#### **THURSDAY**

January 2, 2003

### WEATHER

Tonight:



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#### LOCAL COLUMNISTS

Chef Beth Bond brings our readers a great chicken dish in her In the Kitchen column while County Agent Katie Walker talks about a foodservice management certification course for Family Focus.

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#### **UT WINS**

The University of Texas Longhorns won the SBC Cotton Bowl championship Wednesday by defeating LSU's Tigers 35-20.

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## BRIEFLY

#### WATER LINE REPAIR

The City of Big Spring Water Utilities Department will be replacing three valves in the water system on Friday from 6:30 a.m. until the work is completed.

Customers in the following areas will experience low or no water pressure during this time: South Owens from Second to 10th Street, South 10th Street from State to Johnson, State Street from Sycamore to Howell and Sixth Street from Caylor to Benton.

#### TREES SOUGHT

Hangar 25 Air Museum is asking for the donation of container-grown Christmas trees to use as landscaping. Elderica pines, firs and small-container grown ornamental trees are being accepted. Norfolk pines cannot be used.

For more information, contact Susan Lewis, museum coordinator, at 264-1999.

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# Chamber to focus on membership for 2003

## By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will continue to focus on its membership and expanding membership in

"The goal of the chamber this year is to continue to focus entirely upon the membership, not upon outside activities such as trying to bring in new companies or things

of this nature," said incoming President Terry McDaniel, an eight-year Chamber of Commerce member. "Our focus will remain on membership and expanding membership." Currently, the Chamber

ship covers only one-third of the businesses in town, McDaniel said. The chamber plans to attract new members by

using a personal touch

of Commerce member-

"We will try to get new members by doing more individual

face-to-face meetings."

Terry McDaniel, chamber president approach.

"We plan to do more one-on-one membership drives where individuals from the Chamber meet and speak with owners of companies that are already members," he said. "We will try to get new members by doing more individual face-toface meetings."

Chamber board members will also become more active in the organifunctions,

McDaniel said.

"We are going to try and involve the board a little more than in the past," McDaniel said. "In the past sometimes, the board has just gone to the meetings. We want to get out and meet and greet

Taking the role of president for the first time, McDaniel has served the board in various capaci-

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# Turn out the lights, the festival's over MOO!

## Tens of thousands see drive through display at the park

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer day The after Christmas is called "Boxing Day" in England because of people boxing up their ill-fitting presents to exchange them.

Today was Boxing Day for the Comanche Trail Festival of Lights. Along with a crew of inmates from Big Spring's Wilderness Camp, organizer Pat Simmons was packing up all the lights. They won't be exchanged however, just stored for a bigger and better show next year.

Not that this year's festival wasn't grand.

"We had a total of 17,501 (visitors)," Simmons said. "We had a pretty good count that last night. I think it was 670...I can't remember exactly.

The festival drew folks from 35 states and seven foreign countries Brazil, Scotland, France, Japan, Mexico, Germany and the Philippines.

The two-week festival



Comanche Trail Festival of Lights organizer Pat Simmons carries an armload of lights this morning as she helps dismantle the display. Tuesday was the last day for the festival, which drew more than 17,000 people to Comanche Trail Park during the two weeks prior to New Year's Day.

boasted a Christmas Eve days taking the lights she said. "Without them, attendance of more than 2,100 and about 1,250 Christmas night.

Simmons said the crew would probably be working over the next few down, sorting them, and storing them in a warehouse provided by the city.

"These inmates really get a lot of the credit,"

we might still have a show, but it wouldn't be anything like this. It would just be a little

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# Big Spring's first baby of the year? Well, almost

#### By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Big Spring's first new baby of the new year wasn't born in Big Spring.

Sonny Isaiah Talamantez — 6 pounds, 8 ounces and 19 inches long arrived at 12:32 a.m. New Year's Day to Maggie and Jake Talamantez of Big Spring.

still waiting for it's first birth of the new year — Sonny was born at Midland Memorial Hospital, where he was the first baby with a 2003 birth year in Midland County.

Mr. and Mrs. Talamantez could not be reached for comment. According to

But Howard County is spokesperson with Scenic Mountain Medical Center, no bundles of joy have put in an appearance there yet this year and none are expected any time soon.

County Clerk Donna Wright said her office has not received any birth certificates yet for 2003, not surprising since such documents are usually

Any parents in Howard County who have a 2003 baby other than at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, please let us and your neighbors know by calling 263-7331.

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

# Stock shows

### area fair barns By LYNDEL MOODY

about to fill

Staff Writer

County stock shows will take center stage this month in Howard, Martin and Glasscock counties as 4-H'ers and FFA youth show off months of hard work.

Howard County will lead off the stock shows beginning Wednesday, Jan. 8, and wrap up with the awards ceremony and premium auction sale on Saturday, Jan. 11.

The schedule is as fol-

· Wednesday, Jan. 8: 10 a.m., Lambs/goats in

1 p.m., Lamb weight cards

2 p.m., Goat weight cards due.

3 p.m., Lamb show

4 p.m. Goat show. . Thursday, Jan 9:

9 a.m., Steers/heifers in

1 p.m., Steers weigh and check Heifer papers.

4 p.m., Rabbits in place

4 p.m., Weight rabbits. 6 p.m., Rabbit show.

6 p.m., Barrows in place.

8 p.m., Barrow weight cards due.

Friday, Jan. 10:

8:30 a.m., Barrow show. 3 p.m., Heifer show followed by steer show.

· Saturday, Jan. 11: 11 a.m., Buyer's barbecue

1 p.m., Awards reception

followed by premium auction Due to New Year's Day

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# Greater FM 700 group offering sweetheart of a deal

#### By BILL McCLELLAN **News Editor**

Want a sweetheart of a

deal? The Greater FM 700

Revitalization Association is holding a fundraiser and one fortunate person will go home on Valentine's Day with a 2003 100-Year Anniver-Harley-Davidson sary Sportster.

Part of the proceeds will benefit the beautification project of the Greater FM Revitalization Association. The association will also sponsor a scholarship to Howard

College. "Tickets are going pretty well. We're real pleased at this point,' said Brian Michaelz, president of the association. "This is an opportunity to get a great motor-

"Tickets are going pretty well. We're real

pleased at this point."

Brian Michaelz, association president

cycle and it also helps support the Greater FM Revitalization Association in its efforts to revitalize businesses in Big Spring."

Tickets will be available while they last only 2,000 are being offered - right up until the Harley is given away

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Sears clerk Janet Swinney checks out a limited-edition Harley-Davidson motorcycle displayed at the Big Spring Mall. The bike is a prize in a fund-raiser being conducted by the Greater FM 700 Revitalization Association.

## **Obituaries**

#### George Cleve "G.C." Weatherford

Funeral service for George Cleve "G.C." Weatherford, 64, of Austin are set for 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, 2003, at the Pond Springs Baptist Church in Austin. Interment will be in the Bagdad Cemetery in

Pallbearers will be Buddy Meeks, Wade Bledsoe, Charlie Chenault, Don Fisher, Pat Collins and Joe England.

Mr. Weatherford died Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2003, following a brief battle with lung cancer.

He was born on March 24, 1938, in Brownfield. He was raised in Big Spring where he lived until his enlistment and service in the U.S. Navy for 4-1/2 years. He moved to Austin to attend the University of Texas at Austin in 1966 and following graduation from UT, worked for the Texas Rehabilitation Commission until his retirement in 1998.

He was a member of the Pond Spring Baptist Church and a former member of the Civilian Club and the Town & Country Optimist Club. After his retirement, he volunteered for Hill Country Ministries, Northwest Cargegivers and Medi-Wheels.

He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Nancy; two daughters and sons-in-law, Vicki and Don Edwards of California and Kathy and Paul Sane of Austin; five grandchildren, Tyler and Callie Sane and Aaron, Nathan and Hannah Edwards; one sister, Wanda Aslin of Big Spring; and numerous other relatives.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3, 2003, in the Cook-Walden Chapel of the Hills in Austin.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to Hospice Austin, 4107 Spicewood Springs Road, Austin 78759 or to the Bagdad Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 764, Leander 78646.

Paid obituary

#### **Berton Barnett**

Funeral service for Berton Barnett, 82, of Colorado City is set for 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2, 2002, in the Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Mike Foster officiating. Burial will be in the Colorado City Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral

Mr. Barnett died Monday, Dec. 30, 2002, at a Sweetwater hospital.

He was born on April 26, 1920, in Colorado City, the son of Frank and Lennie Chaney Barnett. He marrried Dorothy Hatch on Aug. 23, 1944, in Pasadena.

He was a restaurant cook; a veteran of the U.S. Army, having served during World War II; and a member of the First Assembly of God Church.

He returned to Colorado City after his retirement nine years ago.

: Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Barnett of Colorado City; a daughter, Bonnie Chandler of Big Spring; two sons, Barney Barnett of Loraine and Lynn Barnett of Big Spring; six grandchildren; and 11 greatgrandchildren.

Paid obituary

## Take note

☐ THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, which delivers to the elderly and homebound, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you.

About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

□ A BENEFIT FUND has been set up for Chris (Rocky) Tubb at Wells Fargo Bank to help defray the medical bills and assist his wife and child until his long term disability is in effect. He had no short term disability insurance. He was injured in an accident and is in critical condition in ICU in Austin. He is the son of Cindy and David Tubb of Big Spring and graduated from Big Spring High School in 1991.

To make a donation call the bank at 268-6212 or 267-

□ BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING counties are in critical need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers of the children in the community who have been abused and neglected.

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

□ SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

## Lottery

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas

The ticket was worth an estimated \$12 million.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 54 were:

15-29-33-40-44-52.

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Wednesday night:

25-28-30-34-37

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$15 million.

afternoon:

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday 9-6-7

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police reported the following activi-

ty from 8 a.m. Wednesday to 8 a.m. today: • JOHNNY LEE JUAREZ, 20, of 1607 Stadium Ave. was arrested on charges of assault class C/family vio-

lence and criminal mischief \$50 to \$500. • DENNIS MARK BREHM JR., 18, of 2613 Ent was arrested on charges of criminal mischief \$50 to \$500, evading arrest and failure to identify.

• RACHAEL FRANCIS SAVALA, 17, of 910 Culp was arrested on a charge of theft less than \$50.

• DAREN GOHLKE, 20, of 105 Spring Creek in Sand Springs was arrested on a charge of minor in consumption of alcohol.

 ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson Road.

 ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported in the 3700 block of Dixon. • DISTURBANCE OR FIGHT was reported in the 1800 block of South Owens and the 1500 block of

Sycamore. • DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 4200 block of Parkway Road, the 500 block of Westover Road, the 1500 block of West Third Street, the 1400 block of West Second Street and the 1100 block of South Nolan.

• MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1000 block of Northwest First Street.

 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF, EVADING ARREST and FAILURE TO IDENTIFY were reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore. \$450 damage was reported in the incident.

 THEFT and two incidents of CONSUMPTION OF **ALCOHOL BY A MINOR** were reported in the 1100 block of North Lamesa Drive. Alcohol worth \$18.99 was reported stolen and recovered.

• THEFT was reported in the 2600 block-of Monticello Street. A pit bulldog worth \$250 was

reported stolen. BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1000 block of North Main. Someone reportedly pried open the rear window of the home causing \$20 damage before stealing home electronic equipment worth \$120 and recordings worth \$45.

# Support groups

#### THURSDAY

☐ Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.; Women's meeting; 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Non-Smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

☐ Fibromyalgia/Chronic Fatigue Support Group meets at noon at the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center.

#### FRIDAY

□ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 615 Settles. Noon Open Big Book Study Meeting, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

### SATURDAY -

☐ Open Discussion Meeting, 615 Settles noon to 1 p.m. Open Podium/Speakers Meeting 615 Settles 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. Open Birthday Night No Smoking meeting last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

#### **SUNDAY**

☐ Narcotics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

☐ Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to 1noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

☐ Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates and times of upcoming groups.

☐ Surviving Pregnancy Loss meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library Committee Room. Call 631-4430 for more information.

☐ Alcoholics Anonymous meets from noon to 1 p.m. at 615 Settles. Open meeting on fourth floor at VA Medical Center from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

#### **MONDAY**

☐ TOPS Club TX 21 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), weigh in at 5:30 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m. at Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 West Third.

☐ Encourager's Support Group, all widows and widowers are invited, meets 6 p.m. at Gale's Sweet Shoppe. For more information call, 398-5522

☐ New Voice Club support group for laryngetomees and families. For more information, call 267-2800.

#### **TUESDAY**

☐ TOPS Club TX 1756 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, 6 p.m. meeting, Birdwell Lane Church of Christ, 11th and Birdwell, Call 263-2786 or 263-1340 for more information.

## Weather

Tonight — Clear. Lows in the mid 20s. Northwest winds 5 to 10 mph.

Friday — Sunny. Highs in the mid 60s. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph.

Friday night — Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s. Saturday — Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 60s. Sunday through Tuesday — Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s. Highs in the lower 60s.

Wednesday — Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s. Highs in the mid 60s.

# 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,

#### **THURSDAY**

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

Coffee Club, 7 a.m., Gale's Sweet Shoppe, 1706 E FM-700.

Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane, 267-6479.

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

Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7 p.m., Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

Masonic Lodge 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

#### **FRIDAY**

AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron Inn, 3101 S. Highway 87.

Greater Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Spring City Senior Citizen's Center, country and western dance, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m, Industrial Park. 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, 10 a.m. to 2 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.

Big Spring Squares, 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

#### SUNDAY

Hangar 25 Air Museum located on the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### **MONDAY**

Sr. Circle, 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Seniors 50 years and older are invited to participate, call 268-4721.

District Committee Lone Star of Big Spring, noon, 610 Scurry.

Concerned Citizen's, 7 p.m., Fiberflex conference room on Bethel St. in the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

Big Spring Chapter & Council RAM, 7:30 p.m., Masonic building, 221 1/2 Main.

Howard County ARC, 806 E. Third, Bingo Hall, 264-0674.

#### **TUESDAY**

Intermediate Line Dance Classes, 9 a.m., Spring City Senior Citizen's Center, Industrial Park, 267-1628.

Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Evening Lions Club, noon, Spring City Senior Citizen's Center, Industrial Park.

Alzheimer's Association, Greater West Texas Chapter, 2 p.m., Howard County Library conference room, 500 S. Main.

VFW Post 2013, VFW Hall, 7 p.m., 500 Driver Road.

Sheriff's Posse, 7 p.m, Clubhouse on Andrews Highway.

American Red Cross, 7 p.m., Canterbury South, 1600 Lancaster.

Big Spring Chapter 67, Order of the Eastern Star, Masonic Lodge, 219 Main, 7:30 p.m.

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# Texas foodse

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Some recommended

side dishes are steamed

broccoli with butter and

In our next visit, we'll

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# In the kitchen

certainly hope each of you enjoyed the holidays. It was a great time with many great meals prepared for family and friends.

In our last column we talked about

roasting meats, a turkey in that case, for a great meal for your family.

This week I'd like to share a recipe for a great chick-

BOND en dish. To prepare this dish you will need, flour, salt, white pepper, eggs, parmesan cheese, milk, boneless-skinless chicken and melted but-

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In a medium sized container, put three ounces of flour, one teaspoon of salt, 1/2 teaspoon of white pepper.

In a separate bowl, beat four eggs, and mix in three-ounces of parmesan cheese and one ounce of

Next you're going to flatten the chicken lightly with a meat mallet.

To cook the breasts all at once, you will need a large skillet. Place the skillet over medium heat and add enough melted butter to cover the bot-

Now we will prepare the chicken breasts for cooking.

Dip the chicken breasts in the seasoned flour mixture and shake off excess.

Next, you will dip in the parmesan cheese batter, turning to coat both sides of the chicken breast.

Cook the prepared chicken in the melted butter over medium heat. until the bottom is golden. Once golden, turn the pieces over.

Then, reduce the heat to low and continue cooking the chicken until it is cooked through, approximately 160Fdegrees.

When the chicken is finished it should give a firm feel and appearance.

Here is an alternate method: Follow the steps

# CHAMBER

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ties. McDaniel and all the chamber's new officers will be introduced at the organization's annual banquet, Thursday, Jan. 23, at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.
"It will be a full, sit

down dinner and tickets are \$20," McDaniel said.

Guest speakers will include former state Rep. David Counts and state Sen. Robert Duncan, who both represented Howard County in the legislature until this year.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at newsdesk@crcom.net

# **SHOWS**

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being near mid-week, the Glasscock County Stock Show committee decided to move its stock show a week later this year. The community-wide event begins Thursday, Jan. 9, and ends with the annual pig scramble on Saturday, Jan. 11.

The schedule is as follows:

• Thursday, Jan. 9: 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Weigh rabbits.

4 p.m., Decision on exhibitor final.

4:30 p.m., Rabbit showmanship followed by rabbit

6 p.m. to 7 p.m., Weigh sheep.

7:30 p.m., Decision on exhibitor final. • Friday, Jan. 10:

8 a.m., Sheep show, followed by steer show. 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Weigh

swine. 5 p.m., Decision on exhibitor final.

4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Weigh goats.

7 p.m., Decision on exhibitor final.

 Saturday, Jan. 11: 8 a.m., Pig show. 12:30 n.m. Goat show 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., pho-

4 p.m., Pig scramble. 4:30 p.m., Awards presen-

tation.

5:30 p.m., Barbecue. McClellan at 263-7331 ext. 6:30 p.m., Premium sale. 235 or by e-mail at news-

Martin County will wind down the month with its stock show starting Thursday, Jan. 16, through Saturday, Jan.

The schedule is as follows:

• Thursday, Jan. 16:

Weigh-in by 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 17:

9 a.m., Goat show, followed by lamb show. Steer show to follow lamb show.

 Saturday, Jan. 18: 7 p.m. Awards banquet.

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#### **CYCLE**

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on Feb. 14. Tickets are \$20 each and can be purchased from Michaelz or from a number of participating businesses:

All-District Screen Printing, A Timeless Design, Athletic Supply, Barbie's This and That Shop, Claw -Bear Sharpening, Blum's Jewelers, Buffalo Country Fina. Churchwell Insurance, Comet Cleaners, Cosden Federal Credit Union, Culligan Conditioning, Water Dakota's Flowers and Sweet Gifts, Gale's Shoppe, Harris Lumber and Hardware, Sears, La Contesta Beauty Salon, Merle Norman, Neighbors Convenience Store, Phillip's Fina, Sante Fe Sandwiches, Sugg's Hallmark, Sweet Repeats, the Master's Touch, Displays of Splendor, Urban Zone and the Harley Davidson Shop.

The motorcycle can be seen at the Big Spring Mall, 1801 E. FM 700 or Harley-Davidson Shop, 908 W. Third St.

For more information, contact Michaelz at 915 816-1051 or Jody Swinney, association vice president, at 267-1127.

Contact News Editor Bill

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## **FESTIVAL**

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one." And what can we expect for next year?

"What I'm thinking about right now are our blank spots — we still have some blank spots and getting those in lights," Simmons said. "Of course we'll try to get some Indians down there with our diorama. We might do some additions there, but there's not much we can do with the diorama. We can add little minute things. There will probably be some other new things. We don't want to tell everything.'

Simmons is looking for new volunteers for next year's show.

"Anyone that would be interested in working with the Festival of Lights, have them give me a call," she said. "What I need basically is manpower, when it gets right down to it. When we get in pinches, we need manpower.'

People to wrap trees, troubleshooters and people to walk the trails and find burned out lights or vandalism.

For more information call Simmons at 263-4607.

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



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24th & Johnson 267-8288

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# Texas Cooperative Extension offering foodservice manager certification course

**FAMILY FOCUS** 

must have one certified

food manager. New food

manager certificates will

be valid for five years.

Texas Cooperative

Extension is offering a

foodservice manager cer-

tification training. This

program will be offered

for \$79 on Jan. 15-16 at

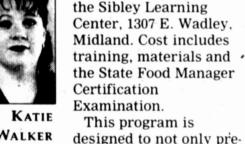
tatistics indicate that foodborne illness continues to be a health issue in the United States. Each year, one in four Americans will become sick; one in 1,000 will become hospitalized; and 5,000 will die due to a foodborne

illness. During the past legislative session, a statute was amended that allowed the **Texas** Department of Health

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(TDH) to require each food establishment to have one certified food manager.

Recently, the Texas Board of Health adopted rules to implement this statute. Many of you have already received a letter from the Texas Department of Health regarding this. Under these new rules, each food establishment permitted by the Texas Department of Health



This program is designed to not only prepare foodservice managers to pass the certification examination; it will provide valuable education regarding the safe handling of food.

Almost 50 cents of every dollar Americans spend on food is spent on meals prepared away from home. Therefore, careful attention to food safety will help keep customers safe and satisfied.

Foodborne illnesses are estimated to cost thousands of dollars in lost wages, insurance and

medical bills. With these statistics, knowledge of how to prevent foodborne illness is essential. The benefits of improved food safety include:

· Increased customer satisfaction.

 Improved relationships with health offi-

 Prevention of bad publicity and law suits

due to foodborne illness. By attending the course, foodservice man-

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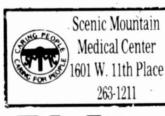
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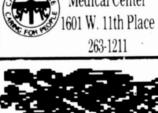
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## OUR VIEWS

# Happy animals say "Thanks" for your help

There is a lot of howling going on out near Interstate 20, west of Big Spring. Don't worry, it's not a pack of coyotes or wild dogs. These canines are wagging their tails. They are happy because their two-legged friends came through for them during the KBST, Big Spring Herald food drive.

Three truckloads of food, including several 50-pound bags, have been delivered to the canines and felines at the Howard County Humane Society, along with some kitty litter.

Each year of this program, Howard County citizens have donated generously, making it possible for the humane society to "stock up," if only temporarily, on food for its fourlegged guests.

Howard County always goes "all out" to help its less fortunate children, families and senior citizens at this time of year. This program ensures that these critters - a very special group of our county's residents don't get left out either.

Thanks again to everyone who participated. You warmed hearts during Christmas; now you're getting tails to wagging, too.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Dear Lord, help us nave a new and wonderful relationship with you.

# Resolutions are hard to replace

ew year's resolutions are important. They keep you in focus. They force you to set goals, to plan ahead. With that in mind, I've resolved to make some. Mainly, my wife has

resolved that I should do so. She wants me to lose weight. There's more, but I don't want to keep you on the edge of your seat.



The problem with making resolutions, of course, is when you get to my age, which is something slightly more than a half-century old, you also have to be careful about having too many. After all these years, my capacity for remembering resolutions is limited. So before I can come up with a new one, an old one must go. And therein, as they

All of the resolutions I have are very useful. They are all important. For instance, when I was 5 years old. I made a resolution that I would never ever again sit on an ant bed. And you know what? I never have.

say, lies the problem.

That's an important res-

NATIONAL FOREST MANAGEMENT ACT PASSED, 1976.

olution that has to be renewed every year. Yes, I could do like my wife suggests and substitute dieting in its place. But then common sense prevails. Seriously, when it comes to a choice between eating a plate of

barbecue or sitting on an ant bed, I'm going to ask for a fork every time. Sometimes you are just forced to add a new resolution whether you like

it or not. It wasn't that many years ago, living over in Snyder, when I set this resolution: If I am having trouble lighting a gas water heater. even outside in the freezing cold, I am going to make sure that I allow all the gas to dissipate each time before I strike the next match. Otherwise, I may find myself in a hospital rather than simply lying on my back with no eyebrows on my face and a flame-broiled haircut.

So I'm supposed to drop this resolution for something else? I truly am planning to quit smoking, but I ask you, is it more important to not light up a Camel, or not light up my face?

I don't remember what resolution I gave up so 1 could fit that one in, but you can bet it will catch up with me someday.

Sometimes you don't have to experience something yourself in order to

make it "your" resolution. My brother provided me with several of them. Brothers can be helpful like that. He once lit a firecracker, slid it into one end of a set of bicycle handlebars and put his ear to the other end.

I don't recall exactly what it was that he was trying to accomplish at the time, but I did learn that it is not wise to put your ear to one end of a set of bicycle handlebars while a lit firecracker is in the other end.

And even though it was my brother's lesson, I resolved that I would never do what he did. And so far. I never have. Why? Because that is one of my resolutions.

But back to the original subject... What resolutions could I give up in my effort to be a kinder, more helpful and less rotund individual?

How about: Don't set fire to little army men and watch the flaming plastic sizzle down on to an old stuffed chair because it might catch the house on fire on Christmas Eve? After all, it's been almost 40 years since that wee mistake.

No, wait. I'm a granddad now. I have grandchildren. Little plastic army men may be marching their way back into my life at any moment. Better hold on

to that one.

**How about Resolution** 342? Don't try to make wine in the closet of the college dorm room cause the bottle could explode and ruin everything in there, including your roommate's best pair of bell bottoms and leather vest. No, I'm convinced I may go back for my master's some day. I'll check into a different dorm, though.

**How about Resolution** 110? Don't let older boys talk you into going down Suicide Hill on your onespeed bicycle with shorts and no shoes on so you won't flip over a mesquite brush and land in cactus while they laugh and then ride off. No, too much sentimental value in that one.

See what I mean? Making resolutions takes a lot of thought. It's serious business.

I'll get to it soon though. But first, I have to fix that leaking faucet on the sink. Oh yeah, Resolution No. 212: Turn off the water to the house first.

See!!

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# Declaration of conflicts of interest

ecause I hate the lists that crop up in journalism this time of year, I always use the opportunity to declare my conflicts of interest, both fiscal and

philosophical. I believe readers have a right to know this about journalists. For the

CHARLEY REESE first time, I have

income from Social Security, and I know now why so many seniors bag groceries. You'd be hardpressed to live on it. My main source of income is the sale of this column, or my half of it, anyway. King Features gets the other half, and rightly so, for doing the work of selling and physically processing it.

I had intended to have some income from my individual retirement account, which I rolled over just in time for the market to take a sharkthe part in bonds, the Federal Reserve has seen to it that I won't be going on a spending spree anytime soon. I don't accept fees for speaking, and so, in short, I have no financial conflicts of interest.

As for organizations I belong to, there are just three: the Sons of **Confederate Veterans** (one grandpa and two great-grandpas proudly wore the gray); the National Rifle Association; and the League of the South. The last has been called a hate group by the Southern Poverty Law Center, but if you believe anything that outfit says, you should do a good Internet search and read some of the exposes that have been written about it. Personally, I don't know anybody in the league who hates anybody, including Yankees, some of whom are members. I personally hate

beets, and there are prob-

spinach. I suspect it's our

love for the Constitution

that brought us the ire of

the SPLC, which makes

ably some who hate

millions scaring liberals. At any rate, you can see for yourself by checking the Web site, www.dixienet.org.

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AN ANTONIO

I refuse to allow anyone or any organization to dictate my beliefs, associations or behavior by name-calling. I stand by what I say and what I write, and if you like it, fine, and if you don't, fine. When I quit the advertising business years ago, I gave up writing with an ulterio" motive. What I write is what I believe at the time to be true. Being a fallible human, it might or might not be true. I don't pretend to be the source of ultimate truth, just an informed opinion. My only goal is to provoke readers into thinking. I'm registered as a

Democrat, but like many Americans I vote for the candidate, not the party. Personally, though I am a conservative, I have more respect for honest liberals than I do for phony conservatives. Those are politicians whose conservatism never gets beyond their campaign speeches. I do

indeed hate to be lied to. In retrospect, I wish I had voted for Ralph Nader. He was the only candidate last time who actually told the truth. If we're going to get stuck with socialism, I'd prefer it be called socialism rather than "compassionate conservatism."

As for the details of my political belief, you can read the farewell address of George Washington. I agree with everything he said. No exceptions. To sum up, a strict interpretation of the Constitution, a strict separation of powers, a strong national defense, an isolationist foreign policy, a free economy and the absence of foreign influence in our affairs.

Well, that's about it. I hope you have a happy New Year. I hope we don't get into a war or a depression. Life is tough enough without politicians and usurers making it worse. Don't let cynicism make you forget that we have a responsibility to children to leave them a decent world.

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# Sports

# SPRING HERALD

Do you have an interesting sports item or story idea? Call Tommy Wells at 263-7331. Ext. 237. Email results to: jmoseley@crcom.net

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Local chapter needs basketball officials

The local officiating chapter is looking for individuals interested in serving as referees for area basketball games this season.

For more information contact Adam Rodriguez after 4 p.m. at 263-8731 or contact Mandy Rodriguez during business hours at 264-4135.

Big Spring girls open 4-4A play on Friday

The Big Spring Lady Steers will open District 4-4A play on Friday when they host the San Angelo Lake View Maidens in the BSJHS gym.

The JV Lady Steers are slated to tip off the action beginning at 6 p.m. The BSHS varsity squad, 14-6 overall, will start at 7:30 p.m.

#### Area teams begin district slates Friday

District play will explode onto the scene Friday as no less than five area teams begin their quests for district championships.

The Sands Mustangs open loop action against Borden Co. The two are slated to begin play at 4 p.m.

Coahoma, Forsan and Stanton begin the 3-2A slate on the road. Forsan travels to Crane for a 5 p.m. start, while Stanton draws a 6:30 start in Colorado City. Coahoma visits Seagraves for a 5 p.m. tip-off.

#### **Howard College will** return to play Jan. 5

The Howard College Hawks will return to action Jan. 5 with a road game against the Hill College Rebels.

The Hawks, 12-0, are ranked No. 10 in the latest NJCAA national poll.

The Hawks, led by freshman Je'Kel Foster, are slated to tip-off the contest at 4 p.m. in Hillsboro.

#### Big Spring boys will host Wylie Friday

The Big Spring Steers will host the Abilene Wylie Bulldogs in non-district basketball action Friday in the Steer Gym.

The game, which will be the Steers' final non-district home game, is scheduled to begin at 2:30 p.m. with junior varsity matchup. The varsity squads will play at approximately 4 p.m.

The Steers will close out the non-district slate Jan. 7 in Pecos. Their first District 4-4A game will be Jan. 10 when they host the state-ranked Frenship Tigers.

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# IN BRIEF Parcells appears set to become new coach

IRVING (AP) - Bill Parcells appears to have a done deal with the Dallas Cowboys.

Still, the two-time Super Bowl champion has That's the biggest comwalked away from deals that seemed done before, leaving some doubt about whether he's really going to make it to Big D.

Parcells told ESPN. where he has worked as a studio analyst, Wednesday that he was taking the job, and there were widespread reports that he would be formally introduced during a news conference Thursday.

"I'm going to do it." Parcells said, according to ESPN.com.

"Jerry has invested a lot Thursday morning. in the Cowboys, and the thing that drives him more than anything else is his desire to win. mon (denominator) we both have."

Cowboys spokesman Rich Dalrymple insisted no announcement was scheduled. Team owner Jerry Jones and Parcells' agent. Jimmy Sexton, didn't return phone calls to The Associated Press.

The New York Times and Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported that the 61-year-old coach would travel to Dallas after doing his radio show

doing this again — but know." never Parcells told The New York Times.

Even before firing coach Dave Campo on Monday, Jones had two meetings totaling more than 11 hours with Parcells.

Citing an unidentified source, ESPN said Parcells signed a fouryear, \$17.1 million contract. The Dallas Morning News, quoting Sexton, reported the same figures.

The Cowboys have had three straight 5-11 seasons and are seven years removed from the last of in New Jersey on their five Super Bowl

championships. Parcells "The Final Season: My "I never thought I'd be won two Super Bowls with the New York Giants and took the New England Patriots to the NFL title game before three seasons with the New York Jets.

Parcell's career regularseason record is 138-100-1, and he's 11-6 in the postseason. Only Tom Landry, the first Cowboys coach, Don Shula, Chuck Noll and Joe Gibbs have more playoff victories.

The 61-year-old Parcells coached the last of his 15 NFL seasons with the Jets in 1999. When he left that job on Jan. 3, 2000, he said he'd never coach again and even wrote a book,

Last Year as Head Coach in the NFL."

Since then, he jilted Tampa Bay for the second time.

Parcells was so close to joining the Buccaneers last year that he signed a contract. Tampa Bay is seeking compensation if Parcells signs Dallas.

Two sources within the league told the AP that the Bucs would not receive any compensation because the deal Parcells signed was not forwarded to the league office and therefore never approved by commissioner Paul Tagliabue.

# Williams leads **UT** to Cotton **Bowl victory**

DALLAS (AP) — With Texas down by 10 points early, the comeback plan was simple: Get the ball to Roy Williams.

He turned a short slant into a 51-yard touchdown, went 75 yards after a leaping grab to set up another score and snaked 39 yards for a TD on an end around — a performance Wednesday that rallied No. 9 Texas past LSU 35-

The Longhorns (11-2) trailed 17-7 three minutes into the second quarter, with the defense producing the lone score. The offense had gone nowhere ond quarter with a 76on two possessions yard run that was the despite having all its top skill players healthy for the first time since the his famous desperation second game of the season.

Texas scored the next 28 points and would have had more if not for two missed field goals.

Chris Simms threw a touchdown pass to Roy Williams and an 8-yarder to Ivan Williams, and Cedric Benson had a 1vard touchdown as the Longhorns broke a fivegame losing streak in the Dállas, area, including four in a row at the Cotton Bowl stadium.

The Longhorns finished with 382 yards against a defense that was averaging 278.8. Simms was 15of-28 for 269 yards, also way above the 143 LSU was giving up, which was second-best in the country. Williams had four catches for 142 yards.

Simms closed his Texas career with his 26th victory, tying Marty Akins for second best in school history. Befitting his starcrossed tenure, his final pass was intercepted but it was his only turnover of the day.

The Longhorns have consecutive 11-win seasons for the first time and most likely will have consecutive Top 10 season finishes for the first time since 1977-78. It also was the 40th win for the Simms-led 1999 recruiting class that came in hailed as the nation's best.

For LSU (8-5), this was the second straight time a 17-7 lead was wasted. The Tigers were up by that score in the fourth quarter of a 21-20 loss to Arkansas in the season finale when a victory would have put them in the SEC championship. This loss, in a game sponsored by SBC, ended a streak of five straight bowl wins.

Quarterback Marcus 7-1.

# Texas .......35

LSU ........20

Randall led LSU to 10 fírst-quarter points against a defense that had allowed a national-best 16 in the quarter all season. His only mistake was fumbling when sacked by Cory Redding; linebacker Lee Jackson took the loose ball 46 yards for a touchdown, marking the longest fumble return in Cotton Bowl history.

Randall opened the secteam's longest play of the season one more than pass that beat Kentucky. Domanick Davis capped that drive with a 3-yard TD run.

Two plays later, the Roy Williams Show began.

On first down from the 49. Williams — a junior who already has said he plans to return for his senior season — shook cornerback Webster at the line, caught a bullet pass in stride and ran away from the defense for an easy score.

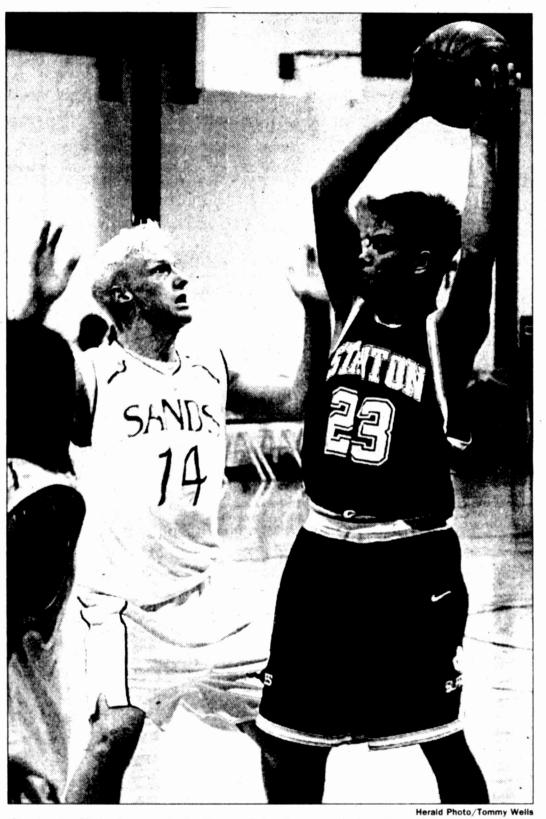
The next time Simms threw to Williams, he made a nice catch in traffic and raced toward the end zone but was shoved out of bounds at the 5yard line. Benson did the rest to put Texas up for good.

Both teams came out sluggish in the second half, and LSU seemed to grab the momentum when Davis ran for 44 yards on third-and-22 from the 8. But that drive ended with Randall fumbling, and Jackson again recovering.

After an 18-yard pass to Williams and a 17-yard run by Benson, Simms faked a handoff to Benson and slipped the ball to Williams coming from the left side. He weaved between defenders and avoided being hit until the 5, but it couldn't stop him from lunging across the goal line.

LSU got a field goal early in the fourth quarter and recovered an onside kick. But the Tigers couldn't score again.

It took 40 years, but Texas finally avenged a 13-0 loss to LSU in the 1963 Cotton Bowl, the last meeting between the schools. The Longhorns lead the all-time series 9-



Stanton's Chris Ramos looks for a place to pass during the third quarter of the

#### Buffaloes' win over the Sands Mustangs Monday night. Stanton is scheduled to return to action Friday against Eldorado in a non-district matchup. The 18th-ranked girls will open District 3-2A play in Colorado City.

## Oklahoma, Georgia win BCS games, Notre Dame loses sixth bowl in row

LAS VEGAS (AP) -Georgia reached hew hasn't sunk in yet," Hybl regular season or a bowl heights in New Orleans, said. and Oklahoma rose to the occasion in Pasadena.

No such luck for Notre Dame, Mike Price and Larry Johnson \_ they simply got bowled over.

With MVP Musa Smith running for 145 yards, No. 4 Georgia set a school record for wins by beating No. 16 Florida State 26-13 Wednesday night in the Sugar Bowl.

In his second season with the Bulldogs (13-1), coach Mark Richt beat his former boss. Richt served 14 years on Bobby Bowden's staff at Florida State.

"I'm thankful for the victory," Richt said. "I'm just thankful to Bobby Bowden still. He's still the teacher."

MVP Nate Hybl threw two touchdown passes and Quentin Griffin ran for 144 yards and a score as No. 8 Oklahoma won in its first trip to the Rose Bowl, romping past have to become accus-Washington State 34-14.

"It's fairy tale-ish. It game, whether it's the

Hired two weeks ago by Alabama, Price stuck around for one last game as Washington State's coach. The seventhranked Cougars were held to a season-low 243 yards.

"It's not the way we wanted to end it, by any means," he said. "It's a disappointing way to finish.'

"I'm sure I'll get my fair share of the blame for that, which is OK. I just wanted to do everything I could to help the team win.'

A season that began with great promise for Notre Dame ended in its sixth straight bowl loss.

The No. 11 Irish were perplexed by the razzledazzle of North Carolina State, losing 28-6 in the Gator Bowl.

"It's still a very good season," first-year coach Tyrone Willingham said. "At the same time, we tomed to winning our last game.'

Johnson, who finished third in the Heisman Trophy voting, had a disappointing day for No. 10 Penn State. He was held to only 72 yards on 20 carries as No. 19 Auburn won 13-9 in the Capital One Bowl.

Johnson later groused that the Nittany Lions' offense was "trying to be too cute" instead of just giving it to him.

"He can stay up there and be Penn State's savior if he wants," Tigers defensive end Reggie Torbor said. "At Auburn, he probably wouldn't play. He'd probably be on defense."

Penn State's four losses came by a total of 20 points, as coach Joe Paterno failed to pad his NCAA record 20 bowl wins after a two-year postseason absence.

In other games, No. 22 Michigan upset No. 12 Florida, 38-30 in the Outback Bowl.

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Your birthday occurs with the New Moon in your sign this year. As a result, you will express unusual and dynamic creativity in your lifestyle. If you are an artist of any type, your libido will transform your work. Some might find you quite self-involved, while others see you as a genius of some sort. Allow your imagination to express itself. Your charisma and energy soar, drawing many to you. Still, take your time evaluating and reflecting on your decisions. If you are single, you will have an opportunity to end that particular state if you so choose - post Summer 2003. Meanwhile, enjoy your singlehood, as it could be short-lived. If you are attached, allow your partner to be more of a participant in your relationship. Sometimes you might become too me-oriented. A fellow CAPRICORN identifies with you.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) \*\*\*\* Though you're right there, ready to enjoy a parent or older relative, you discover that someone close has a case of the grumps. Keep indulging this person, even if you feel as if you've had enough. A new beginning becomes possible with understanding. Tonight: A must show.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)\*\*\*\* You might hit rocky times with someone at a distance. Plans could change if traveling. Your ability to flow and adjust remains primary. Someone might be having a very difficult time despite the facade he or she projects. Tonight: Take an overview.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) \*\*\* Understand more of what heads your way. Realize that you could be out of sorts, especially with a partner or friend. Your ruler retrograding could impact your relationships across the board. Use care

invitation out. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)\*\*\* right now. Your sense of humor takes you in a new the moment. The most effective way of demonstratthrough action. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\* Your ruler steps backward today, for several weeks. You might want to rethink a creative project, relationship or tie with a child. Seek more feedback, looking for answers where others might make dramatic changes. Allow ingenuity to flow. Tonight: Find your favorite person.

\*\*\* Sometimes you take others for granted. Later, you wonder why you get such an odd reaction. Make a resolution to be less selfinvolved and more sensitive to those you truly care for. Recognize what makes you happy, too. Tonight: You don't have to go far.

with funds, as you might not be able to predict the hows and whys of a situation. You discover that a misunderstanding develops in the next few weeks could be quite costly, ultimately. Tonight: Use communication.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)\*\* Deal with finances with kid gloves. You might want to rethink an earlier decision involving a commitment that could cost you. If you step back, how you handle a matter could considerably change the final results. Tonight: Take your time.

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## Horoscope

Tonight: financially. Togetherness helps.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)\*\*\* Where your expectations remain rigid, you could receive a jolt in the next few weeks. Others seek you out, but what you might hear could be less than delightful to your ears. Think through an opportunity. Tonight: Accept an

Plunge into work with the realization that you might not be changing anyone direction if you flex with ing your caring will be

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)\*\*\*\* Use extreme caution greater sensitivity in your

Jan. 19)\*\*\*\* The New Moon 20)\*\*\*\*\* You make strong in your sign heralds a period of new beginnings and change. Sometimes you are pushed by others to just let go and do what you want. Try that type of spontaneity right now and see what happens. Tonight: As you like it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)\*\* Slow down. If you feel as if a lot is going on behind the scenes, you're right. The New Moon encourages you to take more time for yourself and open up to new possibilities. Pick and choose your words carefully, as misunderstandings can happen in the next few weeks. Tonight: Add some mystery to your repertoire. PISCES (Feb. 19-March

decisions about a friendship right now. You might want to take the next few weeks to re-evaluate before you take action. New information could be forthcoming that will impact how you look at others. Tonight: Where the party is. (Do you ever stop?)

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## **Questions arise when** choosing a guardian

Editor's Note: Hundreds of Ann Landers' loyal readers have requested that newspapers continue to publish her columns of the past 47 years. These letters originally

appeared in 1996. Dear Ann Landers: My husband and I are the proud par-

ents of a beautiful 1year · old Ann Landers daughter. Lately, we

have been thinking about who should raise her in case we both die at the same time. My husband's relatives

are nice people, but we agree they would not be the best candidates. My mother is 64, lives 50 miles away, is widowed, financially secure and works full time. Although it would be something of a hardship for her, I'm sure she could manage. but it would alter her lifestyle considerably.

Both my husband and I agree the best choice would be our neighbors, who are also close friends. Our daughter has known and loved this family ever since she was born. Mary and "Bob" are our age. Mary does not work. They have a large home and two teenage daughters who are wonderful kids

We aren't concerned about the financial responsibility because we have a life insurance policy that would take care of it. The question we need help with is this: Is it proper to choose a non-family member to raise your child if it makes sense? We are worried that we might offend my mother if we do not ask her, but we frankly would prefer that our child be raised by Mary and Bob. Please help us make the right decision. — Uncertain in Chicago

Dear Uncertain: By all means, ask Mary and Bob. I'm reasonably certain your 64-year-old mother would not be offended. In fact, she probably would be relieved. Your mother will be 70 when the child is in second grade. Most of the child's playmates would have grandparents who are younger. Give her a break.

Dear Ann Landers: After spending 12 years in New York, I am returning to my husband's native country, Italy. Among the things I will miss most is your column.

Before I leave, will you explain please Americans yawn without covering their mouths? This has always bothered me. I'm not talking about individuals with little education. I mean people at every level, including elegant ladies who stroll down Madison Avenue in \$600

Yesterday, when I was shopping for a computer on Fifth Avenue, a young salesman, who was standing no more than 2 feet from me, yawned in my face while I was asking him a question. I could not stop myself from saying, "Nice tonsils!" He immediately apologized and covered his mouth.

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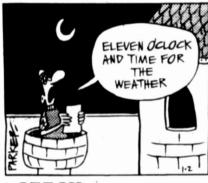
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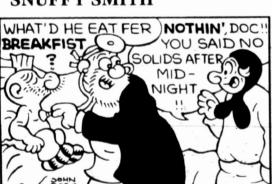


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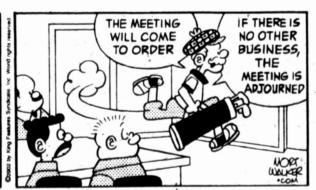
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## People In the News

#### By The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) \_ Jazz musician Jonah Jones, a Grammy winner who performed with Cab Calloway, Dizzy Gillespie and Billie Holiday, has been selected as the newest member of the Gallery of Great Black Kentuckians.

Kentucky Commission on Human Rights will display a poster Jan. 7 honoring Jones, who took up music as a youngster in a Louisville orphanage. He was born in 1909 and died in 2000, and recorded 44 albums during a career that spanned eight decades.

Robert Elliott Jones got his start playing cornet for a band at the old Booker T. Washington Community Center in Louisville in 1920. That's where he was nicknamed Jonah by the band's conductor.

Jones left Louisville to pursue his career, and in the late 1920s played on Mississippi riverboats.

He later played with Calloway's orchestra from 1941 through 1952. Jones and Gillespie were part of the trumpet section. Among the many tracks that Jones did with Calloway was "Jonah Joins The Cab."

Jones was a frequent sideman on record sessions with Holiday and Teddy Wilson. Jones played for the Broadway pit band in "Porgy And Bess" in 1953 and toured Europe as a solo artist.

ANDALUSIA, Pa. (AP) When he painted Princess Diana in London in 1994, Nelson Shanks spent more than 40 hours huddled in a private studio with the troubled beauty, paparazzi buzzed on the street below.

Shanks became a close friend of tenor Luciano Pavarotti, whom he will soon paint for the third time, and has a photo of his young daughter chatting up the imposing Margaret Thatcher during a studio break.

But the Bucks County portrait painter, who lives and works in a formal 19th century estate on the Delaware River, never got to meet his latest subject.

"That wasn't possible," said Shanks, beside his radiant portrait of a vibrant Pope John Paul II, which he based on public audiences and photos of the aging pontiff from about a decade

"It's a direct competition with some of the greatest artists of the past," said the 65-year-old Shanks.



### **Newsday Crossword**

#### **ACROSS**

- 1 Sow mate
- 5 Smoke director 9 Echolocation
- device
- 15 They lie on
- floors
- material 17 Road sign
- 19 Magnetic
- induction unit
- 20 Shuts up
- 21 Shipping unit
- **22 BPOE**

Sounds

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to me

- members
- 23 Cheers waitress
- 24 By a wide
- margin
- 27 Taking a sentence apart
- 29 Trebek or Sajak 30 Spilled the
- beans
- 31 Wrapped cheese
- 33 Cheer word 34 Censure
- **37** \_\_ de France
- 38 Life stories
- 40 Carry on
- 41 Isolated one
- 43 Somewhere else
- 45 Dressed
- elegantly 46 Groucho
- glances 47 Cheek
- 48 Star followers
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59 Run-down

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    - 5 Like kittens

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  - 25 With great speed

  - - 6 Winter racers

- 28 Greek

- 27 Get rid of

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13 Tatum's dad

18 Salon item

21 What ships

representative

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10 Fall atop

11 Road sign

- 26 Road sign

- physician **30** Practices

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- 36 Boutonniere
- 39 Saturated
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- 44 Iconoclasm
- 45 Certain African
- 47 American ally
- 48 Acquires 49 Succulent
- plant
- 50 Science series
- 51 Assistant
- 52 Low bender
- 53 "Heavens!"
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