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#### **TUESDAY**

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**Tonight:** 



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TONIGHT TOMORROW 70°-74° 94°-97°

# BRIEFLY

# **Delivery delays**

Due to the high volume of subscriptions taken during the Herald's promotion last Thursday, it make take a few days to get all of them processed. Therefore, some subscribers many not beginning receiving their paper until late in the week.

The Herald regrets the delay and assures readers that staff is working diligently to ensure delivery begins as soon as possi-

Again, the Herald would like to thank the thousands of people who responded and made Thursday's promotion a huge success.

### Benefit planned

A benefit dance and barbecue will be held for Terri Fortson, who has been diagnosed with cancer. The event will be held from 6 p.m. to midnight Saturday at the square dance building on Chaparral Road. Cost is \$15 per person for both the barbecue and dance. The Eagles band will provide music.

# **Veterans forum**

West Texas VA Health Care System will hold a town hall meeting at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7.

The meeting, for all interested veterans, veterans' groups and friends and families of veterans, will be held in conference room 212 of the VA Medical Center in Big Spring.

The meetings have been proven helpful to those who have questions or concerns regarding the Department of Veterans Affairs policies and procedures, benefits and medical services. Following short presentations by both administrations, there will be a question and answer period.

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# Youth seeks help from Big brother to put out blaze

Firefighters warn always call 9-1-1

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Nine-year-old Zack Posey didn't pick up the phone to report a fire. Instead, he went straight to big broth-

Posey was entering the garage of his residence in the 1600 block of Settles through the back entrance this morning when he saw the fire.

The youth's first instinct was to seek help from his 20-year-old brother Bobby Posey, who lives on a neighboring street. Zack also sought help at the 11th Place Fire Station, less than a block away.

"He was a little excited." said Big Spring Fire See FIRE, Page 3

Department Deputy Chief Alex Calvio. "I guess it was a little easier to run a block than to call 9-1-1."

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Deputy Chief Alex Calvio

the garage was on fire when Bobby arrived.

"It was smoky," Bobby recalled. "It was all in the back corner of the garage." Acting on adrenaline, Bobby filled a trash can with water to douse the flames and had most of the



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Nine-year-old Zack Posey and his 20-year-old brother Bobby stand in front of Zack's res-Idence In the 1600 block of 11th Place after a fire damaged part of the garage area this

HERALD photo/Braden Wegre

The Crossroads area received some timely rain Monday. Though the official measurement was just 29 one-hundredths, it came down hard enough to cause some minor inconveniences for motorists as this scene from 11th place indicates. For the month, Big Spring has received 2.36 inches of rainfall.

# Hawk time

# New student orientation set to begin at Howard College

**HERALD Staff Report** 

Though it's month before classes begin, new student orientation Howard College is just a week away. The orienta-

first of which

is Tuesday will feature food, activities and information for students and their parents. Students who complete orientation can also register begins Aug. 26.

Daytime orientations, dubbed Hawk Express, will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 Tuesday Wednesday, Aug. 6-7, and an afternoon session is planned Aug. 8 from 3-5 p.m. An evening session for non-traditional students, Hawk After Hours, is set for 5:30-8 p.m. on Aug. 7.

All four orientations will include a question and answer session as well as campus tours. "We want our new stu-

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# Food, fun, music planned at Sacred Heart festival

By BRADEN WEGNER

Staff Writer Sacred

Catholic Church located at 508 Aylford Street, will be conducting its annual festival Friday and Saturday. BUSTAMANTE The events



p.m. and continue until 11 p.m. Saturday's events will start at 6 p.m. and end at midnight.

The festival draws a large crowd every year.

"We have anywhere from and fajitas being served, as one thousand people on the first night," said church member Irene Bustamante. 'Sometimes more.'

The festival will have about 20 booths that will include cakewalk, performing, a

on Friday will begin at 6 cakethrow, darts, a fish Saturday a local group pond, ball throw, price walk and a sweet shop. Food will be in abundance with enchiladas, gorditas, rice and beans, hamburgers, roasted, corn, Indian bread, burritos

> well as drinks. live bands performing both

nights

On Friday, the band Viento from Anson will be

and

named Podente play. In addition to the bands, there will be hourly entertainment.

The church youth group will also be conducting its second annual 3-on-3 basketball tournament for ages 13 The festival will include and up. The cost will be \$30 per team and will begin at 3 p.m., on Friday and run through Saturday

See FESTIVAL, Page 3

# INFORMATION

What: Sacred Heart Catholic Church festival.

Where: 508 Aylford in Big

When: 6 p.m.-11 p.m. Friday, 6 p.m.-midnight Saturday.

What: Food, live bands, games booths, 3-on-3 basketball and much more.

# Kiwanis Club helping area children to put their best foot forward

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer Kiwanis

Secretary/Treasurer Billy Smith issued a foot stomping challenge during the service organization's July 11 meeting.

Within the week, the approximately 40-member club met Smith's call.

"Our district has nearly everything geared toward the needs of kids from birth on," said Smith, lieutenant governor of Division 22.

The Kiwanis Texas/Oklahoma district started a project last year to collect children's shoes. The footwear is distributed around the district to needy

"They had such a good response when they did it

"I was surprised on how much we had collected in our club. I never thought about us getting that many." Billy Smith,

secretary/treasurer

(last year) in Abilene (at the district conference)," Smith

After Smith issued the challenge he led the drive by purchasing 22 pairs of shoes. By the next meeting, the club had collected 55

"I was surprised on how much we had collected in

See KIWANIS, Page 3



Kiwanis members front, Billy Smith, Debra Wallace, and back left, Rick Hearm and D.D. Johnston pose in front of some of the children's shoes the club collected within a week. The shoes will be distributed to needy children throughout Texas and Oklahoma.

# BIG SPRING ROUND THE TOWN

# **Obituaries**

# R. L. "Baldy" Myrick



R. L. "Baldy" Myrick, 82, of Big Spring, died on Sunday, July 28, 2002, at his residence. Funeral services will be

at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 31, 2002, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Greg Taylor, pastor of Miracle Revival Center and the Rev. Randy Gee, pastor of Crestview Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity

Memorial Park.

He was born on June 6, 1920, in Big Spring and married Delma Irene Digby on Nov. 9, 1937, in Big Spring. Mr. Myrick was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. He was a plumber for Fiveash Plumbing and worked for the plumbing department at Webb Air Force Base until retiring in 1977.

He was a member of the Assembly of God Church and a member of A.F.G.E. Local 1926. He trained at the Big Spring Bombardier School and served in the United States Army Air Force in the South Pacific during World War II with the 1st Air Cargo Control Squadron and received many medals.

Survivors include his wife, Irene Myrick of Big Spring; three sons and daughters-in-law, Kenneth and Fran Myrick of Bulverde, Preston and Yolanda Myrick of Sand Springs and Jerry and Muriel Myrick of Big Spring; one daughter and son-in-law, Dwanna and Don "Ducky" Robertson of Big Spring; 10 grandchildren, Dale and Connie Myrick, Mike and Kim Myrick and Kevin Myrick all of Bulverde, Shane Myrick of Big Spring, Sheri Myrick of Arlington, Malynda and Rick Hearon of Midland, Carrie and Paul Libby of Houston, Donald and Judy Robertson and Ricky and Valerie Robertson all of Big Spring and George and Mary Robertson of Weatherford;16 great grandchildren, Jeffrey and Dara Myrick and Shelby Myrick of Bulverde, Alexus Myrick and Tristan Myrick of Big Spring, Rachel Hearon and Curtis Hearon of Midland, John Warren, Luke Libby, Adam Libby and Jacob Libby all of Houston, Mindy and Ricky Waltenbaugh, Jeremy and Amanda Robertson, Sydnie Robertson and Scarlet Robertson all of Big Spring, and Joshua Robertson and Rebekah Robertson of Weatherford and two great-great-grandchildren, Savannah and Torbyn Waltenbaugh.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one son, four brothers, two sisters, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Pallbearers will be Dale Myrick, Kevin Myrick, Mike Myrick, Shane Myrick, Don Robertson and Ricky Robertson. The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society Memorial Program, c/o Lucy Bonner, P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring 79721-2121 or the American Heart Association, 3205 W. Cuthbert, Ste A-8, Midland, Texas 79701.

The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle &

Welch Funeral Home. www.npwelch.com Paid obituary

# Melvin A. Braden



A vigil service for Melvin A. Braden. 85, of San Angelo, will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 30, 2002, at the St. Lawrence Catholic Church. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 31, 2002, at the St. Lawrence Catholic Church with the Rev. Bernard Getigan, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at St. Lawrence Cemetery.

Mr. Braden died on Sunday, July 28, in

He was born on Dec. 13, 1916, in Poth, Wilson County and was the oldest son of Andrew and Mary Braden. He married Lorine M. Hoelscher on June 27,1945, in

They came to Reagan County in May 1946 and were one of the original families to settle in the St. Lawrence area. He farmed and ranched for over 30 years, retiring in 1981. He was a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church and helped build the original church building.

Survivors include his wife, Lorine Braden of San Angelo; two daughters Melva Halfmann of Rowena and Marilyn Moeller of Wall; two sons, Alton Braden of Garden City and Arnold Braden of Imperial; five brothers, Elmer Braden, Milton Braden and Clifton Braden, all of Wall, Onifer Braden of Austin and Forest Braden; one sister, Vertis Mesecke of Temple; 15 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family suggest memorials to donor's favorite

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle &

Welch Funeral Home.

# T.L. Berry

Private burial service for T.L. Berry, 83, Big Spring

was held today, July 30, 2002, at Coahoma Cemetery. Mr. Berry died Sunday, July 28, at a local hospital. He was born on July 31, 1918, in Abilene and married Mae Carpenter. She preceded him in death on May 25, 2001. He had lived in Big Spring since 1997 and had previously lived in Bonham. He was a member of the Jehovah's Witness and had worked for Southwest Pump in Bonham for 25 years.

Survivors include one daughter, Marie Roskowski of Riverton, Wy.; one son, Charles Berry of Houston; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers &

Smith Funeral Home.

# Bonnie Hein

Funeral service for Bonnie Hein, 84, of Big Spring, is pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mrs. Hein died Monday, July 29, 2002, at a Lubbock hospital.

# Texas lottery

Cash 5: 3-6-12-15-31 Pick 3 (day): 8-7-5 Pick 3 (night): 4-8-6

# **Police blotter**

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

- today: • BLAKE EDWARD COATES, 19, of 5610 N. Salem Road was arrested on a charge of minor in consump-
- · CHRISTY MAUST, 26, of 1103 E. 19th was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO CAUSE BODILY INJURY was reported somewhere between NE Sixth and NE Seventh.
- UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE was reported in the 1700 block of Jennings where a 1989 Red Chevrolet worth \$6,500 was reported stolen.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 3800 block of Calvin, in the 1500 block of south Runnels, in the 1200 block of Sycamore where \$1,452 of vehicle parts, \$1,570 of electronic equipment, and \$180 worth of other items and \$400 worth of special category items were reported stolen.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1500 block of Settles, the 2400 block of Wasson, the 600 block of Manor Lane and the 1100 block of east 19th.
- DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 2500 block of Gunter.
- CRIMINAL TRESPASS was reported in the 700 block of west Interstate 20.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF, more than \$50 but less than \$500, was reported in the 4200 block of Hamilton.
- ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported in the 1100 block of east 17th.
- DUTY TO REPORT STRIKING FIXTURE OR LANDSCAPING was reported in the 900 block of south Goliad.
- HINDER SECURE CREDIT PROCEEDS, more than \$1,500 but less than \$20,000, was reported in the 500 block of east Third in connection to a 1996 Ford Taurus and a 1994 White Dodge.

The following is a summary of the EMS and Fire Department: **MONDAY** 

1:23 a.m. — 2000 block of Virginia, trauma call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

400 block of E. Fourth, trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC.

3:34 p.m. - 1700 block of Young, public service, outon arrival.

5:49 p.m. — Kiowa, structure fire, false call.

# Records

Monday's high 80 Monday's low 67 Record high 106 in 1960 Record low 56 in 1971 Average high 96 Average low 70 Precip. Monday 0.29 Month to date 2.36 Year to date 7.73 Sunrise Wednesday 7:00 a.m. Sunset Wednesday 8:44 p.m.

# Support groups

- The Greater West Texas Chapter of the Alzheimers Association meets the first Tuesday of each month in the community room of the Howard County Library at 2 p.m. Our support groups are for all caregivers of anyone no matter what the disease or disability. All meetings are confidential and are for your support. For more information you can call our office at 264-2397 or go by 501 Runnels (RSVP office).
- Open Discussion Meeting, 615 Settles 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Noon podium closed podium meeting, 615 Settles 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.
- · Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 7 p.m. 12 and 12 study.
  - · AL-ANON, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

# **WEDNESDAY**

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# **THURSDAY**

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Noon women's Meeting 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Non-Smoking closed discuss meeting, 615 Settles 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Al-Anon support group, 7 p.m. 615 Settles.

# PRIDAY

 AA Open discussion Meeting, 615 Settles 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Noon Open Big Book Study Meeting, 615 Settles 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

# **Bulletin board**

- □ Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. at the Howard College Cactus Room.
- ☐ Senior Circle Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics meets at the Scenic Mountain Medical Center Yellow Rose Cafe at
- ☐ Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.
- ☐ Duplicate Bridge Club meets every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 1 p.m. at the Big Spring Country
- ☐ Line dancing class is at 1 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center located in the Industrial Park. Call 398-5522 or 267-1628 for more information.
- ☐ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge located at 703 W. Third.

#### THURSDAY

- ☐ Gideons International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at Herman's Restaurant at 7 a.m.
- ☐ Big Spring Senior Center, located in the Industrial Park, offers art classes at 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for those 55 and over.
- ☐ Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. at Gale's Sweet Shoppe located at 1706 East FM 700.
- ☐ Kiwanis Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.
- ☐ Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main.

#### **FRIDAY**

- ☐ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.
  - ☐ AMBUCS meets at noon at 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.
- ☐ Sacred Heart Catholic Church will hold its annual festival from 6 p.m. until 11 p.m. Game booths and music will be among the activities going on. There will be lots of food as well. For more information, contact Sacred Heart Catholic Church at 263-7884.
- ☐ Spring City Senior Citizens Country and Western Dance will be 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. All area seniors are invited.

- ☐ The Heritage Museum at 510 Scurry is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- ☐ The Old Settler's reunion will be held beginning at 9 a.m. at the Dora Robert Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive in Comanche Trail Park. Doors will open for the reunion at 9 a.m. and tickets for the 11:30 a.m. lunch can be purchased at that time for \$6.50 per person.
- ☐ The Potton House located at 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. A one-time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens is encouraged.
- ☐ Sacred Heart Catholic Church will hold its annual festival from 6 p.m. until midnight. Game booths and music will be among the activities going on. There will be plenty of food as well. For more information, contact Sacred Heart Catholic Church at 263-7884.
- ☐ A benefit dance and barbecue will be held for Terri Fortson, who has been diagnosed with cancer. The event will be held from 6 p.m. to midnight at the square dance building on Chaparral Road. Cost is \$15 per person for both the barbecue and dance. The Eagles band will provide music.
- ☐ There will be a dance at 8:30 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge located at 704 W. Third. Members and guests are

# Correction

On Page 46 of the Herald's Community Guide radio station KBYG was listed as a country station. The station's format is "Good Times, Great Oldies" and plays music from the '50s, '60s, '70s and '80s. On Page 13 of the Community Guide Raul Marquez

was misidentified as Raul Martinez.

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Fortson is the son of Ray and Marilyn Fortson. He graduated from Big Spring High School in 1977. For more information, call Lonnie at 267-8310 or 264-0538.

A fund has been set up at State National Bank in his name. To make a donation, call the bank at 264-2100.

☐ Friends of the Library of Howard County is requesting donations of books in good condition for a book sale in September. Donations can be taken to the Howard County Library Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Friends of the Library is a non-profit organization which provides supplemental support for the Howard County Library, outside of the budget furnished by Howard County.

☐ Big Spring and surrounding counties are in critical need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers of the children in the community who have been abused and neglected.

For more information on becoming foster/adoptive families call Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669 or 1-800-233-3405.

☐ Forsan Ex-Students Association is attempting to obtain 9-1-1 addresses on former Forsan students. Please call Boyce Hale at 2267-6957 to receive a newsletter.

☐ Are you pregnant? Do you have a baby? WIC serves pregnant and breastfeeding women and children younger than 5.

To see if you or your child qualifies for free food, nutritional counseling and medical screening, call

☐ New student orientation at Howard College is set for Aug. 6-8. Special sessions are planned for families and non-traditional students and special informational meetings in Spanish are scheduled. Call the dean of students at 264-5028 for more information.

☐ Registration for the fall semester at Howard College is Aug. 19-21. Classes begin Aug. 26 and late registration is Aug. 26-30. A \$10 late fee applies to all students who register late. For more information, call the student assistance center at 264-5083.

☐ Cary D. Brown, Medical Center director, West Texas VA Health Care System, and Carl Lowe, regional office director, Waco Regional Office for VBA, have announced a VA town hall meeting at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7.

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Call 264-4824 for more information.

☐ The Texas LST/Amphibious Association invites all shipmates, past and present, to the amphibious reunion to be held in San Angelo Oct. 10-13.

For more information contact Bob Garner LST 461, HC 52 Box 362, Hemphill 75948. Send e-mails to TexasLSTs@aol.com

# COLLEGE

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dents to know all the services available at Howard College, as well as have an idea of what campus life is like," said Javier Flores, dean of students.

Students who completed the admissions application process prior to July 1 should have received a packet of information in the mail. Anyone who didn't receive a packet - or any student who wishes to attend orientation — should contact the office of the dean of students.

To better accommodate the growing number of Hispanic students, the college will be offering parent orientation sessions in

Spanish, too. Hawk After Hours will include special entertainment for children of Howard College students. Like the other sessions, "After Hours" will also include a cookout.

Regular registration for the fall semester will be held Aug. 19-21. A special

WASHINGTON (AP) —

Hoping to restore investor

confidence, President Bush

signed into law the most far-

reaching government crack-

down on business fraud

since the post-Depression

"No more easy money for

corporate criminals. Just

hard time," Bush said

before signing the bill

Tuesday as lawmakers of

both parties and top admin-

istration officials looked on.

Conspicuously absent were

"Free markets are not a

jungle in which only the

unscrupulous survive, or a

financial free-for-all guided

only by greed," said Bush at

an East Room signing cere-

mony carried out with con-

"This law says to every

dishonest corporate leader,

you'll be exposed and pun-

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A wave of corporate

accounting scandals in an

election year helped propel

the reforms to approval in

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orientation for residence hall students, Hawk Days, is set for Aug. 22-23. The program will feature information and short programs aimed at familiarizing students with living on cam-

To attend an orientation session, contact the dean of students office at 264-5028. For any other registration information, contact the student assistance center at 264-5083.

# **KIWANIS**

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our club," Smith said. "I never thought about us get-

ting that many."
Smith and Kiwanis member Bobby Hill will be taking the collection of practical white tennis shoes to the district meeting Wednesday in Corpus Christi.

Kiwanis Club meets at noon each Thursday at the Howard College Cactus Room. This weeks' meeting

Bush signs law designed

to combat corporate fraud

trolled Senate to create the

final version. The measure

tightens regulation of com-

panies' financial reporting

and provides new oversight

It does so by adding crim-

inal penalties and prison

terms for corporate fraud

and document shredding,

imposing restrictions on

accounting firms that do

consulting work for corpo-

rations whose books they

audit, requiring top compa-

ny executives to vouch per-

sonally for the accuracy of

their companies' reports

and creating new rules for

financial analysts designed

to prevent conflicts of inter-

est. The measure also estab-

It does not, however,

require corporations to

count as a business expense

lucrative stock options they

shower on top executives.

Many analysts believe such

a provision is necessary,

but the administration has

opposed it. Legislation to

improve protections for

employee pensions is pend-

In a speech Monday, Bush

also sought to allay worries

about the economy, stress-

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All eat at Al's.

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has been canceled due to ongoing renovation of the Cactus Room.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at johnmoseley@bigspringherald.co

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fire knocked down by the time firefighters responded. Attempting to put out a fire is instinctive in most people, Calvio said, but could also lead to worse trouble.

"We don't recommend people fighting fires at any time," Calvio said. "It's a good way to get hurt. We have the training, the gear and the high pressure hoses. I know it's instinct to attempt to put out the fire but we would rather fight it.

know that there are

Americans who are still

looking for a job and can't

find one, and we need to do

something about it," Bush

He added: "I'm optimistic

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about our economic future.'

said.

"It's best to call 9-1-1 as soon as possible," he said. "The fire department can respond to any house in Big Spring in less than two and

half minutes."

Calvio said the cause of the fire is undetermined but added that it apparently started with some rags.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by johnmoseley@bigspringherald.com.

# **FESTIVAL**

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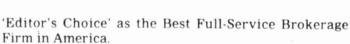
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### week accepted most of the stricter parts of a bill passed by the Democratic-con-Judge rejects Traficant argument

CLEVELAND (AP) -Preparing to sentence former Rep. James A. Traficant Jr., a federal judge Tuesday rejected his argument that he should not be sanctioned because he has already been punished by expulsion from the

U.S. District Judge Lesley Wells made her ruling at the start of Traficant's sentencing hearing on federal corruption charges. Prosecutors were urging Wells to send Traficant, 61, to prison for at least 7 1/4

Traficant had planned to argue that a prison sentence would represent double jeopardy or being punished twice for the same crime.

In her ruling, Wells agreed with federal prosecutors, who had argued in a motion that Traficant's expulsion "was not criminal

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"The action was inherently political and nonjudicial in nature.

Prosecutors had said that if Traficant's motion were upheld, "no member of Congress who was first expelled could ever be tried, convicted and sentenced."

Dozens of reporters sur-

rounded Traficant as he arrived on the courthouse steps. He would only repeat, "All of Ohio and America knows I've been railroad-

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# OUR VIEWS

# Don't forget, tax holiday is coming up

hopping is seldom a ho-hum experience. We either love it or hate it. But this time of year, when children are getting ready to go back to school, there's little choice. So, shopping we go.

Whether it's an enjoyable experience for you or not, saving some money ought to at least bring a smile to your face. This weekend is the fourth Sales Tax Holiday.

Most clothes and shoes will be tax-free at stores across the state Friday through Sunday. The event is designed to help families purchase clothing for school before children head back to the classroom. However, apparel items for adults and infants are also tax-free.

As with everything, there are some restrictions. Each item must be priced under \$100 and items such as clothing accessories, jewelry, watches, handbags, wallets and briefcases are not tax

Nor are school supplies or items to make clothing, such as cloth, buttons, sewing needles, scissors and sewing machines. After all this time, we still scratch our heads over why some items school supplies in particular — are not included. Sports items — boots, helmets, skates, pads, golf shoes — are taxed, but you can purchase gym. suits, caps, bathing suits, jerseys, sweatshirts and tennis shoes. It's not a perfect program, but we'll enjoy any savings that we can get.

What's more, you can take eligible items out of layaway this weekend and get them tax free, or you can place tax-free items in layaway to pick up later at the lower price.

The state calculates that shoppers will save \$42 million in state and city sales tax during the Sales Tax Holiday.

Not all of us enjoy shopping. But since we have to do it — at least occasionally — it's nice to know we'll be getting a little discount for our discomfort.

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# The stock market has gone south

ooks like the stock market has gone south. The question is, will it be a short visit or an extended one? That is always the rub in that old saying "Hang on to

your stocks. The market will come back." True enough, but it could take years before it does. I don't believe that

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back soon. It

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overpriced; it's going to take a good while to clean up Wall Street and corporate America; and the consumers, who are always looked to for bailing out the market, are probably over their heads in debt by

The president has not shown much talent as an inspirational speaker, and that quirky fellow he appointed to head the Securities and Exchange Commission doesn't inspire much confidence. Furthermore, all those

trade deficits everyone has ignored are beginning to catch up with us. The dollar is weak — so weak, it's practically on par with the Euro. Of course the market, at

least as measured by the Dow Jones industrial average, will bounce up and down for a while like a rubber ball, but I think its arc of bounces will keep it closer to 7,500 than to 10,000. The market and the economy are two different things, but contrary to President Bush's optimistic chatter, the economy itself is looking rather slumpy. I live in a city that is supposed to be recovering, but the local newspaper is printing editions in which there are lots of pages with not a single advertisement on them. That's never a good sign. Motel occupancy is way off, always a bad sign in a tourist city.

Part of the problem is that so few people today understand that statistics are, at best, just historical data. They tell you what has already happened. They don't tell you what is happening, and more especially, they don't tell you what

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is going to happen. Furthermore, many economic statistics, which are presented as if they were hard numbers, are, in fact, guestimates. The unemployment rate is based on a survey of sample households, not on an actual head count. And whether someone is counted as unemployed or "out of the labor force" is an arbitrary decision based on arbitrarily adopted definitions.

The inflation rate has been made misleading by adopting 1982-84 as a base year for measuring the cost of living. That was a deep recession. If you use the year 1967, it costs \$4.75 today to buy what \$1 would buy in 1967. That's a heck of an erosion of the purchasing power of the dollar. Wages for most folks have not kept pace, but more importantly, thanks to phony free-trade deals, millions of American jobs have been exported overseas. The main effect is that we have more people earning less and having to pay more, while, of course, the cost of government has ballooned to gigantic propor-

Corporate corruption is far more pervasive than just the outright crooks who have looted their corporations. The whole attitude in most American corporations is to use the business as a cash cow, tout the stock, get rich and get out. That translates into hell with the product, the customers and the workers.

It's almost as if we Americans have been on dope for the past 20 years, hallucinating about affairs both economic and foreign. People were buying stock from companies that had never earned one penny's profit, and were hailing the defeat of Third World countries as "world-class military victories." At the same time, abnormality and pornography were redefined as normal and acceptable, so the only people worthy of condemnation were the few who pointed out the liars and the reprobates

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# The state of poverty going backwards

By RICH LOWRY

**Guest Columnist** Someone should ask liberals what it is about falling black-child poverty rates

that they don't like. Welfare reform was the most spectacular public-policy success of the 1990s, prompting single mothers to join the work force in droves and hence improve the lot of their children.

mothers back onto the dole. Montana Sen. Max Baucus' Work, Opportunity and Responsibility for Kids

But Congress is preparing,

in effect, to send these

Act represents all the best thinking on welfare policy circa 1973. "It overturns or takes big, gnawing bites out of all the

principles of the 1996 reform," says the Heritage Foundation's Robert Rector, one of the chief architects of that law The template for welfare

reform was set by Wisconsin in the early 1990s, when the state began demanding that all welfare recipients work. During the decade, Wisconsin's welfare rolls fell by about 90 percent, and child poverty by about half.

The 1996 federal law pushed states toward the Wisconsin "work-first" model. It encouraged states to reduce their caseloads and get welfare recipients in jobs, while creating a five-year time limit for receipts of federal welfare payments.

Nationwide, the caseload fell by about half, as the employment rate for the most disadvantaged single mothers soared by somewhere between 50 percent to 100 percent. The blackchild poverty rate dropped by a third, reaching its low est levels ever.

This was not a function of the booming economy. Since 1950, according to Rector, there have been nine periods of rapid economic growth in the United States, but the welfare caseload fell in only one of them — the 1990s, after passage of welfare reform.

But the 1996 law needs a tuneup. Its work requirements have become obsolete, as states have met the bill's mandates by cutting caseloads, leaving them free to do with the remaining welfare recipients as they please.

Baucus wants to keep it that way.

His bill supposedly requires 50 percent of welfare recipients to engage in work, education or other activities by 2005, but this requirement is so shot through with exemptions —

about 20 states would be relieved from it altogether that it is meaningless.

The bill would make Wisconsin and New York City's successful experience with compelling community-service work in exchange for welfare benefits almost impossible to duplicate. Such communitywork programs would be subject to the full panoply of onerous federal employment rules, effectively deterring states from trying

When President Clinton attempted a similar move after the 1996 law's passage, he had to back down under a chorus of complaints that he was trashing welfare reform

Baucus also eliminates the 1996 law's highest-profile provision — the fiveyear time limit on federal handouts — by allowing recipients to receive federal housing vouchers beyond the deadline. Passed out of the Senate

Finance Committee with the support of liberal Republican Olympia Snowe and nominally conservative Republican Orrin Hatch, the Baucus bill is a return to the pre-1996 model of welfare: handing benefits to single mothers while giving them only the mildest of nudges toward voluntarily

participating in training and education programs. But all studies find that it is only actual work that helps single moms.

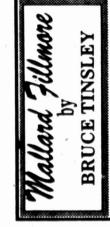
The best antidote to poverty, of course, is not to have single mothers in the first place.

To that end, President Bush has proposed \$300 million for a model program encouraging marriage, but Baucus has gutted the proposal by making anything — housing grants, transportation assistance, etc. — count as marriage promotion.

Baucus proposes his own \$150 million model program — to pay single mothers to provide day care for their own children under age 2. In other words, the old federal handouts to pay - and reward — single moms for being single moms.

If Bush wants to change the subject in Washington from the corporate scandals, this retrograde bill offers a perfect opportunity. Bush should threaten to veto it, because — despite what Senate liberals might think — a falling blackchild poverty rate is worth preserving.

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# Players union could set strike date next week

The Big Spring City olf Championships are

and Sunday, Aug. 8-4, at he Comanche Trail Golf Jourse. champions will be crowned in the medal

The field will be flighted according to handicap and players must have a handicap.

The tournament is open to all golfers in Big Spring and Howard

For more information, contact Comanche Trail Golf Course superinten-dent Jack Birdwell at 264-

#### Ashley Dixon doing well in Arkansas

The granddaughter of a former Big Spring coach is doing well on the Arkansas athletic scene.

Ashley Dixon, a junior at Harding Academy in Searcy, was recently named the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette's Female Academic Athlete of the Year.

This past year, Dixon helped Harding win the Class 2A state title in cross country, outdoor track and field and the state semifinals in basketball.

She was the individual state champion in cross country. In track, she won the 1,600- and 3,200meter runs and anchored the school's 3,200-meter relay squad that placed

### PeeWee sign-ups slated for Aug. 1

Football League will be having signups beginning Thursday, Aug. 1, at the Big Spring Mall

Players and cheerleaders, grades K-6 are eligible. Grades 3-6 play tackle football with all equipment provided.

Grades K-2 will play flag football. All area school kids in Ackerly, Big Spring, Coahoma, Garden City and Forsan are welcome.

There are 3 divisions beginning with Flag Football. This is a basic program in which the players are taught very basic skills. Division 1 is for third and fourth graders and is organized tackle football stressing the basic football skills.

Finally, Division 2 is for fifth and sixth graders. The division is designed to prepare the kids for junior high football. The ball carrying weight for this division is 120 pounds.

All games will be played on Saturdays. The first practice will be Aug. 19 and the first game will be Sept. 7, with

the Super Bowl games finishing the season on Saturday, Nov. 9. All children interested will be placed on a team nearest their home or school. No child will be turned away if eligible according to age or

For more information call Sheri at 263-0754 or Steve Decker at 264-0871.

# PeeWee football

coaches meeting
The Crossroads Little Football League has scheduled a coaches meeting for 7 p.m. Thursday at 2521 Gunter

All those interested in coaching cheerleaders. ootball teams and flag ootball teams should

For more information, call Sheri at 263-0754 or steve Decker at 264-0871.

NEW · YORK (AP) -Frustrated by the lack of bargaining progress, baseball players could set a strike date as early as next week to pressure owners into making a deal.

The strike date is expected to fall between mid-August and mid-September. Before one can be set, however, the union's executive board must approve it.

So far, no board meeting has been scheduled. But on Monday union head Donald Fehr said a decision on whether to hold one "will be made shortly."

Three sources familiar with the union's delibera-

tions said the meeting could strike-date issue," he said. take place next week. The sources spoke on condition they not be identified.

Negotiations focused on revenue sharing when they resumed Monday, a day after commissioner Bud Selig and Fehr met privately in Cooperstown during Hall of Fame festivities.

Rob Manfred, the owners' top labor lawyer, wouldn't predict what effect a deadline would have on the talks, which began in January.

"It depends on where we are in the process, how far off the date is," he said. "I've been careful on this "That is fundamentally a union decision. I'm not going to get speculating on what they should and should not decide."

By setting a strike deadline, the union would control the timing of a work stoppage.

"Don Fehr knows what's in our best interests," Boston outfielder Johnny Damon said. "He's afraid that if the strike date is not set, there could be a possibly longer work stoppage because we'd be locked out, and the players won't come back if the owners set up their own set of rules.

"So if there was a strike, there would definitely be a much shorter work stoppage than if there was a lockout," Damon said.

The old labor contract expired Nov. 7, three days after the World Series. A stoppage would be baseball's ninth since 1972.

Neither side would say what Fehr and Selig discussed when they met before the Hall of Fame induction ceremonies. The two have had an often bitter relationship the past decade.

"Perfectly pleasant. I'm not going to characterize it beyond that," Fehr said.

Negotiators met twice at the union's offices. Players made a proposal on the benefit plan that was termed "positive" by Manfred. Benefits have not been a major issue.

"The rest of the day was devoted to the topic of revenue sharing," Manfred said. "We adjourned with the union indicating they needed some time on this topic tonight."

Owners contend baseball has a competitive-balance problem, and they have proposed increasing the amount of shared locally generated revenue from 20 percent to 50 percent.

# NBA OKs DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS

# Texans roll to a 44-22 win over **Nationals**

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor GORDON — Texas is on top again.

Whitharral's Kristinek hauled in a 38yard touchdown pass just five seconds into the first quarter of the 2002 All Americas Bowl and helped lead Texas to a 44-22 victory over the Nationals in front of a large crowd in Gordon's Longhorn Stadium.

With the win, Texas regained the bragging rights in the all-star series. The Nationals had won last season's game.

The Texans, who own a 6-1 advantage in the alltime series, got their offensive machine started early. On their first play from scrimmage, Gordon's Bo Johnson hit Kristinek with a 38-vard strike that handed Texas an 8-0 cushion.

Iredell's Luis Guereca converted to two-point kick.

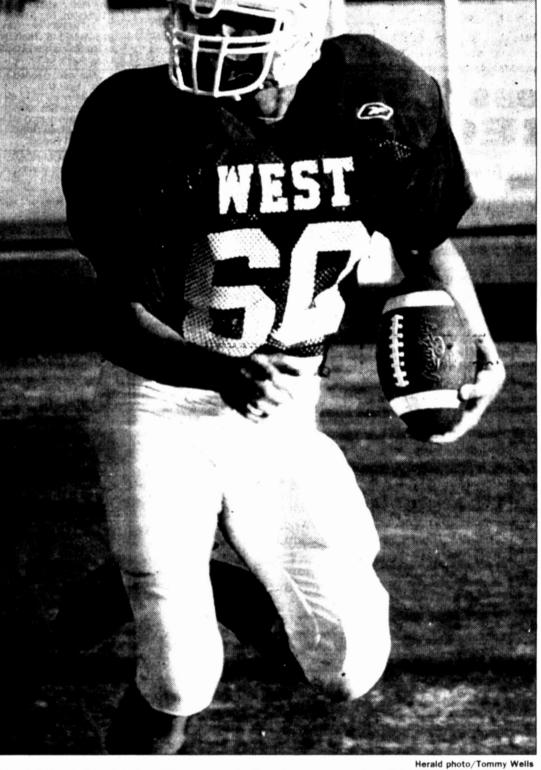
The Lone Star State defense put the Nationals' back against the wall seconds later. Two plays after Johnson's scoring pass, Blanket's Michael Ballenger recovered a fumbled snap at the Nationals' 1. setting up a 1-yard scoring dive from Iredell's Beau Robinson.

Guereca's PAT game Texas a 16-0 lead with just 3:21 having expired off the game clock.

The Nationals managed to get their offense untracked later in the first. On their ensuing possession, Joe Hoffman, an allstate end in Montana, made an acrobatic catch of a 27-yard bomb from Ramah, Mew Mexico's Tucker Simons to account for the North's first score.

Former Sands High School standout Dusty Floyd took the thrill out of the play seconds later. He blocked Stephen Reeves' PAT try, leaving the Texans with a 16-6 cush-

Richard Sullivan, the 2001 Six-Man Illustrated Defensive Player of the Year, gave fans reason to rejoice late in the first. He inflated the Texas lead to 24-6 with 3:07 left when he stepped in front of a pick off in the affair - 52



Sands' Dusty Floyd helped Texas regain the six-man bragging rights Saturday night by leading a 44-22 win over the Nationals in the 2002 All Americas Bowl. Floyd has drawn Interest from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

Simons pass and raced 73yards for a score.

The Nationals, who committed six turnovers in the game, scratched their way back into the contest with 52 seconds left in the opening frame. J.R. Rother, who helped lead Wolbach to the Nebraska state title, hauled in a 43-yard scoring

Rother's touchdown didn't stop the Texas assault, though. Whitharral's J.R. Reyna pushed the Texas lead to 32-14 in the second quarter when he returned an interception — one of three passes Texas would vards for a touchdown.

Ballenger added to the Texas advantage in the third, scoring on a 9-yard run. Guereca's ensuing PAT gave Texas a 38-14 lead.

The Nationals didn't roll

over and die. James McCullough, who helped lead Lutheran Collegiate Bible Institute to the Canadian 2A crown last fall, provided the out-ofstate fans with a reason to cheer early in the fourth. McCullough scored on a 3yard sweep around the right end, pulling the Nationals to within 38-22 with more than eight minutes to play

Guereca, the state's top passer over the past two years, put the final nail in the Nationals' coffin. He hooked up with Beau Robinson, his high school teammate, on a 22-yard scoring pass that with two minutes remaining.

Johnson, who intercepted two passes on defense and opened the Texas scoring assault with a TD pass, was named Texas' most valuable player. Clare Lefevbre, a quarterback Carrot Saskatchewan, earned the Nationals' MVP honors while playing linebacker.

# instant replay use NEW YORK (AP)

Referees in the NBA will get to do next season what fans have been doing for decades - watch replay after replay of last-second

The officials, though, will finally be able to do something about it.

The league on Monday approved instant replay for this season, starting with exhibition games this fall. The decision comes just months after some disputed calls in the closing moments of playoff games.

Replay will be used prito determine marily whether last-second shots beat the buzzer.

"The officials themselves are very much in favor of an instant-replay system," said Stu Jackson, the NBA's vice president for basketball operations. "The overwhelming majority of officials are in favor of the system."

The league's competition committee recommended the move to the Board of Governors last week, and the board approved the measure by an "overwhelming majority" Monday. At least three-quarters, or 22 of 29 members, needed to vote in favor for the rule to pass.

For any reviewable call to be overturned, officials will need to have "clear and conclusive" evidence. The league said the reviews will take two minutes or less.

The officials will use video provided by the game's telecast.

### St. Louis Cards acquires Rolen from Phillies

PHILADELPHIA (AP) Scott Rolen, the disgruntled third baseman, was traded to the St. Louis Cardinals in a five-player deal Monday, ending a seven-year stay with the Phillies that ended miserably.

Philadelphia gets third baseman Placido Polanco, pitcher Bud Smith and reliever Mike Timlin for the three-time Gold Glove winner, minor league pitcher Doug Nickle and cash.

The 27-year-old Rolen is expected to join the Cardinals for Tuesday night's game at Florida. He becomes part of a powerful lineup that already features Jim Edmonds, Albert Pujols and J.D. Drew.

"It may be the best place to play in the game," Rolen said. "And it's the place I always dreamed of play-

Rolen returns to Veterans Stadium for a three-game series starting Aug. 16. He figures to be more unpopular than Drew, who once had batteries thrown at him because he spurned the Phillies after they drafted him in 1998.

"It's bittersweet to lose Scott," Phillies general manager Ed Wade said.

Rolen, a first-time All-Star team this season, is batting .259 with 17 homers and 66 RBIs. He leaves a last-place team for the leader of the NL Central.

# Iverson cleared of all but a misdemeanor about."

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Allen Iverson arrived at the courthouse in a three-car convoy, led by an unmarked

car with a siren. The NBA star left after a chaotic six-hour hearing Monday in which he was cleared of all but a misdemeanor.

"People will say if Allen Iverson wins this case, he won it because of celebrity," said Guy Sciolla, a defense lawyer in the case. "And it's

the irony in this case that guard had been charged the only reason he got arrested was because of celebrity."

More than 100 people packed the courtroom, including lawyers and court staff not connected to the case. One court officer was seen handing Iverson a slip of paper to sign, while another law enforcement official shook Iverson's

hand. The Philadelphia 76ers with storming into his cousin's apartment with a gun and threatening two men while looking for his

the right to go into someone's apartment, no matter who they are, and try to use threats or force in order to get information," Assistant District Attorney Charles Ehrlich said. "And that's what this case is really all judge's decision.

"I think that no one has

Two counts of making ter-

roristic threats were left standing after the preliminary hearing to determine whether prosecutors had enough evidence to try Iverson. "It sounds like you had a

relative looking for a relative at the house of a rela-Municipal Court Judge James DeLeon said.

The 76ers applauded the

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for ures this morning. Be ready to present your case or Your unusual ability to make a needed presentatalk and communicate tion. In the p.m., the moon marks your year. Others slides into your sign, seek you out with intensity, empowering you for the even more so than in the next few days. Timing past. Consider your options works at this point. revolving around educa. Tonight: Reach out for the tion, travel and other high- pot of gold at the end of the

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) \*\*\* The only error you can Stay on top of your career make right now is to hesiand image. A pay raise or tate. Know what you want promotion could star in and where you're heading. Carefully consider your options in the later day. Close your door or take a walk and think. Maintain a low profile if possible. Tonight: Vanish from work.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) \*\*\*\* Stay on top of changes that surround your work and your relationships with those in charge. Be open to a key meeting. where many ideas could be tossed out. Do remember the difference between orders and suggestions! Tonight: Where your

friends are

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\*\*\* Check your facts and make sure a plan fits together well. You will have an opportunity to test the waters; recognize limits here. Understand what others expect, knowing also what you can deliver. makes demands. Tonight: Discuss agreements, especially in terms of what is TAURUS (April 20-May possible. Tonight: In the

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\* Deal with others directly this morning. Success follows those who are ready to greet it. Take an overview in a discussion.

Though you might be cynical about another's approach, it works. Detach and observe more often right now. Tonight: Hop on the computer or relax to a favorite TV show.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\* Make an effort toward others this morning. Bring in a favorite munchie to share or go out of your way to make someone's life easier. Don't let a friend push you too hard. Work with associates at the office individually, and you'll succeed. Tonight: Go for togetherness.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\*\* Loosen up and make the most out of an opportunity that comes your way that could involve travel and/or education. Deal with others directly, especially in the afternoon when a convivial mood shines on you. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\*\*Charge your ingenuity into work and getting the job done. A lunch could evolve into a meeting. Work with others as they attempt to clear the air and perhaps get a project going. Take time to listen and integrate different views. Tonight: Get some exercise.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\*You might not be in work mode. Say so. Take a personal day or, attempt to leave the office early. Your mind floats to domestic and private matters. Schedule an early dinner with a special person in your life. Add more zest to your day. Tonight: Keep on adding spice.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*\* Reach out for others. Say what is on your mind when dealing with someone at a distance. You get important feedback, even though you might not be ready to act on it. Steer a steady course in the afternoon. Consider your options. Tonight: Mosey on home

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\* Deal with your finances directly. Postpone calls and networking until lunchtime or afterward. Clear out items one at a time. Carefully consider your options surrounding a meeting. Pressure builds to get a project done. Dig in. Tonight: Bring extra work home

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Margo Howard



Margo Howard is the daughter of Eppie Lederer, who wrote an advice column Ann Landers for

over 40 years, until her death in June 2002. Howard, following in her mother's footsteps, has spent the last four years Prudence" column for Slate, Bill Gates' online opinion magazine first helmed by Michael Kinsley. In it, she answers readers' questions about life and love in a straightforward, often irrev-

erent manner. Howard started at the Chicago Tribune in the late '60s. After a half a year, syndicates were vying for her services. To be in the best syndicate at the time (The Field Syndicate), she moved to the Chicago Daily-News. Her thrice-weekly column, "Margo," was social commentary written with humor.

When Howard moved to Los Angeles in 1977, she left the news business and freelanced for magazines as varied as The New Republic, People, The Nation and TV Guide. She has been a guest columnist for New York Newsday and

a columnist for Boston Magazine

Howard has written one book, Eppie: The Story of Ann Landers, a family memoir published in 1981. Having been divorced,

she is now married to Dr. Ronald Weintraub, a Harvard heart surgeon, and she has three grown children. Her elder daughter is a wife and mother; her middle child, a son, is a screenwriting the "Dear writer based in London; and her younger daughter is a physician

Howard attended Brandeis University — and. like her mother, did not graduate. Howard has served on several boards over the years. She says she is "a newspaper kid" who just kept going

**Kathy Mitchell** Kathy



Mitchell grew up in Marion, Indiana. She moved Chicago in 1969 at the age of 19.

applied for a job at the Chicago Sun-Times.

Kathy was immediately placed in the office of Eppie Lederer, aka Ann Landers, where she worked as a typist. Two years later, Kathy became one of Annis personal secretaries. "I loved it," Kathy says. "It was flies when you're having a good time.

Over the years, Kathy gained more and more responsibility, becoming

Eppie's personal assistant and office manager. She handled public relations. scheduled her speeches, traveled with her to events. kept track of her mail, and helped hunt down expert advice and do other research for the worldfamous advice column. "I had to become a very good sleuth," Kathy confesses. "It is the key to writing the

with Annie's Mailbox, Kathy and long time friend and fellow officemate Marcy Sugar work together hand in hand, gathering the essential information that makes an advice column truly spe-

**Marcy Sugar** 



Born raised Chicago, Marcy Sugar graduated from the University of Illinois at Chicago

1973 with a major in mass communications. While visiting an old friend who was principal of an area secretarial school, she learned of an opening in Ann Landers' office at the Chicago Sun-Times. Having been a fan of

REMEMBER!

the column for years, Marcy was intrigued by the position. She met with Eppie Lederer and was hired immediately

Marcy began her work in the office by doing basic research and clerical tasks. then she moved into bookkeeping. She also worked with Kathy on Eppie's speaking engagements and helped dig up useful information and opinions to add to the column.

In 1979, Marcy left Ann Landers' office to raise a family. She came back to work part-time for Eppie in her new office at the Chicago Tribune in 1988. Her duties quickly blossomed into a full-time position, working as Eppie's editorial assistant. She helped select letters, research answers and edit them into column format, although she continued to arrange her hours so she could be with her children after school. Marcy has been married to a prominent Chicago attorney for 28 years. They have three

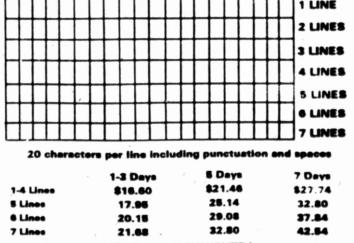
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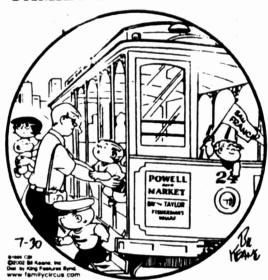
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### **DENNIS THE MENACE**



I CAN SEE A LOT OF COMMUNITY SERVICE IN THAT BOY'S FUTURE."

### **FAMILY CIRCUS**



"Why do they call it a CABLE car? I didn't see any TV."

### **HAGAR**



BUT I STILL SAY YOU'RE SPOILING THAT DOG!

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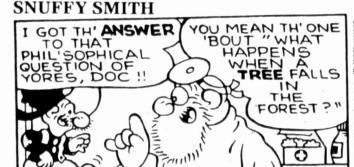






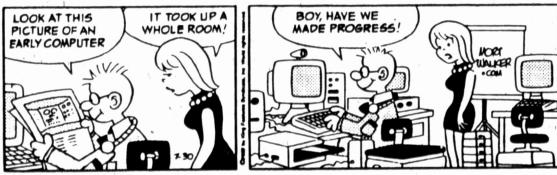
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# THIS DATE **IN HISTORY**

The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Tuesday, July 30,

the 211th day of 2002. There are 154 days left in the

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 30, 1945, during World War II, the U.S.S. Indianapolis was torpedoed by a Japanese submarine; only 316 out of 1,196 men survived the sinking and shark-infested waters. (The Navy recently exonerated the Indianapolis' captain, Charles Butler McVay III, who was court-martialed and convicted for failing to evade the submarine that sank his ship.)

On this date:

In 1729, the city Baltimore was founded. In 1792, the French nation-

anthem Marseillaise," by Claude Joseph Rouget de Lisle, was first sung in Paris.

In 1844, the New York Yacht Club was founded. In 1864, during the Civil of the Jewish state.

War, Union forces tried to take Petersburg, Va., by. exploding a mine under Confederate defense lines. The attack failed.

In 1932, the Summer Olympic Games opened in Los Angeles.

In 1942, President Franklin Roosevelt signed a bill creating a women's auxiliary agency in the Navy known as Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service - WAVES for short.

In 1965, President Lyndon Johnson signed into law the Medicare bill, which went into effect the following year. In 1975, former Teamsters

union president Jimmy Hoffa disappeared in suburban Detroit. Although he is presumed dead, his remains have never been found.

In 1975, representatives of 35 countries convened in Finland for a conference on security and human rights that resulted in the Helsinki accords.

In 1980, the Israeli Knesset passed a law reaffirming all of Jerusalem as the capital

Today's Birthdays: Actor Wilson Dick Whipple") is 86. Actor Richard Johnson is 75. Actor Edd "Kookie" Byrnes is 69. Blues musician Buddy Guy is 66. Movie director Peter Bogdanovich is 63. Feminist activist Eleanor Smeal is 63. Former U.S. Rep. Patricia Schroeder, a Colorado Democrat, is 62. Singer Paul Anka is 61. Jazz musician David Sanborn is 57. Actor Arnold

Schwarzenegger is 55. Actor William Atherton is 55. Actor Jean Reno is 54. Actor Frank Stallone is 52. Actor Ken Olin is 48. Actress Delta Burke is 46. Singer-songwriter Kate Bush is 44.



# **Newsday Crossword**

#### **ACROSS** 1 Arizona Indian 5 Most Little

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# IN THE RED by Merle Baker

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20 Complete,

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28 Moved quickly

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43 Comic's need 44 Light refractor

47 Once more 48 Skirmishes

creatures 54 Farmer's purchase

58 Clan of the Cave Bear

author 60 Talk too much as possible

# Edited by Stanley Newman

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NYPD Blue 63 Engrossed 65 Feedbag

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