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## BRIEFLY

### HOLIDAY DRIVES

The Big Spring Herald is gathering a list of area Christmas drives. Organizations which are sponsoring charitable drives during the holiday season are asked to contact Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at newsdesk@crcom.net. Please provide the name of the organization, the dates of the drive and drop-off locations. The list will be printed during the holiday season.

### COMING FRIDAY



### CHASING THE TITLE

Sports Editor Tommy Wells will take an in-depth look at all of the area playoff games, including Sands' game with Fort Elliott Friday night in Happy and Big Spring's clash with Aledo Saturday afternoon in Irving.



### NIGHTMARE OF DRUGS

In a 12-page special section, the Herald examines drug and alcohol abuse. From the law enforcement stance to counselors and recovering addicts, this in-depth package is both interesting and educational.

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# United Way goes over the top!

## Last-minute push puts campaign over \$250,000

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Congratulations, Howard County!

Give yourself a hearty pat on the back. With your help, the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County met their \$250,000 campaign goal for 2002, said Director Cynthia Scott this morning.

"We reached our goal," she said. "I haven't gotten all the boxes in yet, so I don't know our full total, but we've reached over \$254,000. Isn't it wonderful!"

Scott said a promotion of the campaign offering free Big Gulps at 7-Eleven and free pizzas from Dominos in return for donations this week helped raise awareness.

"Actually what I think

"People are struggling themselves and yet they're willing to help other people. It's a Thanksgiving present for all of Big Spring."



Sue Bagwell, United Way president

happened, although we got over \$1,000 from that, it reminded some of the businesses to do their donations, although we'd already had people contact them," Scott said. "We had several compa-

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All the way to the top! United Way of Big Spring and Howard County President Sue Bagwell paints the United Way signs red this morning to indicate that the organization met its 2002 campaign goal of \$250,000. Helping Bagwell are Anna Scott, 8, and her mother, United Way Director Cynthia Scott.

# Serving up a feast for hundreds

## Salvation Army planning to feed 350-400 citizens

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Nobody should go hungry on Thanksgiving.

Nobody in Howard County will this year if the Salvation Army has anything to say about it.

"We've got 14 turkeys, about 14 pounds on average," said Russ Keeney, local Salvation Army captain.

"We've got 120 pounds of potatoes. We've got 50 pounds of onions. We have, of course, our chicken gizzards and chicken livers. Five gallons of milk, 40 dozen brown-and-serve rolls, 10 pounds of bacon and of course our green beans, celery, diced pimentos, brown sugar, salt."

By Thursday the ingredients — along with yams, dressing, and all the appropriate fixings — will be magically whipped up into a traditional holiday feast for the corps' annual Community



KEENEY



Getting ready for the feast — Roe Fulgham, left, and Connie Fowler were hard at work this morning deboning some of the 14 turkeys for the annual Salvation Army Community Thanksgiving meal. The meal, free to the public, will be served from 11:30 to 1 p.m. Thursday at the Salvation Army Headquarters, 811 W. Fifth St.

Thanksgiving. "We're ready to rock and roll," Keeney said. The Salvation Army plans to feed between 350 and 400 at this year's

Thanksgiving meal. served from 11:30 to 1 p.m. Thursday at the group's headquarters, 811 W. Fifth St.

"About 250 of those will be call-in orders," said co-Capt. Linda Keeney. The captains, along with Salvation Army

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# Police urge drive smart for holidays

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Thanksgiving is a time for being with family, and many, many people have to drive to join extended family members for the holiday.

Big Spring Police Lt. Terry Chamness offered some basic tips to make sure a wonderful holiday season doesn't begin in tragedy. "People are going to travel and go see family," Chamness said. "This is the busiest season for people to travel and go with their family and for family gatherings. There are several safety factors they can do. Number one is, if you're getting tired, get out."

Chamness suggests that drivers who feel themselves becoming hypnotized by the vibration of the tires or feel their eyelids starting to droop should pull over on the side of the road, get out and walk around.

"Get to a rest stop or a roadside park or a conve-

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CHAMNESS

# Unemployment rate slips to 5.3 percent for October

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

Unemployment in Howard County slipped to 5.3 percent in October, lower than the previous month but still markedly higher than October of 2001.

"Typical of the holiday season, the unemployment rate began to descend in September," said Virginia Belew, manager of the Workforce Network for the Big Spring area. "The increase

of people entering the labor force last month is a good sign for the retail sector that must know the availability of workers when considering adding jobs for our community for the holiday season."

Statistics from the Texas Workforce Commission show Howard County with a civilian labor force of 14,761 for October. Of that number, 13,984 people were employed, leaving 5.3 percent, or 777,

"We have seen a jump in the number of job orders since last month and we hope the trend will continue."

Virginia Belew  
Workforce Network manager



unemployed. In September, unemployment was at 5.7 percent, with 13,812 out of a labor force of 14,648 employed.

A year ago, the labor force was smaller — 13,891. Of

those, 13,433 were employed, leaving an unemployment rate of just 3.3 percent. So while unemployment is up percentage-wise over the past year, there are 551 more people

employed now in Howard County than there were in October 2001.

Area counties experienced the same sort of holiday season decrease in unemployment from September to October. The rate went from 5.2 percent to 4.2 in Dawson County, 7.7 to 7.1 in Ector County, 4.6 to 4.2 in Midland County, 2.6 to 2.3 in Glasscock and 1.2 to 1.0 in Borden.

Unemployment fell

similarly for the city of Big Spring, 6.4 percent to 5.9 percent. The city, for October, had a civilian labor force of 10,165 people, of which 9,568 were employed.

Statewide, unemployment dropped from 6.7 percent in September to 5.8 percent in October. Unemployment dropped from 6.7 percent to 6.1 percent for the Permian

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# A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

## Obituaries

### Audrey N. Cain

Audrey N. Cain, 92, of Bedford, formerly of Big Spring, died on Tuesday, Nov. 26, 2002, in a Bedford nursing home. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 29, 2002, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Dudley Mullins, pastor East Fourth Street Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Audrey had resided at her home or with one of her children until moving into the Parkwood Healthcare Community a month ago.

She was born on May 22, 1910, in Ennis and married Leon Willie Cain on August 12, 1928, in Wichita Falls. He preceded her in death on July 15, 1976.

Audrey worked at Cosden Oil and Chemical refinery for over 16 years.

She was a member of East Fourth Street Baptist Church. She was also a member of the Rebekah Lodge. She taught and played piano for East Fourth Street Baptist's Sunday School classes for several years and also played piano for the Rebekah Lodge.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Harold "Sug" and Mary Cain of Big Spring; one daughter and son-in-law, Virginia and Jack Tucker of Bedford; three granddaughters, Tanga Chapman and husband, Steve, of Bedford, Cindy Anderson and husband, Derek, of Hurst and Stephanie Tucker of Bedford; two great grandsons, Cade and Kyle Chapman of Bedford.

The family suggests memorials to the East Fourth Street Baptist Church, 401 E. 4th St., Big Spring 79720.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home of Big Spring. [www.npWelch.com](http://www.npWelch.com)

*Paid obituary*

### Manuel G. Gutierrez Jr.

Funeral service for Manuel G. Gutierrez Jr., 59, of Kerrville, will be Friday, Nov. 29, at Hosanna Lutheran Church of Kerrville with Pastor Joe Watson officiating. Burial will be held in Garden of Memories cemetery with military honors.

Mr. Gutierrez died on Monday, Nov. 25, in a Kerrville hospital.

Born on Sept. 4, 1943 in San Antonio, he had been a resident of Kerrville since 2000. He married Carol Immel on June 3, 2000, in Kerrville. He was a member of the Hosanna Lutheran Church of Kerrville. He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam war.

He is survived by his wife, Carol Gutierrez of Kerrville, two children Mark A. Gutierrez of Arlington and Paul M. Gutierrez of Irving; mother Olivia Zamora of Poth; brother, Rudy Gutierrez of Big Spring; sister Janie Lazaro of San Antonio; one grandchild; stepfather Jesse Zamora of Poth; and step-mother, Sharon Gutierrez of Big Spring.

The family suggests memorials may be read to the Hosanna Lutheran Church, 134 Camp Meeting Road, Kerrville 78028.

### C.H. Hyden

Funeral service for C.H. Hyden, 79, of Big Spring is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel. Mr. Hyden died on Tuesday, Nov. 26, at a local hospital.

### Lavada Dear

Funeral service for Lavada Dear, 85, of Big Spring is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Mrs. Dear died on Wednesday, Nov. 27, in a local nursing home.

### Sherry Diane Jacobs

Funeral service for Sherry Diane Jacobs, 42, of Coahoma, will be held at 4 p.m. today, Nov. 27, 2002, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home with Robert Turner officiating. A private burial will be held at Coahoma Cemetery.

Mrs. Jacobs died on Tuesday, Nov. 26, at her home following a sudden illness. Born on Aug. 2, 1960, in Big Spring, she was a lifetime resident of Howard County.

She was a member of the Methodist Church. She graduated from Coahoma High School and she was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Wayne Jacobs of Coahoma; one daughter, Tawna Jacobs of Coahoma; one son, Jacob (Tybo) Jacobs of Coahoma; two sisters, Melody Cooper of Wichita Falls and Holly Best of Coahoma; and two brothers, Mike McCutchan of Odessa and James McCutchan of Val Dosta, Ga.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.



### Terry D. Reese

Graveside service for Terry D. Reese, 55, of Big Spring is 2 p.m. Friday at the Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery with Dr. Tom Wilbanks officiating.

Mr. Reese died on Saturday, Nov. 23, at a local hospital.

Born on March 16, 1947, in Kermit, he had lived in Big Spring for two years. Prior to his move to Big Spring, he lived in Lubbock for 14 months and in Denver for two years.

Mr. Reese was a disabled veteran of the U.S. Navy. He had been employed as a cook.

He is survived by two half-sisters, Celeste Johnson of Rockwall and Cherie Garza of Winters.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

### Guillermo Hernandez

A vigil service for Guillermo "Willie" Hernandez, 76, of Big Spring will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 28, 2002, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service is at 10 a.m., Friday, Nov. 29, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial will be held in the Coahoma Cemetery.

Mr. Hernandez died on Monday, Nov. 25, at a local hospital.

Born on Dec. 15, 1925, in Romito, Mexico, he was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and lived his lifetime in Big Spring.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and had worked for the Texas and Pacific Railroad and later Missouri-Pacific and Union Pacific Railroad.

He is survived by three sons, Salvado Hernandez of Fort Worth, Augustin Hernandez of Lewisville and Sam Hernandez of Big Spring; two sisters, Juana Torres of Coahoma and Santiago Ramirez of California; five brothers, Arturo Hernandez, Apolonio Hernandez and Ignacio Hernandez, all of Big Spring; Emelio Hernandez of California and Joe Hernandez of Coahoma; and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Elena Hernandez.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

## Police blotter

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

- **LESTER CLAUDE DUFFER**, 22 of 1510 Nolan was arrested on local warrants.
- **RUDY JOHN LAROCQUE**, 48, of 1410 Runnells was arrested on a Howard County warrant.
- **CHRISTOPHER SCOTT HOHERTZ**, 28, of 1210 Lamar was arrested on a charge of driving with an invalid license.
- **GARY SHELTON JONES**, 58, of 1908 Johnson was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ENRIQUE BENITO CALDERON**, 25, of 711 Anna was arrested on local warrants.
- **JOE INGRAM SPEER**, 52, of 1411 E. Fifth St. was arrested on local warrants.
- **ASSAULT CAUSING BODILY INJURY** was reported in the 1000 block of North Main Street.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 2500 block of Hunter Drive, the 1000 block of South Birdwell Lane, the 2000 block of South Gregg Street, the 600 block of South Gregg, the 2500 block of Wasson Road.
- **DISTURBANCE OR FIGHT** was reported at Big Spring Junior High School in the 600 block of East Sixth Street.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1100 block of Mesa, the 1600 block of East Sixth Street.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 4100 block of Muir Street. A white 1998 Chevrolet reportedly sustained \$500 damage in the incident.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported:

In the 2000 block of Morrison Drive. Stereo equipment worth \$100 was reported stolen from a red 1969 Volkswagen Beetle. The car reportedly sustained \$250 damage in the incident.

In the 2900 block of Parkway Road. Clothes worth \$50, computer equipment worth \$2,500, credit or debit cards, and two purses or wallets worth \$100 and \$50 were reported stolen from a white 2000 Chevrolet. \$500 damage was reportedly inflicted on the vehicle.

In the 2800 block of Parkway Road. Someone reportedly broke the side window of a brown 1996 Chevrolet 1500 causing \$300 damage.

In the 2900 block of Parkway Road. Someone reportedly broke the window of a green Dodge

Avenger causing \$400 damage before stealing a Whistler radar detector worth \$200.

## Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following recent activity:

- **JAMES STEWART BAUM**, 39, of 408 N. First St. in Coahoma was arrested on motions to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated — second offense and theft by check \$20 to \$500.
- **JASON LEE DIAZ**, 22, of 605 N. Scurry was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Saturday on charges of criminal mischief/family violence and possession of marijuana.
- **ERICK FRANKS**, 27, of 2209 Cecilia was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Friday on a charge of failure to stop and render aid.
- **RUDY JOHN LAROCQUE**, 48, of 1410 Runnells was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Tuesday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **JULIANNA SASSAR PRINCE**, 27, of 100 N. Wasson Road was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on a charge of theft \$50 to \$500.
- **MELODY LYNN GAY**, 41, of 1217 Mobile was arrested on a charge of failure to appear/child support.
- **BARBARA RIVERA ARTEAGA**, 42, of 503 Johnson was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Sunday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **RUNAWAY** was reported in the 800 block of East Culp in Coahoma. Deputies were unable to locate a juvenile female.
- **GRASS FIRE** was reported in the 5200 block of FM 818.
- **LOOSE LIVESTOCK** was reported in the area of North Cord 53 and Highway 350.
- **HARRASSMENT** was reported in the 2300 block of South Anderson.

## Bulletin board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald Features Desk at 263-7331, ext. 238 or email [jmoseley@crcom.net](mailto:jmoseley@crcom.net).

### THURSDAY

Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060, Herman's Resturant, 7 a.m.

Coffee Club, Gale's, 7 a.m.

Kiwanis Club, Howard College Cactus Room, noon, 267-6479.

Duplicate Bridge Club, Big Spring Country Club, 1 p.m.

Masonic Lodge 598, 219 Main, 7:30 p.m.

### FRIDAY

AMBUCS, Brandin Iron Inn, noon.

Spring City Senior Citizen's Center, country and western dance, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. All area seniors are invited.

### SATURDAY

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

Hangar 25 Air Museum located on the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historical home, open for tours from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

Eagles Lodge, dance, 8:30 p.m., 703 W. Third. Members and their guests are welcome.

## Fund-raiser

□ **THE BIG SPRING HIGH** school speech and debate team is selling a limited edition Steer "Beanie Babies" as a fund-raiser for a short time only.

The steer is a solid black color with white horns and an embossed gold BSS on its side. Each "beanie baby" is priced at \$8 each and will be delivered in late January. Orders will be taken on a first come, first serve bases.

To place an order, send \$8 per steer to Big Spring High School c/o Debate, 707 11th Place; Big Spring 79720. Please include: Name, address and phone number with the order. For more information, call Adams at 264-3641, ext. 234.

**THE CALLAWAY FAMILY** IS selling three pound tubs of cookie dough for \$10 a piece to raise funds for Travis Callaway, Big Spring High School freshman, who has been chosen to participate in the People to People Student Ambassador Program.

The cookie dough comes in a wide variety of choices and orders must be turned in by Tuesday, Dec. 3. All orders will be delivered during the week of Dec. 16. To place an order call Troy or Angel Callaway at 267-6458.

## Lottery

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery: 3-15-27-28-35

The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery: 4-25-30-33  
Bonus number 9

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3-0-3

## Records

Tuesday's high 44  
Tuesday's low 30  
Average high 62  
Average low 34  
Record high 85 in 1949  
Record low 18 in 1980

Precip. Tuesday 0.00  
Rainfall for the year 15.30  
Sunrise Thursday 7:27 a.m.  
Sunset Thursday 5:41 p.m.  
Sunrise Friday 7:28 a.m.  
Sunset Friday 5:41 p.m.

Do you have a favorite holiday memory? The Herald is seeking stories from our readers about their most memorable Christmases in their own words. Send mailed submissions to Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring 79720 or by e-mail them to [newsdesk@crcom.net](mailto:newsdesk@crcom.net) or to [jmoseley@crcom.net](mailto:jmoseley@crcom.net)



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## One dead

FRISCO (AP) — A critically injured firefighter died at the top of a 10-story building as firefighters tried to save a fire. Officials said the firefighter died Sunday morning after being hoisted by a crane to be sent to a hospital. He appeared to have been struck by equipment after the fire. The worker, Brandon Norio, was a 29-year-old resident of Parkland Hospital.

## Perry adds

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Gov. Rick Perry added two more counties to the state's "at-risk" list Tuesday to help because of storm damage in early November. Perry added Borden and Burleson counties to the list. A federal disaster declaration is available through grants to renters who suffered flooding.

## Sanchez su

LUBBOCK (AP) — A Lubbock lawyer who thought he had won a lawsuit against a student sued the student equally, but says the student's tactics, a lawsuit. Sanchez was 4.5 in contrast, those who blame was 1.54 while those who blamed Perry's average favora while Perry's a

## Schools cl

TYLER (AP) — A school district is flustered with a flu epidemic that has prompted a closure after reg. about 95 miles holiday began sick. The trend has Gregory Catholic closed after reg. absent out of Harry. Gilmer Independent 30 miles north of its students school day with

## Terrorist at

WASHINGTON — The FBI is investigating the terrorist attack on the White House by George W. Bush gives it h. In a small ceremony to create an independent commission. Family resisted such until. The commission the limited joint Senate intelligence panel will have aviation security intelligence.

## Osteoporos

WASHINGTON — The Food and Drug Administration says the body causing the osteoporosis. Approved Tuesday osteoporosis, often are inactivated with osteoporosis density and its r

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**Elswhere**  
State and national news at a glance



**One dead during tower construction**

FRISCO (AP) — One man is dead and another was critically injured after both fell 30 feet into the tank at the top of a 150-foot municipal water tower, rescue officials said.

Officials said the accident happened Tuesday morning after a piece of heavy equipment being hoisted by a crane apparently fell as it was moved, sending both men plummeting into the tank. It appeared that at least one of the men was hit by the equipment after the fall, said Capt. Paul Siebert of the Frisco fire department.

The worker killed in the fall was identified as Brandon Norton, 19, of California. The other worker, a 29-year-old man, was in critical condition in Parkland Hospital in Dallas.

**Perry adds 7 counties to declaration**

AUSTIN (AP) — Seven Texas counties were added Tuesday to the federal disaster declaration list because of storms and flooding in late October and early November.

Gov. Rick Perry said the Federal Emergency Management Agency added Brazoria, Cameron, Fort Bend, Hidalgo, Jasper, Kleberg and San Jacinto counties.

A federal disaster declaration means help may be available through a variety of state and federal programs to renters, homeowners and business owners who suffered losses as a result of the storms and flooding.

**Sanchez suffered more backlash**

LUBBOCK (AP) — About three-fourth of voters who thought the governor's race was negative blamed candidates Rick Perry and Tony Sanchez equally, but Sanchez apparently suffered more from the tactic, a survey conducted by Texas Tech students showed.

On a scale of one to five with five being the most favorable, Perry's average favorability rating among those blaming him for the negative campaign was 2.53, while Perry's rating among those blaming Sanchez was 4.25.

In contrast, the average rating of Sanchez among those who blamed him for the negative campaign was 1.54 while Sanchez's rating was 3.6 among those who blamed Perry for the negative campaign. Among those blaming both candidates equally, the average favorability rating for Sanchez was 2.65 while Perry's average rating was 2.94.

**Schools close as illness spreads**

TYLER (AP) — High student absence rates associated with a flu-like illness spreading in East Texas have prompted several small districts to shut down.

In the North Lamar Independent School District, about 95 miles northeast of Dallas, the Thanksgiving holiday began early after hundreds of students got sick.

The trend has apparently reached Tyler, where St. Gregory Catholic Elementary School on Monday closed after reporting 28 percent, or 101 students, absent out of 359 students, said Principal Kathy Harry.

Gilmer Independent School District, located about 30 miles northeast of Tyler, closed Monday after 601 of its students had been sent home by the end of the school day with flu-like symptoms.

**Terrorist attacks investigation looms**

WASHINGTON (AP) — An independent investigation of the government's failure to prevent last year's terrorist attacks can get under way after President Bush gives it his approval today.

In a small ceremony, Bush was signing legislation to create an independent commission on the Sept. 11 attacks. Family members of many victims have long desired such a commission, but the White House resisted it until just two months ago.

The commission has a broad mandate, building on the limited joint inquiry conducted by the House and Senate intelligence committees. The independent panel will have 18 months to examine issues such as aviation security and border problems, along with intelligence.

**Osteoporosis drug is approved**

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new drug approved by the Food and Drug Administration is the first to combat osteoporosis, the brittle-bone disease, by causing the body to form new, healthy bone tissue.

Approved Tuesday, the drug works by stimulating osteoblasts, the body's bone-building cells, which often are inactive among the 10 million Americans with osteoporosis. Active osteoblasts increase bone density and its resistance to fractures.

**JOBS**

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**Basin.**

"The Permian Basin rate is the lowest seen in the Workforce Development area in four months," said Belew. "The average loss of unemployed persons in October for the Permian Basin is 960. But, we have already showed a loss of 1,249, which could be the sign of an improving economy, according to the Texas Workforce commission Labor Market information department.

"The local office remains hopeful that employers will continue to call in job orders to increase the availability of work for job seekers," said Belew. "We have seen a jump in the number of job orders since last month and we hope the trend will continue."

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**DRIVE**

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nience store or something along the roadway," he said. "Get out and stretch your legs a little bit. Wake up."

If there's another driver to switch out with, so much the better.

"If there's somebody else in the car that can drive that's rested, have them drive," he said. "Tiredness is one of the biggest things that causes wrecks. People get tired as they're driving trying to go somewhere."

Drivers should leave themselves plenty of time to get where they're going at a leisurely pace, he added.

"Watch your speed. Speeding, as we know, causes over 50 percent of our accidents," said Chamness. "It's not just how fast I'm going, it's how fast I'm going for the conditions I'm driving in. If you're in a crowded city or even on the highways in a metroplex area, give plenty of space between you and the car in front of you. Don't drive fast and ride up on their bumper because you won't have time to react and that can cause accidents."

The same principle applies even close to home, he said.

"Even just driving down your city streets we tell people to give the car in front of you some room," he said. "In case they need to stop real fast you'll have time to react to that."

The statistics prove that seatbelts save lives, but only if they're worn properly.

"Always, please, because we have statistic after statistic to back us up on this: Wear your seatbelt," he said. "Especially put your chil-

dren in a child safety seat because they'll be victims of any accident you're in and you should especially protect them because they don't have a choice. You do as an adult, so protect those babies. They're important."

People whose holiday plans include indulging in a nip of alcohol should remember to choose a designated driver, Chamness said.

"We all know that drinking and driving is the cause of a lot of accidents," he said. "People's initial reactions are slowed down due to the alcohol consumption and you just don't have the physical capabilities that you normally would have."

No exceptions, the lieutenant stressed.

"Do not drink and drive," he said. "Get a designated driver. It's really simple to have somebody else drive for you so you don't have that collision. Just don't drink and drive, and don't drive if you have been drinking."

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**FEAST**

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employee Raul Segura, loaded a pickup truck full of culinary delights from H-E-B Tuesday, Russ Keeney said.

The food will be cooked today in an all-day effort, he added.

The event is open to everyone that wants to come and eat.

"You don't have to be homeless or needy to

come eat," he said. "We'll serve everybody that comes in. Or you don't even have to come in. Just give us a call and tell us you need some meals."

The feast is completely free of charge. For more information or to order meals to be delivered, call the Salvation Army Headquarters at 267-8239.

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**UNITED WAY**

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nies bring in some donations yesterday. I also had some large donors come in, too."

Scott said she's proud of Big Spring for reaching the goal.

"It's just amazing the generosity of Big Spring people," she said. "Knowing we were that close to the goal just made a lot of people aware of it and they really pulled together and we reached the goal."

United Way President Sue Bagwell agreed.

"I just think it's so exciting and phenomenal, especially in a slow economy," she said. "People are struggling themselves and yet they're willing to help other people. It's a Thanksgiving present for all of Big Spring."

United Way committee members will hear presentations from the agencies funded by the group on Dec. 3 and 5 and make allocation decisions Dec. 10, Scott said.

The final campaign total will be announced at a victory luncheon Dec. 12 at the Big Spring Country Club.

Even though the campaign is over, people can still donate to the group. For more information call 267-5201 or send tax-deductible donations to the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County office, P.O. Box 24, Big Spring, 79720.

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at newsdesk@crcom.net



**MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL**

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Manuel C. Prado, Sr., 79, died Sunday. Funeral mass will be at 11:00 AM Wednesday at Immaculate Heart of Mary. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park.

Sherry Diane Jacobs, 42, died Tuesday. Funeral services will be at 4:00 Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

Willie Hernandez, 76, died Monday. Vigil services will be at 7:30 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be at 10:00 AM Friday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

Terry Reese, 55, died Saturday. Military graveside services are 2:00 PM Friday at Dallas-Ft. Worth National Cemetery.

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If you have experienced a loss, we want to help you get through the holidays. That is why you are cordially invited to a Service of Remembrance to honor all area families who have experienced the death of a loved one during the past year. And at your request, we will record your loved one's name in our book of memory to be distributed to everyone who attends the service. It is a special way to pay tribute to the person you love.

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OUR VIEWS

# Cold weather, holiday spirit require caution

The weekend's tragic fire which destroyed the home of a Howard County resident should be a reminder to us all to exercise caution as we find ourselves in the grasp of both colder temperatures and the holiday spirit.

Each year, homes and lives are lost because of faulty cords or lights, badly positioned space heaters, candles left burning or appliances misused. In almost every case, these types of fires can be prevented.

This is the time of year when many people use extra extension cords. We use them for lighting displays indoors and out, to reach another outlet for that old crockpot or to provide power to the electric blanket while we curl up on the sofa. Before you do any of that, check all cords to make sure they are not worn or frayed. If they are, replace them. Don't take a chance.

In our effort to stay warm, we sometimes drag out a space heater to heat up the bathroom or utility room. But it's easy to toss a towel or clothes down in front of one without thinking. If you must use one of these portable heaters, do so with extreme caution. Many have a thermostat and can appear off when they're not. They must be kept out of the way of any flammable material, and, of course, any source of water.

Decorations are beautiful, but they can be fire hazards, too. So always make sure you pull the plug or throw the switch before you leave the house or go to bed. Don't ever leave them unattended, especially if you have young children or pets. Candles are another favorite holiday decoration, but if you use them, think safety first. Be certain they are placed away from any flammable object, and snuff out the flame before you leave the room.

Then, take one more precaution. Make sure you have smoke detectors in working order and that each has fresh batteries. Have a plan so that every family member knows how and where to exit the home in case of a fire.

Let's all have a wonderful... and safe, holiday season.

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### A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May your divine love surround us, Lord, as we go through this day. Amen

# Eyesore today, treasure tomorrow

I planted two Leland cypress trees in strategic places to hide a couple of eyesores. I love that word, "eyesores." I qualify as a specialist in hiding them.

One of the fast-growing trees went in front of the propane tank; the other was situated to hide, from the side, the satellite dish. Why, in an age when they can measure a gnat's head and plan a brunch on Mars, can't they camouflage a gas tank so that it doesn't look like a Japanese submarine? Mine shines from a quarter-mile down the road.

Everything I've ever done to try to hide the tank simply calls attention to it. I've used lattice, a rose bush, a Snuffy Smith-style fence and vines. The tree is a last-ditch effort; next I'll resort to kudzu.

The satellite dish is an

even sadder story. It is one of those newer dishes, its size somewhere between a soup bowl and a baby pool. And now it is clipped onto the picket fence that surrounds my front yard. It sticks up like a gray Post-it note to remind me to pay the bill.

Just what every girl dreams of: a little ivy-covered cottage in the woods surrounded by a picket fence wearing a satellite dish.

If it were up to me alone, I'd do without Auburn football games, even Bill Moyers' "Now," to get rid of the ugly thing. But some in this household enjoy TV a lot more than I.

The results of the pimple that points to the sky aren't all that impressive, anyhow. We can't even get local news. I knew all about the down-and-dirty New York governor's race, but don't ask me if it's going to rain in Tupelo.

There is an index of what's available from the satellite. Most of the interesting stuff that pops up is marked PAY. We already do enough of that.

The trees might not have

been necessary if I'd waited a couple of decades. Utilitarian objects like gas tanks and dishes have a certain nostalgic value once they are replaced by newer technology and begin disappearing.

Consider the lowly TV antenna. Nobody has one of those anymore. Now when you see an old antenna, it harkens to simpler, better times and looks almost good. Not as good as a clothesline. And certainly not as good as a windmill which, despite its practical purpose, always had nice lines.

I once tried to buy a fire tower. Mississippi was getting rid of most of its old towers and accepting bids on one near my house. I didn't have the winning bid, thank goodness. I'm not sure how I would have moved a fire tower to my yard. I just know I would have died trying.

My old grandfather drove me to the first fire tower I ever climbed, near Colquitt, Ga. I could see all the way to France.

Some of the best moments of my life were spent atop fire towers.



RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON



# Homecoming memories

In 1964 I was doing news for a radio station. I was interested in documenting every facet of life in the city. I covered service club meetings right along with the police, city hall and court house beats. I always taped the high school graduation ceremonies and gave copies of those recordings to the parents of the valedictorian and salutatorian, who made speeches during the events.

In 1964 I recorded the graduating seniors' high school assembly. This is where the senior class makes a gift to the school and the class will be read. (Don Jones will his seat in Mrs. Rice's Chemistry class to whoever is brave enough to take it, etc.). The class president makes a speech and a class scrapbook is presented to the library. Scholarships and other honors are awarded. They sing the class song and the school song. I gave a copy of that tape to class member Chip

Sweeney and told him to keep the tape for posterity. Little did I know he would end up in broadcast production and his class would become the one that has the best reunions. This year, 38 years after making the recording, Chip took that 45 minute tape and edited it into a 10 minute audio visual production and showed it at the reunion. It went over big. My wife is in the class of 1962 and during homecoming activities this year her class had five get together. These are always fun. Goofy prizes are handed out to the one who came the most distance, the couple who has been married the longest, the most changed since high school, the least changed and the class member with the most grandchildren. Throughout the weekend, everybody was telling stories. A girl named Lana had the best one. She dated the captain of the high school football team. She wore his letter jacket and his senior ring. The ring was much too big for her and she wrapped adhesive tape around the bottom of it on it to make it fit her tiny finger. It seems the football player wanted to break up with her while they were on a date. This

devastated Lana. She couldn't stand the thought of giving up her jacket and ring and her prominent position as the girlfriend of the captain of the football team. She had to do something desperate. She faked an appendicitis attack. She grabbed her side and screamed like she was in terrible pain. The star football player (let's call him Steve) took her home and she continued the charade. Her father got in the car with them and told Steve to drive to the hospital emergency room as fast as he could. Right about now Lana is getting a little worried. She knew her father would not be pleased if he found out she was only joking to save her letter jacket and ring. The doctor punched around on her side and each time he did, Lana screamed like she was in pain. The doctor took her to surgery and removed her appendix. She was in the hospital a few days. The breakup finally did occur and Lana gave up her precious jacket and ring. 29 years later, in 1991, Lana ran into Steve at a class reunion. She went up to him and said "Do you remember me?" Steve said no. Lana walked away



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Wouldn't it have been grand to climb up into my own personal fire tower and daily survey the world from such a lofty vantage?

Besides the inherent beauty of a lame-duck tower, it would have had practical application. Bear Creek is nearby. If ever I decided to sell my farm, I could have said with honesty in the real estate ad that there was a view of the water.

The list of frog-to-prince items goes on. People pay big bucks for old lightning rods, for instance. Their effectiveness came into question with the passage of time, but never their beauty. Old oscillating fans are desirable these days, and not just to keep the front hall cool.

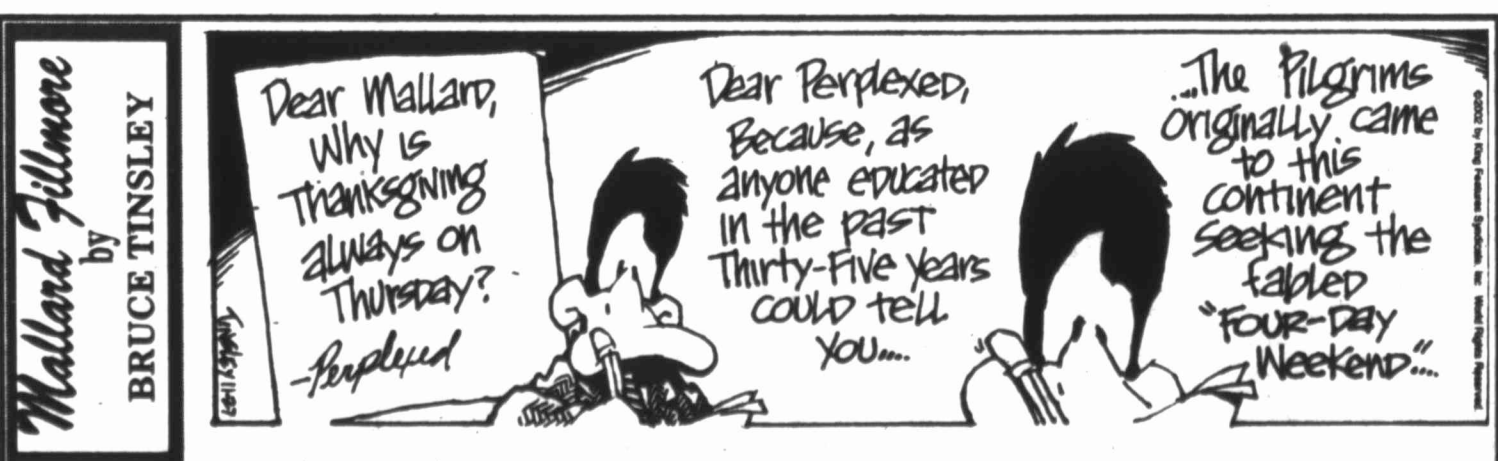
There are certain objects, however, that will never be anything but ugly. They include: anything made of plastic, old automobile parts, clothes hangers, quilts of polyester patches and leisure suits. It would take more than the mere passage of time to transform any of those.

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# Common sense tips for creating a safer home

(ARA) - How securely attached are the screens in your windows? Would they stop a playful puppy from tumbling out ... or an intruder from getting into your home?

Does your family regularly practice how to handle emergencies, such as stove fires, sudden violent storms or burst pipes? Would your children know how to unlock a window and escape from a fire?

When you have a family, there's a lot to think about. Building a safe, secure home is one of the top priorities for all parents. From selecting reliable products during the construction of a home to monitoring children at play, creating a safe environment is an ongoing task for parents.

Whether you're thinking about building a new home or renovating a cherished, older home, Simonton Windows, a leading manufacturer of quality vinyl windows and patio doors, has some advice for you. The experts encourage you to give top priority to selecting products that protect your family - from storms, intruders and unforeseen accidents.

If you think that windows are just the pieces of glass that allow light and air to flow in and out of your home, think again. Have you ever researched the best styles of windows to have in a home with small children? Do you know what type of glass you should have in windows to help prevent noise penetration and discourage intruders? Are your utility bills soaring because your current windows lack energy efficiency features?

Knowing your windows

means knowing how to create a safer home for your family. Take this fast and easy window test to learn how safe your home is:

**Question #1** - When was the last time your entire family held a practice nighttime fire drill in your home?

**Answer** - Experts recommend practicing safety drills regularly - at least twice a year - and in the dark, without the aid of electricity that may fail in a fire. Small children tend to "hide" from fire, so make sure your children are familiar with escape routes, have flashlights near their beds and know how to move quickly out of the home. Also, establish a meeting location away from the house to assure that family members can be accounted for after exiting the home.

**Question #2** - How much do you allow windows to be opened to increase air flow in your home?

**Answer** - While gaining ventilation is important in the home, so is safety. If you have pets or small children, realize that window screens are intended just to keep insects outside, not to hold children inside. Screens will not support the weight of a child or frisky pet.

For added safety in your home, consider opening just the top sash of a double hung window for ventilation. Or, install windows, such as those from Simonton, that offer ventilation locks that allow the window to be partially opened for fresh air while remaining securely locked.



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**Making a home safe for family members can be achieved by following some simple guidelines such as keeping cribs and furniture away from windows. A window safety brochure filled with tips on keeping a home safe is available free from Simonton Windows by calling (800) SIMONTON.**

**Question #3** - During the holidays, do you staple decorations or lights to the inside of your windows, have candles lit in the windows or use spray foam "snow" on the windows?

**Answer** - Windows are not constructed to serve as "hitching posts" for holiday decorations. Anytime you nail or staple into them - or attach decorative accessories directly to the glass - you're compromising the structure and safety of the

unit itself. Melted wax on window frames can damage the sills and seep into the frame, making it difficult to open. Lights attached to the frame serve as a safety hazard, both from an electrical standpoint and by hampering egress from the home. Want to play it safe? Decorate around windows during the holidays, not on them.

**Question #4:** Does your nighttime, and pre-vacation checklist include

locking all windows?

**Answer** - Make certain to keep windows locked when not at home and in the evenings (especially in children's rooms) to prevent a "quiet thief" from entering your home. While most glass in windows can be broken with a crowbar or baseball bat (except impact resistant glass found in some window units), intruders don't like to make noise. So, the first way to keep your family safe and secure is simply to get in

the habit of keeping windows and doors locked when not in use.

If you live in an area prone to active children or potential crime, order windows with tempered safety glass - at least for the first floor of the home. Two panes of glass are adhered to a durable plastic interlayer, much like a car windshield. So, if a stray baseball hits a window, the glass will shatter, but broken pieces remain adhered to the interlayer, preventing glass fallout inside the home. The plastic interlayer is also puncture-resistant, frustrating potential intruders.

**Question #5:** Are any pieces of furniture in your home blocking windows or positioned so that curious children can use them as climbing vehicles?

**Answer** - If you have children younger than 8 years of age, reexamine the placement of furniture in every room of your home. You want to keep furniture (including cribs), or anything children can climb on, away from windows. Especially in rooms above the first floor, make certain you're not providing easy ways for children to lean out windows. It's also important to keep window access clear in case of an emergency so that exiting can be fast and easy.

For more window safety tips, call (800) SIMONTON to request a free copy of the easy-to-read, eight-page booklet, "A few things to think about when thinking about your home."

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**A TODAS LAS PERSONAS Y ENTIDADES INTERESADAS:**  
 Alon USA, L.P. se ha registrado con la Comision de Conservacion de Recursos Naturales de Tejas (TNRCC o Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission) para la renovacion de un Permiso de Calidad de Aire Num. 21013 el cual autorizara continuar el funcionamiento de un(a) Propylene Recovery Unit en Big Spring Refinery, Interstate Highway 20 and Refinery Road, Big Spring, Condado de Howard County, Tejas. Informacion adicional sobre esta solicitud puede encontrarse en la seccion de avisos publicos de esta publicacion.

**TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:**  
 Alon USA, L.P. has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 21013 which would authorize continued operation of the Propylene Recovery Unit at their Big Spring Refinery located at Interstate Highway 20 and Refinery Road, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

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### W.E.B. Griffin books among new selections at library

The Library will close for the Thanksgiving holidays at 3 p.m. today and will also be closed Saturday, Nov. 30. The Library will resume regular hours on Monday, Dec. 2. Beginning in December, Saturday hours will change; the Library will open at 9 a.m. and close at 4 p.m.



**HOLLIS McCRIGHT**

The Library has received three new W.E.B. Griffin books, each from a different series. The first is "Special Ops," a Brotherhood of War novel; "The Fighting Angels" from "A Man at War" series and also "Under Fire," A Corps novel. If you have read his books, you may want to check the sequence of books as Griffin uses the same characters in each of the books. They are very good and may give you an insight into the Armed Forces. These books can be found in the General Fiction shelves. If you are looking to read the books in sequence, check at the Circulation Desk, they have a list of the books in each series.

"Faking It" is Jennifer Crutie's fifth novel to date. Matilda Goodnight has put her days of forging art behind her, but when her niece accidentally sells one of the six paintings she did as the fictitious daughter of a reclusive painter, she fears her secret past will

be discovered. Tilda determines to steal the painting from Clea Lewis, the conniving social climber who bought it. But when she sneaks into the house Clea shares with wealthy Mason Phipps, she runs right into Davy Dempsey, who is there to steal back the money Clea took from him. Sparks fly instantly between the two, and Davy offers to steal the painting for her, but he brings back the wrong one. In spite of these secrets and problems, Tilda and Davy fall in love as they chase down the forged paintings. This is an entertaining, fast-paced romp with a pleasing love story at its heart and can be found on the New Book Shelf.

"First Cut: A Season in the Human Anatomy Lab" (611.0071 CAR A) written by Albert Howard Carter III is a fascinating look at the human body. Carter observed first-year medical students dissect cadavers. From the first nervous, uncertain days in anatomy lab to the final exam, students were taught lessons on the body's structural beauties and the rhythms and reasons of life and death. If you want to become a doctor or are just curious about the human body, please check this book out.

Howard County Master Gardeners will be starting classes in January and we have brochures if you are interested in becoming a Master Gardener. With that in mind, J. Howard Garrett has written "Organic Manual," an easy-to-follow guide filled with advice on how to

properly select plants and how to install and maintain an organic yard and garden. The call number is 635.0484 GAR H.

I am still perusing the donated books that we have received. While many of them are new, there are a few fill-in titles. Either new or donated books received are: "The Triumph of Katie Byrne" by Barbra Taylor Bradford; Sidney Sheldon's "Nothing Lasts Forever;" "Home Fires" by Luanne Rice; and "Man of the Hour" by Peter Blauner. Two new books are "Chasing Darkness" by Danielle Girard and "Cold is the Grave" by Peter Robinson. Robinson is a new author and one that I think a reader will enjoy if they like the English mystery. It is contemporary in nature, however and not a "cozy." The last two books can be found on the New Book Shelf.

Katherine Valentine has written "A Miracle for St. Cecilia's." It is reminiscent of Jan Karon, in that it is about faith. St. Cecilia's is the Catholic Church in a dying mill town. The Bishop has decreed that the church must close because of high maintenance costs and an aging parishioner base. Father James Flaherty is in despair; what will become of his flock? While Easter is the traditional time of hope and renewal; it is also to be a time of death. A miracle is needed to save the church and the parishioners. This is one of the Library's "lease books;" you can find it over in the McNaughton section, beside the New

Book section. Do men go through cleaning up and throwing stuff away? Or is it just a "woman" thing? Once again, the collection is being divested of old, worn out books which will be stored until the annual book sale in September. Selected books are added to the Friends of the Library

Sale shelf to be sold. Currently, the General Fiction shelves are being weeded and as time permits, the Biography section will also be thinned. Weeding or discarding of items is a necessary evil. Books become torn and tattered, popular fiction does not always stand the test of time and interest of readers and in many

cases, room has to be made for new material. Howard County is open from 9 to 6, Monday to Friday and 10 until 5 on Saturday. The Library is located at 500 Main St. Our phone number is 264-2260. Web site is www.howard-county.lib.tx.us; our email address is howard-county@hotmail.com.

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Sports Editor  
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# Fighting back

## Steers score 52 in loss to rival Snyder

By TOMMY WELLS  
Sports Editor

The Big Spring Steers didn't come away with a win Tuesday night but they did something head coach Jim Kinnear has to be pleased about: They found their game.

Despite suffering a 78-52 setback, Big Spring pumped in 14 shots from the field and shot 67 percent from the free throw line en route to turning in one of their better performances of the young season.

The first quarter wasn't kind to the Steers. Big Spring, which has been outscored by a 64-20 clip in the first eight minutes of its last three games, watched on as Snyder streaked to a 23-13 cushion.

It didn't get any easier in the opening minutes of the second. The Tigers opened the frame with an 8-1 run and inflated their lead to 31-14 before Clayton Weaver ended the run with a pair of shots from the charity stripe.

Weaver finished the game with a team-high 19 points.

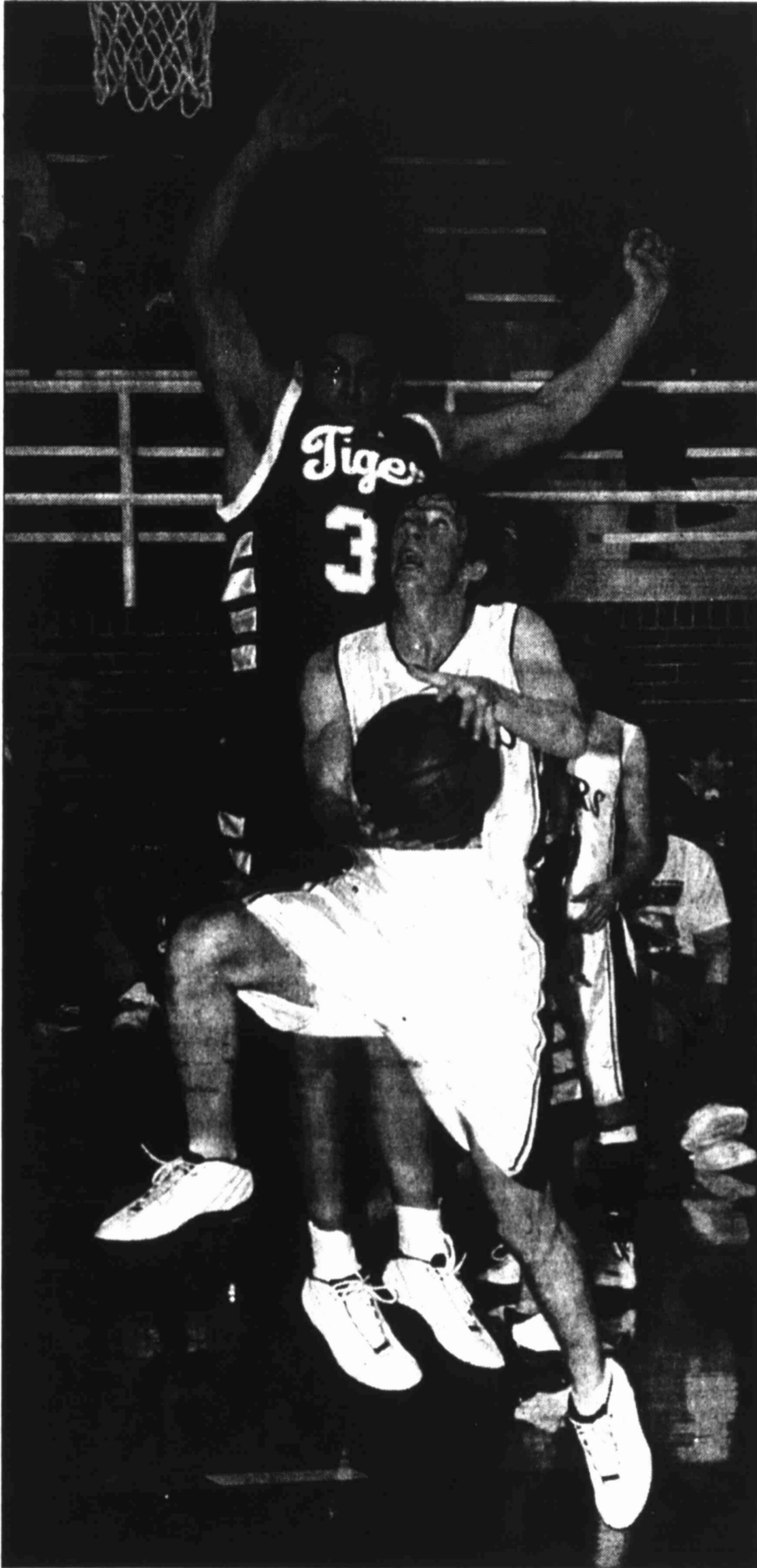
Overall, Big Spring used the free throw well in the second. The Steers scored 11 of their 13 second-quarter points at the line, hitting on 11 of 16 attempts.

Snyder carried a 45-26 lead into the half.

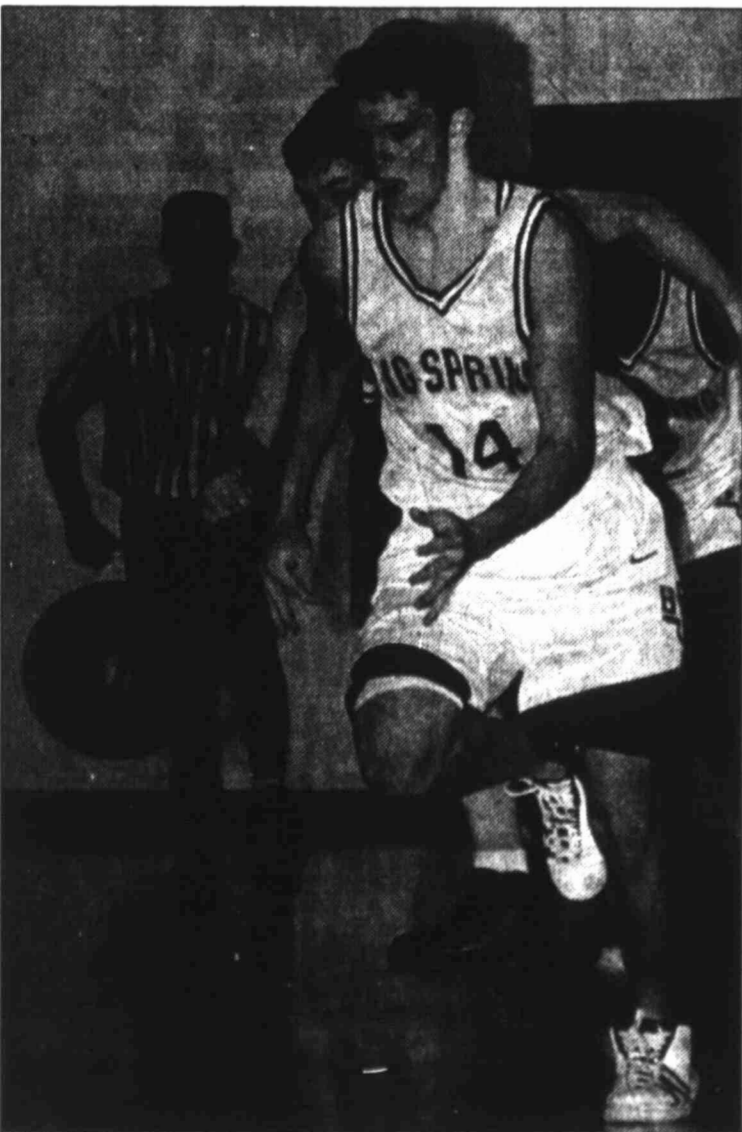
Big Spring, which also benefitted from a double-digit effort from Kyle Flenniken, went flat in the third. The Steers managed just eight points in the frame and went into the fourth quarter looking up at a 61-34 deficit.

Flenniken, who hit on 8-of-12 attempts from the free throw line, sparked Big Spring's offense early in the fourth by pulling up from the baseline and draining a long 3-pointer from the right baseline.

Flenniken's trey breathed life into the Steers' offense. Weaver See **STEERS**, Page 3B



Big Spring's Clayton Weaver drives past Snyder's Marcus Villarreal for a layup in the third quarter of the Steers' 78-52 loss at home. Weaver scored a team-high 19 points in the contest.



The Big Spring freshmen suffered a tough loss to Snyder Tuesday in the BSJHS gym. Snyder also downed the Steer JV, 83-40.

## Gross, Watson shine in 63-40 loss to Snyder

By TOMMY WELLS  
Sports Editor

The Snyder Tigers scored a 25-13 run in the second and third quarters and then held off a spirited fourth quarter run Tuesday night to claim a 63-40 win over the Big Spring junior varsity in the Big Spring Junior High School gym.

With the loss, the Steers slipped beneath .500 for the year, falling to 2-3.

Big Spring held its own in the first quarter. The Steers, behind a shot from Brandon Gross and a 3-point bomb from Justin Watson managed to match the Tigers shot-for-shot through the first seven minutes.

Snyder managed to score late in the frame to take a slim 8-5 cushion.

The Steers hit on had times from there. Snyder scored a 16-5 run in the second and stretched its lead to 24-10 at the half.

The Tigers, who were led by Jordan Roberson's 13 points, added to its

cushion in the third. They pounded out a 19-8 run and took a 43-18 lead into the final quarter.

The Steers, who shot just five free throws in the first three quarters, tortured Snyder from the charity stripe in the final eight minutes. The Steers highlighted a 22-point fourth quarter run by hitting 10-of-14 attempts in the frame.

Gross, Watson and Brandon Boling all enjoyed strong efforts for the Steers. Each finished the game with 10 points.

Corey Townsend and Bobby Newton contributed to the Big Spring cause, adding five and four points, respectively. Corey Green added one on a 1-of-2 effort from the line in the third quarter.

The Big Spring High School freshman team, like the junior varsity, didn't emerge from Tuesday's bout in a festive mod. The Steers suffered a tough setback to Snyder.

## Ellis, Buffs plant Garden City, 58-43

By TOMMY WELLS  
Sports Editor

The Forsan Buffaloes found the perfect cure for the blues they felt after suffering a tough loss to No. 4-ranked Irion Co. They beat rival Garden City.

Forsan rode the hot hand of Matt Ellis to a 58-43 win over Garden City Tuesday night in the Bearkat gym.

"I feel like we played real well in the first half," said Buffalo head coach Tommy McDonald. "We came out a bit flat in the second but we managed to finish off strong."

Forsan, now 3-1 on the year, opened the game with a solid run.

The Buffs outscored Garden City by a 15-7 clip in the first quarter.

The news only got worse for the Bearkats in the second. Anchored by Ellis, the Buffs reeled off an 18-4 run and took a commanding 33-11 lead into the intermission.

Ellis finished the night as the game's top scorer, pumping in 23 points.

Garden City, which was powered by Brandon Bednar, didn't go down quietly. The Bearkats pulled themselves to within striking distance with a furious third-quarter run that sent them into the final eight minutes down by just 48-33.

Garden City outscored Forsan by a 22-15 margin

**Area High School Basketball Results**

**Boys**

Snyder 78, Big Spring 52  
Snyder JV 83, Big Spring 40  
Forsan 58, Garden City 43  
Coahoma 57, Wall 54

**Girls**

Garden City 74, Forsan 26

in the third. The Buffs held off the Bearkat rally in the fourth. They matched Garden City point-for-point in the frame.

Trey Kuykendall and David Lee both played well in the Buffs' win, scoring eight points apiece. Brent Huff and Wes Longorio added six and five, respectively, while Ryan Sayles and Augie Hilario tallied four apiece.

Bednar led all GCHS scorers with 16.

The Garden City JV came out on top in the boys' sub-varsity game, winning 37-17.

The Garden City Lady 'Kats didn't have any trouble finding the win column in their showdown with Forsan. They pounded out a 74-26 win.

With the victory, the Lady 'Kats pushed their season record to 5-1.

The Forsan Lady Buff JV earned a 27-13 win over Garden in sub-varsity girls' play.

Forsan will return to action Dec. 3 by hosting the Water Valley Wildcats. Garden City will face Coahoma on Dec. 2.



ELLIS

## Mulkey, 'Dogs put the bite on Hawks, 57-54

By TOMMY WELLS  
Sports Editor

The Coahoma Bulldogs climbed above the .500 mark Tuesday in grand fashion.

They downed the Wall Hawks, 57-54, in front of a large crowd in the Coahoma Elementary gym.

With the win, the Bulldogs upped their season mark to 3-2. Wall fell to 1-1.

The Bulldogs, who edged Borden Co. on Monday, jumped all over the Hawks in the early minutes of the non-district matchup. Coahoma reeled off a 21-12 run in the first eight minutes and never looked back.

Wall managed to regain a little momentum in the second. The Hawks scored 17 points in the frame and pulled to within 35-29 at the half.

The Bulldogs sealed the win with a solid defensive effort in the second half. They limited Wall to just 25 points in the final 16 minutes of the contest.

Mulkey finished the game as Coahoma's top scorer, netting 21 points — nine via three 3-point shots.

Toby Jackson also reached double figures for the CHS cagers, throwing in 17 points. Sam Tindol added eight.



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## Cowboys to face Skins in Thanksgiving Day clash

IRVING (AP) — Long before Ross Tucker played for both teams, he already knew about the intense rivalry between the Dallas Cowboys and Washington Redskins.

"This is the biggest rivalry," the Dallas offensive lineman said. "I grew up in Philadelphia as an Eagles fan and I knew about the Cowboys-Redskins rivalry."

Tucker made his NFL debut Washington last

December against Dallas. On Thursday, he'll be starting at left guard for the Cowboys, who claimed him off waivers from the Redskins last month.

In changing teams, Tucker moved onto the winning side of an unprecedented streak in the 84-game series that dates to 1960.

Dallas (4-7) has won

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followed with a pair of baskets — the latter coming off a steal in the Snyder backcourt that he turned into a coast-to-coast layup.

In all, the Steers reeled off 10 straight points and pulled to within 65-45 with 3:55 remaining in the contest.

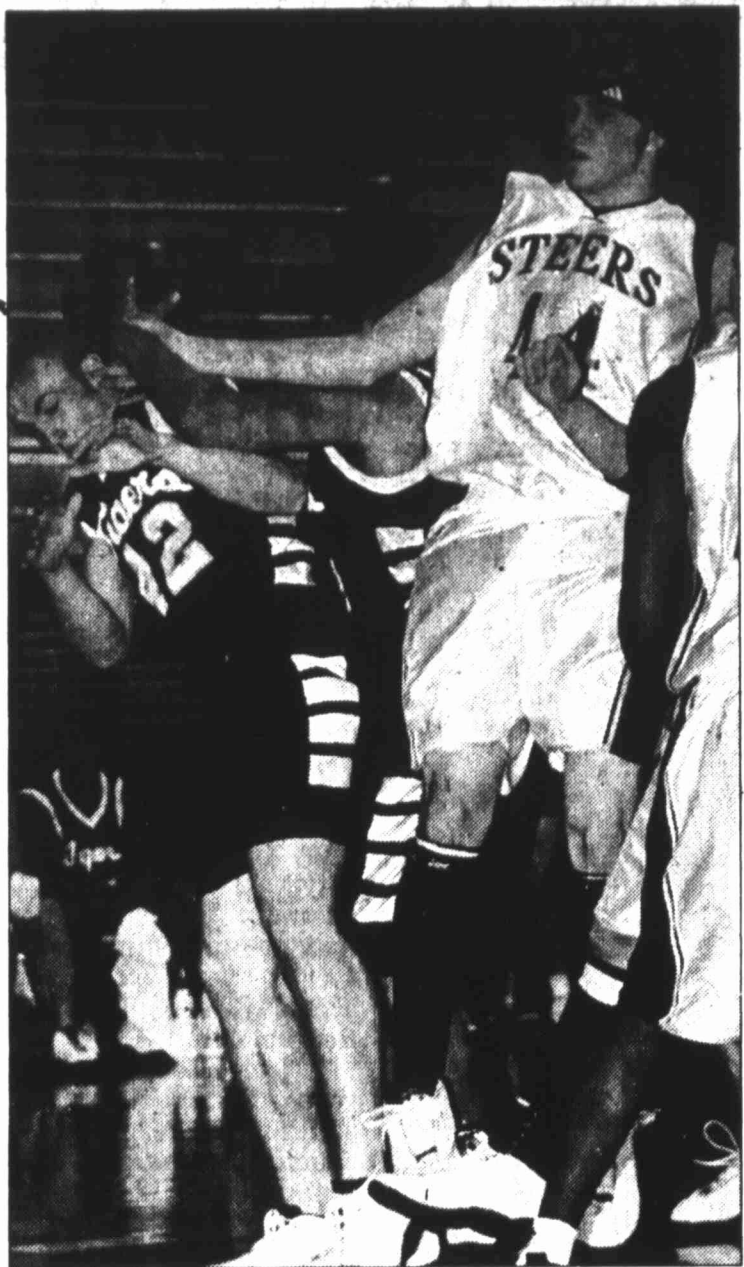
Flenniken finished the game with 13 points, including five from the floor in the final frame.

Alvin Russell also turned in a solid performance for the Steers, who had all seven players figure in the scoring effort. Russell finished with seven points.

Russell Grant chalked up four points in the game. C.J. Lowery tallied three while Nathan Teeters and Josh Pedigo added two apiece.

Lee Scott paced Snyder offensively, scoring 22 points — 15 of which came on five 3-point shots.

With the loss, Big Spring fell to 0-5. The Steers will return to action Dec. 3 in Lamesa.



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Big Spring's Josh Pedigo battles a pair of Snyder defenders for a rebound during the Steers' game Tuesday night. Big Spring is 0-5 on the year.

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nine straight in the series since 1997. Despite their own recent struggles, the Cowboys continued to beat Washington (5-6) in building a 49-33-2 lead in the series.

"Even when they've had terrible teams, teams that I've thought were nowhere near equivalent to us in talent, they've always risen to the challenge," Washington guard Tre Johnson said.

Dallas even swept all four games against the Redskins during consecutive 5-11 seasons before this year. Between the two losses to the Cowboys last season, the Redskins

won five straight games against other teams.

"I don't know if it's a confidence that we have going into the game or something that they have in their locker room coming in that maybe they press too hard," said fourth-year Cowboys nose guard Brandon Noble.

It doesn't matter that neither the Cowboys nor Redskins, who have combined to win eight Super Bowls and 31 NFC East titles, have been to the playoffs since 1999. The two games they play against each other every season are still of utmost importance.

**BSYBA registration now under way at Y**

The Big Spring Youth Basketball League has started taking registration for boys and girls, ages 5-14, who desire to play basketball this winter. The registration fee is \$20 and includes a team t-shirt and award. The deadline to register is Dec. 7. Registration is being done at the YMCA.

Adults interested in coaching should attend a mandatory meeting on Monday, Dec. 2, at 7 p.m. or Saturday, Dec. 7, at 10 a.m.

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**Mom over**

Dear Annie:  
old daughter, excellent and baby sitter. Last new neighbors, their two sons, 7. "The Smiths attend a maj about two hour instructions microwave supervise the child and let them pl watch television p.m.  
Julie phoned p.m. to check in had fed and boys. At 11:00 Smith called could not make night and wou the morning. and checked of the boys, and was fine, so I le At 10:00 the Julie said the S home disheve appeared to overs. They pa well and drove The Smiths Julie to sit aga concerned a because I think take advantage thinks I have s worry. She s never more t blocks away an borhood is c Should I let her people again? Dear New Yor parents should Julie if there v bility they'd overnight, it w just as well drive home, their inebriated It's too soon this is a patter may have been lapse. Since Ju paid and she'd l this couple aga she may do so. call her during and make cer thing is OK. If repeat their beh should not be p sit for them aga Dear Annie: group of five f we like to cel

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# Mom worried about daughter's overnight babysitting job

Dear Annie: Our 15-year-old daughter, "Julie," is an excellent and experienced baby sitter. Last month, the new neighbors hired her for their two sons, ages 10 and 7. "The Smiths" planned to attend a major function about two hours away. Her instructions were to microwave supper, supervise the children's baths, and let them play games or watch television until 9:00 p.m.



Annie's Mailbox

Julie phoned me at 8:00 p.m. to check in and say she had fed and bathed the boys. At 11:00 p.m., Mrs. Smith called to say they could not make it back that night and would return in the morning. I went over and checked on Julie and the boys, and everything was fine, so I left her there. At 10:00 the next morning, Julie said the Smiths came home disheveled and appeared to have hangovers. They paid her quite well and drove her home.

The Smiths have asked Julie to sit again. I am a bit concerned about this because I think they might take advantage of her. Julie thinks I have no reason to worry. She says she is never more than a few blocks away and the neighborhood is quite safe. Should I let her sit for these people again? — New York

Dear New York: While the parents should have told Julie if there was a possibility they'd be gone overnight, it was probably just as well they didn't drive home, considering their inebriated condition. It's too soon to know if this is a pattern or not. It may have been a one-time lapse. Since Julie was well paid and she'd like to sit for this couple again, tell her she may do so. Be sure to call her during the evening and make certain everything is OK. If the Smiths repeat their behavior, Julie should not be permitted to sit for them again.

Dear Annie: I have a group of five friends, and we like to celebrate one

Who should get the centerpiece? Your answer is extremely important to me and many others. — Annoyed in Dover, Mass.

Dear Dover: Unless the hostess specifically meant a future birthday, and said so, the centerpiece should go to the one whose birthday was five days before.

Dear Annie: I'd like to respond to the letter from the mother who said her daughter isn't ready for marriage because her home is a mess.

I grew up in a dirty house, but it was full of love. Mom was a single parent raising two girls. She was also a teacher, a volunteer at a domestic violence shelter, and she sang weekly in a barbershop quartet.

When I married, I tried very hard to keep my home from looking like my mother's. One day, I was near tears over the mess, when my best friend asked if I thought a clean house measured my worth as a mother. She also asked if I thought my mother was a bad parent. Of course I said "no" to both.

If this woman's daughter is happy with her life, Mom should be happy for her. Happiness is hard to find. A cleaning woman isn't. — Mother of Three

Dear Mother of Three: You are absolutely right. Thanks for saying so.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to anniesmailbox@attbi.com, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, P.O. Box 118190, Chicago, IL 60611. To find out more about Annie's Mailbox, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.

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PSST... What's In The Bag?

## BY JACQUELINE BIGAR HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR Wednesday Nov. 27, 2002:

You'll have unusually positive energy this year if you direct it toward your work and potential educational or growth experiences. Learning to easily understand others might be as important to your success as education. Travel and a foreigner could make a significant difference in your professional life. If you are single, you are likely to meet someone quite unique and different. You make waves in his or her life, much as he or she does in your life. If you are attached, relating to your in-laws enhances your relationship. You'll find that, as a couple, you're more together than you have been for years. VIRGO pushes your buttons.

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) \*\*\* Focus on work and completing the job, especially if you have any intention of getting out of work on time. Others seem to dump more and more on you. A loved one's gesture makes your day. Do whatever you can to pitch in. Tonight: Put your feet up.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) \*\*\* You might be more playful than many. Make an effort toward a loved one or friend, whether it is inviting him or her to a Thanksgiving dinner or participating in his or her life in some other fashion. A partner could be overwhelmed. Tonight: Pitch in.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\* You might decide to work from home, if possible. Understand that your efforts at work and at home help everyone. Understand when to stop and do for yourself. An errand devel-

ops into a major social event. Know when to say "enough." Tonight: Close to home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) \*\*\* Your efforts return in multiples. Understand that not everyone expresses his or her affection the same way. Lighten up when dealing with others. Be more direct in your dealings. Explain what is really on your mind. Tonight: Visit while others stuff the turkey!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\* Financial dealings take precedence, especially with a domestic matter. Indulge yourself by reaching out for those around you. Your high energy helps a friend air out a new viewpoint. A friend makes a statement that might sound unusually aggressive. Tonight: Your treat.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\* Express your diligence in a manner that makes a difference. Your smile wins friends. Reach out for those around you, especially if a friend might not have plans for Thanksgiving. Express your unusual thoughtfulness. Tonight: As you like it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\* Recognize your limits when dealing with someone who might make you a bit uncomfortable. Get past an obstacle through revealing more of what's on your mind. You're now in the position to release an emotional obstruction in your life. Tonight: Rest up.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\* Aim for more of what you want from someone else. Friends surround you in your immediate circle. Reach out to a friend who might have been off-kilter or out-of-skew. Believe in yourself. You can do it. Tonight: Where your friends are.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-

Dec. 21) \*\*\* You have the best of intentions, though you might overreact to someone's demands. Know when to put a halt to spending. Get life to conform a bit more to your needs for a change. Tonight: Bring family and friends together as early as now!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\* Pressure builds in a somewhat unprecedented manner. You can and will be able to make inroads with someone at a distance whom you really care about. You can make a difference where others cannot. Loosen up. Tonight: Hop in the car. Time to visit.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\* A partner needs and wants more communication, which perhaps you need. Extremes modify a situation. You might opt to do a double take. Carefully consider options that surround a friendship. You might decide to make separate plans. Tonight: Say "yes" to a friend.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\* Others seek you out. Ask for more support if you need it. Pressure builds, encouraging you to head in a new direction. Realize your limits with care involving a boss or a parent. You might need to back down in order to get the results you desire. Tonight: Go along with the program.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

TEXAS NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL  
AIR QUALITY PERMIT NO. 21013

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION: Alon USA, L.P., P.O. Box 1311, Big Spring, Texas, 79720, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 21013 which would authorize continued operation of the Proylene Recovery Unit at their Big Spring Refinery located at Interstate Highway 20 and Refinery Road, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. The following air contaminants will be evaluated for authorization: organic compounds and hydrogen sulfide.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on June 24, 2002. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Midland regional office, and the Howard County Library, 500 South Main, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Midland regional office of the TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING: You may submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or request a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments.

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application may be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. Only comments received on the application, the response to comments, along with notice of the executive director's action on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. If a hearing request is timely filed, the executive director will issue a preliminary decision on the application, and a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision may be published and mailed to those who are on the mailing list for this application. This notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.

After the final deadline for public comments following any required Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments. If comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on a mailing list for this application.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING: You may request a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from the notice, the executive director may approve the application. If no hearing request is received within this 15-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided. A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "(I/we) request a contested case hearing"; (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location of the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or an association, you must also include the names of those who have standing to request a hearing, and the interests which the group or association seeks to protect. Also include the mailing address where you would like to receive notices. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address below.

If a hearing request is timely filed, additional notice may be provided. Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST: In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific application mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk by sending a written request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. INFORMATION: Written public comments or requests for a public meeting or contested case hearing should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040.

General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at [www.tceq.state.tx.us](http://www.tceq.state.tx.us). Further information may also be obtained from Alon USA, L.P. at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Edwin Bergmann, Sage Environmental Consulting, Inc. at (409) 838-4800. AVISO DE RECIBO DE SOLICITUD E INTENTO DE OBTENER UNA RENOVACION DE PERMISO DE CALIDAD DE AIRE DE AIRE: PERMISO NUM. 21013 SOLICITUD: Alon USA, L.P., P.O. Box 1311, Big Spring, Texas, 79720, se ha registrado con la Comisión de Conservación de Recursos Naturales de Tejas (TNRCC o Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission) para la renovación de un Permiso de Calidad de Aire Num. 21013 el cual autoriza continuar el funcionamiento de la Unidad de Recuperación de Proylene en Big Spring Refinery, Interstate Highway 20 and Refinery Road, Big Spring, Condado de Howard County, Texas. La instalación existente va a emitir los siguientes contaminantes atmosféricos: compuesto organico y sulfuro de hidrogeno.

Esta solicitud fue sometida al TNRCC en June 24, 2002. La solicitud esta disponible para reasear y copiar en la Oficina Central del TNRCC en la Oficina Regional del TNRCC en Midland, y en Howard County Library, 500 South Main, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. El archivo del cumplimiento de las leyes de la instalación, se encuentra disponible para el público en la Oficina Regional del TNRCC en Midland. El director ejecutivo del TNRCC ha determinado que la solicitud se halla administrativamente completa y conducirá un analisis tecnico de la solicitud. COMENTARIOS PUBLICOS/JUNTA PUBLICA: Usted puede someter comentarios publicos, solicitar una junta publica, o solicitar una audiencia en controversia sobre esta solicitud a la Oficina del Chief Clerk en la direccion a continuacion. El TNRCC considerara todos los comentarios publicos en el desarrollo de una decision final sobre esta solicitud. El plazo limite para someter sus comentarios es 15 dias despues de la publicacion de este aviso. Despues del plazo limite para los comentarios publicos, el director ejecutivo preparara una respuesta a todos los comentarios recibidos y materiales o de otro modo significativos. El proposito de una junta publica es para proveer la oportunidad de someter comentarios, o hacer preguntas sobre la solicitud. Una junta publica no es considerada una audiencia en controversia. Si solo se reciben comentarios sobre esta solicitud, la respuesta a los comentarios, junto con un aviso de la decision del director ejecutivo sobre la solicitud se le enviara a todos los interesados que hallan omitido comentarios o solicitudes que se les incluyera en la lista de correo para esta solicitud.

Si la peticion para una audiencia en controversia es recibida a tiempo, aviso adicional sera dado. Despues de que se cierran todos los periodos aplicables de comentarios y peticiones, el director ejecutivo mandara la solicitud y todas las peticiones de audiencia en controversia a los Comisionados del TNRCC para su consideracion en una junta de Comisionado en su iterario. Si se concede una audiencia en controversia, el objeto de la audiencia en controversia sera limitado a los asuntos de hecho en disputa relevantes y materiales a la calidad del aire, que hayan surgido durante el periodo de comentarios. Asuntos como el valor de la propiedad, ruido, seguridad de trafico, y zonas multiplicas estan fuera de lo que la Comision tiene la jurisdiccion de considerar en este proceso. LISTA DE CORREO: Usted puede solicitar que se le ponga en una lista de correo para recibir informacion adicional de esta solicitud someter un comentario a la Oficina del Chief Clerk en la direccion a continuacion. INFORMACION: Comentarios publicos por escrito, peticiones para una junta publica o peticiones para una audiencia en controversia deberan someterse a la Oficina del Chief Clerk, MC-105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Para mas informacion sobre esta solicitud o el proceso de permisos, por favor llame a la Oficina de Asistencia Publica gratis, al 1-800-687-4040. Informacion general sobre el TNRCC se puede encontrar en el [www.tnrcc.state.tx.us](http://www.tnrcc.state.tx.us).

Mas informacion tambien puede obtenerse de Alon USA, L.P. al llamar al telefono anteriormente o llamando al señor Edwin Bergmann, Sage Environmental Consulting, Inc. en el (409) 838-4800. 8/27/02 November 26 & 27, 2002

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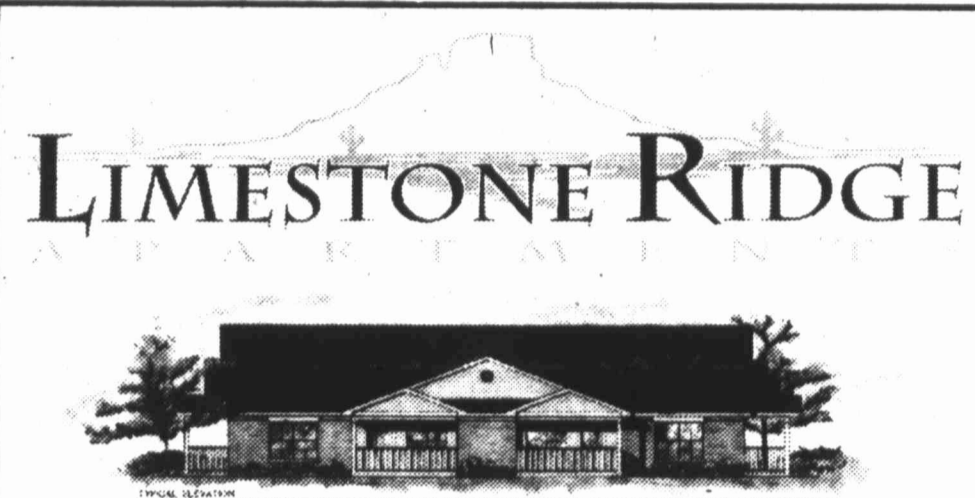
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<b>EAST SIDE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> EAST 6TH & SETTLES 267-1915	<b>14TH &amp; MAIN CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 1401 MAIN 263-1303	<b>FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> 4TH & LANCASTER 267-7971
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This Date in History

**By The Associated Press**

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 27, the 331st day of 2002. There are 34 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 27, 1910, New York's Pennsylvania Station opened.

On this date:

In 1901, the U.S. Army War College was established in Washington D.C.

In 1942, during World War II, the French navy at Toulon scuttled its ships and submarines to keep them out of the hands of the Nazis.

In 1945, Gen. George C. Marshall was named special U.S. envoy to China to try to end hostilities between the nationalists and the Communists.

In 1953, playwright Eugene O'Neill died in Boston at age 65.

In 1970, Pope Paul VI, vis-

iting the Philippines, was slightly wounded at the Manila airport by a dagger-wielding Bolivian painter disguised as a priest.

In 1973, the Senate voted 92-3 to confirm Gerald R. Ford as vice president, succeeding Spiro T. Agnew, who had resigned.

In 1978, San Francisco Mayor George Moscone and City Supervisor Harvey Milk, a gay-rights activist, were shot to death inside City Hall by former supervisor Dan White.

In 1983, 183 people were killed when a Colombian Avianca Airlines Boeing 747 crashed near Madrid's Barajas Airport.

In 1985, the British House of Commons approved the Anglo-Irish accord giving Dublin a consultative role in the governing of British-ruled Northern Ireland.

In 1989, 107 people were killed when a bomb blamed by police on drug traffickers destroyed a Colombian jetliner.

Five years ago: A day after saying it would open its presidential palaces to international observers,

Iraq declared that U.N. weapons monitors were not included in the invitation. Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York was marred when a gust of wind knocked part of a lamppost onto a 34-year-old woman, fracturing her skull and leaving her in a coma for almost a month.

One year ago: Afghan factions opened power-sharing talks outside Bonn, Germany.

Today's Birthdays: Actor James Avery is 54. Caroline Kennedy Schlossberg is 45. Rock musician Charlie Burchill (Simple Minds) is 43. Rock musician Charlie Benante (Anthrax) is 40. Rock musician Mike Bordin (Faith No More) is 40. Actor Fisher Stevens is 39.

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  - 13 Reject as false
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  - 24 Clumsy one's remark
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  - 29 Small bodies of water
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## GREAT IDEAS FOR A HOLIDAY DINNER

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By Barbara Murry

People who reduce the fat in their diets for health reasons can do fine and not feel too deprived - until Thanksgiving and the December holiday season. It's easy to feel sorry for yourself when the holidays trigger memories of stuffing and gravy and pumpkin pies past dancing in your head! We promise the following recipes can make the difference between feeling deprived and being pleasantly surprised at how great holiday eating can be for you! Turkey and mashed potatoes we'll leave to you. Obviously the potatoes are prepared without lots of butter, but the gravy will be so great you won't notice.

### Reduced Fat Stuffing

This recipe will be asked for so many times you will lose count! Serves 8-10

Vegetable oil spray  
2 cups diced celery (4 large ribs)

1 1/2 cups chopped onion  
4 TBS butter  
3 cups 1% milk  
2 one lb loafs white sandwich bread - dry and tear to bite size pieces  
2 TBS Poultry seasoning (more or less depending on your taste)  
Salt and pepper  
Turkey gravy for extra stuffing (below)

\* Preheat oven to 350 degrees  
F. Lightly spray a baking pan or microwave dish with vegetable oil spray.

\* In a large frying pan, combine celery, onion and butter. SautE over medium-high heat until vegetables are tender.

\* Put bread in a large bowl. Sprinkle evenly with poultry seasoning.

\* Add celery and onion mixture and stir until well mixed.

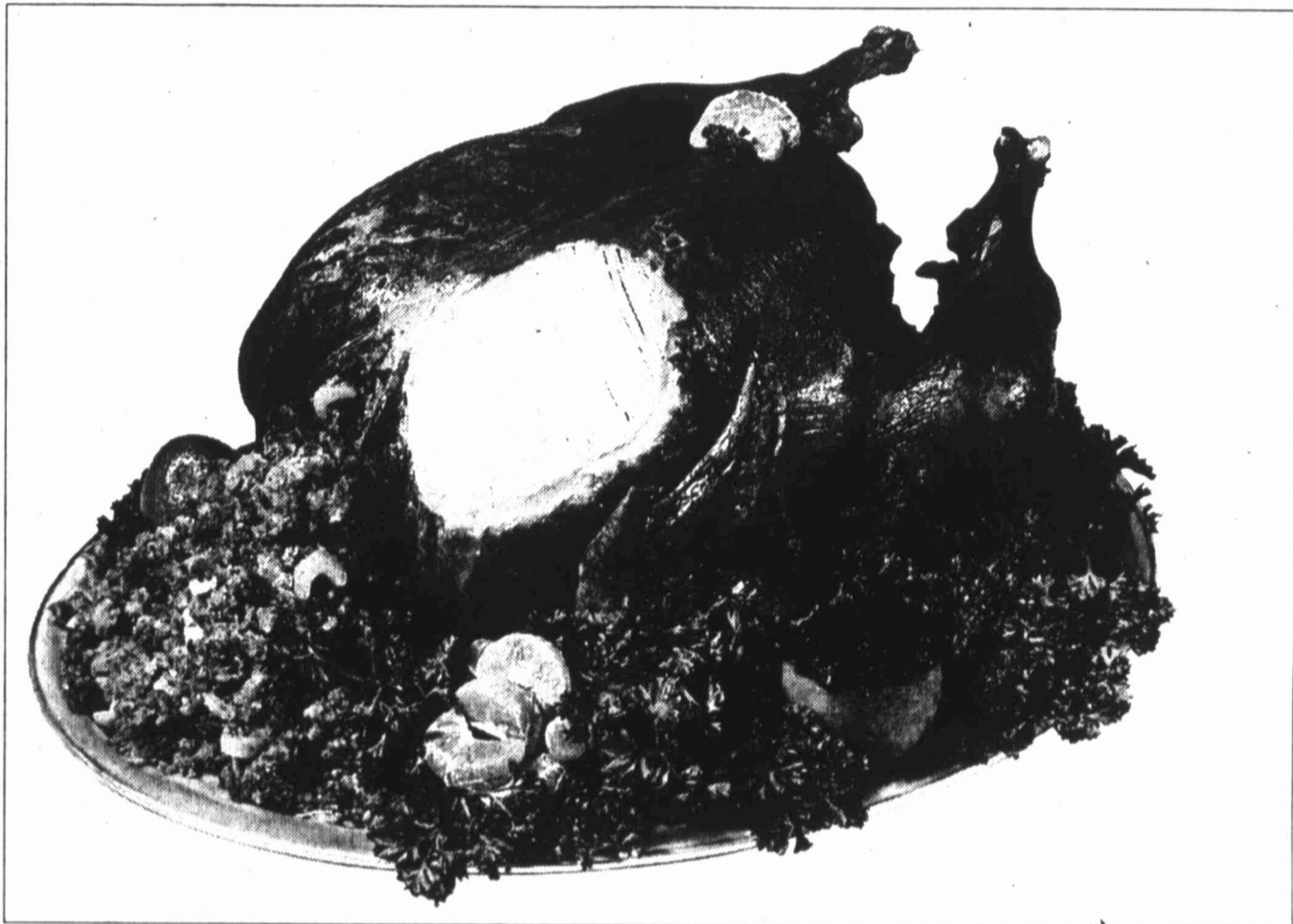
\* Add milk and stir until moistened. Consistency should be moist and hold together, but not wet. If too dry, add a little more milk.

\* Stuff dressing loosely in cavity of 10 to 12 pound turkey just before roasting.

\* For best taste spoon turkey gravy over extra stuffing before baking.

\* Cook extra stuffing in covered baking pan for 20 minutes. Can also be microwaved.

\* If you're serving a large



crowd, mix the extra stuffing after heating with the turkey stuffing.

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# Count Thanksgiving among your family blessings

By JOAN BRUNSKILL

NEW YORK (AP) - "Thanksgiving is all about bounty and abundance," says Susan Ungaro, editor of Family Circle magazine, defining the essence of the holiday. For her, as for most people, it's a time for family above all.

Last year, she entertained 30 people at her New Jersey home for the family's Thanksgiving dinner, she recalled recently. "This year, there'll be slightly fewer, about 25."

So she has plenty of experience to back suggestions she happily volunteers for making light work of hospitality.

Amplifying the idea of bounty, she says, don't overlook a basic tenet of hospitality. "Make plenty of food. At the original Thanksgiving, the Pilgrims almost had a disaster, they had so many guests — and it was the Native Americans who brought enough food to make sure there was plenty for everyone to eat," she says.

Allow for more rather than less, she says — remember, leftovers are always welcome.

But here's a caveat: "The biggest mistake people make is to try too many new things."

That's not just because some of those new recipes may not turn out as successfully as the ones you know. "People are coming because they really love the familiar, the old Thanksgiving favorites they recognize," she says. "So, don't make more than one or two new things."

"The reason I'm using Laura Bush's corn-bread stuffing this year is that I made it last year and it was a success."

"I wanted to try another kind of stuffing, other than the traditional one in our family. I made it the day before, baked it but not completely, finished it in the oven before serving next day," she says. But it could also be reheated in the microwave, she adds.

The only exception to her resolve not to try to impress her family with newfangled recipes is, maybe, the appetizers. "That's where perhaps you can experiment a bit. But we don't overdo the appetizers — if people fill up too much on them they don't enjoy the main

meal. "It's a day filled with so much food, you don't want to complicate things," she points out. As for offers of help: "The

*At the table, encourage all the family to be fully part of the occasion. Suggest that the eldest and the youngest say a blessing, or a word or two about what the year has brought.*

idea of telling people yes, when they ask if there's anything they can bring, really works very well," she says emphati-

cally. "The way we look at it, it's family, after all. The person who has the party deserves a little help."

But suggest diplomatically what people should bring. The host "should be like the conductor of an orchestra," with overall control, she says.

On the typical Thanksgiving menu, there are so many things that can be made ahead, that carry and heat up well. Ungaro mentions an example from another year. "My favorite part was when my father said, 'I'll bring the potatoes.' So he peeled about 15 pounds and brought them in a big pot — and I just had to put it on the stove to cook, then mash them."

A tip: She suggests that if you have what she called "gravy phobia," you can make turkey breast a week or so ahead, or roasted chicken would be just as acceptable — then make your gravy and freeze it.

"But my family like to do it as part of the ritual, after taking the turkey out of the oven," Ungaro says. "About

four of us, my mother, an aunt and a sister — we'll do it together, making sure there are no lumps and that it looks good."

Her family meal is served buffet style, she says, because it's the only way with that number of diners. Tables are set out in the dining room and kitchen, and in the family room for the children.

"People can manage that comfortably, and they can find themselves next to different people at different times during the meal, so they get to talk to more people."

"One of our editors suggested a 'giving bowl.' To do that, I'd make use of one of the crystal bowls we have that don't get all that much use. You have paper and pencil for everyone, and you all write down something you are really thankful for, and put the papers in the bowl. Then at dessert time, have everyone pull one out and read it."

Something else Ungaro's family always does: "Bring out a few family photo albums from

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until thickened. For a big crowd and leftovers use 6-8 gravy packets.

### Low-Fat Turkey Gravy #2

For those who are horrified at the thought of anything other than "made from scratch" here is a recipe that's earned good reviews.

Makes 2 1/2 cups

- Ingredients:
- \* 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
  - \* 1 yellow Spanish onion, coarsely chopped
  - \* 3 cups chicken or turkey stock
  - \* 1 bay leaf
  - \* 4 sprigs fresh thyme
  - \* 1/4 cup flour
  - \* 1/4 cup heavy cream (optional)
  - \* 1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley (or 1/4 teaspoon dried)
  - \* 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
  - \* 1/2 teaspoon fresh cracked black pepper

Directions:  
In a saucepan, melt the butter over medium heat. Add onions and lightly brown. Add the stock, bay leaf and thyme and bring to a simmer. Skim, reduce the heat and simmer slowly for 45 minutes. Strain and cool. (This can be done ahead of time, in which case, refrigerate until ready to use.)

Then ...  
When the turkey is done, remove it from the roasting pan and keep it warm. Skim most of the fat from the roasting pan with a ladle. When you take the stock out of the fridge, spoon the fat off the top, or, if you're using a fat separator, just pour the stock into another bowl and whisk together with the flour. Add that mixture to the roasting pan, place over medium heat and stir with a wooden spoon, scraping the brown bits from the bottom. Lower the heat and simmer for 4 to 5 minutes until the gravy is thickened. Add the cream (if you like), parsley, salt and pepper. Serve in a gravy boat with the turkey. Enjoy!

### Dessert!

Last but not least is dessert! These dessert recipes from the American Heart Association and Low Fat Cooking for Dummies are fabulous. Enjoy!

**Pumpkin Spice Cupcakes with Nutmeg Cream Topping**  
Makes 24 Servings (cup-

cakes). Keep these on hand for snacks. They taste great warm!

Cupcakes  
18.25-ounce box spice cake mix

1 cup canned pumpkin (not pumpkin pie filling)

1 cup unsweetened apple juice

Egg substitute equivalent to 2 large eggs, or 2 large eggs

Whites of 2 large eggs

1 teaspoon vanilla, butter, and nut flavoring or vanilla extract

**Nutmeg Cream Topping**  
8 ounce container frozen nonfat whipped topping, thawed

2 teaspoons ground nutmeg

**Vegetable Oil Spray**  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Spray two 12-cup non-stick muffin tins with vegetable oil spray.

In a large mixing bowl, combine cupcake ingredients. Using electric mixer, beat on low speed for 30 seconds, scraping sides with rubber scraper. Increase to medium speed and beat for 2 minutes, scraping sides.

Fill muffin cups with equal amounts of batter. Bake for 20 minutes, or

until a toothpick inserted in center of muffins comes out clean. Let cool on cooling racks for 15 minutes; remove cupcakes from muffin tins and let cool completely. Meanwhile, put whipped topping in a medium bowl. Using a rubber scraper, gently fold nutmeg into whipped topping. Cover and refrigerate until ready to use. When cupcakes are completely cool, frost with chilled topping.

### Apple Crumble

Makes 8 Servings  
6 Tart Granny Smith apples, cored, seeds removed, and cut into even 1/2 inch slices (peeled or unpeeled)

1/2 cup raisins  
3/4 cup granulated sugar

1/4 cup fresh lemon juice

1/2 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/8 teaspoon allspice

1/4 cup minute tapioca granules

1 1/2 cups fat-free or low fat granola  
1/4 cup chopped walnuts (optional)

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.  
1. In a large bowl, toss the apples, raisins, sugar, lemon juice, cinnamon,

allspice, and tapioca, mixing completely. Lightly cover the mixture with foil and let it sit for 15 minutes, tossing once or twice to mix. Lightly coat a 7 x 11 inch or 10-inch square baking pan with no-stick vegetable oil spray and place the apple mixture in the pan.

2. Lightly coat a large nonstick frying pan with no-stick spray. Add the granola and walnuts (if desired) and lightly spray the mixture.

3. Heat on medium, stirring, for 10 minutes or until the granola is just slightly golden brown. Sprinkle the mixture on the apples and lightly coat with no-stick spray.

4. Bake covered with foil for 1 hour and 5 minutes. Remove the foil and bake for an additional 10 minutes. Turn off the heat and let the crumble sit for 15 minutes in the oven. Serve hot, warm, chilled, or at room temperature with a scoop of fat-free or low fat vanilla ice cream or frozen yogurt.  
Happy Holidays!

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# Some great tips on making Thanksgiving easier for everyone

## The Associated Press

Smart tips, thoughtful planning ideas and problem-solving answers to the cook's questions can make all the difference in the countdown to Thanksgiving.

Those groping for guidance may wish to check out the following nuggets of wisdom, to help usher in a Thanksgiving that's a pleasure for everyone.

Bon Appetit magazine's November issue is seasoned with a sprinkling of "Ask Bon Appetit" questions and answers, among them:

• Can I stuff the turkey ahead of time?

No, stuffing the bird in advance makes the stuffing susceptible to bacterial growth. Plus, stuffing chilled in the turkey might not get hot enough during roasting (since it's insulated by the bird) to reach a safe temperature (165 F) for eating.

• I want to brine the Thanksgiving turkey, but I don't have enough space in my refrigerator. Any ideas?

Food writer Bruce Aidells offers this alternative: Place the turkey, breast side down, in a clean plastic cooler. Make sure the brine solution covers the entire turkey. Add five frozen large gel ice packs (each sealed in a plastic bag) to the cooler. Replace thawed ice packs with frozen ones if brine temperature rises above 40 F.

• Is it important to use day-old bread to make stuffing?

Day-old bread can soak

up more liquid, which will result in a more flavorful stuffing. Just have fresh? Cut bread into 3/4-inch cubes and bake the cubes on a cookie sheet at 300 F until they're dry but not browned, about 10 to 15 minutes.

• I've always baked the stuffing inside the turkey, but I've recently seen more and more recipes that call for cooking stuffing separately. Why?

Cooking stuffing alongside, rather than inside, the bird sidesteps potential food safety pitfalls. But there are other practical reasons for cooking the stuffing separately. Unstuffed turkeys cook faster, and there's no danger of overcooking the breast meat while you're waiting for the stuffing to reach the right temperature (165 F).

• Is there an easy way to peel pearl onions?

Try this: Drop the onions in a pot of boiling water and let them cook for about 3 minutes. Drain. When cool enough to touch, cut off the top of each onion (leave the root end intact). Lightly squeeze the onions — they should slip easily out of their skins.

• Any tips for working with winter vegetables?

You can clean, peel, and chop or slice these veggies well ahead of time. Use a chef's knife to cut off the thick skin from celery root and butternut squash. Use a peeler to remove the skin from turnips and rutaba-

gas. Before slicing or chopping any hard-to-handle vegetable, cut off both ends so that it sits securely on the cutting board.

Store peeled, uncooked sweet potatoes, potatoes, parsnips and celery root in cool water to prevent the flesh from darkening. All other prepped root vegetables can be stored in resealable plastic bags in the refrigerator.

• How can I make my Thanksgiving more kid-friendly?

A kids' table is almost as revered a Thanksgiving tradition as the turkey; set yours with extra fun for the children.

Cover the table with white butcher paper, and supply plenty of crayons. Have the kids collect and clean colorful fall leaves. They can use paper, glue and marking pens to turn the leaves into place cards.

Put juices such as cranberry, grape and apple on the table alongside sparkling water. Let the kids mix and match to make their own "soda."

Make turkey-shaped sugar cookies the night before, and let kids decorate them with colored icing and sugar after the meal while adults linger over coffee.

• Do cranberry sauces need to be eaten the same day that they are made?

The beauty of these sauces, besides their stunning color, is that they can all be prepared a full week before the big feast and kept in the

fridge.

• How do you store fresh cranberries?

Cranberries can be stored in an airtight container for up to one month in the refrigerator, and for up to one year in the freezer. When you're ready to use your frozen stash, run the cranberries under cold water (do not thaw), and

use them as you would fresh cranberries.

• What is the difference between an hors d'oeuvre and a first course?

Typically, hors d'oeuvres are bite-size and are passed to guests, while a first course is served at the table. A trickier term is appetizer, which cov-

ers a wide variety of dishes that can be passed or served at the table.

• What's the best way to keep pie crusts from burning?

Try this: Cut a piece of foil 36 inches long. Fold in thirds lengthwise. Wrap around pie plate,

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over the years and leave them about for people to browse through. Thanksgiving's a time for reminiscing."

Organizing the leftovers includes making up little care packages — "My Mom always like a few slices of turkey to make a sandwich next day for my Dad."

When cleaning-up time comes, Ungaro says, "I really appreciate a few people helping me out, although there may come a point when there can be too much help. But that's all part of coming together."

Thanksgiving is so special, she thinks, because, besides not having presents to worry about, for many people it's truly a four-day weekend, with time to reflect on its blessings. "When the dinner is at your house, the second day is when you can enjoy peace and quiet, and savor the aftermath."

### First Lady Laura Bush's Corn Bread Dressing

For the Corn Bread:

- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 2 cups stone-ground cornmeal
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons baking powder
- 4 teaspoons sugar
- Salt, to taste (about 1 teaspoon)
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 2 cups whole milk

For the Dressing:

- 3 cups chopped onion
- 3 cups chopped celery
- 1 cup (16 tablespoons) unsalted butter
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1/2 to 1 cup fresh sage, chopped
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste (about 1 1/2 teaspoons salt and 1/2 teaspoon pepper)
- 3 cups turkey stock (or canned chicken broth)

To make the Corn Bread:

Heat oven to 450 F. Pour oil into 13-by-9-by-2-inch metal baking pan. Heat oil in oven until very hot, 5 minutes. In large bowl, mix cornmeal, flour, baking powder, sugar and salt. Stir in eggs and milk. Carefully pour hot oil into cornmeal mixture; mix. Pour into heated pan. Bake at 450 F 20 to 25 minutes, until golden. Let stand 10 minutes; crumble. To make the dressing: Reduce oven to 350 F.

In large skillet, saute onion and celery in 12 tablespoons butter and the olive oil until vegetables are softened, about 7 minutes.

In bowl, mix onion mixture, sage, salt, pepper and corn bread. Spoon into a 13-by-9-by-2-inch glass baking dish. Melt remaining butter, drizzle over top, with stock. Cover with foil. Bake at 350 F for 20 minutes. Remove foil; bake 10 minutes, until browned. Makes 12 to 14 servings.

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# Consider cooking up a vegetarian meal for the holidays

By J.M. HIRSCH

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) - Sometimes the most important ingredient for a vegetarian Thanksgiving is a turkey. That's right. A fat, juicy turkey roasted golden and accompanied by the

usual suspects — stuffing baked inside the bird and gravy made hearty and heavy from the drippings. Why meat? Because Thanksgiving is about family and tradition, and the goal is to get everyone to the table, no matter what their eating

habits. That calls for compromise in families where not everyone is excited about the big bird. In our case, that would be my side of the family. While my wife's family is as meat-and-potatoes as it gets (even onions are a no-no), my own hasn't

had meat, never mind the butter on the potatoes, in who knows how many years. Yet every year we still all come to the same table and enjoy the meal together. And we enjoy our traditions, together. That's because our families have perfected the

art of having the holidays both ways. The planning of this potentially problematic meal is made easier by adhering to one simple guideline: Find common ground where you can, and make two of everything else. Without a turkey, Thanksgiving wouldn't be a holiday for my wife's family, any more than it would be for mine absent my mother's

separate into two batches before dressing with butter or other toppings. — Bake the stuffing in a covered casserole dish and use vegetable broth instead of meat stock. — Vegans like gravy, too. Try a recipe based on dark miso and serve it alongside the real thing. I enjoy taunting my father-in-law by telling him he took the "wrong" one.

— Make plenty of dishes that are naturally vegan and easily enjoyed by all. For example, there are plenty of great recipes for dinner rolls and roasted sweet potatoes that don't call for dairy products. Don't forget the cranberry sauce. — For snacking before the big meal, offer hummus alongside dairy-based dips. Also be sure to snag some butter-free crackers. Even better, cut up pita bread rounds into triangles, brush lightly with olive oil and toast until crisp. — To ensure the little things don't get left out, involve representatives from all eating habits in the planning.

## Give these no-meat recipes a try, and satisfy everyone

By J.M. HIRSCH

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) - Compromise is the most common item on our Thanksgiving menu. The trick to keeping mixed company, vegetarians and carnivores, happy at the same table is to offer dishes catering to each, accompanied by a variety of sides anyone can enjoy.

Center stage at our table is shared — the traditional turkey and a vegan spanakopita. Everything else is neutral ground.

This year we will serve dinner rolls that call for no dairy, two batches of mashed potatoes (with and without butter), stuffing made separate from the turkey, and a sassy cranberry sauce spiked with dried cherries and candied ginger.

We also will serve up some great all-purpose sides that are naturally vegan, including tropical sweet potatoes, sesame steamed green beans and sweet gingered corn.

The recipe for tropical sweet potatoes uses kuzu to thicken the casserole. Kuzu, also called kudzu, is the root of that ubiquitous southern weed, dried and crushed into a white powder. Kuzu works like cornstarch and can be found in natural food stores. You could substitute cornstarch for it.

**Tropical Sweet Potatoes**  
(Preparation 1 1/2 hours, active time 10 minutes)  
2 to 3 medium sweet potatoes  
1 tablespoon corn oil  
2 medium ripe bananas

3/4 cup orange juice  
1/4 cup maple syrup  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 tablespoon kuzu  
1/2 cup chopped pecans  
1/2 cup cashew pieces  
1/4 cup flaked coconut

Preheat oven to 400 F. Pierce each sweet potato several times with a fork, then wrap in foil and bake for 45 to 50 minutes, or until tender.

Remove the potatoes from the oven and allow to cool. Peel the potatoes, then use a sharp knife to slice them into thin rounds. Use the corn oil to lightly oil a 2-quart casserole dish. Layer the potato slices in the dish.

Combine the bananas, orange juice, maple syrup, salt and kuzu in a blender and puree until quite smooth. Drizzle the mixture over the potatoes. Sprinkle the potatoes with pecans, cashews and coconut. Cover the dish and bake for 15 minutes. Uncover and bake an additional 15 minutes. Allow to cool 10 minutes before serving.

Makes 4 to 6 servings.

**Sesame Steamed Green Beans**  
(Preparation 20 minutes)  
3 tablespoons sesame seeds  
1 pound fresh green beans  
1/4 cup toasted sesame seed oil  
1 tablespoon maple syrup  
1 teaspoon red wine vinegar

Place the sesame seeds in a mesh strainer and rinse with cold water. Transfer the seeds to a small, heavy skillet and heat over a medium flame. Roast the seeds until they are dry and just begin to brown, about 5 minutes. Set aside. Fill a large saucepan with about 1/2

inch of water and bring it to a rolling boil. While the water heats, trim the ends of the green beans, then cut the beans into 2-inch lengths.

Set the beans in a steamer basket and place in the saucepan. Cover and steam for 3 to 5 minutes, or until beans are just tender.

While the beans steam, whisk together the sesame seed oil, maple syrup and vinegar in a large saucepan and bring to a simmer over a medium flame. Set aside.

Transfer the beans to the saucepan and toss with the sesame oil mixture. Transfer the beans to a serving dish and spoon excess liquid over them. Sprinkle with sesame seeds. Serve immediately.

Makes 4 to 6 servings.

**Sweet Gingered Corn**  
(Preparation 15 minutes)  
2 tablespoons corn oil  
1/2 teaspoon cumin powder  
1 1/2 teaspoons grated fresh ginger  
2 medium tomatoes, coarsely chopped  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
2 tablespoons maple syrup  
4 cups frozen corn kernels

Heat the oil in a large skillet over a medium flame. Add the cumin and ginger and saute for 1 minute, stirring constantly. Add the tomatoes and salt. Bring to a simmer and cook for 4 minutes, or until most of the liquid from the tomatoes evaporates.

Add the maple syrup and corn and return to a simmer. Cook, stirring frequently to prevent sticking, for 5 minutes, or until corn is heated through. Serve immediately.

Makes 4 to 6 servings.

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clipping the two ends of the foil together. The foil will stand about 2 inches above the pie plate rim; it doesn't need to be folded over the crust to prevent burning. Crust protectors can also be bought at kitchen stores.

• Any tips for transferring a pie crust from the counter to the pie dish?

First, make sure your dough is the right consistency. If it's too dry it will crack; too wet and it will stick. Then try one of our test-kitchen-tested methods.

Roll out dough between sheets of waxed paper. Peel off top sheet. Invert dough into pie dish. Peel off paper.

Roll out dough on floured surface. Fold dough in half, then fold again to form quarter circle. Transfer dough to dish and unfold.

Flour the rolled dough and rolling pin liberally, then roll up dough on pin and unroll into pie dish.

• How can I spruce up my Thanksgiving desserts?

Cut leaf shapes out of top crust of pie dough with a small cookie cutter, then place top crust on pie. Place leaf cutouts atop crust, covering part of the leaf-shaped holes. For a shiny crust, brush with a well-beaten egg mixed with 1 tablespoon water.

Put caramel sauce in a plastic squeeze bottle and decorate dessert plates with squiggly lines or other designs.

Serving something a la mode? Fill a large bowl with scoops of ice cream ahead of time, and put it in the freezer covered with plastic wrap. When

you're ready to serve, garnish the bowl with mint and let guests help themselves.

(Source: *Bon Appetit* magazine, November issue)

In and out of the kitchen, the editors of Family Circle magazine have the following suggestions for making Thanksgiving rewarding for everyone:

• Streamline sprucing up:

Concentrate on cleaning and decluttering the big three: the kitchen, the bathroom, and on and around the coffee table where everyone gathers.

Divide and delegate cleaning chores among the family the weekend before the big day. Also, a few days ahead of Thanksgiving, iron table linens, decide which servings platters to use, and make sure glassware and silver are sparkling clean.

• Simplify kitchen time:

Clean out the refrigerator and freezer for incoming food. Check out cooking space ahead of time by positioning all the needed pots, pans and dishes in the oven and on the stove to see if they fit.

If you're making a super-size salad for the buffet, place all ingredients, including the dress-

ing, in a large plastic bag, toss, then pour out into a punch bowl.

• Forge family connections:

Honor the eldest member of the family by asking him or her to say grace before dinner and share a remembrance of a Thanksgiving past.

A classic way to bring all ages of the family together is to put out an easy-to-master board game like checkers or Monopoly, or a deck of cards to play Go Fish or gin rummy.

• Clean up in a flash:

To cut dishwashing time in half, soak all cooking pots, pans and

utensils in hot, soapy water before you sit down at the table.

Save yourself the fuss of oven cleaning by shaking a heavy dose of table salt over fresh spills. Wipe up the residue with a damp sponge or paper towel once the oven cools.

Final words of wisdom: The next big feast is less than a month away. While your memory is fresh, make a note of family favorites to repeat, and omit recipes that weren't well received.

(Source: *Family Circle* magazine, Nov. 19 issue)

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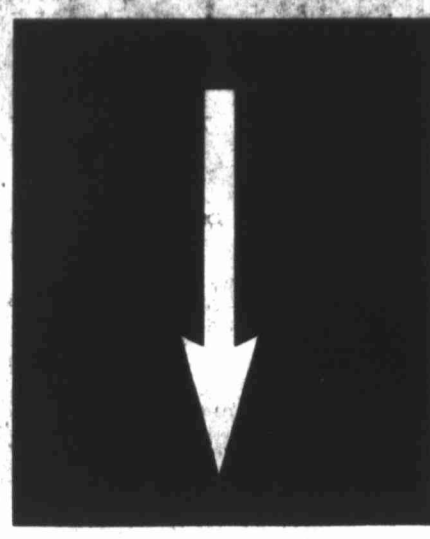
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