staff Writer**

More than 30 people made the march down Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard Monday to celebrate and remember the birth and life of Martin Luther King Jr.

"I wish we could have had more attending, but I sure hope that with the poor attendance there were a number of people out in the community doing service to continue his dream," said Big Spring Councilwoman Stephanie Horton.

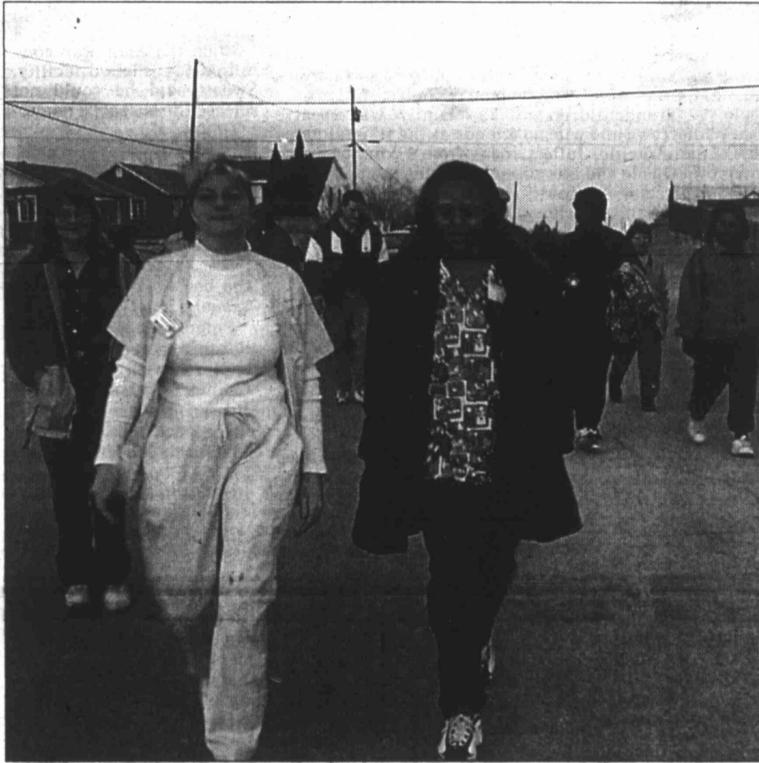
The public was asked to make the holiday "a day on, not a day off" by performing community service.

Horton, one of the event's organizers; Fire Chief Brian Jensen; and City Manager Gary Fuqua were among those that participated in the march which began at the corner of MLK and Gregg and went to FM 700 where Mayor Russ McEwen and several other people met the marchers. McEwen ended the event with a prayer.

Several participants said they were marching to remember the civil rights leader.

"I am marching to fulfill Martin Luther King's dream and get more people involved in the community," said Vivian Jones.

"We are marching to



**Michelle Johnson, left, and Ruth Shellman were among the more than 30 people participating in the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. annual candlelight march. The march, which is held to observe the birthday of the civil rights leader, went down Martin Luther King Boulevard from Gregg St. to FM 700.**

show our patriotism and to remember what he went through to get the freedoms we have today," said Ruth Shellman.

Those who could not make the walk were encouraged to drive and

several carloads of people participated. Still, the march drew its lowest attendance ever, according to Horton, who plans to continue the event next year.

"I am open to any suggestion on how we can

improve the march," she said, and encouraged the public to call her at 264-0306.

The marchers were escorted by two police cars

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**Big Spring man killed in traffic accident**

**By ROGER CLINE**

**Staff Writer**

A Big Spring man was killed Monday in an accident involving a pickup truck and a motorcycle.

Todd Allen Treadway, 39, was killed when the motorcycle he was driving collided with the truck at the

intersection of Old Gail Highway and FM 700.

The driver of the pickup, Keith Lee Newton, 18, of Big Spring was uninjured.

Treadway was traveling west on North FM 700 while Newton was driving north on Old Gail Highway when the vehicles collided about

3:35 p.m. Monday.

"The accident occurred in the middle of the intersection," said Department of Public Safety Trooper Marc Couch.

"No arrests have been made. The investigation is continuing today."

Couch said he had not yet

made any determination of fault in the accident and that neither driver is suspected of being under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Justice of the Peace Quail Dobbs attended the scene and pronounced Treadway dead.

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**Pepper spray helps officer disarm man**

**By ROGER CLINE**

**Staff Writer**

A Big Spring police officer got more than he bargained for during a routine follow up of a domestic disturbance call Saturday night.

Shortly after 10 p.m. Saturday, Officer Scott Knight was called to a domestic disturbance in the 1700 block of Johnson Street.

"The officer got there, and everything had kind of settled down," said Police Sgt. Roger Sweatt. "Nobody wanted to file any charges so the officer went to contact both parties, which is what we normally do."

Sweatt said that when Knight approached the man involved in the incident, the man began threatening



**Brenda Terrazes, left and Amanda Blissard work out at the YMCA Aerobathon fundraiser Monday night. More than 50 people signed up and attempted to work out during the two-hour event that included 20-minute sessions.**

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OBITUARIES

Clarence "Son" Ditto

Clarence "Son" Ditto, 75, of Big Spring, died Monday, Jan. 21, 2002, in a Midland hospital. Funeral service will be 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rick Cunningham, minister of 14th and Main Church of Christ, and Larry Marshall, minister of Knott Church of Christ, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



He was born on May 3, 1926, in China Springs and married Joyce Kemper on Dec. 21, 1946, in Big Spring. Son worked in the oilfields from 1953 to 1968. In January of 1968, they returned to the Knott Community where he continued to farm until retiring in 1995. He was currently working at Shroyer Motor Company.

He was a member of 14th and Main Church of Christ. Survivors include his wife, Joyce Ditto of Big Spring; one son and daughter-in-law, D'Aun and Ronnie Taylor of Post; three grandchildren, Tad Taylor of Big Spring, Shey Ditto of Austin and Colby Ditto of Weatherford and one sister, Sis Blackburn of Waco.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three sisters.

The family suggests memorials to New Mexico Christian Children's Home, HC 69, Box 48, Portales, N.M. 88130-9411.

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

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Todd Allen Treadway

Funeral service for Todd Allen Treadway, 39, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mr. Treadway died Monday, Jan. 21, 2002, following injuries sustained in an accident.

Aleen Brown Read

Aleen Brown Read, 87, of San Angelo, formerly of Big Spring, went to be with the Lord Sunday, Jan. 20, 2002, at San Angelo Community Medical Center. Service will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23, at Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel with burial at Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

Aleen was born March 22,

1914, in Montague County to Andy and Grace Brown. Her family moved to Dawson County in 1924 where her father was a cotton ginner and help lay out the town site of Ackerly. Aleen began school at the age of four in Oklahoma in order to enter a speech contest. In 1928 she graduated from Lamesa High School, commuting to Lamesa weekly from Ackerly since there was no high school there. At the time Aleen graduated from Texas Technological College in 1933, she was the youngest graduate at the age of 19. After graduating from college she taught school in Ackerly until she married Shelby G. Read on June 18, 1935. They lived in Henderson before moving back to West Texas. The lived in Big Spring for 30 years before moving to San Angelo in 1961.

Aleen was a member of Southland Baptist Church and the JOY Sunday School class. She was preceded in death by her parents, Andy and Grace Brown, and her husband, Shelby G. Read.

Survivors include one son, Judge David B. Read and wife, Teddie; one daughter, Mary Read Winterrowd and husband, Dennis, all of San Angelo; grandchildren, Lance Winterrowd and wife, Mary, of San Antonio, Julie Winterrowd Quade and husband, Steven, and Andrew Read, all of San Angelo; step-grandchildren, George Handley of Arlington and John Handley of San Angelo; great-grandchildren, Aaron and Austin Quade of San Angelo, Faith, Zachary and Matthew Winterrowd of San Antonio; special friends and caregivers, Viola Hilario, Mary Ellen Pecina and Susie Bermea.

The family wishes to express our gratitude to the staff of Meadow Creek Nursing Center, the nurses and staff of San Angelo Community Medical Center, and Dr. Walter Howell for their special care of Aleen. Family visitation will be today, Jan. 22, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Johnson's Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to one's special charity.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson's Funeral Home in San Angelo.

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Vera Dell Anderson

Vera Dell Anderson, 80, of Coahoma, died on Sunday, Jan. 20, 2002, at the Carrage Inn in Big Spring.



Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23, at the Coahoma Church of Christ with R. U. S. Mullins, minister, and Ralph Anderson, minister of the Birdwell Lane Church of Christ, officiating. Interment will follow at Coahoma Cemetery.

She was born on Oct. 30, 1921, in Coahoma and married L.E. "Bud" Anderson on June 17, 1939, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on March 27, 1995.

She was a lifetime resident of Coahoma and had worked as the cafeteria supervisor at Coahoma Independent School District for 15 years.

Mrs. Anderson was a long time member of the Coahoma Church of Christ

and had taught Sunday School for many years. She was currently attending the Birdwell Lane Church of Christ in Big Spring.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Wanda Faye and Monty Leon Davis of Casper, Wyo. and Phyllis Ann and Delbert E. Scroggins of Big Spring; two sons and three daughters-in-law, Lonnie F. and Mary Anderson, Buddy and Cynthia Anderson and Laura Anderson, all of Coahoma; three sisters, Bonnie Miller of Beecher City, Ill., Mamie Jo Rowell of Yellville, Ark., and Patsy Hudson of Gassville, Ark.; 12 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by one daughter, Linda Dell Anderson; one son, Wendell Joe Anderson; and one sister, Dixie Baldwin.

Pallbearers will be Matt Scroggins, Phillip Anderson, Todd Anderson, Mike Davis, Jackie Hill, Dennis Scroggins, Brad Richardson, Pat Justiss, Doug Blagrove and Steve Catalanotto.

The family suggests memorials to any children's home of choice.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home today from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. www.npwelch.com

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and a fire struck. Side streets connecting to Martin Luther King Boulevard were barricaded to keep traffic from the boulevard.

Those precautions may not have been enough of an indicator for many motorists to stay away from MLK.

Many cars went through the orange cones set up to protect participants and at least one vehicle decided to pass marchers.

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truck. Low bidder: Pollard Chevrolet, \$126,736.

• One vibratory tandem roller. Low bidder: Metro Equipment, \$16,185.

• One compact utility tractor. Recommendation: Metro Equipment, \$17,150 (Metro was not the low bidder on this item, however, but Kenny Scott, supervisor of the Waste Water Treatment Plant for which the tractor is slated, decided the lighter weight of the Kubota tractor offered by Metro would best suit the city's needs. New Holland of Abilene, the low-bidder, bid \$17,113.

• 2002 Type II ambulance. Low bidder: Taylor Made Ambulances, \$53,541.

Other items of equipment up for approval of bids include:

• One ambulance remount. Low bidder: Taylor Made Ambulances, \$65,278.

• One rescue tool system. Low bidder: Specialty Rescue and Fire Systems, \$17,900.

• Five to 13 laptop computers. Recommendation: Farsight Computers, \$22,880. Farsight was not the low bidder; the low bidder, ASI Comp of Dallas with a bid of \$22,360, reportedly did not meet specifications.

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Sanitation containers. Curbside roll out containers: Low bidder, MWC Inc., \$11,000 (\$110 each). 1 1/2-cubic-yard and 3-cubic-yard containers: S&H Metal Works of Lubbock, \$26,775.

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him and pulled out a military saber.

"He was ordered to drop it a couple of times and he never would, and finally the officer sprayed him with OC spray," Sweatt said. "That's when he disarmed himself, I think."

Sweatt added that OC spray is a form of pepper spray used by the police department for disabling attackers in a non-lethal manner.

"(The attacker) was taken into custody," Sweatt said. "He was taken to the state hospital and committed out there."

Since the man was committed to a mental facility, Sweatt said he could not release the suspect's name.

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POLICE

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

• JIMMY DEE KILMAN, 52, of 310 Benton Road was arrested for six local and two Department of Public Safety warrants.

• ISIDRO JESUS RODRIQUEZ, 30, of P.O. Box 711 in Forsan was arrested on a charge of assault class C/family violence.

• JAMES DWAYNE TURNBO, 23, of 1502 W. Fifth St. was arrested on a charge of evading arrest.

• DOMINGO LUJAN GALVIZ, 40, of 505 S. Bell was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• CARLOS POLY CASANEDA, 41, of 1608 Tucson was arrested on a charge of assault class C/family violence.

• MATTHEW MENDOZA, 22, of 1903 S. Monticello was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• JIMMY PAUL, 35, of 204 Merrick was arrested on a charge of displaying a fictitious inspection sticker.

• DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 900 block of North Runnels and the 1500 block of Sycamore Street.

• MINOR ACCIDENTS were reported in the 1200 block of South Gregg, the 2400 block of Morrison, the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Boulevard,

the 1600 block of East Fourth Street, the 1000 block of Gregg Street and the 1600 block of Runnels.

• ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1000 block of East 12th Street, the 1600 block of Tucson and the 1700 block of

Jennings.

• AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON was reported in the 300 block of West Fifth Street.

• POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA IN A DRUG FREE ZONE was reported at Big Spring High School in the 700 block of East 11th Place.

• FICTITIOUS INSPECTION STICKER was reported in the 1500 block of South Gregg Street.

• ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway.

• EVADING ARREST OR DETENTION was reported in the 900 block of East 16th Street.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF AND CRIMINAL TRESPASSING were reported in the 2900 block of West Highway 80. A window at the home was broken causing \$30 damage.

FIRE/EMS

The following is a summary of the Big Spring Fire Department and EMS:

7:42 a.m. — 1300 block of Baylor, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

10:44 a.m. — 1700 block of Lancaster, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

12:59 p.m. — 800 block of W. Third, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

3:44 p.m. — 700 block of Old Gail Hwy., traffic accident, service refused.

7:16 p.m. — 900 block of E. 16th, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

10:51 p.m. — 2000 block of Virginia, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

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# Enron accused of shredding papers; company investigates

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lawyers suing Enron Corp. say a massive number of company documents were shredded in the face of a federal investigation and want a court to step in to prevent more tampering.

"It was a major accounting fraud and now they have been caught destroying the evidence," attorney William Lerach said today on NBC's "Today." "I'd say they've got trouble on their hands."

Robert Bennett, a Washington lawyer representing Enron, said the company told employees after coming under investigation that they were not to destroy relevant documents. He said the company is looking into charges papers were destroyed despite that directive.

Lerach told The Associated Press the shredding was "open and notorious and widespread," consuming "hundreds of thousands of documents" and taking place even on Christmas Day.

Former Enron executive Maureen Castaneda said on morning talk shows today that the shredding began after Thanksgiving on the 19th floor accounting office of the company's Houston headquarters and continued at least until the middle of this month.

Lerach was bringing some of the shredded documents to federal court today to seek court custody of relevant Enron papers, as part of a class-action lawsuit against the company by aggrieved investors.

"We're going to ask the court to take extraordinary measures ... to prevent any further tampering or destruction," he said on ABC's "Good Morning America."

"It may be necessary that we put a U.S. marshal or someone on the premises." The reported shredding follows revelations over the past two weeks about document destruction at Arthur Andersen LLP, Enron's auditor.

Another attorney in the lawsuit, G. Paul Howes, said in court papers that some of papers destroyed at Enron headquarters were marked Jedi II and Chewco

**"Making bad business decisions is one thing, but trying to cover up bad business decisions is another."**

—Rep. Jim Greenwood

— partnerships through which the energy giant concealed hundreds of millions of dollars in debts.

The partnerships, described by lawmakers as slick financial gimmicks, helped drive the company into the largest bankruptcy in U.S. history.

The Securities and Exchange Commission began looking into Enron's accounting practices in mid-October, after the company reported more than \$600 million in third-quarter losses, and a congressional committee began asking for documents in mid-December. The SEC opened a formal investigation at the end of October, including demands for financial documents from Enron and Andersen.

Enron said in a statement late Monday that it had issued four e-mails from Oct. 25 to Jan. 14 warning employees against destroying documents, specifically those related to Enron's complex web of partnerships.

"We are investigating the circumstances of the reported destruction of documents," Bennett said.

Bennett said anyone who violated directives against destroying documents "will be dealt with appropriately."

Castaneda, who was laid off last week, said she did not know who ordered employees to do the shredding. "I think they were just doing what they were told," she said.

She said she brought shredded paper home to use as packing material.

The Justice Department announced on Jan. 9 that it was pursuing a criminal investigation of Enron, which entered the biggest bankruptcy in U.S. history on Dec. 2 following a six-week downward spiral.

Andersen last week fired its lead

Enron auditor for destroying Enron-related documents. The auditor, David Duncan, has told congressional investigators he was just following the advice of Andersen's legal department when he directed the shredding.

Lawyers for Duncan have been seeking to delay his public testimony, scheduled for Thursday before the investigative panel of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, saying Duncan needs more time to prepare.

But Rep. Jim Greenwood, R-Pa., the subcommittee's chairman, rejected the request, arguing that Duncan "doesn't really need to recall every detail of what he did for Enron. We're focused on the destruction of documents. We'll subpoena him if we have to."

Said Ken Johnson, spokesman for the House Energy and Commerce Committee: "This whole sorry affair keeps getting uglier by the minute, and we're determined to get to the bottom of it. ... Making bad business decisions is one thing, but trying to cover up bad business decisions is another."

# Kmart Corp. files for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection after key supplier cuts off shipments

DETROIT (AP) — Kmart Corp., known for its BlueLight Special and discount prices, filed for bankruptcy protection today, becoming the largest retailer to seek shelter from creditors under Chapter 11.

The No. 3 retailer has struggled in the fiercely competitive discount market and debt rating agencies, including Standard & Poor's, have in recent weeks lowered their credit ratings for Kmart.

The move comes a day after a major food distributor, Fleming Cos., said it had cut off most shipments to Kmart because the discounter failed to make its regular weekly payment for deliveries. Fleming said Kmart, its largest customer, owes \$78 million.

Kmart said in a release it had secured a \$2 billion senior secured debtor-in-possession financing facility from Credit Suisse First Boston, Fleet Retail Finance

Inc., General Electric Capital Corp. and J.P. Morgan Chase Bank, which will act in various capacities including as collateral monitors, documentation agents and syndication agents.

The filing was made in U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois, in Chicago.

The company said that it will reorganize on a fast-track basis and hopes to emerge from Chapter 11 in 2003.

Kmart's bankruptcy declaration is the largest in the retail business since Federated Department Stores Inc. filed for Chapter 11 in 1990 and emerged two years later.

Federated Department Stores had assets of \$11.4 billion when it filed in January 1990. Kmart's assets in its latest Securities and Exchange Commission filing were just over \$17 billion.

"We are determined to complete our reorganization as quickly and smoothly as possible, while taking full advantage of this chance to make a fresh start and reposition Kmart for the future," Kmart CEO Chuck Conaway said in a statement.

Kmart officials on Jan. 10 announced that the company would not meet Wall Street's consensus expectation for earnings of a penny a share for fiscal 2001, and suggested it may seek additional financing.

The holiday shopping period didn't help Kmart rebound. The company said that for the five-week period ended Jan. 2, the close of its fiscal year, net sales slipped 1 percent on a same-store basis from the previous year.

Total net sales for the period were \$5.52 billion, down slightly from \$5.54 billion for the same period last year, Kmart said.

Its stock plunged and the

company was removed from Standard & Poor's benchmark index of 500 leading stocks. Major credit rating agencies cut their ratings for its debt in recent weeks.

Kmart said its decision to seek bankruptcy protection was based on a combination of factors, including its below-plan sales and earnings performance in the fourth quarter.

Kmart, founded as S.S. Kresge Co., began as a modest five-and-dime store in downtown Detroit more than a century ago. The first Kmart discount store opened in 1962, and by the 1970s the Kmart stores accounted for most of the company's sales.

Wal-Mart surpassed the company in the early 1990s, and Kmart was at the brink of extinction in the mid-1990s, when the company suffered heavy losses, closed stores and laid off employees.

# Bush announces scholarship in honor of MLK

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush honored Martin Luther King Jr. on Monday by announcing the creation of new federal scholarships encouraging young people to study education and public policy.

Bush, who has said "education is the great civil rights issue of our time," used the King holiday to renew his emphasis on improving schools.

The administration also said it will propose increasing federal funding for colleges and universities that traditionally attract black and Hispanic students by \$12 million over current levels.

The president nodded along as a quartet of students from Texas Southern University recited King's "I Have a Dream" speech. King's widow, his son, Martin Luther King III, and daughter, the Rev. Bernice King, presented Bush with a portrait of the slain civil rights leader.

"I can't wait to hang it," Bush said. Assassinated in 1968 at age 39, King would have turned 73 last Tuesday.

The King scholarships will go to "promising students all across America," Bush said in the East Room to a crowd of some 200

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— President George W. Bush

administration officials, foreign ambassadors and civil rights leaders.

Starting this summer, the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholars Program will take as many as 10 outstanding undergraduate and graduate students and make them paid interns in the office of the secretary at the Education Department, White House.

They will take part in seminars and programs on policy development, and work with a mentor, said White House spokesman Taylor Gross.

Bush noted that President Lyndon B. Johnson had

signed the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in the same White House room, and had handed the pen over to King. The act banned segregation in public accommodations and paved the way for court action to end bias in hiring and promotions.

"The law marked a true turning point in the life of our country," Bush said. "There's no doubting that the law came as it did, when it did, because of him."

The president cited the indignities and injuries King sustained along the way. He was beaten, stabbed, jailed, and his home was bombed.

"At a certain point even a strong man might have yielded. Dr. King never did, and he never gave up on his country," Bush said. "Some figures in history, renowned in their day, grow smaller with the passing of time. The man from Atlanta, Georgia, only grows larger with the years."

Bush's relationship with some civil rights groups has been bumpy during his first year in office.

NAACP leaders have complained about Bush not meeting with them, and it did not appear they were present Monday night. The White House declined to release a list of audience members, but said representatives of the National Council of Negro Women and the Leadership Council of Civil Rights were in the East Room.

# Peggy Lee, sultry-voiced singer of 'Fever,' dies of heart attack at age 81

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Peggy Lee, the singer-composer whose smoky, insinuating voice in such songs as "Is That All There Is?" and "Fever" made her a jazz and pop legend, died Monday. She was 81.

Lee died from a heart attack at her Bel Air home, said her daughter, Nicki Lee Foster.

Lee repeatedly battled injury and ill health, including heart trouble, in a spectacular career that brought her a Grammy, an Oscar nomination and sold-out houses worldwide.

"She was a perfectionist, she had an incredible ear," Foster said. "She saw her performance as a total complete musical picture from start to finish."

During more than 50 years in show business, which began during a troubled childhood and endured through four broken marriages, she recorded hit songs with the Benny Goodman band, wrote songs for a Disney movie and starred on Broadway in a short-lived autobiographical show, "Peg."

Her vocal flexibility and cool, breathy voice brought sultry distinction to big band showstoppers, pop ballads and soulful laments. She was considered in the same league as Billie Holiday, Mildred Bailey, Ella Fitzgerald and Bessie Smith.

Her hits touched generations of listeners. Lee's more notable recordings included "Why Don't You Do Right?," "I'm a Woman," "Lover," "Pass Me By," "Where or When," "The Way You Look Tonight," "I'm Gonna Go Fishin'" and "Big Spender." The hit "Is That All There Is?" won her a Grammy for best contemporary female vocal perfor-

mance in 1969.

"Many singers confuse shouting with emotion. Peggy Lee sends her feelings down the quiet center of her notes." Whitney Balliett, longtime jazz critic for The New Yorker wrote. "She does not carry a tune; she elegantly follows it."

She was born Norma Egstrom on May 26, 1920, in Jamestown, N.D., where her father worked as a handyman and part-time railroad station agent.

Her mother died when she was 4, she recalled in a 1985 interview, and she was abused by a stepmother. She said the experience turned out to be good for her, because "I learned independence."

She decided to become a singer at age 14, when she would earn 50 cents a night at gigs for local PTAs. A few years later she traveled to Fargo where she sang on a local radio station. The WDAY program director suggested a name change, and she became Peggy Lee. Lee eventually arrived in Hollywood with \$38 in her pocketbook, supporting herself as a waitress and between nightclub jobs.

Goodman, then the King of Swing, hired her to sing with his band after hearing her while she was performing at a Chicago hotel.

Then she fell in love with Goodman's guitarist, Dave Barbour, and withdrew from the music world to be his wife and raise their daughter, Nicki. But she returned to singing when the marriage fell apart.

"I kept blaming myself for his alcoholism and the failure of our marriage," she said. "And I finally understood what Sophie Tucker used to say: You have to have your heart broken at least once to sing a love song."

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## OUR VIEWS

# Legislators help us out of a bind

Chalk one up for rural communities. Earlier this month, the local juvenile probation facility was faced with having to close its doors. The reason? It could not meet standards set by the state — the same standards set for large detention facilities in Houston or Dallas.

Enter Sen. Robert Duncan and Rep. Pete Laney. In large part through their efforts, our small facility will be able to keep its doors open. "They helped tremendously, contacting the commission and getting this to go our way," said Margie Thompson-Bradberry, director of the local facility.

The outcome is as it should be. Instead of having to comply with strict regulations designed for much larger, urban detention areas, a new set of standards will be written for the local holding facility.

And those standards will still ensure the well-being and treatment of juveniles. Representatives from Big Spring and Howard County, as well as probation officers, judges and others will meet with state representatives and the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission to write the stand-alone regulations.

The local facility won't have to close, which means savings in dollars for local residents. In the case where the holdover facility is needed, the juvenile can be held here, and not shipped off to another city at taxpayer expense.

"This is a victory for our community," said Thompson-Bradberry.

It certainly is. And Sen. Duncan, Rep. Laney, Thompson-Bradberry and Howard County commissioners deserve congratulations for a job well done.

## YOUR VIEWS

**TO THE EDITOR:**  
Someone please explain something to me. It has been several years since the 11th Place extension was renamed Martin Luther King Boulevard, yet Scenic Mountain Medical Center and Covenant Clinic seem to maintain that they are located "as always," on 11th Place.

I understand needing to use up preprinted forms and stationary, but it seems to me that there has been plenty of time for this to occur. I'm just wondering if they were excluded from this change.

DEBBIE GLEEN  
BIG SPRING

**To the Editor:**  
It is almost too much to bear to have Molly Ivins' column and the letter from Mrs. Greer on the

same page. Reading Mrs. Greer's comments, one would guess she pocketed some change from the sale of her home and business and wanted out of the Socialistic state of California because of the costs. After contributing her taxes to that state, she now wants Texans to bear the costs of her \$470 medical bill so she can spend her income on herself.

Actually, I prefer to keep my income and spend it on MYSELF, including my own medical bills, as opposed to paying for her medical costs.

After reading what these two "ladies" wrote, which covered one half page, I have come to the conclusion everyone would be happier if they both returned to California.

DOLORES CARTER  
BIG SPRING

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# We have the best problems in the world

I was thinking the other night about different regions of the world: the Middle East,

Africa, South Asia, Latin America and the Far East. It occurred to me that we Americans should clutch our problems to our bosom and give thanks to God for them.



CHARLEY REESE

Our problems are, without doubt, the best problems in the entire world.

We're fretting over our current recession, which just started last fall and looks to be not very deep. The Japanese have been in an economic slump for the past four years. Argentina is going bankrupt. And in many other countries, people are dying by the droves from diseases, malnutrition, even starvation in some places. We are a very lucky people.

Some black Americans are angry, but American blacks who get angry usually write books, go on talk shows or lobby for reparations. In Africa, when blacks get angry, they seem

to have a tendency to cut off each other's body parts and to unlimber their AK-47s.

A friend of mine, who was a mercenary, flew guns during the Angola civil war. One day he asked his boss, a German, this question: "OK, so I land in some field out in the jungle, and some black people come out of the bush. How do I know if they are the good guys or the bad guys?"

"Doesn't matter," his boss said. "If they have guns, give 'em the cargo. We just get paid to fly it in. I don't give a damn which side gets it."

That war lasted 30 years. For all I know, it might still be going on.

We've all seen the conditions in Afghanistan. It's hard to imagine three generations of people who have done nothing but fight. Talk about a vocational problem. How do you get a young man to give up his gun and go to school — especially when there are no schools and no jobs even if he could go to school?

Our kids might not be learning what they should in government schools, but at least they aren't learning how to make bombs, cut throats and lay ambushes.

Palestinians have been living in refugee camps since 1947. These camps are not pretty. It's a miracle that those people don't all become terrorists, but, in fact, some of the world's most successful businessmen, engineers and doctors have come out of those camps.

One of my Indian friends used to rage at the welfare class in America. Being from India, poverty to him means emaciation and dying in the streets. Our officially impoverished people would be considered rich in many countries of the world. Where else do officially poor people have problems with obesity, color televisions, homes and cars? Only in America.

I used to look at a co-worker who came from Eritrea. He is a small, wiry and energetic man who holds down three jobs. I often thought: What if I had been born poor in the Horn of Africa? Could I have learned a foreign language, made my way to America and gotten three jobs, not just one? It makes me tired just to think of the energy and effort all that required.

In my city, some of the folks are in a fret about a National Basketball Association franchise. The

owner is hacked that the city and county won't build a new arena (the old one is pretty new), has threatened to leave and now wants to sell his franchise. I'm tempted to buy a bullhorn, climb to the roof of a downtown skyscraper and shout: "Who gives a damn? The entire National Basketball Association is not important!"

It's hard to keep our perspective in the United States. Even the recent terror incident, in my opinion, produced an overreaction. A little more than 3,000 people died Sept. 11. Our own run-of-the-mill American thugs kill about 15,000 of us every year. In fact, on average, 2 million Americans die every year due to accidents, trauma and disease.

I won't say this is the best of all possible worlds, but our country is about the best available, with only a handful of possible exceptions. Let's not forget to slip in a prayer of thanks between our gripes and complaints.

Charley Reese can be contacted at briarl@earthlink.net.



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## Did you know you were a jerk?

Imagine an Internet chat room dedicated to everyone. Everyone would have his own chat room where anonymous users could post at will. Every morning you would wake up, turn on your computer, log onto the Internet, and read what your friends and enemies had to say about you — especially your enemies.

You might find yourself referred to as a lowlife who cheats on your taxes, your spouse and your business associates. You might suddenly discover that you have about as much privacy as a movie star in a supermarket tabloid.

Is this scenario possible? No — it is probable. It is already happening to publicly-traded companies. Chat rooms devoted to each company are being used by liars and criminals to manipulate stock prices. Believing they are safely anonymous, these despicable people will write almost anything, make almost any unsubstantiated claim, and defame any person if it will help them drive down the

price of a stock. So, if this is being done for companies and their officers, why not for individuals? Under the guise of First Amendment rights, Internet bashers claim they have the right to write anything. They do not. They do not have the right to defame. They do not have the right to write libelous comments. They also do not have the right to remain anonymous.

But not having the right is not the same as saying they can be stopped. Civil litigation is expensive, and criminal investigations are inhibited because the FBI is very busy with other cases.

This is the ugly side of the Internet. Worse than any Orwellian fear of a future in which Big Brother — the government — would watch our every move, the Internet can publicize our every move. Worse, it can distort and fabricate. It can put each of us up to public ridicule. Will this happen? Absolutely. There is nothing to prevent it from happening.

What makes this possible is the lack of a clearly defined right to privacy in the U.S. Constitution. Such a right has been construed in part from the 14th Amendment, but because it is not clearly delineated, the area is murky. The

result is that the clearly stated First Amendment's right to freedom of speech tends to overwhelm any presumed right to privacy.

Enactment and ratification of a Right to Privacy Amendment — an RPA — is the best way to stop this poison that threatens the fabric of our society, a society in which evil people revel in exposing, ridiculing, defaming, undermining, fictionalizing and destroying other people at will.

The difficulty comes in the crafting of such an amendment so as to strike a balance with the First Amendment. When, for example, does normal newspaper reporting slip over the line into an unwarranted invasion of privacy? What right do people have to use their freedom of speech to defame other people? What right do they have to remain anonymous? What responsibility do people have to be truthful? Is lying protected by the First Amendment? Ridiculing? Defaming?

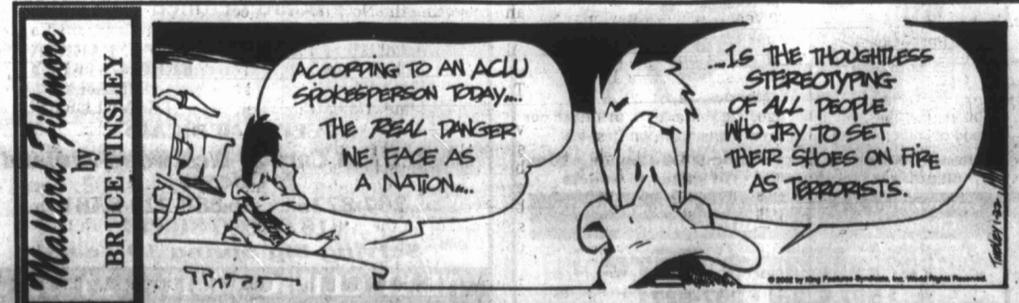
These are difficult questions, and the risk of undermining the First Amendment is real. But the risk of undermining society is equally real.

We will discuss possible solutions in upcoming columns. Your succinctly stated views would be welcome.

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BRUCE TINSLEY

# SPORTS

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While four Lady Hawks players finished in double figures, they simply couldn't keep track with Midland's Amisha Carter, who finished with a game-high 23 points.

Shamieka Buckley had 15 for Howard, while Sherice Risby had 12. Vangela Menter and Alexis Burton had 10 apiece.

In the men's game, Midland took a hard-fought 59-50 win.

Zach Moss paced the Hawks with 11 points, while Blackstock had 10.

The losses left the Hawks with a 13-6 record overall and 1-2 mark in WJAC play, while the Lady Hawks are 7-11 on the season and 1-2 in conference.

Howard plays host to New Mexico Junior College Thursday at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

#### National LL slates meeting for Jan. 31

Big Spring's National Little League has scheduled its organizational meeting for the 2002 season for 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at Allan's Furniture.

Coaches and league officials will be determined during that meeting.

For more information, call Allan Johnson at 267-6278 or 263-1163.

#### Industrial league meeting scheduled

An organizational meeting for the Men's Industrial Softball League has been scheduled for 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30, at John Wesley's.

For more information, call Sally Grant at 268-4728 or 393-5237.

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#### TENNIS

10:30 p.m. — Australian Open, men's and women's quarterfinals matches (same-day tape), ESPN2.

## Oklahoma State plans quiet observance of crash anniversary

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

As the first anniversary of the tragic Oklahoma State plane crash drew near, coach Eddie Sutton was preparing to address his team.

Unless the players requested a formal observance, the Cowboys planned to let everyone just spend a quiet Sunday with their families, a spokesman said.

There will also be a moment of silence before Oklahoma State's home game Saturday against Colorado, the team the Cowboys had just played last Jan. 27 when a small plane headed back to Stillwater crashed in a storm.

Ten people associated with the Oklahoma State program died.

"You've just got to fight through it and keep going and be as respectful as you can," Brooks Thompson,

Oklahoma State's director of basketball operations, said Monday.

"Right now it's just quiet. I think coach will address that with the team pretty soon. But there hasn't been anything yet."

All around the Big 12, memories of the night that sent shock throughout college basketball remain vivid.

"The tragedy's always in the back of our mind, especially in our league," said Barry Collier, whose Nebraska team will visit Oklahoma State Wednesday night.

"I also think while we never, never want to forget those men, it is a situation where time has allowed us to try to focus on the task at hand. I can hardly believe it's been a year. It's brought back to mind every time you travel with your team."

"I can't even imagine how strong the Oklahoma State guys and program must be because they've been able to separate the games from that terrible tragedy."

Back on the court, it may be pay-back time for Iowa State when Kansas comes calling Wednesday. The Jayhawks will be out to break a five-game losing streak to the two-time defending Big 12 champions.

But those losses came at a time when the Cyclones had players like Jamaal Tinsley and Marcus Fizer, who now are in the NBA.

"It's something we do remember, them beating us five straight times," said Kansas coach Roy Williams. "I probably remember it more than the players do. Iowa State has kicked our tails for a long time."

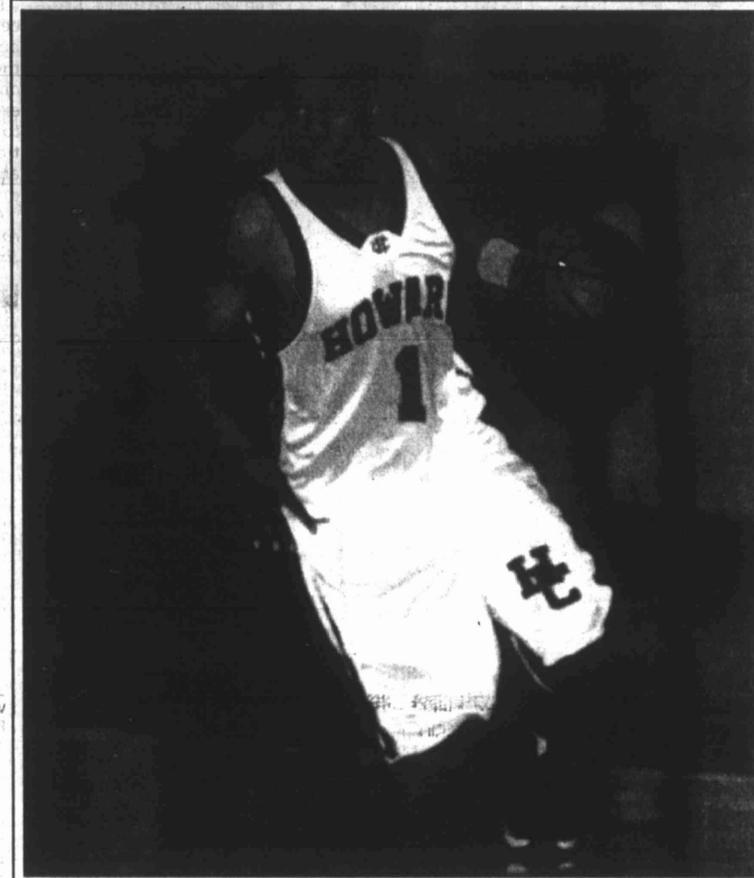
While Kansas and Oklahoma have

been getting most of the attention, Texas has quietly won 12 of its last 13 games. At 4-0, the Longhorns are the only team unbeaten in the conference except for Kansas.

"Probably the biggest thing has been the willingness of this group to try to improve each day," said Texas coach Rick Barnes. "They don't sit back and feel good about anything other than knowing they've got to get ready. They know that right now we've got a lot of work to do to get better."

Like other coaches around the Big 12, Barnes marvels at how well Sutton has handled the Oklahoma State family the past year.

"I don't think I could ever understand what they went through there. It has had an unbelievable rippling effect through the entire league."



Howard College's Jared Fears brings the ball upcourt during the Hawks' win over Clarendon last week. Fears and the Hawks didn't fare as well Monday night in Midland, as they suffered a 59-50 setback at the hands of Midland College's Chaparrals.

## NFL's defenses playing offense, and vice versa

By DAVE GOLDBERG

AP Football Writer

Bill Cowher's forte as a player was special teams. His area of expertise as an assistant coach was defense.

So what did the Pittsburgh coach want to talk about Monday? The Steelers' offense.

"We've always been a team that says, 'We're going to run the football.' There was never any question we could do that," Cowher said as he began preparation for Sunday's AFC title game against New England. "But if we have to throw the football, there's a confidence about that now. The confidence that's always been there on defense is there on offense right now!"

That was one of the anomalies about this weekend's games to determine the conference finalists: The Steelers and Rams, the heavy favorites to be playing in the Super Bowl a week from Sunday, both won thanks to top production from their perceived weaknesses.

The offensive-minded Rams play much better defense than they're given credit for. Similarly, the defensive-minded Steelers are good on offense, too.

St. Louis, playing in its dome, was an early 11 1/2-point favorite over Philadelphia, which it beat in overtime on the road on opening day. The Steelers were 7 1/2-point favorites over New England.

Both seem to be peaking at the right time.

The Rams beat Green Bay 45-17 Sunday, but the surprise wasn't so much the 45 points as the way they came: 28 off six interceptions on a day when the offense had its worst game statistically this season, with just 292 yards from scrimmage.

"It's a great luxury when you don't always have to make big plays," said Kurt Warner, who usually makes a bundle of them.

The Steelers held Baltimore to just 150 yards — under 100 in the first three quarters — in their 27-10 victory, which eliminated the defending champions.

That kind of defense is standard from these

Steelers.

But Pittsburgh also made big plays on offense — particularly early, helping it open a 20-0 lead. Amos Zereoue, pressed into service when a shot to relieve the pain in Jerome Bettis' injured groin hit the wrong nerve, ran for 12 yards on the first play from scrimmage. That set the tone for a game in which the Steelers moved the ball well.

"A lot of people don't understand what we can do with the offense," said Hines Ward, whose 94 receptions set a team record this season. "We can run and run and run, then I can go underneath, and Plaxico Burress can go deep. We're not easy to stop, but we don't seem too exciting because the offense is based on running."

Their opponents have some balance, too.

Philadelphia is a defensive-oriented team. But in the last month, since quarterback Donovan McNabb took to scrambling again, the offense has come alive. The 33 points the Eagles scored in Chicago were the most all season against the Bears, who had allowed 17 points or fewer in their previous seven games.

And Philadelphia will have to score in St. Louis — all the more so because their best cornerback, Troy Vincent, has a groin injury that could keep him out or limit his mobility. That hurts more against a team like the Rams. An examination Monday revealed no tear and the team listed him a day-to-day.

New England is also a good defensive team — coach Bill Belichick has been one of the NFL's more innovative defensive minds over the last two decades.

But Tom Brady threw for 312 yards in the snow Saturday night in a 16-13 overtime victory over Oakland, rallying New England from 10 points down in the fourth quarter with the help of a replay call that turned a Patriots' fumble into an incomplete pass.

And the Steelers seemed a little puzzled Monday about having to play New England after disposing of their bitter rival from Baltimore.

## Duke unanimous No. 1 again; Longhorns move into Top 25

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Once again, it's all Duke.

The Blue Devils received every first-place vote from the national media panel Monday to remain No. 1 in The AP men's college basketball poll.

Duke (16-1) had been a unanimous No. 1 for five consecutive weeks earlier in the season before losing to Florida State and falling to second.

The Blue Devils dropped down for only one week before going back on top. One week later, following impressive wins over Maryland and Wake Forest, the Blue Devils again got all 72 first-place votes.

Kansas (15-2), which was No. 1 the week Duke wasn't on top, moved from fourth to second following wins over Oklahoma State and Oklahoma last week. Maryland (14-3), which

rebounded from the loss to Duke with a win over Clemson, stayed third.

Cincinnati (17-1), which holds the nation's longest winning streak at 17 games, entered the poll five weeks ago. The Bearcats have moved up every week and this was no exception as they went from seventh to No. 4, their highest ranking since being No. 1 in the next-to-last poll of the 1999-2000 season.

Florida (15-2), which lost to Georgia on Saturday, dropped from second to fifth and was followed in the Top Ten by Oklahoma, Virginia, Kentucky, Illinois and Arizona.

Oklahoma State, which lost to Texas Tech as well as Kansas last week, dropped from sixth to 11th and was followed in the Second Ten by Syracuse, UCLA, Alabama, Georgia, Gonzaga, Stanford, Missouri, Oregon and Ohio State.

The last five ranked teams were Wake Forest, Miami, Southern California, Texas and Connecticut.

Ohio State, Texas and Connecticut were all newcomers this week, replacing Iowa, Boston College and Indiana.

Ohio State (14-2) has won eight straight since losing consecutive games to Louisville and Pittsburgh. The Buckeyes, who are 5-0 in the Big Ten, were ranked for one week last season.

Texas (13-4) was ranked No. 23 in the preseason poll but lost its opener to Arizona. The Longhorns returned to the rankings on a six-game winning streak and are 4-0 in the Big 12.

Connecticut (12-3) is also unbeaten in conference play, winning its first five Big East games. The Huskies were ranked for the first 12 polls last season before falling out for the rest of the year.

## UConn, Tennessee remain atop women's basketball poll

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Minnesota earned its first national ranking in nearly 20 years in The AP women's basketball poll Monday, while Connecticut and Tennessee remained 1-2.

Minnesota, 8-20 a year ago, has made a dramatic turnaround under first-year coach Brenda Oldfield and joined the poll at No. 23, its first appearance since the 1982-83 season.

The Golden Gophers (14-3) came in after beating then-No. 5 Wisconsin 92-85 Sunday before a sellout

crowd of 17,000-plus at the Badgers' Kohl Center.

"Honestly, I never thought we'd be standing here 14-3 and upsetting the No. 5 team in the country," said Oldfield, who at 31 is the youngest coach in the Big Ten.

"At the same time, the vision was there when we stepped in. We always believed in ourselves and in each other. We always believed that when we stepped out on the court, we could play with anyone."

Connecticut has been No. 1 all season and was a unanimous choice for the third

straight week. The Huskies, 21-0 after beating defending national champion Notre Dame 80-53 on Monday, received all 45 first-place votes from a national media panel and had 1,125 points.

Tennessee (16-1), which lost only to Connecticut, held its season-long spot at No. 2 after victories over South Carolina and Alabama. The Lady Vols had 1,080 points, and Stanford (18-1) moved up one place to third with 1,026.

It's Stanford's highest ranking since it finished the 1996-97 season at No. 3. The Cardinal have won 10

straight games since a 68-62 loss to Tennessee on Dec. 16.

Oklahoma lost to Iowa State but beat Texas and slipped one spot to fourth. No. 5 Duke, No. 6 Vanderbilt and No. 7 South Carolina each moved up one spot and Louisiana Tech climbed two places to eighth.

South Carolina bounced back from an 80-61 loss to Tennessee by beating Kentucky by 29 points.

The 92-85 loss to Minnesota ended Wisconsin's 15-game winning streak and dropped the Badgers four places to

ninth. Purdue moved up one spot to 10th.

Big 12 teams held the first five places in the second 10.

Kansas State fell two spots to 11th after losing to unranked Oklahoma State, and Texas Tech went from 15th to 12th after beating two Top 25 opponents — Baylor and Iowa State. Texas fell one spot to 13th, Iowa State held at No. 14, and Baylor was 15th.

Virginia Tech went from 21st to 16th for the largest jump within the poll. Georgia, Florida, Colorado State and Colorado round out the Top 20.

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6:30	News Fortune	King of the Hill Raymond	Cyberchase Zboomafoo	Funnies Home Videos	News Enl. Tonight	News (CC) Fortune	News Sainfield (CC)	Friends (CC) Fresh Prince	Inhousa	Movie: Horse Sense	Mad TV (CC) Mad TV (CC)	Mad About Mambo (CC)	Movie: Lucky Numbers	Big Bully (CC)	Crosstalk John Hagoie (CC)	Law & Order (CC)	Stings, Fangs and Spines	Preponder (CC)	Bomb Detectives
7:30	Dharma-Greg Spin City (CC)	70s Show Undeclared	Nova (CC) (DVS)	Movie: Prelude to a Kiss (CC)	JAG (CC)	Dharma-Greg Spin City (CC)	Celebrity Weddings II	NBA Basketball Philadelphia	Amigas y Rivales (SS)	(4:45) Movie: Flash (CC)	Star Trek: Next Gener. Movie: The Doors (CC)	Movie: The Runaway Bride (CC)	Forward (CC)	Update With Nathan Knight (CC)	Biography (CC)	Law & Order (CC)	New Detectives	Law & Order (CC)	Bermuda Triangle
8:30	NYPD Blue (CC)	24 (CC)	Secret Life of the Brain (CC)	Whose Line? Whose Line?	Judging Amy (CC)	Philly (CC)	Dateline (CC)	Wizards NBA Basketball	Aqui y Ahora	(2:25) Legend of Pirate's Point (CC)	Star Trek: Next Gener. Mad TV (CC)	Madness Movie: Double Jeopardy (CC)	Movie: Double Jeopardy (CC)	Collateral First	Sex and-City Greenlight (CC)	Law & Order (CC)	FBI Files (CC)	Charmed (CC)	Seeing is Believing
9:30	Philly (CC)	Cops (CC) Blind Date	Jerry Springer (CC)	News-Lehrer (CC)	700 Club (CC)	News (3:35) Late	News (3:35) Tonight	ball: Sacramento Kings	P. Impacto Noticias Univ.	So Weird (CC) Jet Jackson	Madness Movie: Double Jeopardy (CC)	Movie: Double Jeopardy (CC)	Movie: Double Jeopardy (CC)	Hour of Healing	Update With Church (CC)	Biography (CC)	New Detectives	Movie: Witchblade (CC)	Bermuda Triangle
10:30	News Nightline	Jerry Springer (CC)	News-Lehrer (CC)	700 Club (CC)	News (3:35) Late	News (3:35) Tonight	ball: Sacramento Kings	P. Impacto Noticias Univ.	So Weird (CC) Jet Jackson	Madness Movie: Double Jeopardy (CC)	Movie: Double Jeopardy (CC)	Movie: Double Jeopardy (CC)	Hour of Healing	Update With Church (CC)	Biography (CC)	New Detectives	Movie: Witchblade (CC)	Bermuda Triangle	
11:30	Politically Inc. Cheers	Suddenly Med. Abt. You	Adventure Med. Abt. You	Wunder Years Who's Boss?	Show (CC) (3:37) Late	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Show (CC) (3:37) Late	at Portland Trail Blazers	En las Mejores Familias	Zoro (CC) Mickey Mouse	Baywatch (CC)	H.O.T.S.	Jeopardy (CC)	Movie: Judas Kiss (CC)	Faith Pleases God	Law & Order (CC)	New Detectives	Movie: Extreme	Seeing is Believing
12:30	Cowboy Paid Program	Spin City (CC) Paid Program	Off Air Paid Program	Paid Program	Show (CC) Street Smarts	(12:05) Oprah Winfrey (CC)	Night (CC) Frasier	Inside NBA Movie: Above the Barrio	Maria la del Barrio	Zoro (CC) Mickey Mouse	Baywatch (CC)	H.O.T.S.	Jeopardy (CC)	Movie: Judas Kiss (CC)	Faith Pleases God	Law & Order (CC)	New Detectives	Movie: Extreme	Seeing is Believing

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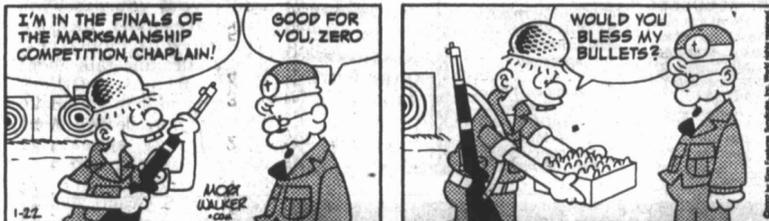


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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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 Today is Tuesday, Jan. 22, the 22nd day of 2002. There are 343 days left in the year.  
 Today's Highlight in History:  
 On Jan. 22, 1973, the Supreme Court handed down its Roe v. Wade decision, which legalized abortion using a trimester approach.  
 On this date:  
 In 1901, Britain's Queen Victoria died at age 82.  
 In 1905, thousands of demonstrating Russian workers were fired on by Imperial army troops in St. Petersburg on what became known as "Red Sunday" or "Bloody Sunday."  
 In 1917, President Wilson pleaded for an end to war in Europe, calling for "peace without victory."  
 (By April, however, America also was at war.)  
 In 1922, Pope Benedict XV died; he was succeeded by Pius XI.  
 In 1944, during World War

II, Allied forces began landing at Anzio, Italy.  
 In 1953, the Arthur Miller drama "The Crucible" opened on Broadway.  
 In 1970, the first regularly scheduled commercial flight of the Boeing 747 began in New York and ended in London some 6 1/2 hours later.  
 In 1972, Britain, Denmark, Ireland and Norway joined the European Economic Community.  
 In 1973, former President Lyndon Johnson died at age 64.  
 In 1995, Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy died at the Kennedy compound at Hyannis Port, Mass., at age 104.  
 Ten years ago: President Bush named Andrew H. Card Jr. to be transportation secretary. The space shuttle Discovery blasted off with seven astronauts.  
 Five years ago: The Senate confirmed Madeleine Albright as the nation's first female secretary of state and former Republican Senator William Cohen as defense secretary.  
 One year ago: On the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision legalizing

abortion, President Bush signed a memorandum reinstating full abortion restrictions on U.S. overseas aid. Four of the seven convicts who had broken out of a Texas prison the previous month were captured southwest of Denver; a fifth inmate killed himself.  
 Today's Birthdays: Former Sen. Birch Bayh, D-Ind., is 74. Actress Piper Laurie is 70. Actor Seymour Cassel is 67.  
 Author Joseph Wambaugh is 65. Actor John Hurt is 62. Country singer-musician Teddy Gentry (Alabama) is 50. Rock singer Steve Perry is 49. Hockey Hall-of-Famer Mike Bossy is 45. Actress Linda Blair is 43. Actress Diane Lane is 37.

Newsday Crossword

FACTORY OUTLET by Patrick Jordan Edited by Stanley Newman

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>ACROSS</b>             | <b>DOWN</b>                | <b>ACROSS</b>                  | <b>DOWN</b>                        |
| 1 Expensive coats         | 1 Jazz composer Waller     | 60 Go- (kid's vehicle)         | 25 1970s dos                       |
| 5 Humidifier output       | 2 Six-cornered state       | 61 Pathfinding puzzle          | 26 Frog relatives                  |
| 10 Call to a cabbie       | 3 Puerto                   | 62 "A votre _!" (French toast) | 27 More ironic                     |
| 14 Working hard           | 4 Roadside octagons        | 63 Discontinues                | 28 Bridal coverings                |
| 15 Idolize                | 5 Popular ice-cream flavor |                                | 29 Viscount outranker              |
| 16 California city        | 6 Past adolescence         |                                | 30 Irritate                        |
| 17 Salsa-topped entrée    | 7 Gallup work              |                                | 31 Main force of attack            |
| 18 Cancels                | 8 Paris airport            |                                | 32 Gardener's packet               |
| 19 Witty folk             | 9 Repaired, as a shoe      |                                | 34 Alexander of the Reagan cabinet |
| 20 Big spender's motto    |                            |                                |                                    |
| 23 Pretzel topping        |                            |                                |                                    |
| 24 Install, as carpeting  |                            |                                |                                    |
| 25 Whenever you like      |                            |                                |                                    |
| 28 Turn off course        |                            |                                |                                    |
| 30 Mystery network        |                            |                                |                                    |
| 33 Proceed boldly         |                            |                                |                                    |
| 35 Metal thread           |                            |                                |                                    |
| 36 Claude of The Wolf Man |                            |                                |                                    |
| 37 Football filler        |                            |                                |                                    |
| 38 Close-fitting hat      |                            |                                |                                    |
| 39 Keatsian tributes      |                            |                                |                                    |
| 40 Stroll aimlessly       |                            |                                |                                    |
| 42 Ukr., on old maps      |                            |                                |                                    |
| 43 Beseeches              |                            |                                |                                    |
| 44 West Point students    |                            |                                |                                    |
| 45 Comic Caesar           |                            |                                |                                    |
| 46 A Farewell to          |                            |                                |                                    |
| 47 Install an idea        |                            |                                |                                    |
| 55 Singer Coolidge        |                            |                                |                                    |
| 56 _ cropper (fail)       |                            |                                |                                    |
| 57 Creme-filled treat     |                            |                                |                                    |
| 58 In a berserk way       |                            |                                |                                    |
| 59 Borneo ape, informally |                            |                                |                                    |

