

**WEDNESDAY**

January 30, 2002

**WEATHER**

Tonight:



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**Donkey ball fund-raiser**

slated Feb. 1

A donkey basketball tournament is set for 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 1, at the Big Spring Junior High School gym, 624 E. Sixth St.

The event is a fund-raiser for the Howard County Sheriff's Posse to collect money for renovation to the organization's building and to undergo extensive training in search and rescue operations.

The Sheriff's Posse will compete against members from the Howard County Sheriff's Office while the Big Spring Police Department will take on the Big Spring Fire Department. The winners of the first two matches will battle each other in the final game.

Admission is \$5 in advance or \$6 for tickets at the gate. Preschoolers are admitted free.

For more information, contact T.J. Walker at 264-2316, 557-5446 or Sheriff Dale Walker at 264-2244.

**WHAT'S UP...**

**TODAY**

□ 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, 10 a.m. at Gale's Sweet Shoppe.

□ Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

**FRIDAY**

□ AMBUCS, noon at the Brandin Iron.

□ ABC Club meets at noon at the Brandin Iron.

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

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**Bush: 'We will prevail in war and we will defeat this recession'**

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush said Tuesday night that tens of thousands of terrorists still threaten America — "ticking time bombs, set to go off" — and promised to stalk them across the globe. In his first State of the Union address, he pledged a bat-



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tle of equal vigor to revive the ailing economy.

"We will prevail in war, and we will defeat this recession," the commander in chief said, standing before Congress and the public with heroically high approval ratings.

Nearly five months after the Sept. 11 attacks that shocked the world, Bush pledged to push the war on terrorism beyond Afghanistan to a dozen countries that he said harbor terrorist camps. He also

warned of "an axis of evil" of nations like North Korea, Iran and Iraq, and said the United States would not allow them to threaten the world with weapons of mass destruction.

Offering chilling evidence of terrorists' plotting, Bush said U.S. forces in Afghanistan found diagrams of American nuclear power plants hidden in terrorist hide-outs.

Bush entered the packed House chamber to boisterous applause from

Republicans and Democrats alike. Seconds into his speech, he made a fist, and tapped it lightly against the podium as he declared that despite terrorism and recession, "the state of our union has never been stronger."

Democrats, responding to Bush, sought to show unity on the war while reinforcing differences on domestic policy.

House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt's words for terrorists were similar to Bush's: "Make no mistake

about it: We are going to hunt you down and make you pay." But he also challenged GOP positions on Social Security, taxes and health care.

In a 48-minute speech interrupted by applause more than 70 times, Bush urged Congress to pass his tax-cutting economic package and challenged Americans to commit two years or 4,000 hours to community service. He hopes to

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**Connecting to the future**

**College seeks TIF monies to enhance 'Net access**

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

Howard College is seeking a \$500,000 Telecommunications Infrastructure Funds grant for a project to link several local entities to broadband Internet access.

"The grant is basically to create a community network, linking all of us together" said Dr. Joel Michaelis, the college's associate vice president of workforce development.

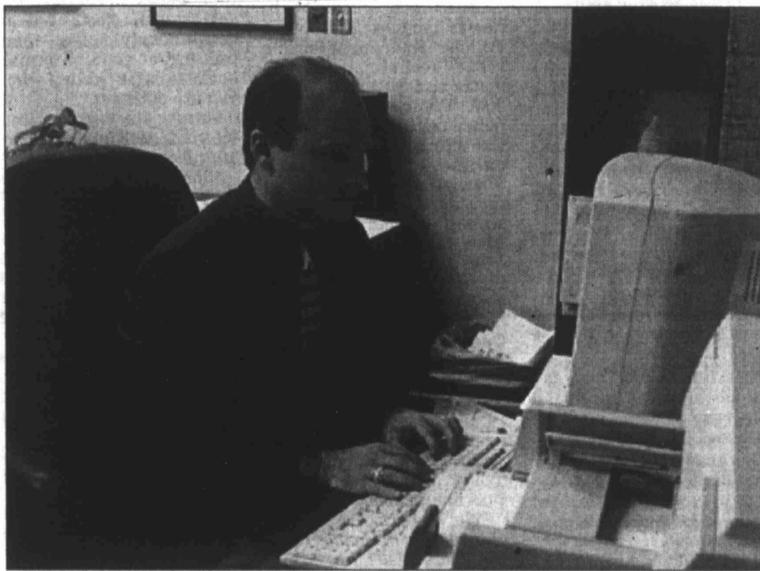
The proposed project will connect the college, Moore Development for Big Spring, Howard County, the Howard County Library, the city of Big Spring and the Texas Workforce Network via one fiberglass line that will provide broadband Internet access.

"There is a wireless component," said Michaelis. "Businesses who are willing to purchase their own wireless equipment can tap into the Internet service."

Businesses cannot be charged for receiving the service while the project is being funded by grant monies, Michaelis added.

On Monday, Moore Development board agreed to fund \$50,000, a 10 percent matching grant fee, for the project.

Broadband Internet can offer the entities a number of possibilities because



Dr. Joel Michaelis, Howard College associate vice president of workforce development, works on the internet. The college is applying for a \$500,000 Telecommunications Infrastructure Funds grant for a project to link several community entities to broadband Internet access.

fiber optics can conduct electronic data faster than dial-up, Michaelis said.

Waiting time to download information, or transition time between Web sites is faster and streaming videos are more feasible, Michaelis said.

"The Internet is a tool," he said. "Before, a person would download a large file on a disk and mail the disk. Now they can send those files via e-mail."

As with any new technology, the possibilities of the broadband may be limitless, Michaelis said.

"Today, the microwave is considered a necessity item

instead of a luxury item," he said. "When the microwave was first invented, did anyone realize what we would be using it for today? Who would have thought the microwave would revolutionize the popcorn industry?"

Broadband technology is readily available in larger cities such as Dallas and Houston. Even Midland has access through a commercial vendor, Michaelis said.

Commercial vendors seem not to be pursuing smaller communities like Big Spring at this time, Michaelis said.

This grant will give the

community a peek into its capability, Michaelis said, and a step ahead in case the community decides to move in that direction.

"Right now we are walking instead of running," he said. "This is something we can provide."

Technology is an ever-changing field, Michaelis said.

"We can sit here and wait for it to stop or we can jog along beside the technology wagon," he said. "We can continue to jog along but after a while the wagon will start going faster and we

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**Jury finds Calhoun guilty of murdering girl friend**

By **ROGER CLINE**

Staff Writer

A 118th District Court jury — after deliberating only about 25 minutes this morning —

found Stephen L. Calhoun guilty of murder in the death of his live-in girlfriend.



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The 10-man, two-woman jury began hearing testimony in the punishment phase of the trial shortly after rendering its verdict.

In reaching their decision, jurors determined that Calhoun beat Barbara Quernheim to death in July of last year at a residence the two shared.

Before deliberations began this morning, District Judge Robert Moore III ruled that lesser charges, including manslaughter and negligent homicide, could not be considered by the jury.

The charge, a document with carefully-crafted instructions to the jury, had been the source of some controversy Tuesday afternoon. Defense attorney Don Richard of Big Spring argued that the jury should have the option to consider lesser offenses including manslaughter and negligent homicide along with the primary charge of murder.

District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson argued that since the defense's case revolved around the fact that Calhoun did not commit the killing, it can't also argue that he committed the crime accidentally or negligently.

Tuesday morning, Wilkerson's witnesses painted a picture of Quernheim's final night which included a drinking party that ended in an argument over a glass of vodka.

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**Pay those taxes! Penalties go into effect Friday**

By **BILL McCLELLAN**

News Editor

It's tax time.

Thursday is the deadline to pay your property taxes if you don't want to incur a penalty.

"They don't have to come to our office to do it. As long as payments are post-



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marked before Feb. 1, there is no problem," said Kathy Sayles, Howard County Tax Assessor/Collector. "As of Feb. 1, there is a 7 percent penalty. It goes up after that."

Those penalties go up 2 percent each month — to 9 percent in March, 11 percent in April, 13 percent in May and 15 percent in June.

On July 1, the penalty will be 18 percent, plus an additional 15 percent for attorney's fees.

Payments should be made to the tax assessor/collector's office — the same place you renew your automobile registration — at the courthouse annex on the east side of the city square. The office is open from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

"If anyone has any questions about their bill or if they need to know how much it is, they should give us a call," Sayles said. "We're glad to help out."

The phone number is 264-

2232.

Howard County tax assessor/collector is responsible for bills on collections of taxes for nine different taxing entities.

These are Big Spring, Forsan and Coahoma cities, along with those school districts.

And Howard County, Howard College and Permian Basin Water District taxes are also collected through Sayles' office.

**Honored teacher stresses respect, fairness**

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

With humor and patience, Jeannine McKimmey, the Wal-Mart Supercenter 2001 Teacher of the Year for the Howard County area, attempts to teach her children self-esteem along with the state required objectives.

The 33-year teaching veteran received a Teacher of the Year vest and a \$500 check for Moss Elementary School, where she is a fourth-grade teacher, from the local business.

Teaching is a passion for the Texas City native.

"It was everything I want-

ed to do since I was a little child," said McKimmey. "I have always loved kids."

McKimmey believes in treating children with respect and fairness.

"I think the most important thing I try to do is build self-esteem," she said. "If a person has a good self-concept, a good self-esteem, they can do anything in life."

Treating children with respect is very a important part of her classroom behavior.

"Treat children with respect and they will respect you," she said. "I

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Jeannine McKimmey, Moss Elementary fourth-grade teacher, discusses an assignment with her students Xavian Parnell, left, Kaml Davis and Tyler Tannehill, far right. McKimmey was named the 2001 Teacher of the Year for the Howard County area by the Wal-Mart Supercenter in Big Spring.

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OBITUARIES

Jesus Mier

Funeral service for Jesus Mier, 83, of Big Spring is pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mr. Mier died Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2002, at a local hospital.

Edward Owen Aikin

Edward Owen Aikin, 51, of Big Spring, died on Friday, Jan. 25, 2002, at his residence. Memorial service will be held at a later date.

He was born on June 13, 1950, in Eugene, Ore., and grew up in France where his parents were missionaries. He was a member of the Church of Christ and a member of the Haskell American Legion. Edward had served in the United States Army in Vietnam and then was stationed in Korea. He was totally disabled due to his military service.

Survivors include his parents, Owen and Elda Aikin of Rochester; one brother, Herbert Otto Aikin of Snyder; and one sister, Linda Kay Aikin of Dallas.

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

Albert Rodriguez

Albert Rodriguez, 70, of Big Spring, died on Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2002, in a local hospital. A vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral mass will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with the Rev. Richard Reagan, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.



He was born on Jan. 14, 1932, in Big Spring and married Isela "Sally" Miranda in August 1962 in Odessa.

Albert was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and prior to his self employment, he had worked for his father, the late Chon Rodriguez I, for 25 years at the Spanish Inn Restaurant here in Big Spring. He had been in the restaurant business since 1974 and owned and operated Alberto's

Crystal Cafe. His hobbies included golf, watching sports and the love of his life, cooking. He was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, a member of the Chicano Golf Association and a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Survivors include his wife, Isela "Sally" Rodriguez of Big Spring; four daughters, Jackie Cerda and Debbie Rodriguez, both of Big Spring, Gina Garcia of Merced, Calif., and Mary Ann Garcia of San Antonio; Gene Albert Rodriguez, whom he raised as a son; five brothers, Raul Rodriguez of Snyder, Carlos Rodriguez, Jimmy Rodriguez, Ignacio Rodriguez and Benny Rodriguez, all of Big Spring; four sisters, Aurora Harris of Odessa, Juanita Rodriguez, Annabelle Huante and Marie Lopez, all of Big Spring; 10 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Chon Rodriguez I in June 1982 and Natividad Rodriguez and Antonio Rodriguez I and two sisters, Zenida Pineda and Helen Ruiz.

The family suggests memorials to the American Diabetes Association Inc., Texas Affiliate, Inc., Western Regional Office, 8008 Slide Rd., Lubbock 79424.

The family will receive friends after the service at Alberto's Crystal cafe, 120 East Second.

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will have to run to keep up. We have a choice of jumping on the wagon now and maybe taking care of what could be good for our community and our citizens."

If the grant is awarded, Michaelis said, the college hopes to have the system up and running by fall 2002. The college will serve as the network manager.

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Witness Clifton Griffin, 58, was the last person other than Calhoun to see Quernheim alive, according to the prosecution's case.

Griffin said the argument started over the vodka, perhaps about who was drinking the most or that Quernheim hid the vodka from Calhoun.

"I think it was about the vodka," he said. "They were just arguing for a while. Barbara got off the bed and sat on the floor. That's when Stephen started beating her, hitting her in the face with his fist."

Griffin said Calhoun hit Quernheim in the face four or five times.

"I told them I had to go," he said. "I couldn't put up with that anymore."

Griffin said he didn't try to stop the violence.

"I tried once before and I wound up on the floor," he said. "(Calhoun's) a stout man."

Dr. Jerry Spencer of the Texas Tech University Health Science Center in Lubbock performed the autopsy.

"Miss Quernheim had a large number of contusions, which is another way of saying bruises, all over her body," he said. "She had a tear or laceration of the organ called the spleen."

Spencer said the internal injury caused Quernheim to bleed two and a half quarts of blood, nearly half her body's total blood capacity, into her abdominal cavity.

The pathologist added that Quernheim had a large blood-alcohol concentration, about 0.28 percent, but a test on the vitreous fluid in her eyes revealed her blood-alcohol content had been as high as 0.32 percent, four times the legal limit to drive in Texas.

Spencer said the alcohol was obvious during the autopsy.

"I could smell alcohol," he said.

Small amounts of barbiturates were also found in her blood, but probably had no impact on her ability to defend herself, he said.

Other prosecution witnesses included Big Spring Police Department crime scene technician Wayne Jones and Sheriff's Deputy J.W. Fryer, a Big Spring police officer at the time of the murder, who was first on the scene. Paramedic Shawn Grandy also testified that he was called to the scene and found Quernheim dead when he arrived.

Testimony Tuesday morning noted multiple bruises, contusions and at least two cigarette burns on Quernheim's body.

The defense presented only two witnesses before resting its own case.

Calhoun took the stand first and told the court about a drinking party that took place the night Quernheim died.

"We had a barbecue planned for Sunday (July 15)," he said. "I was drinking some beers and then later on I was drinking (vodka) and beer."

Calhoun said "several other people were drinking at the couple's apartment at 510 S. Lancaster, including Quernheim, who drank about the same amount of alcohol he did, Calhoun said.

Calhoun testified that after most of the party guests left, Quernheim passed out in the bathroom and he dragged her to the bed, where she passed out again and fell on the floor.

Calhoun said he didn't remember punching, kicking or burning Quernheim with a cigarette.

The defense's other witness was Ramon Castaneda, who testified that he had seen two men with duffel bags in the vicinity of the Lancaster apartment the night of the killing.

"I was there at my mama's house," he said. "She told me to look. It looked like they were carrying a cuervo, which in Spanish is almost like a body."

Castaneda went on to testify that the shape the men were carrying could have been their duffel bags.

"I figured it could have been their backpacks," he said. "It could have been their backpacks or it could have been something else."

"The theme of this case is that domestic violence really does matter, that these are people who should be held accountable," Wilkerson said Tuesday afternoon. "This conduct's unacceptable from the get go. You cannot excuse this."

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treat them exactly the way I want to be treated. If you show a child respect and fairness, these kids will do anything under the sun for you."

McKimmy moved from San Angelo to Big Spring in the early 1970s when her husband, Clyde, who was hired at the Big Spring refinery.

Her 28-year service to Big Spring Independent School District includes several years as a resource teacher, an experience that has enhanced her teaching in the regular classroom.

"I think being a resource teacher taught me to be a better teacher because I learned to teach to individuals, not to the group," she said. "You have to look at their needs and build their self-esteem. You need to continuously give them praise, but genuine praise, because kids know when you are faking it."

Former students continue to visit McKimmy years after leaving her classroom.

"She has a very unique rapport with her students," Moss Elementary Principal Ronnie Moss said. "She probably has the most kids out of the teachers here that return to visit her years later. Obviously, she must have made some impact."

That connection includes a former student now serving a prison sentence, who stays in contact with the educator through letters.

"I am disappointed but he knows I love him," she said. "He always ends his letters with 'you are one of my best friends and may God bless you.'"

Fourth-grade is the perfect age of student for McKimmy.

"I like to teach the older kids because they understand my sense of humor," she said. "I like to sometimes get my point across with levity. I would rather get my point across with laughter than to fuss at a kid."

"They are just out of primary — this is intermediate — and they still have the respect for the teacher," she said. "They are still just sweet children that are 10-year-olds. That age is fun."

McKimmy said she will continue to teach long after retirement.

"It's everything I wanted to do," McKimmy said. "Even when I retire, I have thought about tutoring. I can't imagine my life without children because they make every day interesting."

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tap the surge in patriotism since the attacks.

"We can overcome evil with greater good," the president said.

Amid extraordinary security, leaders of the congressional, judicial and executive branches gathered beneath the same Capitol dome that officials believe was targeted during the attacks on Washington and New York.

Dick Cheney, who has spent many nights in undisclosed locations because of security precautions, took the vice president's tradi-

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tional place on the rostrum behind the president during the speech.

In the gallery, first lady Laura Bush was joined by several guests in her VIP box high above the well of the House, including interim Afghan leader Hamid Karzai and firefighters, soldiers and other citizen-heroes whose stories helped buoy a weary nation.

"The men and women of our armed forces have delivered a message to every enemy of the United States," Bush said. "You will not escape the justice of this nation."

Outlining his post-Afghanistan battle plans, the president vowed to unearth "a terrorist underworld" of training camps in at least a dozen countries, including the Philippines, Bosnia and Somalia. He said nations will be given a chance to wipe out terrorists themselves, and the United States is willing to assist their efforts.

But, he warned: "If they do not act, America will."

In his strongest terms yet, Bush called North Korea, Iraq and Iran part of an "axis of evil," warning that their pursuit of weapons of mass destruction pose a "grave and growing danger" and will not be tolerated.

"I will not wait on events, while dangers gather. I will not stand by, as peril draws closer and closer," Bush said.

The nation's 43rd president addressed Americans with a degree of national unity conferred on no other chief executive since Franklin D. Roosevelt. In polls, more than 80 percent of Americans say they approve of his performance.

In the Democratic response, Gephhardt mentioned Enron Corp., the Texas-based energy company linked to Bush that collapsed with the life savings of many workers.

Bush did not mention Enron, but asked Congress to enact pension reform and require more financial disclosure from companies. "Corporate America must be made more accountable to employees and shareholders and held to the highest standards of conduct," Bush said.

The measured response to Enron's collapse reflects concern in the White House that voters view Bush and Republicans as more sympathetic to big business than to average Americans.

In stark terms, the president said U.S. forces found diagrams of American public water facilities, detailed instructions for making chemical weapons, surveillance maps of U.S. cities and descriptions of landmarks — all evidence that terrorists may target a wide array of targets.

"What we have found in Afghanistan confirms that — far from ending there — our war against terror is only beginning," the commander in chief said.

The 19 suicide hijackers who steered planes toward Washington and New York were a tiny fraction of the tens of thousands of terrorists trained in Afghanistan, Bush said. White House officials said 100,000 terrorists were trained in Afghanistan since 1979. Some 15,000 al-Qaida fighters were trained

in Afghanistan since the mid-1990s.

These terrorists "are now spread throughout the world like ticking time bombs — set to go off without warning," Bush said.

The U.S. military is spending \$30 million a day to fight terrorism, and more is needed, Bush said. He asked Congress to increase Pentagon spending by nearly \$50 billion.

He also proposed a doubling — to \$38 billion — of spending on intelligence, military, border security, local emergency response programs and other homeland security activities.

Also in the audience as guests of Bush: Shannon Spann, the widow of CIA officer Johnny Micheal Spann, who was killed in Afghanistan, and Christina Jones and Hermis Moutardier, flight attendants credited with thwarting the alleged shoe bomber.

Bush praised Democratic and Republican lawmakers alike for their support of the war, but jabbed at Democrats who are challenging his domestic agenda.

"Now Americans deserve to have this same spirit directed toward addressing the problems here at home," he said.

POLICE

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

• JOE RODRIGUEZ, 29, of 101 E. 24th St., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• VINCENT MARTINEZ, 30, of 817 W. Eighth St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 1200 block of East 17th Street. Someone reportedly entered the building through a rear window and stole items worth \$2,900.

• DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 400 block of South Benton and the 1400 block of South Benton.

FIRE/EMS

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

4:18 p.m. — 2000 block of Rockdale, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

7:04 p.m. — 200 block of Austin, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

8:29 p.m. — 800 block of Willa, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

RECORDS

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Billy Riffe, 54, died Monday. Graveside services are 10:30 AM today at Coahoma Cemetery.  
Evelyn Clark, 74, died Monday. Graveside services are 3:00 PM, today at Coahoma Cemetery.  
Jesus Mier, 83, died Tuesday. Services are pending.

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# Four jail escapees include two convicted in cheerleader murder

MONTAGUE (AP) — As the search continued today for two convicted killers and two murder suspects on the lam, some crime victim advocacy groups urged law officers to find out why Texas had dozens of jail breaks in the past 12 months.

Since the four inmates broke out of the Montague County Jail on Monday night, more than 200 law enforcement officers from numerous local jurisdictions, the Texas Rangers and FBI were helping search on the ground and by helicopter.

Sheriff's Sgt. Harry Bittlinger said early today that there were no developments overnight.

But authorities have been alerted in Oklahoma, Missouri, Oregon, Washington, Alaska and other states where the escapees have relatives and friends.

Groups concerned about Texas jail breaks say that unless the state solves the problem, even more criminals will escape because they are becoming more brazen and feed off one another's successes.

"The public has to take it

(corrections) seriously instead of thinking of it as a nonessential element in the system. It's critical," said Dianne Clements, president of Houston-based Justice for All. "I think it requires ongoing training. You have to keep them alert and ready to act."

The Texas Commission on Jail Standards listed more than 100 separate escapes in 2001, including five Grayson County Jail inmates who tunneled their way out, setting up a standoff three days later with law officers in Montague County, where the latest inmates escaped.

"There's no question in my mind they'll arm themselves at the first opportunity," Montague County District Attorney Tim Cole said. "The two men with life sentences just have absolutely nothing to lose."

Curtis Allen Gambill of Terral, Okla., and Joshua Luke Bagwell of Waurika, Okla., were serving life sentences for killing a 16-year-old Oklahoma cheerleader in Montague County in 1996.

In Oklahoma, Jefferson County Sheriff Stan Barnes set up checkpoints on every bridge crossing the Red River into the county,

believing Gambill and Bagwell would return.

"They were raised here and been on the river all their lives," Barnes said. "We feel strongly that they will eventually try to come here. They are going to get hungry."

Chrystal Gale Soto, 22, and Charles William Jordan, 30, both of Bowie, are charged with two counts of capital murder in the November deaths of James Christmas, 76, and Ullain Christmas, 79.

The victims' 17-year-old grandson, who is Soto's half brother, also was arrested

and is jailed in nearby Clay County. The trio had been living in a house on the elderly couple's Montague County property.

None of the three defendants has been indicted, but the cases were to be presented to a grand jury next month, Cole said.

Bruce Martin, a Wichita Falls attorney representing Jordan, said he hopes his client surrenders at his law office.

"That's probably the only way he won't be killed," Martin said. "If he's found on the street, someone's going to kill him."

# Authorities arrest Texas man in triple killing

CALL (AP) — The man suspected of killing a woman and two children and wounding two others in a multicounty shooting spree was captured by police Tuesday afternoon after being tracked down by a police dog.

Perry Anthony Stevenson, 42, was arrested near Call, about 30 miles north of Orange in the southeast corner of Texas, shortly after 3 p.m.

He was later arraigned at the Newton County Fillyaw Correctional Center on aggravated robbery charges and his bond was set at \$500,000. Newton County Sheriff Wayne Powell said he expects Stevenson also to be charged with murder.

Stevenson was arraigned at the privately run jail instead of the county court-

house because some local residents were upset and they were "wanting to take him into their custody," Powell said.

A dog on loan from the Port Arthur Police Department picked up Stevenson's scent Tuesday afternoon and tracked him down to a wooded area about 3/4 of a mile away from the home of a woman and her three children whom police say he shot.

Searchers aboard helicopters, horses, four-wheelers and on foot combed a densely wooded area along the Newton County-Jasper County line in what authorities called one of the largest manhunts ever in East Texas.

"We just walked and hunted him until we found him," Powell said.

Authorities said Stevenson, who was apprehended without a struggle, did not appear injured except for scratches from running through brush.

Stevenson was wanted in Monday's shooting deaths of Mirian McElroy, 52; and sisters Ashley Pearson, 10 and April Pearson, 14. Another sister, 5-year-old Kaitlyn, was in good condition at Christus St. Elizabeth Hospital in Beaumont on Tuesday.

"The girls' mother, Gwen, remained in critical condition, said Newton County Sheriff's Department dispatcher Teresa Davis.

The manhunt began after police say Stevenson shot and killed McElroy in Orange about 2 a.m. Monday, set fire to the mobile home where the

killing occurred, then stole a truck from a nearby home.

The victim was identified by a family member as Stevenson's live-in girlfriend.

The truck later was found wrecked about 40 miles to the north, near Call. Then, sometime just after 2:30 a.m., a man broke into the home of Charles White, 68.

White said the intruder fired four shots into an empty bedroom near the door.

"He said, 'I don't want to hurt anybody. I don't want to kill anybody,'" said White, who was home with his wife.

White told The Beaumont Enterprise the man was carrying a Bible and a copy of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous.

# Mother gets life sentence in case of girl locked in closet

DALLAS (AP) — A woman who pleaded guilty to confining her starving child in a mobile home closet also will be locked away for many years, a jury has decided.

Barbara Atkinson, 30, was sentenced Tuesday to life in prison for serious bodily injury to a child. The jurors' decision came after four hours of deliberations.

Atkinson and her former husband, Kenneth, were arrested last June after the girl, who weighed 25 pounds, was discovered near death.

Atkinson, who faced between five years and life, will be eligible for parole in 30 years, prosecutor Susan Hawk said.

Although justice has been served, Hawk said of the victim, "She'll always be remembered as the girl in the closet."

"This is going to be a life-long struggle, every step of the way," Hawk said.

"Barbara is of course upset," defense attorney Brad Lollar said after sentencing.

"She told us to tell everyone she's sorry. She does sincerely regret what she did."

He said Atkinson pleaded

guilty because she did not want any of her other children, who are in foster care, to have to testify in court. He also said the sentence would be appealed.

Defense lawyers said that the defendant herself suffered a traumatic childhood. They said during the first three years of Atkinson's life she was neglected by her birth mother, a prostitute and drug addict, then placed with an adoptive home, where she did not feel loved.

CPS spokeswoman Marleigh Meisner said the girl has gained 25 pounds and grown 5 1/2 inches since her discovery. She is attending kindergarten.

Bill and Sabrina Kavanaugh and her husband Bill, who are the girl's foster parents and are seeking permanent custody, first tried to adopt her at birth, but had to return her to Atkinson because their attorney made a legal error.

Child welfare officials said the case was the worst they'd ever investigated in Dallas County and that girl was so damaged she'd never reach her potential emotionally or cognitively.

Kenneth Atkinson, 34, is awaiting trial.

# Future border inspection stations to have shorter wait times

EL PASO (AP) — Equipment at high-tech border crossings in the future is expected to single out commercial trucks with good records from the polluting and dangerous vehicles, according to a team assigned by the Texas Legislature to examine the issue.

"Identifying the 'good trucks' and allowing them quicker passage through the usual series of inspections would reduce a major

restriction hindering trade between Mexico and the United States, the team told the Senate State Affairs Committee on Tuesday.

"This (trade with Mexico) is a huge asset that we now have an opportunity to capitalize on," said Sen. Eliot Shapleigh, D-El Paso, a member of the committee.

"This will affect the economic outcomes for our people."

However, Shapleigh added that officials in Southwest

border states should be more organized to take advantage of money that is being made available for border stations in the wake of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"The northern border is sweeping the resources for their ports and putting in the technology and resources we have been begging for for 10 years," Shapleigh said.

Part of the reason the northern border is getting

more money is that it includes more states — four compared to 14 — which means they have more votes when Congress allocates the money, said Dan Regan, administrator of the Texas Division of the Federal Highway Administration.

The biggest cause of delays is too few federal inspectors at border crossings, said Luis Rivera, program officer for the U.S. Custom Service's Customs Management Center.

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Time to pay property tax or incur a fee

You probably didn't want to hear this, but the deadline to pay your property taxes is Thursday. These were the taxes we were billed for in the fall and put off paying in November or December. Now January is almost gone and some of us still haven't gotten around to doing it. Well, time has run out.

Beginning Friday, a 7 percent penalty gets tacked on to the bill. That's seven cents for every dollar or \$7 for every \$100. That means if your bill is \$500 and you don't pay it until after Thursday, it'll cost you another \$35.

But that's not all, the penalty keeps escalating each month thereafter. It jumps to 9 percent in March, 11 percent in April, 13 percent in May and 15 percent in June. If you haven't paid it by July 1, the penalty soars to 18 percent and there is an additional 15 percent in attorney's fees.

Payments should be made at the county tax assessor/collector's office in the courthouse annex on the east side of the city square. The office is open from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

If you still have the return envelope sent to you with your bill, you can mail it in without penalty as long as it is postmarked before Feb. 1. If you lost the envelope and the statement, you can find out what you owe by calling the tax office at 264-2232.

See you at the tax office.

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Willie Nelson lasts forever, it seems

I stepped into my Sunday corduroys, freshened my lipstick, ran a comb through my curls. I put on my midnight-blue Alaska socks with polar bears on them. I was as well-dressed as anybody ever avoided. I was waiting for Willie.



RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

Willie Nelson phoned from New York City around 5 p.m., just as his public-relations folks had promised. I picked up the telephone first ring, heard that familiar voice and was struck dumb. I've interviewed senators, astronauts and Captain Kangaroo. But they were mortals; this was Willie.

I tried to think of something clever to ask, a question he hadn't heard in two straight days of interviews to promote his new book, "The Facts of Life and Other Dirty Jokes," and his new record, "The Great Divide."

"It's really you, isn't it, Willie?" I said. It was a

query to sear his soul, make him remember this rube reporter above all others.

"Yes," he said simply. He sounded tired.

Willie Nelson is a Larry McMurtry character, Sam the Lion or Augustus McCrae. Willie's an old man and the sea, a desperado waiting for a train, a redwood in a thicket of pulpwood pine. Put him on Mount Rushmore and lend that old rock some dignity.

He has been poor, rich, alone, married, on the road, down home and drunk. Willie's guitar is older than most popular country singers, and he's way cooler than any of those sprouts.

He has been harassed by the IRS, courted by Hollywood, beckoned to the White House by presidents and raised by a grandma. He's the defender of small farms, as natural an actor as a child, a liberal good ol' boy and an Outlaw.

Willie Nelson is Everyman if Everyman was a genius. Big "if." Everyman is not.

So we have Willie. An independent nation that has the right friends, the right enemies and an arsenal of song. He can put into

a few words the profound concept of "permanently lonely."

Yet he's modest. Nobody should expect to surpass Hank Williams, Willie said when asked.

"Nobody should even want to. Anything we do that Hank already did will be less, so we have to try to do something else."

Willie today has houses in Maui and his little hometown of Abbott, Texas, but his real domain remains the road. The life he loves is making music with his friends. Still,

Willie's able to laugh at himself. I mentioned his book's many references to jogging, golfing and even martial arts.

"You almost sound like a health nut," I ventured.

"I'm half of that," he laughed.

The book doesn't dwell on the IRS episode. But I just had to ask how he kept from being bitter about losing everything.

"I decided it was better to laugh. ... If a guitar player from Abbott, Texas, owes the government \$32 million like they said I did, then you better ask who's watching the store. ... Course, when they swarmed in and took all of my belongings,

it was hard to laugh a lot ..."

Mostly I asked Willie questions that have occurred to me a million times, late at night, when I'm listening to those dear albums kept in worn shucks. Was there, for instance, a specific angel flying too close to the ground who inspired what he considers his best song?

"There was, and there is," the cryptic Willie said. Is there anyone left he wants to sing with?

"I've been asked that a lot, and I've said Barbra Streisand for so long it's starting to sound good."

Willie said he planned to visit Ground Zero while in Manhattan. Alan Jackson, he said, had "the best take" on the tragedy. These days Willie's getting many requests to sing "America the Beautiful."

Nobody has a better right to sing it. Willie is America, the beautiful part. The part that rises from poverty on talent and gumption and yet never forgets its roots. The part that repays old debts, remembers old friends, helps the less fortunate.

Nothing lasts forever but old Fords, Willie Nelson and natural stone.



Mini cows, jeeps and uniforms

Jan and Tom Townsend live between Alto and Rusk. She raises mini-horses and mini-cows. He keeps movies supplied with military paraphernalia.



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Tom says he was an Army brat, "so I grew up everywhere. I think I went to 13 or 14 schools before I got out of high school. I spent my teenage years in Germany."

His years in Europe influenced his decision to have military vehicles.

"I saw so many of them which are totally extinct now. They get cut up for scrap or get blown up on firing ranges and stuff like that. I always said that if I ever got where I could afford it, it'd be nice to try to save a few of them just for the sake of history because they were sort of non-political. No matter whose side they were on they were just an example of the technology of the time."

He has provided military items to some big movies like Pearl Harbor. He has just finished a movie.

"It was a 30 minute film for HBO shot in Fort Worth. We supplied everything military for it: all the vehicles, all the guns, everything military including outfitting twenty extras and six principal actors. All in correct, authentic World War Two uniforms."

Tom now has 15 vehicles, ranging from jeeps to tanks. He finds many of his military pieces at flea markets. Tom has written 25 books.

"They were artistic successes, but I haven't made all that much money from them. I've made a lot more money buying, selling and leasing military vehicles to movies."

He thinks there's something strange about that.

"The novel is probably the most complex of all the literary art forms in the world. You write a novel and if a publisher will even read it he seems to resent your wanting to be paid for it. But you show up on a director's set with something like that tank sitting out there and he says 'O, boy, Tom. Will it crush buildings?' How much is it a day?"

Fine. Great. Can you get another one like it here tomorrow?"

Jan and Tom call their place Toyland Farms. Jan's mini-cows have become a novelty around Rusk and Jacksonville. She shows them at various places, especially during rodeo time.

"I raise Highlands and Dexters. And I'm crossing the Dexters and Highlands because Dexters are normally small animals and that brings the Highland size down but still gives them the long shaggy look of the Highland."

Her tallest full grown bull is about 48 inches tall. She got interested in raising mini-cows after she saw an article in a mini-horse magazine. She's been raising mini-horses for years.

"I thought the mini-cows were cute. It's kind of a growing deal. Mini-cows are about where mini-horses were 15 years ago. We sell them for pets. If I know someone is going to eat one, I probably wouldn't sell it to them."

Jan has a herd of 10 little cows now. She says among ranchers they are raised by adults for show animals.

"They end up being pampered pets."

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Enron

WASHINGTON — Enron Corp. failed to disclose lobbying expenses to Congress last year, according to a report released Tuesday. Enron acknowledged the problem Tuesday, saying a private group had paid money in political lobbying on Enron's behalf. Congress in congressional lobbying on the side lobbying firm were paid more than \$1 million by Enron in the first six months of 2001, Enron reported. Enron reported \$825,000.

Enron spokeswoman Karen Denne said the company's spending was not reported to Congress until 15 days after the end of the year.

Illinois

SPRINGFIELD — The federal government will help poor senior citizens pay for drugs under a new program that other states as they battle rising prices.

Under the program, the federal government will get \$100 million to help pay for about 368,000 prescriptions for senior citizens. The program will double the state's current program. The figure is up from \$150 million in 2001.

Other states are also looking at the plan as the federal government helps pay for medical procedures. "The federal Medicaid called me to get ready to get ready to hear other states," Garner, head of the plan.

California demands

ALHAMBRA, Calif. — A man demanding a \$1 million ransom and claiming to have taken nine hostages at a suburban Los Angeles bank branch, police said. A man before the suspect.

The man had admitted his surprise at his last few hostages out the front door room window, Nater said.

"He was on kind of looked realized he hostages," Nater said. The man was Danny Chao, 34, of Los Angeles. He was into the city jail for a charge of robbery, kidnapping and holding \$500,000 bail, said Shepard.

Chao alleged into the California branch not long ago, told en was armed and the money, Nater said. Customers were A pellet gun like a 9mm handgun discovered in Shepard said, the man never the weapon.

Bank employees an undisclosed

Muslim woman sues Florida

WINTER PARK, Fla. — A Muslim woman sued the state for not allowing her driver's license after she refused to have her face covered in the photograph. Sultaana Freeman said she was wearing her veil, which reveals her eyes, license photo in February. State officials Freeman wore a veil in November, checks of records by the Sept. 11 attacks.

"I don't show strangers or males," Freeman said. Florida law requires license applicants "a color photograph of the applicant bearing a license license photograph."

# Enron acknowledges it may have underreported lobbying expenses

WASHINGTON (AP) — Enron Corp. apparently failed to disclose many of its lobbying expenses to Congress last year as the energy trader headed toward financial disaster.

Enron acknowledged the problem Tuesday night after a private group that tracks money in politics compared Enron's lobbying filing to congressional filings by outside lobbying firms. The lobbying firms say they were paid more than \$1.6 million by Enron for the first six months of 2001. Enron reported spending \$825,000.

Enron spokeswoman Karen Denne said the company's spending figure submitted to Congress last Aug. 15 is meant to cover lobbying by the company's own

## Enron names corporate turnaround expert Stephen Cooper as new CEO

HOUSTON (AP) — Enron Corp.'s consistent secrecy about the murky finances that fueled its downfall could block efforts by its newly selected leader to guide it through the largest bankruptcy in history, a competing reorganization specialist said.

William Brandt Jr. said Stephen Cooper, veteran corporate turnaround specialist hired Tuesday to lead Enron through its Chapter 11 case, is "as good as they get" when it comes to

professionals trained to help flailing companies rebound.

But Brandt said Cooper may run into problems this time because he must answer to the same Enron board of directors that was in charge when the former energy giant collapsed. That may quash efforts to ask tough questions of top managers, lawyers and accountants.

Brandt said a court-appointed trustee might have more power to

assist a successful rebound.

"With the same people in control, there will be dalliance about asking those questions. Hard questions need to be asked," said Brandt, president of Development Specialists, a Chicago firm that helps embattled businesses.

Cooper, managing principal of Zolfo Cooper, a New York-based reorganization adviser, was slated to discuss his plans for Enron during a conference call late this morning.

staff and work by outside lobbying firms.

"We are reviewing those fees and will respond in writing to the secretary of the Senate," Denne said.

Among the lobbyists doing work for Enron were Republican strategist Ed Gillespie; ex-Sen. J. Bennett Johnston, a Louisiana

Democratic; and current Republican Party chief Marc Racicot; and two ex-aides to House Majority Whip Tom DeLay.

Racicot still collects a salary from his firm but said when he took the GOP post he would no longer lobby for Enron. In the face of mounting criticism,

Racicot has since given up his other lobbying clients as well.

The discrepancy in Enron's lobbying expenses was discovered by the Washington-based Center for Responsive Politics. Its executive director, Larry Noble, said "it is particularly critical at this time for

the public to have the full picture of Enron's lobbying activities."

Also on Tuesday, Enron's political action committee said it donated at least \$26,000 to congressional campaigns in November, the month before the company filed for bankruptcy protection.

Recipients included several lawmakers on the committees now investigating Enron's collapse. At least two, Rep. Mary Bono, R-Calif., and Rep. Greg Walden, R-Ore., plan to give their donations to charity.

The Enron PAC donated at least \$120,188 to federal candidates and fund-raising committees last year, the report shows.

In another development, the issue of document-shredding re-emerged at Enron, with the company saying it hired private companies to destroy documents.

Robert Bennett, an attorney representing the company, said the discarded documents were not sensitive financial records, and any suggestion of any impropriety was "a bunch of nonsense."

## Illinois tests new approach to help poor senior citizens

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — The federal government will help poor senior citizens in Illinois pay for prescription drugs under a test program that other states may adopt as they battle rising medical prices.

Under the plan, Illinois will get \$100 million in federal money June 1 to aid about 368,000 people — more than double the number of senior citizens helped by the state's current drug program. The figure will climb to \$150 million next year.

Other states may adopt the plan as they battle rising medical prices.

"The (federal) director of Medicaid called and warned me to get ready because I would be hearing from 49 other states," Jackie Garner, head of the Illinois

Department of Public Aid, said Tuesday.

About half the states have some form of a prescription drug benefit program in place for poor seniors. But climbing medical costs and falling state revenues have combined to squeeze state budgets.

Illinois has been pushing for federal aid since April, arguing that spending more money on medicine would save money in the long run by preventing costly hospital and nursing home stays.

"The state's innovative approach pools federal and state Medicaid dollars to help those seniors most in need. We also will make it easier financially and administratively for other states to quickly follow Illinois' lead," Tommy

Thompson, secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services, said in a statement.

Illinois' existing program, called "Circuit Breaker," already pays most costs for a handful of drugs. The new federal aid will let the state cover virtually all drugs, including antibiotics, antidepressants, antihistamines and treatments for gastrointestinal problems.

"With the infusion of new federal dollars, we can now provide all of the medical necessary drugs that seniors may need," said Gov. George Ryan, a retired pharmacist.

People can make up to twice the federal poverty level and still qualify for the new program, "SenioRx Care." The cutoff would be

\$23,220 for a couple. Individuals would pay an annual enrollment fee of \$5 or \$25, depending on their income.

The government will pay virtually all prescription costs up to \$1,750 each year, with enrollees responsible for a co-payment of \$3 or less. Beyond \$1,750, Medicaid will pay roughly 80 percent, with enrollees paying the rest.

The seniors' group AARP praised the new program.

"It is going to mean the difference between having a chronic illness that is manageable with medication and having it become acute and going into the hospital with a life-threatening illness," said spokeswoman Donna Ginther.

## Jeb Bush's daughter charged with calling in fraudulent prescription

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — The daughter of Gov. Jeb Bush ended up in police custody after she allegedly posed as a doctor and called in a phony prescription for the anti-anxiety drug Xanax.

Noelle Bush, 24, was arrested Tuesday at the drive-through window of a pharmacy, where police say she called in the prescription after suffering a panic attack Monday. She was jailed and released pending a Thursday arraignment, and did not have to post bond.

She could get up to five years in prison and a \$5,000 fine if convicted.

Jeb Bush and his wife, Columba, issued a state-

ment saying they were "deeply saddened" by the incident involving their only daughter. "Substance abuse is an issue confronting many families across our nation," they said.

"She's doing fine," said the governor, President Bush's brother. "It's really hard for our family, but a lot of families go through this."

Noelle Bush's attorney, former Florida deputy attorney general Pete Antonacci, could not be reached after hours at his office.

Jeb and Columba Bush have said one of their three children struggled with a drug problem.

## California bank robber holds hostages, demands \$50,000 before surrendering

ALHAMBRA, Calif. (AP) — A man demanding \$50,000 and claiming to have a gun took nine employees hostage at a suburban Los Angeles bank Tuesday, police said. All escaped before the suspect surrendered.

The man had been negotiating his surrender when his last few hostages slipped out the front door or a bathroom window, Sgt. David Nater said.

"He was on the phone, kind of looked around, and realized he had no hostages," Nater said.

The man was identified as Danny Chao, 27, of Los Angeles. He was booked into the city jail for investigation of robbery and kidnapping and held in lieu of \$500,000 bail, said Lt. Gene Shepard.

Chao allegedly walked into the Cathay Bank branch not long after it opened, told employees he was armed and demanded the money, Nater said. No customers were inside.

A pellet gun that looked like a 9mm handgun was discovered in his bag, Shepard said, adding that the man never brandished the weapon.

Bank employees gave him an undisclosed amount of

money and triggered a silent alarm. Several tellers also e-mailed colleagues at other branches, telling them a robbery was in progress, said Irwin Wong, the bank's executive vice president.

Police surrounded the bank within minutes. Nater said hostages were used as intermediaries to communicate with police by telephone and e-mail throughout the day.

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### Children's library offers help choosing career

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There are also lists of schools that you can contact for more information.

If animals have always been special to you, we have several books on animal care and veterinary medicine.

Although veterinary medicine is a very difficult field to get into, there are other careers that can satisfy your desire to work with animals.

You can choose from a vet tech, an animal groomer, a range and wildlife scientist and many more. Deborah A. Marinelli's book "Careers in Animal Care and Veterinary Science" can

point you in the right direction. It also includes a section of animal interest and protection groups, so if you decide working closely with animals is not what you want you can still help our furry friends.

Have you ever thought of teaching as a career? Or maybe you would like to be a counselor, aide, or even a special education teacher?

The library has three books in the "Opportunities in..." series on education. "Opportunities in Teaching Careers", "Opportunities in Educational Support Careers" and "Opportunities in Special Education Careers."

These are a great source of information on what each different field entails. They also give you web sites from each state for more information.

A new series of books on computer careers can be found in the juvenile section.

Everything from E-Commerce to careers in a Dot-Com company can be found in these books. It's an eight-volume set and each book explores a different aspect of working in the Internet field.

Although, these books are written on a simpler level than the others there is still a great deal of useful information in them.

You've always liked writing, but you aren't sure exactly how to get published?

"The Young Writer's Guide to Getting Published" by Kathy Henderson can help you find your niche in the publishing field. One hint is to enter writing contests just for the practice.

There is also a collection of young writers who have been published,

including a very early work by Stephen King. If writing isn't quite what you had in mind, but you like the printed word how about a career in the publishing field?

Copy editors, layout editors, working on a magazine or a newspaper are all explored in the Robert A. Carter book "Opportunities in Publishing Careers".

If you feel about books the way those of us at the library do, then the book you should check out is "Opportunities in Library and Information Science Careers!"

Behind the scenes at any library you will find many people who work at the library. Duties range from working at the circulation desk, technical services (this is where labels are made and the item made ready for circulation), sorting and shelving books - really, the list is endless!

From the travel industry to horticulture, from electrical work to careers in the government the library has books to help with your decision.

Also available in Web Feet are some great sites on colleges and financial aid. While you are on the Net, check out [www.xap.com](http://www.xap.com), a super college info site.

The library also carries FAFSA forms. So visit the library and make an informed decision about your future.

Library hours are 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday - Friday and 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday. Story time every Wednesday at 10 a.m. The library is located at 500 Main Street and the phone number is 264-2260.

Children's Librarian Karen McIntyre is guest columnist for the week.

### Extra doses of vitamin supplements may hinder cholesterol lowering drugs

DALLAS (AP) — Extra doses of vitamins such as C and E may blunt some benefits of widely prescribed cholesterol-lowering drugs, a new study concludes.

Some research suggests that the so-called antioxidant vitamins, intended to offset the harmful effects of oxygen, may help keep arteries healthy, while other reports have disputed this idea.

The latest study compared patients with coronary artery disease who were taking a mix of antioxidant vitamins and drugs to those who were taking drugs alone. The study used the vitamin niacin and the drug Zocor, which lowers artery-clogging LDL cholesterol while increasing beneficial HDL cholesterol.

It found that the volunteers' HDL levels failed to rise as much as expected when they mixed the vitamins with their cholesterol drugs.

"It looks like antioxidant supplements in general ... have no value of their own" and may actually interfere with cholesterol drugs' ability to boost HDL, said Dr. B. Greg Brown of the University of Washington at Seattle, one of the researchers.

The one-year study was published in the August issue of *Atherosclerosis, Thrombosis and Vascular Biology*, a journal of the American Heart Association. It involved 153 patients ages 33 to 74 who had heart disease and high

LDL levels.

The patients were randomly assigned to one of four treatment groups: drug therapy with Zocor and niacin; a combination of the antioxidant vitamins E, C and beta carotene plus selenium; drug therapy and the antioxidant supplements; or a placebo.

The patients receiving antioxidants and drugs had an average HDL increase of 18 percent, compared with 25 percent among those who received drugs alone. HDL remained unchanged with vitamins alone or the placebo.

A component of HDL cholesterol called HDL(2), which is thought to account for much of HDL's benefit, was especially affected. Its levels increased by 42 percent with drugs alone but

remained unchanged in patients who also received antioxidants.

In an editorial, Dr. Lewis H. Kuller of University of Pittsburgh said the results, along with other disappointing findings about vitamins, make a compelling case against recommending antioxidant supplements to prevent or treat coronary artery disease.

"It will be important that physicians advise their patients that the use of antioxidants could be hazardous," he said.

But Dr. Kenny Jialal of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas criticized the study's small size and disagreed with the conclusion that patients should be warned off antioxidants.

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### ACLU wants "Jesus is Lord" signs taken down

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The American Civil Liberties Union filed a federal lawsuit Tuesday demanding the removal of signs outside a southeastern Louisiana town that proclaim: "Jesus is Lord over Franklinton."

ACLU officials said public money was used to put up the signs on state roads, violating the constitutional separation of church and state.

"Can you imagine the hostility that Jews, Muslims, members of other minority faiths and non-believers must feel when living in or passing

through that community?" asked Linton Carney, who first saw the signs in July while driving through Franklinton, 55 miles north of New Orleans.

He said he has no religious affiliation. The suit names the town, its mayor and surrounding Washington Parish as defendants.

"Public officials in that parish know the law. Unfortunately, they decided to engage in endorsement of religion," said Joe Cook, executive director of the ACLU of Louisiana.

Franklinton Mayor Earle Brown said the town had

nothing to do with the signs and has told the ACLU so.

"We have no knowledge of who put them up," said Brown, adding that they appeared a couple of years ago.

Last week, ACLU officials threatened to sue the mayor of Inglis, Fla., unless she removes her proclamation banning Satan within the town limits from posts at the town's entrances.

The mayor, a devout Christian, wrote the proclamation on Halloween night. It was typed on town stationery and affixed with the town seal.

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### IN BRIEF

#### Industrial League meeting is tonight

A meeting for the Men's Industrial Softball League has been set for 6 tonight at John Wesley's. For more information, call Sally Grant at 268-4728 or 393-5237.

#### International LL sets board session

Big Spring's International Little League has scheduled a board meeting for 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7, at Mojo's Grill.

Anyone interested in the league or coaching a team is encouraged to attend.

For more information, call Denise Yandrich at 756-2841 or 263-1945.

#### Softball boosters to meet Thursday

The Big Spring Lady Steers Softball Booster Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the BSHS Athletic Training Center meeting room.

Parents of all Big Spring softball players are urged to attend.

#### Teen League meeting scheduled for Friday

A Teenage League Baseball meeting has been scheduled for 6 p.m. Friday at the Roy Anderson Complex.

Anyone interested in the future of the league is urged to attend, including representatives of the Little Leagues.

For more information, call Darrell or Sheri Nichols at 263-2917 after 5 p.m.

#### National LL slates meeting for Thursday

Big Spring's National Little League has scheduled its organizational meeting for the 2002 season for 7:30 p.m. Thursday 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.

#### Hunter education course scheduled

A hunter education course, sponsored by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, has been scheduled for March 2-3 at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce offices located at the corner of Third and Gregg.

Class sessions are set for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. Steve Pointevint and Boyce Hale will be instructors.

Anyone born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, is required to successfully complete the course before being allowed purchase a hunting license.

For more information, call 267-7891, 264-7033 or 267-6957.

### ON THE AIR

**Radio**  
COLLEGE BASKETBALL  
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6:30 p.m. — Wake Forest at N.C. State, ESPN2.  
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7 p.m. — Los Angeles Lakers at Orlando Magic, TNT.

**HOCKEY**  
7 p.m. — St. Louis Blues at Washington Capitals, ESPN.

## Late free throw shooting gives Lady Steers 56-42 win

By VALERIE AVERY  
Special to the Herald

SAN ANGELO — The Lady Steers scored only one field goal in the final quarter against San Angelo Lake View, but 17 free throws were enough to give Big Spring a hard-fought 56-42 win over the Maidens Tuesday night.

In a game, which sported 63 attempts from the line — Big Spring had the edge as it shot 71 percent with a 25-for-34 effort.

The win improves the Lady Steers to 12-15 and 3-9 in District 4-4A. Lake View falls to 2-22 and 0-12.

"We never could get in any type of rhythm," Lady Steers head coach Jimmy Avery said.

Big Spring got out of its tenacious man-to-man defense early after Leina Braxton picked up her third foul with the score knotted at 2-2 early in the first quarter. The sophomore floor leader sat out the rest of the period and part of the second before Avery inserted her back into the lineup to spark the offense.

"She's a big part of our offense,"

Avery said. "And we needed her at that point."

With Braxton on the bench, senior Brittany Bryant picked it up from behind the arc, firing off one of her familiar three-pointers to take a 5-4 lead. But the Maidens went on a 4-0 run to close out the first quarter with an 8-5 advantage.

The fourth-year head coach took a chance and sent Braxton to the floor in the second quarter and she led the Lady Steers on a 9-0 run nailing a three-pointer and going two-for-two from the line.

Junior Courtney Brock made a steal and fed Krystle Long to put the Lady Steers up 14-8 before Lakeview called a time out.

Smith hit Long for another layup, but the wheels began falling off as post Ashley Smith was whistled for her third foul. Braxton and Smith were saddled with three fouls and inside threat Long had two, forcing Avery to switch to a soft man and some zone throughout the contest.

"That was some of the reasons we could not get any rhythm," Avery said.

Lake View outscored Big Spring 9-5 to end the half. Braxton kept it

close, hitting her second attempt from long-range and senior Tejal Patel made her first two of 10 attempts from the line.

Amanda Phillips' jumper after halftime knotted the score at 23, but it would be the last time Lake View would be that close as Big Spring slowly chipped away at a determined San Angelo squad. Braxton's trey and Bryant's drive on the baseline put Big Spring up 28-26.

Senior Jessica Woodward's six-footer and Braxton's lay-in set up Brock's first of many trips to the line as she hit 2-of-2.

The Lady Steers began slowly pulling away as they moved into the bonus situation right before the fourth quarter.

Stephanie Williams nailed a 12-footer and Cassandra Sander's trey pulled San Angelo within three at 38-33. Sanders added a free throw to pull to 38-34. But the barrage of Lady Steers free throws were just beginning.

Big Spring made 24 trips to the line and got one field goal from Long — a putback off of her own miss before she fouled out with 4:22 remaining. Smith left the game with

five fouls at 2:23.

But their teammates made their free throws as the fourth quarter moved along at a slow pace. The closest Lake View got was within eight.

"It was an ugly game," Avery said. "It was a hard-fought game on both sides. There were just a lot of fouls. Hopefully, in that situation, you make more free throws than your opponent."

Long, Braxton and Patel pulled down seven boards apiece. Long also made three steals and a blocked shot. The Lady Steers turned the ball over 13 times in the contest.

The Lady Steers cruised past the Maidens 41-17. Erica Stewart led all scorers with 13 points.

**LADY STEERS 56.**  
**LAKE VIEW 42.**  
BIG SPRING — Tejal Patel 0 7-10 7; Brittany Bryant 2 2-4 7; Alex Watkin 0 0-1 0; Courtney Brock 0 5-7 5; Krystle Long 4 2-2 10; Jessica Woodward 1 0-0 2; Leina Braxton 7 7-8 23; Ashley Smith 0 2-2 2. Totals: 14 25-34 56.  
LAKE VIEW — Erin Jacobs 1 0-0 2; Erika Fowler 1 3-9 5; Michelle McDonald 0 0-0 0; Amanda Phillips 1 2-2 4; Cassandra Sanders 4 4-6 14; Ashley Reynolds 0 0-0 0; Allison Hill 4 3-9 11; Stephanie Williams 2 2-3 6; Suzanne Rose 0 0-0 0. Totals: 13 14-29 42.  
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Three-point goals: Big Spring 4 (Braxton 3, Bryant); Lake View 2 (Sanders). Total fouls: Big Spring 24, Lake View 28. Fouled out: Long, Smith, McDonald, Phillips, Hill. Technical fouls: None. Records: Big Spring is 3-9. Lake View is 1-11.

## Hawks now prepare for South Plains

By VALERIE AVERY  
Special to the Herald

Howard College meets its toughest test of the season Thursday when the Hawks travel to the Texan Dome in Levelland for a contest with South Plains College — the No. 9-ranked team in the NJCAA Div. I poll.

That's up three notches from the Jan. 22 poll, which listed the Texans as the 12th best team in the nation.

The tip is scheduled for 7:50 p.m. following the Lady Hawks-Lady Texans 5:50 p.m. game.

First-year Hawks head coach, Chris Jans said, "Howard College (16-5, 3-2) will have to play flawless basketball to beat South Plains (19-2, 4-1).

"They have the most talent in the league," Jans said. "And they have the best record. They've been in the polls, deservedly so, and they've done a good job of getting players up there to play."

"We will have to play our best game to put ourselves in position to win. That's what we are asking for: to be in it the last three or four minutes in the game. We will have to play our best. We don't have much room for error."

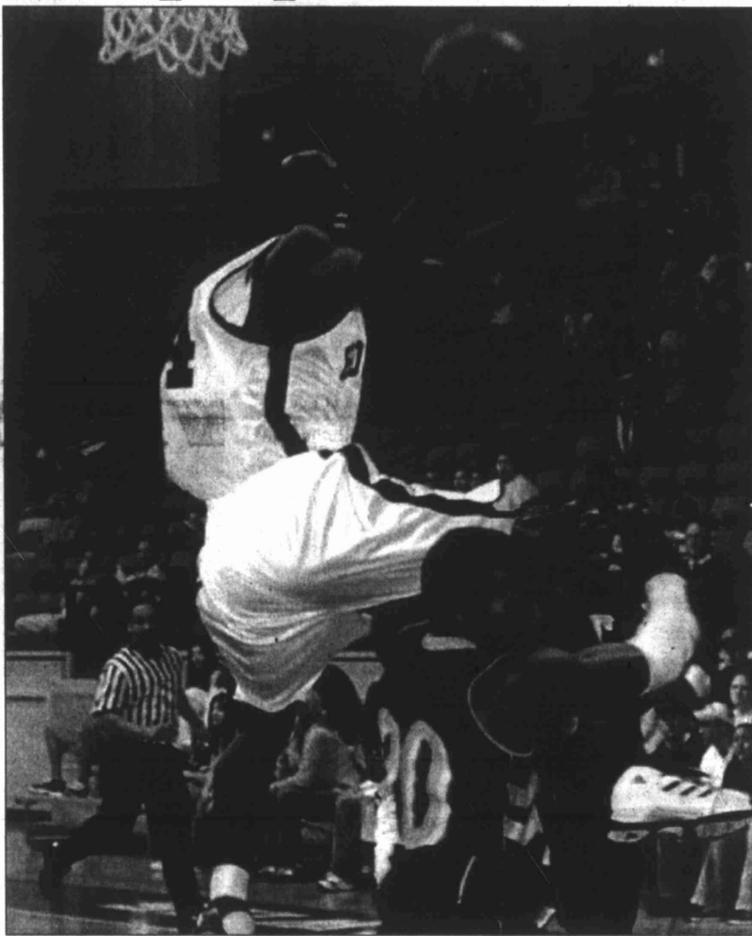
The Texans average three players in double figures — Renaldo Major (14.6 points per game, 4.27 rebounds), Jonathan Woods (14.3 points, 8.53 rebounds), and Allen Haynes (12.1 points, 2.44 rebounds). But their deepest strength is an explosive bench, Jans said.

"They've got guys who lead them in scoring, but it's still a situation on every given night, they are so deep, that on any night any of those guys can jump up and get 15 points."

"Major and Woods all average double figures, but there's plenty who average, five, six or seven (ppg). They're all capable. It's not a situation where we can go in and shut down one or two guys."

"We have to be aware of everybody on the floor."

South Plains College has outscored its opponents 86-65 so far this season.



Howard College's Van Jamison goes up for a layup and draws a foul from Frank Phillips' Ronald Dosty (20) during the Hawks' win Monday night. Howard now has to travel to South Plains and take on the No. 9-ranked Texans.

Not only do the Texans boast a slew of scorers, they pose a huge threat around the basket, Jans said.

The Texans carry more than seven players at 6-foot-6 or better.

"Because of their size, and because of their commitment to rebounding that's one area where they have a huge advantage. They're out rebounding everyone they play an average of 18 (rebounds) a game."

Francois Merieux is seventh in the WJCAC in rebounding with 7.5 per game and first in the conference with 6.4 assists per

outing. Two or three players lead the team in rebounding, but when seven other pull down two, three or four boards a game, it really adds up, Jans said.

"Because of that size and commitment to rebounding, they get so many second-chance opportunities," he said.

But Jans said he has been impressed with the Hawks' efforts on the boards.

"We've done a pretty good job rebounding. They beat other teams (rebounding), and we hope to neutralize and hold our own. We'll see

if we can do that Thursday. We feel like we can do that because of our athleticism and desire to chase the ball down."

"I don't think we've lost the rebounding battle in the league. That doesn't always equate a victory, but it does give you a chance to win games."

South Plains' size inside presents many other problems for opponents.

"With the size and the space they take up around the basket, it cuts down on passing and driving angles. It makes you shoot a lot of three-pointers."

## Lady Buffs top Bulldogettes; Coahoma boys get even

HERALD Staff Report

STANTON — Coahoma and Stanton battled to a varsity split in District 3-2A basketball action Tuesday night, as the homestanding Lady Buffaloes took a crucial 47-43 win over the Bulldogettes before Coahoma got even with a 52-46 win in the nightcap.

The win allowed the Lady Buffs to improve their record to 4-3 in district play, pulling even with the Bulldogettes in the league's standings.

Kenzie Williams and Heather Newell led the way for the Stanton girls, each scoring 12 points.

Crystal Atkinson paced the Bulldogettes with 11 points, while Karen Sterling had 10.

In the nightcap, Chase Davis scored 14 points and Chase Ward added 12 more in leading the Bulldogs to the win.

The key proved to be the Bulldogs' free throw shooting down the stretch.

Coahoma improved to 11-8 on the season and is now 4-2 in district play.

Stanton, which got 11 points from both Ruston Pardue and Paul Chandler, dropped to 11-13 on the season and 2-4 in district play.

Both Stanton and Coahoma will be on the road Friday, as the Buff squads travel to Forsan, while the Bulldog teams visit Seagraves.

Girls' action at both venues is set for a 6:30 p.m. start. The boys will follow with 8 p.m. tips.

#### Colorado City sweeps Forsan

FORSAN — Colorado City's Wolves and Lady Wolves rolled to a sweep in District 3-2A basketball action Tuesday night, taking wins over Forsan's Buffaloes and Queens.

In the girls' opener, the Lady Wolves romped to a 66-36 win over the Queens before the Wolves survived a 49-40 test by the more competitive Buffs.

Zach Johnson led the way for Forsan in the nightcap, scoring 17 points. He was the only Forsan player to finish the night in double figures.

The Buffs and Queens will play host to Stanton's Buffaloes and Lady Buffaloes on Friday. The girls' tip at 6:30 p.m.

#### Garden City romps past Water Valley

WATER VALLEY — Garden City's Bearkats and Lady Bearkats made short work of Water Valley's Wildcats and Lady Wildcats Tuesday night in District 8-1A play.

The Lady Kats got things started with a 48-32 win in the varsity opener, as Jessica Hoch led the way with 16 points. Meghan Niehues added 12 points as Garden City improved to 20-5 overall and 7-2 in district play.

In the nightcap, Garden City was even more dominant, as Kendall Goodwin scored a game-high 29 points in leading the Bearkats to a 78-34 romp.

The win improved the Bearkats to 8-17 overall and leaves them 3-5 in district play.

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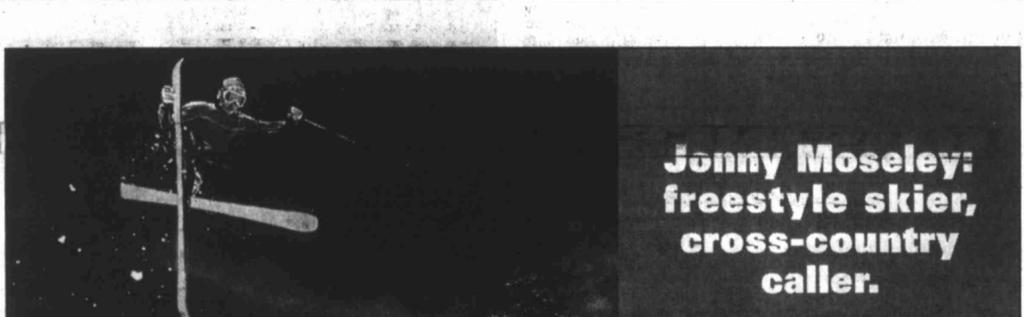
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**Long term care should not be a family burden**

Dear Ann Landers: It was refreshing to read "New Jersey Wife's" honest and humble description of her caregiving experience with her elderly mother-in-law. It seems Mom was miserable at home, so the family finally moved her into a nursing facility. It turns out this provided a setting where Mom flourished, and her family refocused on being supportive instead of overworked.



ANN LANDERS

Many people are unnecessarily burdened by feelings of guilt about using the expertise of professional caregivers, so they try to manage on their own. Yet, many caregivers eventually come to realize that nursing facilities and assisted-living residences provide a high level of quality services and an excellent quality of life. After an initial adjustment period, it is common for residents or patients to feel they made the right decision, and often their only regret is not having acted sooner.

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The Board is accountable for the planning, administration, oversight and evaluation of a consolidated workforce network for the Permian Basin. In this role the Board procures and contracts with organizations to provide workforce programs to employers, employees and job seekers through several different federal and state programs. The Board is the administrative entity and grant recipient for the following programs: WIA, FSE&T, TANF/Choices, School-to-Career and Child Care. The Board will be conducting a Bidder's Conference on February 15, 2002. A copy of the Request for Proposal (RFP) may be obtained beginning February 1, 2002 by contacting the Board office at (915) 563-5239. All questions regarding the RFP must be submitted in writing either electronically to gail.dickenson@tmc.state.tx.us, by fax at (915) 561-8785, or by mail to P.O. Box 61947, Midland, Texas 79711 attention Willie Taylor or Gail Dickenson. No verbal questions will be accepted. The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals received as a result of this request, or to negotiate with all qualified vendors, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this Request for Proposal, if it is in the best interest of the Board. #3433 January 27 & 30, 2002

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### Expert in African-American political behavior joins faculty at Harvard

BOSTON (AP) — An expert in African-American political behavior is joining the faculty at Harvard University, boosting the college's black studies program amid reported discontent between black scholars and the administration.

*"He is the leading scholar of black politics in the world, and he is one of the most important scholars in the entire field of political science," said Henry Louis Gates Jr., head of Harvard's Afro-American studies program.*

Afro-American studies program, Henry Louis Gates Jr., said he had wanted to recruit Dawson for years. Dawson earned a doctorate from Harvard in 1986.

"He is the leading scholar of black politics in the world, and he is one of the most important scholars in the entire field of political science," Gates said. "The timing of his coming to us couldn't have been a better shot in the arm."

Lawrence Bobo, a Harvard Afro-American studies program professor, said Dawson's appointment shows "that there's enormous calm at the center of the storm."

Harvard sociologist William Julius Wilson said the Afro-American program was continuing to recruit actively and hoped to make as many as four appointments within the next year. "People don't realize how strong the intellectual power is at this department. Two or three defections will not seriously harm the department," Wilson said.

Harvard spokesman Joe Wrinn did not immediately return a phone message seeking comment.

statement in support of affirmative action.

Last week, Harvard black studies professor K. Anthony Appiah resigned to move to Princeton, but said he was not leaving because of any rift with Summers. He cited personal reasons.

"I have a wonderful job as professor of Afro-American studies and of philosophy at Harvard. I have the most cordial relations with my colleagues in the faculty and the administration," Appiah said.

The head of Harvard's

Michael Dawson, director of the University of Chicago's Center for the Study of Race, Politics and Culture, has accepted an appointment at Harvard as a professor of government and Afro-American studies.

Dawson, considered a top scholar of black politics, its relationship to urban poverty and other cultural issues, will start in July. "I very much look forward to joining one of the premier research centers in Afro-American studies," said Dawson, 50.

Several professors in Harvard's Afro-American studies department reportedly have been at odds with new university president Lawrence Summers. Faculty members said several professors had been considering leaving Harvard for Princeton after what they said were a series of snubs by Summers and a failure to make a strong

### Artist charges FCC with violating rights

NEW YORK (AP) — A New York poet is suing the Federal Communications Commission, claiming the agency violated her First Amendment rights when it deemed one of her songs indecent and fined a radio station for playing it.

The 1999 song, "Your Revolution," didn't include any of the seven words prohibited by the FCC but it contained vivid sexual imagery.

Poet Sarah Jones said she was surprised by the ruling

because she wrote the song as a criticism of the degradation of women in hip-hop. Her lawsuit, filed in federal court Tuesday, asks the court to overturn the FCC ruling and seeks an injunction against a \$7,000 fine the FCC imposed on Portland, Ore., radio station KBOO-FM for airing the song.

The station contested the fine in July, but no action has been taken, said Jones' lawyer, Lisa Davis.

The FCC declined to comment on the case. In the

past year, the agency has come under scrutiny for what some say is inconsistent enforcement of its policies.

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### HOROSCOPE

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Jan. 31:

Make it a rule to be honest about what you want and expect from close associations — be it business or work. For effective communication, relate on a one-on-one level with those close to you. In general, groups will not be as successful for you. Integrate that knowledge into your decisions. If you are single, you will really want a relationship and are likely to achieve just that after early summer. If you are attached, your relationship must remain primary. Nurture your bond, and you experience great happiness. VIRGO understands more than you think.

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) Work demands attention. You're capable of moving mountains if you relax your position. Your ability to view a situation and gain perspective must come in to play if you want to succeed. Your hard work pays off in a big way. Think through a decision. Tonight: Relax through exercise.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your playfulness causes a problem for a partner. This person easily gets his or her dander up. Be especially careful with funds involving others. You might be OK with a risk, though someone else isn't. Take time with a child or loved one. Underscore openness. Tonight: Kick up your heels.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Dealing with others tests your limits. You could easily snarl at one person, if not more. Go on retreat if you don't like what you're hearing. Close your door at the office. Screen calls. Concentrate on one item at a time. You do best on your own. Tonight: You don't

have to go far.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Speak your mind, but don't be surprised when someone gives you flak. Do understand what is going on with an associate or co-worker. Consider the fact that resistance to new technology could be a problem. Open up to possibilities, and so might someone else. Tonight: Join friends for a break.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Emotional and financial risks could lead to problems. Worry less about control and more about handling each issue individually. Examine your long-term goals before you decide to spend money on any item or idea. Focus on making money rather than spending. Tonight: Do something just for you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You don't need to agree about a domestic matter or investment. Look to the positives and where your energy would be best placed. Don't push someone too hard. Understand and honor your limits with someone. Use your natural charm. Tonight: It's your call.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Choose your words with care. A misunderstanding appears out of the blue. You might wonder what you did to draw the results you have. Ease up and worry less about what others think. Coocon and do what you can by yourself. Count on few right now. Tonight: Take a personal night.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Aim for more of what you want. Remain positive and content, even if you are concerned about a financial matter. Be careful about what you commit to. You could be sorry otherwise. Participate in a happening. Meetings add to your popularity. Tonight: Where the gang is.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-

Dec. 21) You react strongly to an authority figure. Consider if you might be having a knee-jerk reaction here. Think about what it is you want from someone. Be more upbeat about someone's leadership. If a project gets into trouble, at least it wasn't your fault! Tonight: In the limelight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your perspective might be marred by some anger or a personal problem. Slow down and detach from your "stuff." Listen to someone without your emotional baggage. You find solutions through valuing others' perspectives. Tonight: Shop for a new CD.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Recognize limits within a relationship. Just because this person might not fulfill every one of your desires and dreams, it isn't a reason to discard him or her. Be sensitive to those around you. Examine your long-term desires. Look at your values. Tonight: Let someone make nice.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Your sense of what is right differs a lot from someone and his or her needs. Think about what you expect from those you work with and are personally involved with. Your decisions could be affected by your expectations. See people as they are. Tonight: Delight a partner.

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Today's Highlight in History:

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On this date: In 1649, England's King Charles I was beheaded. In 1882, the 32nd president of the United States, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, was born in Hyde Park, N.Y.

In 1933, Adolf Hitler became chancellor of Germany.

In 1933, the first episode of the "Lone Ranger" radio program was broadcast on station WXYZ in Detroit.

In 1948, Indian political and spiritual leader Mahatma Gandhi was murdered by a

Hindu extremist.

In 1962, two members of the "Flying Wallendas" high-wire act were killed when their seven-person pyramid collapsed during a performance in Detroit.

In 1964, the United States launched Ranger 6, an unmanned spacecraft carrying television cameras that was to crash-land on the moon.

In 1972, 13 Roman Catholic civil rights marchers were shot to death by British soldiers in Northern Ireland on what became known as "Bloody Sunday."

In 1979, the civilian government of Iran announced it had decided to allow Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, who'd been living in exile in France, to return.

In 1981, an estimated two million New Yorkers turned out for a ticker-tape parade honoring the freed American hostages from Iran.

Today's Birthdays: Comedian Dick Martin is 80. Actress Dorothy Malone is 77. Producer-director Harold Prince is 74. Actor

Gene Hackman is 72. Actress Tammy Grimes is 68. Actress Vanessa Redgrave is 65. Country singer Jeanne Pruett is 65. Country singer Norma Jean is 64. Vice President Dick Cheney is 61. Rock singer Marty Balin is 60. Rhythm-and-blues musician William King (The Commodores) is 53. Actor Charles S. Dutton is 51. Actress-comedian Brett Butler is 44. Singer Jody Watley is 43. Actor Christian Bale is 28.

Thought for Today: "History repeats itself in the large because human nature changes with geological leisureliness." — Will Durant (1885-1981) and Ariel Durant (1898-1981). American historians.

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Tailless hoppers
  - 6 Like fine wine
  - 10 Felix or Garfield
  - 13 Bit of high jinks
  - 14 *Damn Yankees* vamp
  - 15 Merry old king
  - 16 Much of the Southeast
  - 18 Dumbbell material
  - 19 College board
  - 20 Arrival
  - 22 Won \_\_\_ soup
  - 23 Executive's staff
  - 24 Cookie morsel
  - 28 Emerald, essentially
  - 31 Seaweed
  - 32 Declare untrue
  - 33 Bloomingdale's rival
  - 37 Pedestal topper
  - 38 Radium discoverer
  - 39 Textbook chapter
  - 40 Zhiyago's love
  - 41 On the rocks
  - 42 Vessel of 1492
  - 43 Butler at Tara
  - 45 Triangular sail
  - 46 Tucker of country
  - 49 Chocolate shape
  - 50 Prophet at Delphi
  - 52 Poker player, e.g.
  - 57 Silts or Scotto
- DOWN**
- 1 Diplomat's forte
  - 2 "\_\_\_ off?" (conductor's query)
  - 3 Westernmost Aleutian
  - 4 Morse clicks
  - 5 Terrier type
  - 6 Harry's veep
  - 7 "Who \_\_\_ there?"
  - 8 Building addition
  - 9 Floppy filler
  - 10 Removed the center of
  - 11 Without help
  - 12 Jamboree setups
  - 15 Legal proceeding
  - 17 Sign gas
  - 21 \_\_\_-Glo paint
  - 24 Marsh bird
  - 25 Pierce player
  - 26 Operatic prince
  - 27 Sports spending limit
  - 28 Flat hat
  - 29 Oklahoma city
  - 30 Ham holder
  - 32 Ventilation conduit
  - 34 Green Gables girl
  - 35 Toy with a tail
  - 36 *South Park* kid
  - 38 Inc., in France
  - 42 Mom and pop
  - 44 Actor Linden
  - 45 Like some excuses
  - 46 Hot drink
  - 47 Sign of spring
  - 48 Mark on some oranges
  - 49 German spa
  - 51 Like soufflés
  - 52 Sprouted
  - 53 Name for a herd dog
  - 54 Up \_\_\_ good
  - 55 Canadian gas name
  - 56 Smell bad
  - 59 In the manner of

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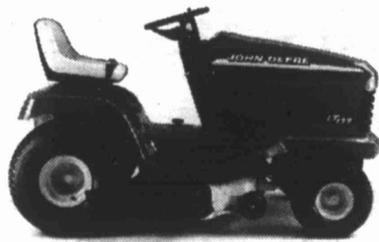
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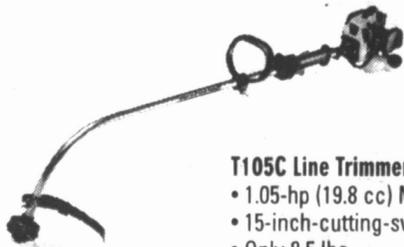
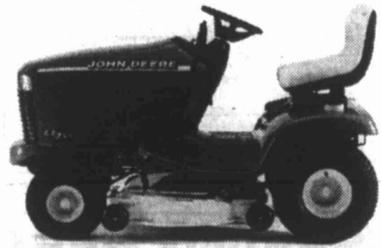
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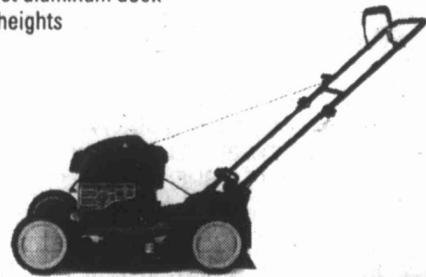
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