

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Obituaries

Sarah Johnson



Sarah Johnson, 76, died Monday, Jan. 6, 2003, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10, 2003, at Trinity Memorial Park with Mr. Scott Sheppard, minister of the Garden City Church of Christ, officiating. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, 2003, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Mrs. Johnson was born on Jan. 5, 1927, in Putnam. She was the daughter of Elmer Johnson and his wife, Linda, of Wichita Falls, Sam Johnson of Brady and Chris Johnson and his wife, Linda, of Columbus, Ind.; two daughters, Judy Bingham and her husband, Loyd, of Forsan and Leah Johnson of Big Spring; one brother, George Grounds and his wife, Cris, of Stamford; 12 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews, including George Vinson and Vicki Vinson, who were raised by Mr. and Mrs. Johnson.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Georgie Kay Edwards, as well as her parents, two sisters and two brothers.

Honorary pallbearers will be Theda Perez, Linda Bordofsky, Lois McElreath, Jean Williams, Bea Miller Farris and Barbara Smith.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

James C. Johnson

James C. Johnson, 82, of Big Spring died Monday, Jan. 6, 2003, in a local hospital.

Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, 2003, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with his son, Pastor Lance Johnson of Iglesia Bautista Betharia in Denton, officiating and the Rev. Al Stiefer assisting. Interment will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mr. Johnson was born on Oct. 8, 1920, in Moulton and married Billie Jean Karl on Oct. 7, 1951, in Yoakum. He had lived in St. Lawrence since 1954.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Garden City and was a deacon.

He was a historian, enjoyed reading and telling stories and loved to chuckle at his grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife, Billie Johnson of Big Spring; two sons, Lance Karl Johnson of Denton and Daryl Shane Johnson of Odessa; a daughter, Phyllis Dawson of Austin; three sisters, Kate Higgins of Hallettsville, Nancy Hull of Moulton and Goloa Martin of Kerrville; and three grandchildren, Kendra Dawson, Zoe Johnson and Naaman Johnson.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Mary Ablinger; one brother, Walter Johnson; and one granddaughter, Stacy Dawson.

The family will receive friends from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

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

Bonita Saldana

Bonita Saldana, 66, of Midland died Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2003, in a Midland hospital.

Funeral service is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home of Big Spring.

Gayle Thompson

Gayle Thompson, 78, of Big Spring died at 6:40 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2003, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a lengthy illness.

Services are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Jeffrey Mook

Jeffrey Mook, 50, died Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2003, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center.

Services are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Micaela Gomez

Micaela Gomez, 60, of Midland, a sister of Elda Zamora of Big Spring, died Monday, Jan. 6, 2003, at Midland Memorial Hospital. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, 2003, in the Reyes-Garcia Funeral Home Chapel in Midland. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery in Ackerly.

Weather

Tonight — Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s. West winds 10 to 20 mph.

Thursday — Partly cloudy in the morning then clearing. Highs in the upper 50s. North winds 15 to 20 mph.

Friday — Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 50s.

Saturday — Mostly cloudy. Slight chance of showers. Lows in the mid 30s. Highs in the lower 50s.

Sunday — Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s. Highs in the lower 50s.

Monday — Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s. Highs in the mid 50s.

Tuesday — Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s. Highs in the upper 50s.

Police blotter

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

• **LORI MARIE WHITE**, 26, of 2504 Runnels was arrested on local warrants.

• **ROBERT RUBEN SANCHEZ**, 48, of 1033 Gail Highway was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **ASSAULT CAUSING BODILY INJURY** was reported in the 400 block of State Street.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported:

- In the 1000 block of South Nolan. A Sony Playstation 2, worth \$290, a videocassette recorder worth \$60 and two Playstation games worth \$100 were reported stolen.

- In the 300 block of West Fifth Street. A miniature Chihuahua worth \$60 and \$500 cash were reported stolen.

- In the 500 block of Sunset Boulevard. Someone reportedly entered through an unlocked front door and stole a television worth \$160.

• **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 1700 block of West Interstate 20. The front door of the building was pried open causing \$15 damage to a lock hasp. \$125 worth of baseballs was reported stolen.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 4100 block of Muir Street. Home electronic equipment worth \$650 was reported stolen.

• **FORGERY OF A GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT** was reported in person at the police station.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported at Wal-Mart. A brown 2001 Dodge Neon reportedly sustained \$800 damage in the incident.

• **ANIMAL PROBLEM** was reported in the 800 block of West FM 700.

• **CRUELTY TO ANIMALS** was reported in person at the police station.

• **LOUD PARTY/NOISE** was reported in the 1900 block of North Monticello Street.

Police Department reported the following activity over the weekend:

- **ASSAULT:** 4
- **ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE:** 4
- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING:** 1
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION:** 5
- **BURGLARY OF A MOTOR VEHICLE:** 2
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF:** 8
- **DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED:** 1
- **DRIVING WITH AN INVALID LICENSE:** 1
- **INJURY TO A CHILD:** 1
- **RUNAWAY RETURNED:** 1
- **TERRORISTIC THREAT:** 1
- **THEFT:** 27
- **UNAUTHORIZED USE OF MOTOR VEHICLE:** 1
- **INCIDENTS:** 1
- **ACCIDENTS:** 5
 - Major: 1
 - Minor: 4
- **ARRESTS:** 11

Police reported the following activity for the month of December, 2002:

- **DETECTIVE CASE LOAD:**
 - 4 Investigators
 - 31 percent clearance
 - 89 previous cases
 - 47 new assigned cases
 - 42 cleared
 - 4 inactivated
 - 90 carried over
- **PROPERTY STOLEN/RECOVERED:**
 - \$75,768 stolen
 - \$25,024 recovered
- **IN-HOUSE TRAINING:**
 - 25 officers
 - 56 class hours
- **ADULT ARRESTS:**
 - 78 total
 - 12 drunk
 - 4 weapons
 - 5 driving under the influence
 - 6 narcotics
 - 6 assaults
- **JUVENILE ARRESTS:**
 - 9 total
 - 8 white
 - 1 black
 - 1 burglary
 - 2 theft
 - 1 weapon
 - 4 liquor laws
 - 5 curfew
 - 3 runaways
 - 2 aggravated assaults
- **CRIMES REPORTED:**
 - 1 sexual assault
 - 20 assaults
 - 39 burglaries
 - 53 thefts
 - 3 unauthorized use of a motor vehicle
 - 6 family violence
- **S.T.E.P. STATISTICS:**
 - 6 officers
 - 21 hours overtime
 - 13 citations
 - 21 written warnings
 - 1 arrest
 - 185 miles driven
- **PATROL STATISTICS:**
 - Miles driven: 26,799
 - Gasoline used: 2,337.6 gallons
 - Written reports: 349
 - Accidents: 66
 - Arrests: 124
 - Driving under the influence: 12
 - Citations: 381
 - Written warnings: 190
 - Verbal warnings: 364
 - Field interviews: 37
 - Alarm responses: 91
 - Open door investigations: 12

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.

TODAY
Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard County Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Line dancing, 1 p.m., Spring City Senior Center, Industrial Park, 398-5522 or 267-1628.

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

Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY
Gideon International, B.S. Camp U42060, 7 a.m., Herman's Restaurant, 1601 Gregg.

Coffee Club, 10 a.m., Gales Sweete Shoppe, 1706 E. FM-700.

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

Friends of the Library, noon, Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

Big Spring Main Street, noon, Doc Hardy Memorial Railroad Museum, Second Street and Main.

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

American Legion Auxiliary, 6 p.m., 3203 W. Highway 80, 263-2404.

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

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

Neighbors and Newcomers Club. New members welcome, 268-9335.

FRIDAY
Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad, 267-1037 or 2677281. Bring a lunch.

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

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

Spring City Senior Citizen's County and Wester Dance, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., Industrial Park. All Seniors are invited.

EMS

Here is a summary of Big Spring Fire Department and EMS calls for Tuesday:

1:53 p.m. — 400 block of Edwards, medical call, transported one patient to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

3:11 p.m. — 2000 block of Virginia, medical call, transported one patient to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

5:10 p.m. — 1900 block of U.S. Highway 87, trauma call, one patient transported to the VA Medical Center.

5:14 p.m. — 1500 block of Cherokee, trauma call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

6:36 p.m. — The intersection of FM 669 and County Road 29, traffic accident, three patients transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

7:46 p.m. — 3200 block of Parkway, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

8:14 p.m. — 1100 block of W. Third St., trauma call, one patient transported to the VA Medical Center.

Lottery

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery: 11-22-23-29-36

The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Tuesday: 2-13-23-34
Bonus number 13

Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night: 2-4-9

Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday afternoon: 4-1-4

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State and national news at a glance

One killed in cement plant fire

MIDLOTHIAN (AP) - One person was killed and three were injured when an explosion and fire erupted at a cement plant late Tuesday.

Midlothian Police Department spokesman Amy Calder said the fire began about 11:10 p.m. Tuesday at Texas Industries' Midlothian cement plant. It was extinguished about three hours later, police said.

The explosion and fire occurred next to a pollution-control device called a scrubber, TXI spokesman Maurice Osborn said.

The 2-year-old plant had been closed for repairs when the accident occurred. The workers were contractors making repairs and did not work for TXI, Osborn said.

The name of the victim, who was pronounced dead at the scene, was being withheld until relatives could be notified, police said. The three injured people were not immediately identified.

One of them was taken by medical helicopter to Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas, where he was in stable condition, Osborn said. The other two were treated and released at a nearby hospital, he said.

ME's office loses two bodies

HOUSTON (AP) - The Harris County Commissioners Court has ordered a full review of the Medical Examiner's office after losing two bodies in two weeks.

Last month, the Harris County Medical Examiner's Office lost the body of 4-week-old Octavius Demil Freeman. The infant remains missing.

Tuesday, agency head Dr. Luis Sanchez went before the Commissioners Court to explain how the baby may have been lost and to tout new safeguards to prevent it from happening again.

After the hearing, Sanchez learned that a man's body had mistakenly been sent to a funeral home on Tuesday when it should have remained at the county morgue for an autopsy. The body was later returned.

Officials vaccinate against rabies

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) - State health officials said four airplanes will drop rabies vaccine-laced baits across South and West Texas to help prevent an outbreak like the one that struck the region in 1994.

The planes will circle parts of Duval, Brooks, Cameron, Dimmit, Hidalgo, Kenedy, La Salle, Jim Hogg, Maverick, Starr, Willacy, Zapata, and Zavala counties for the next three to four weeks, officials with the Texas Department of Health and the Texas Wildlife Damage Management Service said.

The baits are intended to vaccinate rabies in coyotes and gray foxes.

More than 17 million baits have been dropped in South and West Texas since 1995 as part of the Oral Rabies Vaccine Program.

BSPD

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Parts machine shop down here on Third Street," he said. "A buddy of mine that I ran around with was laid off at the railroad and hired on here and went to the academy. He came in to visit one day and we were talking, and it struck up my interest, and here I am."

Like many police officers, he started out in the patrol division.

"I started out as a patrol officer," he said. "Worked patrol for four years and then transferred into detectives. I stayed in there for about a year and then was promoted to sergeant and I was back on patrol. Then I was recently promoted to lieutenant in June, I believe it was, of 2002."

The latest promotion came with a re-organization of the department's management ranks following the retirement of Capt. Pam Jordan, he said. During the reorganization, a new lieutenant's spot was added and the job of captain was done away with.

"It was the chief's decision to try to reorganize the upper management and try to have more

supervision for patrol," he said. "To kind of spread out the responsibilities and have two lieutenants for patrol so we can try to make sure we have somebody here most of the time to answer questions or help out whenever needed."

As a lieutenant, Fitzgibbons said his time doing actual street-level police work has cut down.

"I really miss working the streets," he said. "I still go out on the streets occasionally but being a street officer, working the streets, I think I had more fun. That's probably my favorite part of the job."

He still does go out on patrol whenever he can tear himself away from the desk, he said.

"When I have time I am out there helping the sergeant wherever he needs help, backing the officers up on calls, helping out in that capacity," he said. "Now as a lieutenant I have a lot of duties here in the office. I'm in charge of the Field Training program, training all the new officers that come in. Keeping up with the field training officers that I have, making sure they do their job right. Scheduling officers to go to inservice schools, making sure they stay

updated on all their training. That takes up quite a bit of time, but when I have time I'm out there on the street with them." During his 19 years, Fitzgibbons has seen a lot of changes to the job, he said.

"It's a lot different. It's a lot better," he said. "The equipment, the quality of our equipment, the availability of our equipment, it's a lot better than it was. I can remember coming in for briefing and nobody had assigned portable radios. You tried to check one out of the cabinet if there was one. If there wasn't, you tried to grab one as it came in the back door so that you had a portable so that you could contact dispatch when you got out of the car. We've come a long way since I've been here."

Police Chief Lonnie Smith said Fitzgibbons is a great choice for supervisor of the year.

"He's always been willing to learn new tasks that we present to him," he said. "He's excelled in patrol as far as patrol activities and being a patrol supervisor. When we deleted the captain's position, we made two patrol lieutenants and he took over as a patrol lieutenant."

He's the kind of guy that instills respect from his men, the chief added.

"He has a lot of the respect of the officers that work for him or work in patrol," Smith said. "That goes a long way in getting the job done when it's not a pleasant deal. They'll do it if they have respect for their supervisor. Bob's one that's been able to win that support."

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GOATS

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"I earned \$200 on my rabbit last year," he said.

The two high school students, along with many Howard County 4-Hers and FFA members, will show off months of work today during the goat show beginning 4 p.m. at the Howard County Show Barn.

Officially, the first show of the event begins at 3 p.m. as lambs take center stage.

Vizcaino and Fraser return Thursday when the rabbit show begins at 6 p.m. On Friday, barrows will put their best hock forward at 8:30 p.m. The heifer show begins at 3 p.m. followed by the steers.

On Saturday, the annual buyer's lunch begins at 11 a.m. with the awards

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reception and auction show to follow at 1 p.m.

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WATER

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obsolete water lines in 15 separate locations, Darden said.

The pipe sizes range from anywhere from 12 inch on down to 2 inch," he said. "Our goal is to replace approximately five miles of pipeline each year."

Darden said the city has already completed four of the 15 projects for the year and has three others in progress.

"So we're about halfway," he said.

The city has been tracking main breaks since 1993, he added.

"We've seen this year alone about a 35 percent decrease in main breaks," he said. "We feel that a lot of that is because of our water line replacement program. Certainly weather is a factor in main breaks and we have not had the weather conditions that would create more main breaks, but I believe the water line replacement program has made a significant impact in the number of breaks that we've been experiencing this year."

Darden said the projects are chosen based on the number of breaks in the area over the past five years and on the number of customers affected by breaks.

"Those are the priorities we follow on these construction projects," he said. "We maintain a leak map at the utilities department and we track and log on that map every main break that occurs."

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COLLEGE

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program rapidly growing is the Risk Management Academy, courses designed to help reduce on-the-job accidents as well as teach governmental regulations and rules.

"In the Junction area — the southern most point of our service area — we are seeing a rise in interest in the Risk Management Academy," Sparks said. "We are working with Texas Tech (University) to deliver more courses in that area."

The college is attempting to work closely with nearby higher educational institutions to increase educational opportunities, Sparks said.

In 2002, Lubbock Christian University began offering a degree program on the Howard College campus. The program allows college juniors and seniors to pursue a bachelor's degree in business from LCU without having to leave Howard County.

Enrollment has continued to grow throughout the district and the college is beginning to see a need for more classroom space. The construction of a new auditorium on the Howard College campus should help with some relief.

The almost 24,000 square-foot performing arts building will include three new classrooms as well as house both the theater and art programs. "I see a large portion of our time being spent on construction of that building during this next calendar year," Sparks said.

A possible new building may help house the increasing number of students enrolling at the Howard College program in San Angelo.

The San Angelo

Foundation of Howard College just received a donation of 23 acres of land adjacent to the West Texas Training Center," Sparks said. "The foundation is working on plans for the acreage."

To meet the growing needs of the SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf, the college is requesting money from the legislature to build a vocational building.

"If we are fortunate to receive the requested money for the SWCID (construction project), we will begin preliminary work on the vocational building this summer."

All SWCID costs and a large portion of the Howard College budget is dependent on state funding and funding for programs is expected to be very tight due to a shortfall in the budget.

"It is going to be a very active session due to the budget restriction," Sparks said. "We will be very, very involved with the legislative process because the result of this spring will determine the next two years for us in Big Spring in a big way."

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OUR VIEWS

Banquet time, get your tickets right away

It's politics, but not really. A focus on past and future legislators is the "theme" for this year's Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Banquet, planned for Thursday, Jan. 23.

Among those who have been invited as special guests are state Rep. David Counts and Sen. Robert Duncan, who will represent Howard County until ceremonies later this month, and state Rep. Pete Laney and Sen. Teel Bivins, who will be representing the county for the next term. The annual banquet takes place at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and will feature a sit-down style dinner.

One of the highlights of the banquet will be recognition of the chamber's Man and Woman of the Year. Outgoing and incoming board members will also be recognized.

We hope you will come out and join us as we salute our legislators, both past and present, chamber of commerce and those staff members and officers, board members and volunteers who have worked so hard to make it a success.

Tickets are \$20 and may be picked up at the chamber office, 215 W. Third, or reserved them by calling 263-7641. This year, businesses may sponsor and decorate an eight-person table for \$100. Participating businesses will receive four tickets.

We hope to see you there.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we be thankful for the good in our lives and come to you for help with the problems in our lives. Amen

Something of value, but exactly what?

Sen. Trent Lott was criticized for, among other things, not voting to create a national holiday for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. I don't think Dr. King deserves a national holiday, and I say that not to take away anything from his accomplishments.



CHARLEY REESE

But when you start talking about a national holiday in honor of an individual, the competition becomes fierce. Dr. King's contributions pale in comparison with those of Benjamin Franklin, John Adams and James Madison, none of whom has a national holiday. Even George Washington's birthday has been lumped into that obnoxious Presidents Day along with those of Abraham Lincoln and Thomas Jefferson. Presidents Day was nothing more than a scheme by federal unions to get a three-day week-

end. Congress should be ashamed, but that, of course, is like saying that a lap dancer should be modest.

Had it not been for George Washington, a singular individual if ever there was one, the United States as we know it would not exist, nor would it have ever existed. He was what few men ever are -- indispensable. Americans should study his life, mark his birthday and raise hell with any two-bit merchant who demeans him by using his image or name in some sales promotion scheme. That his name has been removed from some public schools because he was a slave owner is political correctness run amok.

I can tolerate a certain amount of political correctness, but when it begins to befool and distort American history, I believe it is time to take a stand. A people must be able to distinguish between not only degrees of evil and degrees of greatness, but also between the trivial and the essential, not to mention between truth and falsehood.

Jim Crow laws were struck a mortal blow in 1954 by the Supreme Court responding to a suit by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Rosa Parks, by her heroic act of refusing to give up her seat on a bus, started what's been called the civil-rights revolution in 1955. Dr. King came in later, and by leading marches, boycotts and demonstrations created such political heat that Congress finally passed the Civil Rights Act in 1964. But Dr. King, while perhaps the most eloquent, was not the only civil-rights leader. His tragic death in 1968 transformed him into a martyr.

As with all martyrs, Dr. King's failings were forgotten. He plagiarized large portions of his doctoral thesis. The transcripts of wiretaps (authorized by those sterling liberals, John F. and Robert Kennedy) were apparently deemed to be so damaging to his reputation that they have been sealed for 50 years. Still, he deserves to be honored, if for no other reason than for sacrific-

ing his life for the cause of a racially blind society. Some of his speeches and writing certainly hold a place in American literature.

Still, national holidays should not be cynically handed out for contemporary political purposes. Such is the sweep of American history, with so many great people of both races that time is always needed to properly assess a person's place in history. Politicians, with an eye on the next election, and the media, with a near-Alzheimer's memory range, are not the ones to do the assessing.

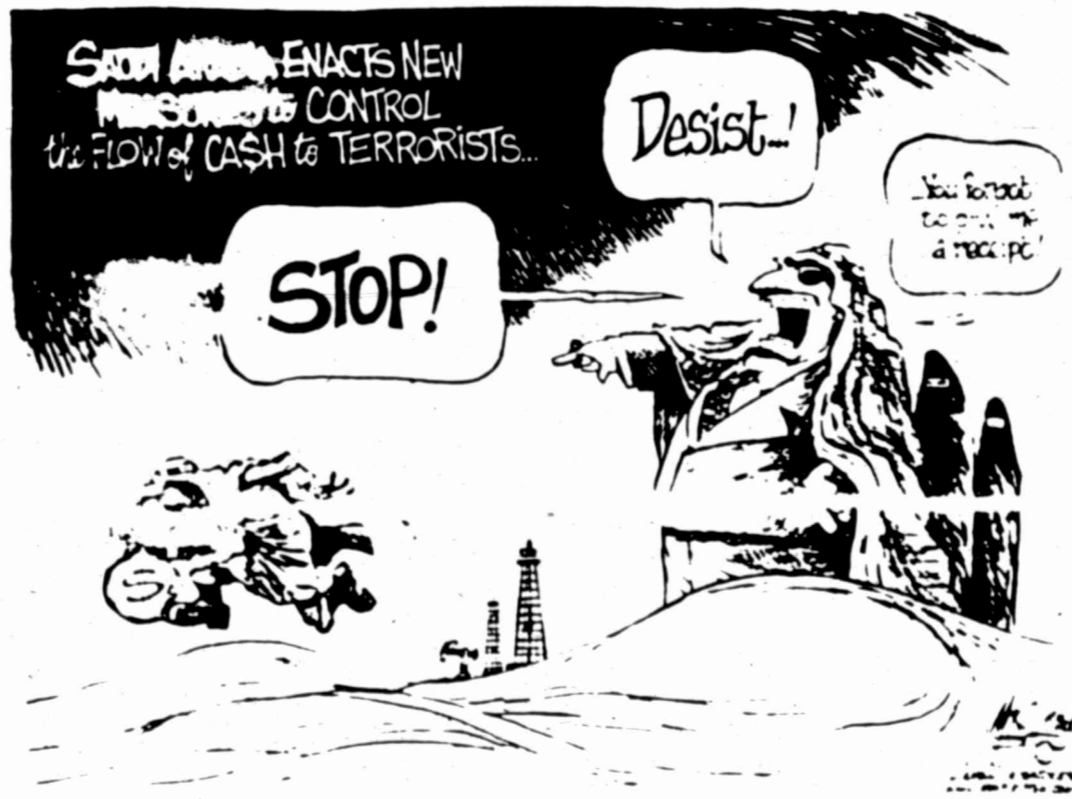
Dr. King, of course, has his holiday, and I certainly don't begrudge it, but merely having disagreed on that question is no proof that a person is a racist. That is what should be opposed -- the idea that everyone who differs with any black person or organization on any subject is racist. That is not honest debate; it is an attempt to control thought by intimidation.

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The Black Spiders baseball team

Mineola used to have a baseball team composed of black players. The team was called the Black Spiders.



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

The team was owned by a white man named Klingaman and traveled all over Texas and Oklahoma, even playing games in Mexico. Later in the year the Spiders went to tournaments in the north and midwest. The manager of the team was Reuben Jones, who assembled a team of boys from the small towns around Mineola.

In 1937 one of the players was Marlin Carter, who established himself as the premier third baseman of the Negro Baseball League. He grew up near Marshall and became one of Negro baseball's finest and most durable infielders. His

professional career spanned 22 seasons.

From 1920 through the late 1940's black baseball flourished in Texas sandlots and diamonds. Semi-pro black squads represented towns as large as Houston and as small as Pittsburg.

In 1926, when he was just fifteen years old, Marlin joined the Shreveport Black Sports baseball team, a member of the Texas Negro League. Marlin says life was pretty tough. "We didn't have the best means of getting to games," he says. "Traveling was hard. We played in parks owned by Texas League teams -- the white teams."

He played with the San Antonio-Black Indians for five years in the late 20's and early 30's. Then, the league was composed of the Dallas Black Giants, the Houston Black Buffaloes and the Austin Black Senators. In addition to regular season games, the Black Indians often played exhibition contests against the Little

Rock Travelers and the Fort Worth Wonders.

In 1932 he joined the Monroe, Louisiana Monarchs, a team owned by Fred Stovall, a plantation owner who built a casino for his players. Players lived on the plantation and traveled to games in three Fords Stovall purchased.

In 1933 Marlin went to Memphis and played for the Memphis Red Sox, a team in the Negro Southern League. Two years later he went to Cincinnati to play for the Tigers.

He served in the Coast Guard during World War Two, then joined the Chicago American Giants. He finished his baseball career with the Rochester Royals in 1950.

"By the time they were beginning to integrate the major leagues, like so many of the best Negro players, I was past my prime. They were looking for young players. I was too old to be considered. I was nearly forty."

Marlin lives in Memphis with his baseball memories.

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What's New?

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Last week I wrote about the new books on tape that the Library has received; this week's column will be about new books on CD that have just been processed into the system.



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"Clara Callan" written by Richard B. Wright and read by Anne Twomey, is the story of two sisters who struggle to find themselves as young women in the 1930s. It is a mesmerizing tribute to friendship and sisterhood. Iris Johansen writes thrillers that keep you on the edge of your seat. In "No One to Trust" read by Kate Burton, Elena Kyler is pursued by Rico Chavez who wants her dead.

Although Elena is a trained assassin, even she is not immune to terror. Joe Mantegna is the reader for Lorenzo Carcaterra's book "Street Boys." This is the chilling story of the German army on the march to Naples, Italy. Their instructions are as follows: if the city can't belong to Hitler, then it belongs to no one. It belongs to no one but the children who are determined to take on the German army and save the city.

"The Piano Tuner" by Daniel Mason is the story of Edgar Drake who is instructed to travel to jungles of Burma to tune a rare Erard grand piano. The time is 1886 and times are troubled as he journeys through Europe, the Red Sea, India and on into Burma. The above BOCDS are abridged.

Unabridged BOCDS that we have received are three books by James

Patterson: "The Beach House," "Four Blind Mice;" and "2nd Chance." "The Secret Life of Bees" by Sue Monk Kidd; James Lee Burke's story of the Civil War — "White Doves at Morning;" "True to Form" by Elizabeth Berg; "The Lovely Bones" by Alice Sebold; "Remnant" by Tim LaHaye and Jerry B. Jenkins; and "Dark Horse" by Tami Hoag.

I left out these BOTs from last week's column; we also have "The Corrections" by Jonathan Franzen; "Portrait of a Killer: Jack the Ripper — Case Closed" by Patricia Cornwell; "Hornet Flight" by Ken Follett and "Chasing the Dime" by Michael Connelly. A donated BOT is "The Lost World" by Michael Crichton. This was recently made into a movie directed by Stephen Spielberg.

The library has also

received some new Large Print books (all can be found on the LP shelves). Karen Robards' has written "Paradise County," a tale of the bluebloods and thoroughbreds of Kentucky. Robards' books are always a page turner and this one is no exception. Eileen Goudge is another excellent writer and "Stranger in Paradise" is excellent. The first in the Carson Springs series, the story begins with Samantha Kiley's passion for a younger man. Will it drive away her family and friends?

"The Cat Who Went Up the Creek" by Lillian Jackson Braun is another tale of James Qwilleran's pair of Siamese cats, Ko-Ko and Yum-Yum. Is gold to be found 'up the creek' where the bodies come floating down? See how the cats and Jim solve the mystery. Diane Mott Davidson is one of my favorite mystery writers.

The large print version of "Sticks and Scones" is her newest mystery and Miss Goldy is in up to her neck in shortbread and scones. See how Goldy solves the mystery of the Colorado castle.

We also received three large print non-fiction books. The first is "Laura: America's First Lady, First Mother" by Antonia Flex. My claim to knowing Laura Bush is that we shared an alley when the Bush's lived on Golf Course Road and my husband's birthday is shared with their twin daughters. It is hard to judge Laura Bush; it may be that she is simply who she is, without any apology. "Last Man Down: A Firefighter's Story of Survival and Escape from the World Trade Center" by Richard Picciotto is a simple tale of survival when many did not. A battalion commander with the New

York Fire Department, Picciotto's story is riveting.

Afghanistan is still much in the news and the story of the two women missionaries still reverberate. "Prisoners of Hope: The Story of Our Captivity and Freedom in Afghanistan" by Dayna Curry and Heather Mercer tells the story of their trials and tribulations while being held captive by the Taliban. It is another timely book to read.

Howard County Library is open from 9 to 6, Monday to Friday and 9 until 4 on Saturday. The Internet/Video room closes 1/2 hour before closing. The library is located at 500 Main St. Our phone number is 264-2260. Web site is www.howard-county.lib.tx.us; our e-mail address is howard-county@hotmail.com.

Cookie cutter artists keep nonconformist edge

BOONSBORO, Md. (AP) — The cookie has crumbled nicely for identical twins Bill and Bob Cukla, who started out as drag-racing gearheads and ended up as kitchen-gadget kings.

Cookie cutters, that is. Elaborate, handmade tinware is priced from \$6 to \$35 apiece in their Hammer Song catalog, and even higher in gourmet boutiques.

The witty, finely detailed designs make it clear the brothers and their wives are artists.

Just don't call them that.

"A lot of these other craftspeople, they take themselves real seriously as 'artists,'" Bill says in his blue-collar Chicago dialect. "We're not."

He drives the point home as he demonstrates his craft, deftly bending an inch-wide band of tin around nails protruding from a plank: "This is mind-numbing," he complains.

It sells, though, and that's what keeps Bill and his wife, Betsy Ayella Cukla, a formally trained artist, out in the garage behind their rural west-

ern Maryland home, twisting and soldering as many as 13,000 cutters a year for sale in stores, by mail and at craft shows.

Brother Bob and his wife, Julie Flaherty, also trained artists, collaborate on the designs and make other tinware pieces, from painstaking antique reproductions to colorful jewelry, that the four partners sell.

Cookie cutters are Hammer Song's bread and butter, prized by deep-pocketed collectors who seek them out at shops including La Cuisine in Alexandria, Va.

"The designs are so unique and the details are so intricate. You just don't find that kind of detail in many other cutters," Stephanie Gorenflo, the store's merchandise manager said.

Cookies made from Hammer Song cutters have been hung on the White House Christmas tree and served by major corporations that pay, up to \$1,000 for custom designs.

It was Julie's oak leaf design in 1987 that put the cutter business in high gear. "We started doing

the leaves, and then the next year, everyone else was coming out with leaves," she said.

The competition has driven Hammer Song to design increasingly intricate cutters for an expanded range of seasons. There is a New Year's moose in a champagne glass next to a bottle of bubbly; a curly-haired muscleman in swimming briefs flexing his biceps; a leaping rabbit perfect for Easter baking.

"We're trying to move cookie-eating into other holidays," Betsy said.

Some designs are flops. Bill recalled one of a head-scratching monkey holding a banana in its other hand, similar in humorous spirit to some of their best-selling patterns. "We thought we

know enough about the public that we knew what would sell," he said.

They made 100 copies, their standard minimum — and nearly got stuck with them. "It took us six weeks to sell that hundred," Bill said.

"We still loved the design," Betsy added, "but it taught us to appeal to a wider audience."

Bob recalled the inspiration for the cutter business, a booth at a craft fair he attended in 1978.

"This old Dutchman and his wife had these primitive cookie cutters. They were nowhere near the best thing at the fair, but he had a crowd at his booth. I thought, 'You can be an artist or you can make money at this thing. Or maybe you can do both.'"

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Barnstorming in 21st-century style

When Gina Moore sits in her office, it's not inside a glassed-in skyscraper. It's the glass-canopied cockpit of a vintage AT-6 military trainer. Moore is a 21st-century barnstormer offering rides for hire. Plus, pear romaine salad and procrastination busters.

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IN BRIEF

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.

BSYBA seasons will begin Jan. 11

The Big Spring Youth Basketball Association is scheduled to tip-off its 2003 season next weekend with play in the 12 & Under division.

Teams from throughout the area, including Ackerly, Stanton, Forsan and Coahoma are slated to field teams this year. Coahoma will be competing in its own league.

Big Spring girls will host Frenship Friday

The Big Spring Lady Steers will continue their District 4-4A march on Friday when they host the Frenship Lady Tigers in the BSHS gym.

The JV Lady Steers are slated to tip off at 7:30 p.m. The BSHS varsity squad, 15-7 overall, will start at 6 p.m.

Howard College will play Mtn. View

The Howard College Hawks will host Mountain View College in non-conference action tonight, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The Hawks, 15-0, are ranked No. 5 in the latest NJCAA national poll.

Ten Star basketball camp taking entries

Applications for the Ten Star All-Star Basketball Camp are now being evaluated. The camp is an invitation-only program for male and female athletes ages 10 to 19.

Past participants in the camp include Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse and Grant Hill. The camp will showcase talent from 50 states and eight foreign countries.

Camps are scheduled for several sites in the United States, including Commerce, TX, and Atchison, KS.

For a free brochure on the camp contact Ten Star All-Star Basketball at (704) 373-0873.

ON THE AIR

Event	Time	Station
Sports Broadcast Schedule		
Jan. 7		
Lady Steers vs. Levelland	7:15 p.m.	1490
Jan. 10		
Mavericks vs. Boston	6:30 p.m.	1490
Jan. 12		
Mavericks vs. Clippers	2 p.m.	1490
Jan. 13		
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Lady Hawks vs. Odessa	5:35 p.m.	1490
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Jan. 16		
Lady Hawks vs. Clarendon	5:35 p.m.	1490
Hawks vs. Clarendon	7:35 p.m.	1490
Jan. 17		
Lady Steers vs. Andrews	4:45 p.m.	1490
Steers vs. Andrews	7:15 p.m.	1490
Jan. 20		
Lady Hawks vs. Midland	5:35 p.m.	1490
Hawks vs. Midland	7:35 p.m.	1490

Hawks climb to fifth in NJCAA Division I poll

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The Howard College Hawks kept inching toward the top spot in the National Junior College Athletic Association Division I basketball poll Tuesday — climbing four spots to No. 5 in latest release.

The No. 5 ranking marks the third time the Hawks program has cracked the nation's Top 5. The Hawks held the NJCAA No. 1 ranking on two separate occasions — in 1989-90 and 1990-91.

Howard College heads into tonight's showdown against Mountain View off to one of their

best start in history. The team has won its first 15 games.

According to HC Sports Information Director Stan Feaster, the program has had only one longer win streak in its history. HC reeled off 20 straight wins during the 1990-91 season under head coach Steve Green.

That season, the Hawks only conference loss that season was a 90-82 setback to South Plains. Howard then won 12 straight games and shared the conference championship with South Plains College.

The Hawks finished the 1990-91 season with an impressive 32-2 record and were 15-1 in confer-

ence action.

The only undefeated conference streak for the Hawks came during the 1998-99 season under the direction of Coach Tommy Collins. The Hawks produced a perfect 14-0 conference record, winning the WJCAC championship.

They were only one of three teams in the history of the WJCAC to go undefeated during conference play. The Hawks advanced to the Region V Championship game with victories over Hill College and South Plains but watched their trip to the national tournament slip through their hands as they lost

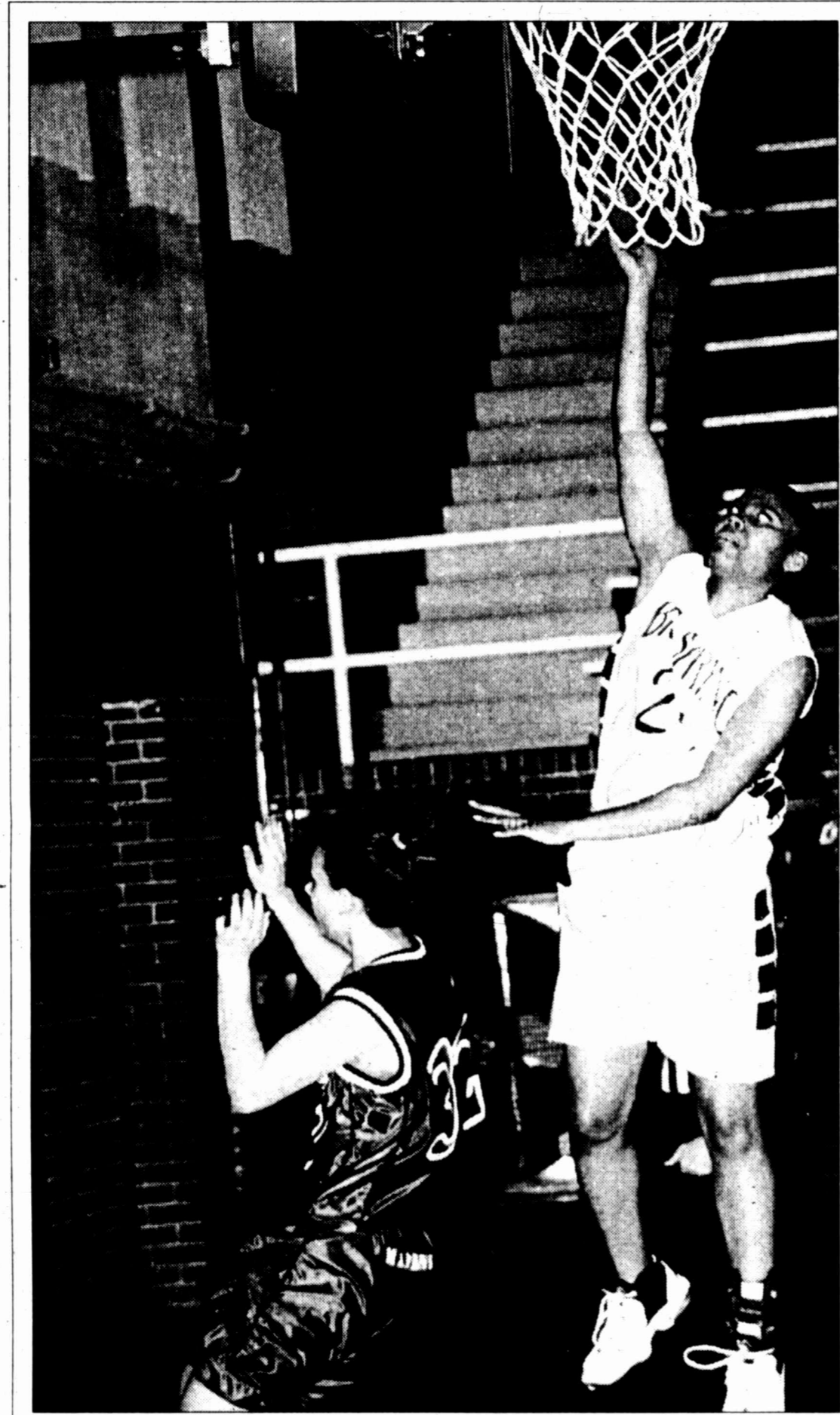
a heartbreaking overtime decision to third-ranked Weatherford College, 91-85.

HC has been to the national tournament four times during the schools' 56-year history.

Former head coach Harold Davis took the team to the national tournament twice — in 1952-53 and 1954-55. Buddy Travis also took the team twice, during the years 1959-60 and 1968-69.

The Hawks' best showing was during the 1952-53 season when they finished fourth at the National Tournament.

HC tips off action at 7 p.m. tonight in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.



Big Spring junior LaKenya Wrightsil goes in for an easy layup during recent Lady Steers' basketball action. Big Spring suffered its first District 4-4A loss Tuesday night, falling to Levelland 70-49. The BSHS girls host Frenship Friday in the Steer Gym.

Herald Photo/Bruce Schooler

Levelland cools off Lady Steers, 70-49

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The Big Spring Lady Steers' district championship hopes suffered a serious blow Tuesday night with a 70-49 setback against the state-ranked Levelland Loboettes.

With the loss, Big Spring slipped into a tie for second place in the District 4-4A race with Frenship and Andrews. All three teams sport 1-1 records after their first two loop outings. No. 4-ranked Lubbock Estacado and Levelland — ranked No. 11 — lead the race with perfect 2-0 records.

"They (Levelland) a good team," said Big Spring. "We had some good looks at the basket but the shots just didn't fall for us."

Krystle Long had everything going her way in the early minutes of the contest. The BSHS senior scored the Lady Steers' first six points and led the team to a 6-2 lead to start the contest.

After pulling to within 10-9 midway through the first, Levelland hit stride.

Team	Overall		District	
	W	L	W	L
Estacado	20	2	2	0
Levelland	16	6	2	0
Frenship	13	10	1	1
Big Spring	15	7	1	1
Andrews	9	11	1	1
Lake View	7	14	0	2

Tuesday's games — Levelland 70, Big Spring 49; Andrews 39, Lake View 35; Estacado 65, Frenship 42.

Friday's games — Frenship vs. Big Spring; Estacado vs. Lake View; Frenship vs. Andrews.

The Loboettes took advantage of five Lady Steer turnovers in the first quarter and reeled off a 10-0 run to end the opening period.

Levelland held a 19-10 cushion heading into the second.

Danielle Wilson and Texas Tech recruit Tawanna Flowers sparked the Loboettes in the second. Wilson knocked down two 3-point shots in the frame and Flowers scored eight of her 20 points to key a 23-11 spree.

Levelland held a 42-21 cushion at the half.

Big Spring, which was paced by junior Leina Braxton, held its own in the second half. The Lady Steers

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Third-quarter run lifts Pecos past Big Spring

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

PECOS — Alvin Russell would have loved nothing better than to close out the Big Spring Steers' non-district schedule with a little celebration in his former hometown. Unfortunately, for the Big Spring senior, Pecos wouldn't have any of it.

The Eagles used a 13-2 third-quarter run to spark a wild 58-53 come-from-behind win over the Steers in front of a small crowd in the Pecos High School gymnasium.

Overall, the Eagles outscored Big Spring by a 16-6 margin in the frame. The Steers, 2-19, got off to a strong start against Pecos. Wesley Smith and Jordan Cobb helped Big Spring grind out a quick 8-0 lead in the first three minutes of play. They pushed that lead to 12-4 before Pecos rallied.

The Eagles battled to a 16-14 lead in the final minutes of the first quarter by pounding out a 14-0 streak. The Steers, who are scheduled to open District 4-4A action Friday against the Frenship Tigers, controlled the tempo in the second. Big Spring posted a 14-12 run in the stanza and sent the game into the half tied at 28-28.

Big Spring seemed to get on track in the first

three minutes of the second half. The Steers staged a 4-3 run in that span — building a 32-31 cushion — before the Eagles took flight.

Pecos, 10-8 overall, broke the game open by going on a 13-2 run in the final 5:01 of the period.

The Eagles held a 44-34 lead heading into the final eight minutes of the contest.

Pecos stretched its lead to 13, at 53-40, midway through the fourth before Smith ignited a late run that pulled the Steers to within four with less than a minute to play.

With less than two minutes to play, Russell Grant and Nathan Teeters came up big for the Steers. Grant sank a pair of free throws and Teeters dropped in a 3-point shot that cut the Eagles' lead to 56-52 with 45 seconds left.

Pecos survived the run, however. The Eagles, who head into Friday's district opener having lost 34 of their last 35 loop games, hit 2-of-4 attempts from the charity stripe in the final seconds to seal the win.

Smith finished the game as the Steers' top scorer, netting 21. Russell contributed eight.

Pecos earned a sweep in hoop action by downing the BSHS junior varsity, 48-43.

Ninth-ranked Lady Buffs roll past Forsan

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

Just how good are the Stanton Lady Buffaloes? If you need an answer, just ask Forsan.

Stanton moved a step closer to claiming the District 3-2A championship and securing a playoff berth Tuesday night by downing the Forsan Lady Buffaloes, 49-21, in front of a large crowd in the SHS gymnasium.

Stanton earned the win with a dazzling defensive performance. The Lady Buffs allowed Forsan just four points in the first quarter and just one in the entire second period.

Stanton, which improved to 22-1 for the season and to 2-0 in 3-2A

Lady Buffs climb to No. 9 in poll

The Stanton Lady Buffaloes climbed nine spots to No. 9 in the latest Texas Association of Basketball Coaches' poll.

Stanton is one of five area teams ranked among the state's best, joining Garden City, Grady and Borden Co.

Garden City tumbled seven spots, to No. 15. Sterling City moved to No. 7.

Grady remained fourth in the boys' Class A, Division II poll. Forsan debuted at No. 19 in the 2A boys' poll.

action, dominated the first eight minutes of play

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BS softball boosters to meet

The Big Spring Lady Steers' Booster Club is scheduled to hold a meeting next week in the Big Spring High School athletic training facility.

The meeting is sched-

uled for 7 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 13 in the ATC meeting room. All softball parents, fans and boosters are encouraged to attend and participate in the meeting.

Grantham leads Sands to win over Klondike

Sports Editor
Chance Grantham scored 21 points and Brandon Woods added 10 more Tuesday night and led the Sands Mustangs to a 60-37 rout of rival Klondike in District 7-A action.

The Mustangs, 4-7 overall, sealed the win with a 35-10 run in the second and third quarters. Sands outpointed Klondike by a 12-1 clip in the second quarter.

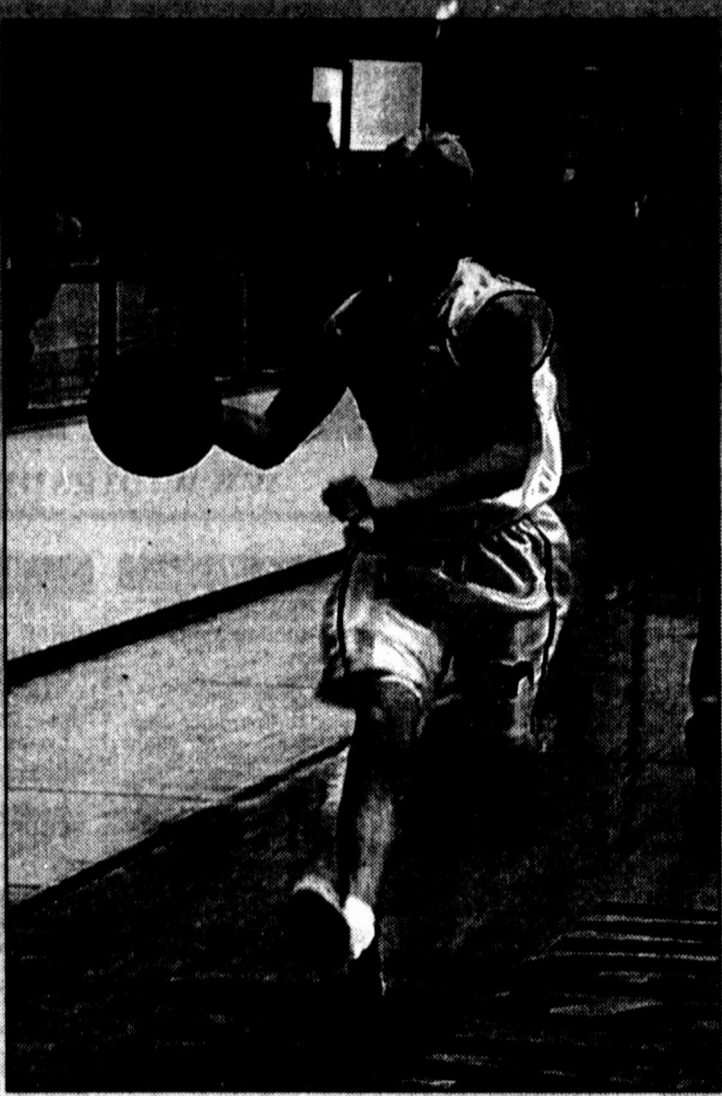
With the win, Sands improved to 1-1 in league play. Klondike is now 0-2.

In girls' action, the Klondike Lady Cougars emerged with a 57-36 win over the Lady Mustangs.

T'Auna Reed led all Sands scorers with 13 points.

The win pushed Klondike, 12-6 overall, to 2-0 in district play. Sands is 0-2.

Sands is slated to host Grady this Friday.



Sands' senior Nate Looney dribbles down the court during recent SHS basketball action. The Mustangs improved to 1-1 in District 7-A play with a win over Klondike Tuesday.

Lady Kats opens 8-A play with 53-31 romp over Wink

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The Garden City Lady Kats opened their District 8-A campaign on a high note Tuesday night by rolling over the Wink Lady Wildcats, 53-31.

The win enabled Garden City to improve to 16-3 for the year and, more importantly, kicked off their quest to win a 10th-straight district title.

The Lady Kats put the game out of Wink's reach early with a solid first-quarter offensive display. Garden City outpointed Wink by a staggering 21-9

clip in the first eight minutes and never looked back.

The Lady Kats, who had three players score into double figures in the game, held a comfortable 30-16 lead at the half.

Wink's problems continued to get worse in the third. Garden City, keyed by big efforts from Megan Niehues and Leslie Jansa, ripped off a 10-6 effort and took a 40-22 lead into the final period.

The Lady Kats closed out the game with a 13-9 run in the fourth quarter. Jansa led all GCHS scor-

ers in the game, pushing in 18 points. Jessica Hoch and Niehues also hit double-digits for the Lady Kats, collecting 16 and 10 points, respectively.

The GCHS boys, thanks to a slow offensive start, suffered a 58-41 loss to Wink.

Wink held the Bearkats to just one point in the first quarter. They posted a 16-1 advantage in the frame.

Chase Goodwin finished the games strongly. He led all scorers with 18 points.

Garden City returns to

Cowboys retain DE coach Jeffcoat

IRVING (AP) — Former Dallas Cowboys star Jim Jeffcoat will remain the team's defensive ends coach under Bill Parcells, continuing his association with every coach in franchise history.

Jeffcoat was retained Tuesday, one day after Parcells announced that defensive coordinator Mike Zimmer also will be returning.

Jeffcoat was a first-round pick by Tom Landry in 1983. A defensive end himself, Jeffcoat played in Dallas for 12 seasons and was part of two Super Bowl-winning

teams. He was a Cowboy throughout Jimmy Johnson's five-year coaching tenure and for one season under Barry Switzer.

After leaving for his final three seasons as a player, he returned in 1998 as assistant defensive line coach on Chan Gailey's staff. He became in charge of defensive ends in 2000 when Dave Campo became coach.

Also Tuesday, the team announced the signings of defensive tackle Willie Blade and offensive lineman Dave Volk.

Blade was a third-round pick by Dallas in 2001, but

never played for the team and has yet to play an NFL game. After missing his rookie season following wrist surgery, he was cut at the end of training camp. He signed with Houston, was inactive for 15 games and then was released Dec. 24.

Volk went undrafted last spring after being a three-year starter at Nebraska. He went to training camp this past season with the Chicago Bears, then was cut Sept. 2. He joined the Dallas practice squad Nov. 12 and finished the season there.

Murray, Carter elected to Hall of Fame

NEW YORK (AP) — When Cooperstown came calling for Gary Carter and Eddie Murray, they answered in vastly different ways.

Carter shouted and punched the air in joy when he heard the words "Hall of Fame."

Murray could hardly

speak, but for a much more somber reason.

The only switch-hitter with 500 home runs and 3,000 hits, Murray became just the 38th player to be elected to the Hall in his first year of eligibility.

The steady, silent first baseman of the Baltimore Orioles could not enjoy

the moment. Later in the day in Southern California, he was to attend the funeral of his sister, who died Jan. 2 at 38.

Carter made it on his sixth try. An 11-time All-Star catcher with Montreal and the New York Mets.

STANTON

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with its defense. The Lady Buffs held Forsan to just two shots from the field in the frame and sailed to a 10-4 lead.

Stanton knocked the wheels off Forsan's

wagon in the second. Paced by Heather Washington and Shelby Hart, the SHS girls went on a 13-1 run and took a commanding 23-5 advantage into the half.

Forsan, which slipped

to 5-16 on the year and to 0-2 in district play, found its game in the third. The FHS Lady Buffaloes scored eight points in the first eight minutes of the third quarter.

Forsan was led in the contest by Casi Graves, who finished with five points.

Stanton, which has allowed just three teams to score 40 or more points this year, closed out the game with a 17-8 run in the fourth period.

Washington led all SHS scorers, pushing in 16 points. Harp added 14, while Ashley Newell chipped in nine.

DISTRICT

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matched Levelland point-for-point in the final 16 minutes.

Big Spring, which also had solid performances from LaKenya Wrightsil, Ashley Smith and Lindsay Phillips, outscored the Loboettes

by a 14-13 clip in the opening eight minutes of the second half.

Braxton finished the game with 17 points. Long, despite getting into foul trouble early in the second quarter, also hit double digits, netting 12.

Wilson led all scorers with 25.



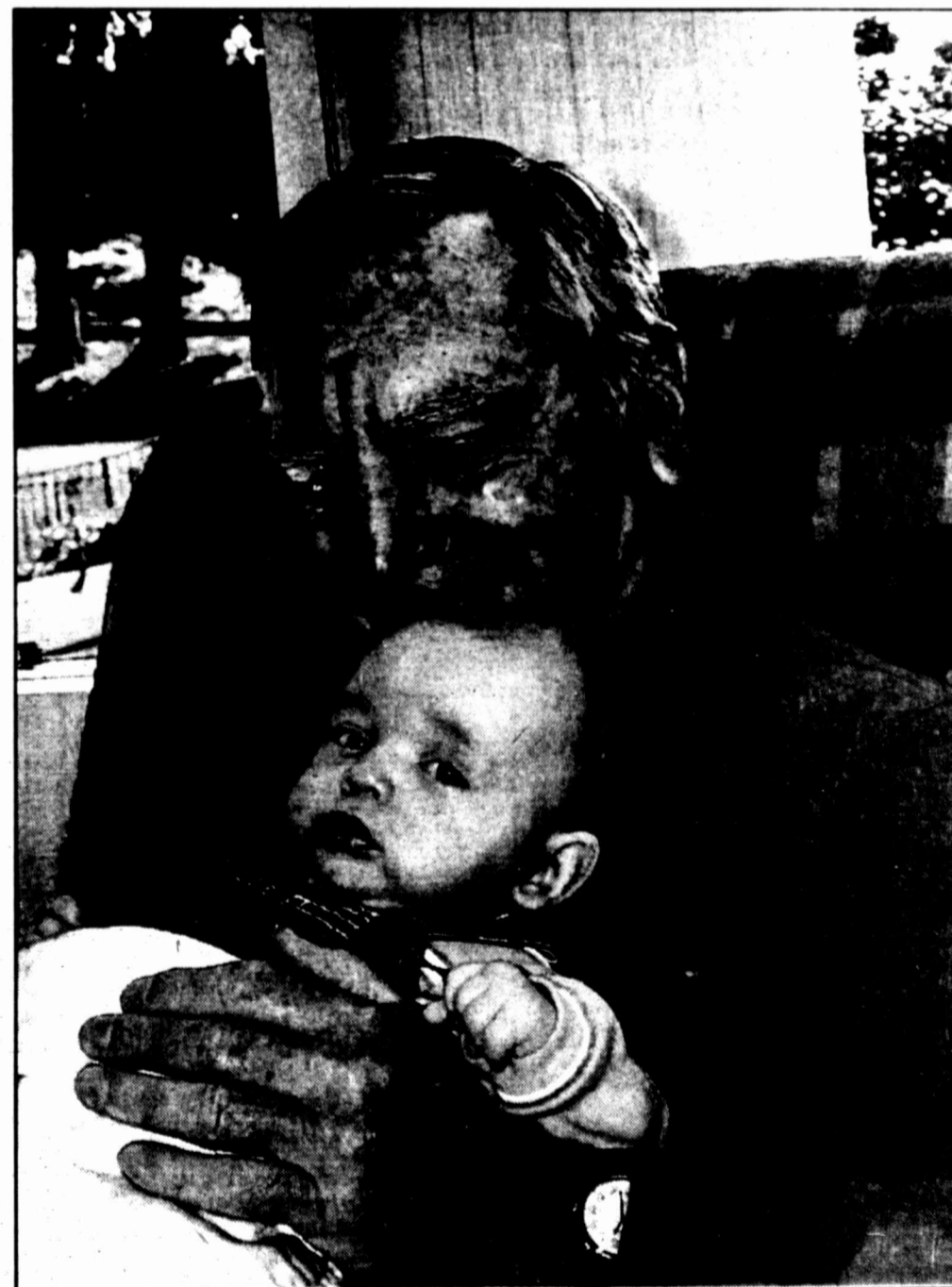
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your chosen field. If you are single, you will meet someone in your day-to-day travels. Friendship might develop first. If you are attached, your relationship will benefit through excellent communication. ARIES can push your buttons.

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) **** You gradually feel better and better as the day gets older. You will be able to express your deeper feelings when you take a more universal view. You might wonder what conclusions others will draw when you're mum. Tonight: As you like it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) *** The daylight hours favor you. Understand someone better by being willing to express your deeper needs. You might be surprised by the level of someone's response. Talk, rather than guessing. Take nothing for granted. Tonight: Get some extra zzz's.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Handle professional matters in your usual dynamic manner. Sometimes you push someone away when you least intend to. Speak your mind to a co-worker who really cares about your work. Schedule a meeting for later in the day. Tonight: A mid-week break.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** Make an effort to read between the lines. Reach out for experts. Just think of how many different ways someone can interpret what is happening. Take the lead in a meeting or with an important project. Tonight: A must show.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **** An associate whispers in your ear, making a big difference in what might happen. Don't hesitate to find an expert or get feedback from someone you respect. Postpone a long-distance call until late in the afternoon. Tonight: Try something different.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **** Your efforts make a difference to others. You get feedback that might surprise you. Others really are more aware of your efforts than you think. Your creativity surges. A key associate or a potential friend seeks you out. Tonight: Togetherness works.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Others might view you as a tornado as you charge into work. You know what you need to do and will get it done, despite major distractions. Schedule meetings and other interpersonal dealings for the end of the day. Tonight: Sort through your offers.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **** How you approach someone could make all the difference in the end result. Your humor lightens up work and helps others get the job done. What about you? Because you are the nurturer, you get to work till the wee hours. Tonight: As late as you need to go.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** You might have a difficult time pulling yourself out the doldrums, but you will succeed. Use your famed ingenuity to get a project moving. You might need to psych yourself up, as well as someone else. Let the good times flow. Tonight: Play away.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) **** Someone makes an enormous effort. Think clearly about your long-term desires, especially those involving a child or loved one. An action or effort made later this afternoon could stick in someone's mind. Tonight: Happy at home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** Think carefully about your finances. Don't make a fast decision; rather, evaluate the pros and cons. Seek out an expert to get feedback. Delay returning calls until later in the day, when you have more time. A boss pushes you. Think of the long-term gains. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) **** Your happy ways take you in another direction. Consider more carefully options that surround a loved one at a distance. This person might need your help far more than you realize. Balance your checkbook. Tonight: Treat a loved one.

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When should woman tell others she has herpes

Dear Annie: I have genital herpes. I contracted this sexually transmitted disease from my then-fiance, who didn't bother to tell me he was infected. I stayed with him even after I was diagnosed and later married him, hoping I would never have to tell anyone about this shameful secret.

We have been divorced for three years, and though I have dated a few times, I am reluctant to become intimate with anyone. I'm sure if a man knew about the herpes, he would dump me in a second. However, I could never behave like my ex-husband and not inform the person.

When am I supposed to tell someone I have herpes? Waiting until we know each other better seems deceptive. Please advise. — Sadder and Wiser in Canada

Dear Canada: If you believe the relationship is serious and headed toward sexual intimacy, that is when you need to tell the person you have herpes. It is not a subject for first-date, casual information, nor should it wait until you are hot and heavy. Herpes does not have to mean the end of your sex life. While there is no cure, there are treatments that can manage the disease, and you can learn how to protect your partner from infection.

For more information, and the location of support groups in your area, contact the American Social Health Association at: ASHA, Herpes Resource Center, P.O. Box 13827, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (www.ashastd.org). You also can call the CDC National STD and AIDS hotline at 1-800-342-2437.

Dear Annie: My husband and I have a 26-year-old daughter. When "Celia" finished college, she found a good job near the campus and moved into a nice apartment. She then met "Chuck," a guy who dropped out of college to "find himself" — which



Annie's Mailbox

means he hasn't held a job for the last four years.

When Chuck was evicted from his apartment, he moved in with Celia. She discovered that he had very little ambition and could not help her pay the bills. Four months later, she quit her job and moved back into our home. Her current job doesn't pay very much, so we don't charge her rent.

Chuck calls Celia every day, and she drives two hours to see him each weekend. We do not approve of this and have said so. I realize Celia is an adult, but she is still living in our home and shows no respect for our feelings. She comes and goes as she pleases. When we question her, she says rules are for teenagers, and we wind up in a shouting match. Any ideas? — Celia's Mom in Ohio

Dear Mom: It's OK to set rules saying Celia cannot have Chuck stay overnight, or that she should pay rent, clean up her room and do her own laundry. These are the same rules you would give a tenant in your home, and Celia should follow them. However, a 26-year-old woman should not have to account for every minute of her day. If she wants to drive two hours to see Chuck, that's her business. Unless you are prepared to throw her out, try to respect her privacy and her decisions. Mom, no matter how ill advised.

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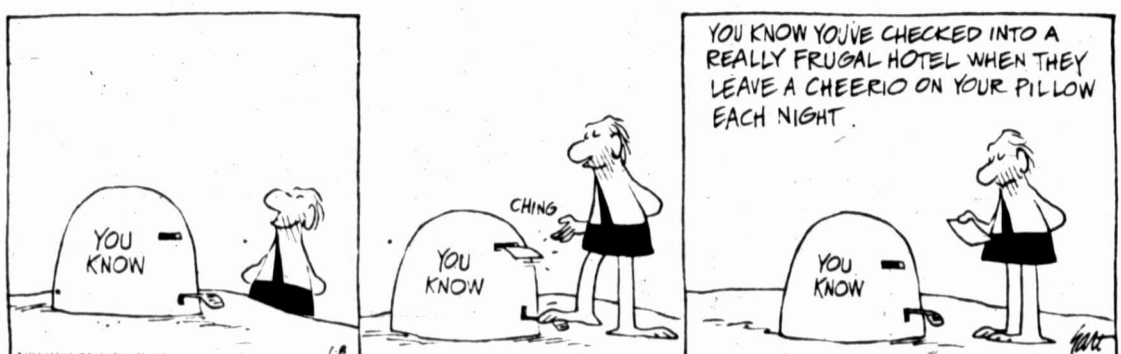
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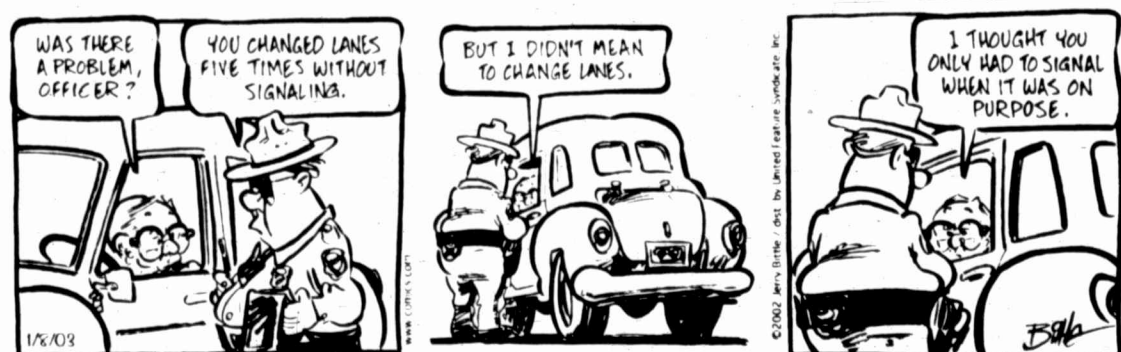
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People In the News

By The Associated Press

Nebraska football fans who watch the television game show "Jeopardy!" may have done a double take this week.

One of the contestants had a strong resemblance to former Cornhusker quarterback Scott Frost.

That's because he's Frost's older brother, Steve, who played football at Colorado State and later, with Scott, at Stanford, where he earned his bachelor's and master's degrees.

Scott Frost later transferred to Nebraska and finished his college football career by winning a national title for the Huskers during coach Tom Osborne's final season in 1997.

Steve Frost's run ended with Tuesday's show, but the three-time defending champion walked away

with \$34,100.

The shows were taped in September at the "Jeopardy!" studios in Culver City, Calif. Frost's famous Husker brother was in the audience.

On Monday's show, when Frost won \$7,700, he knew Victor Hugo wrote "Les Miserables" and that Blake Edwards directed one of the "Pink Panther" movies. He also knew Donna Karan designed Barbra Streisand's wedding dress.

"My biggest advantage was the buzzer," the 30-year-old said. "I kept timing it right. It's about 60 percent of the game."

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Live from New York ... it's Jeff Gordon!

The four-time Winston Cup champion will become the first NASCAR driver to host NBC's "Saturday Night Live" when he headlines the Jan. 11 show.

"It will probably be a lot like The Winston 90 minutes of controlled chaos,"

he said recently, referring to NASCAR's all-star race.

Gordon, one of auto racing's most popular drivers, has appeared in numerous commercials and is an occasional fill-in host on "Live With Regis and Kelly."

On the Net:

NBC Web site: <http://www.nbc.com>

Answer to previous puzzle. A crossword grid with words filled in: SHAW, ACME, QATAR, NORA, FLUX, UNHIP, ABLY, FOCI, ATARI, GOODNIGHT, FIRE, NOR, SST, APP, IMPS, AZALEA, BALMS, AIDA, BARN, BYEBYE, BLACKBIRD, REBA, DALY, RENEE, SEESAW, YOYO, EDS, BIO, ANT, SO LONG, FAREWELL, GENOA, LAIR, AURA, ALTAIR, ELMO, IRON, BLOND, SKEW, NONE.

Newsday Crossword

TREE DIMENSIONAL by Fred Piscop Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS: 1 Syrian leader, 6 Small amounts, 10 Fourposter, e.g., 13 TV honcho Arledge, 14 Whole lot, 15 Mandolin kin, 16 Automobile selling point, 18 Exam sans pencils, 19 Thoroughfare, 20 Aquarium critter, 22 Beaver creation, 24 Ticks off, 25 Work with a pug, 29 Musical based on La Bohème, 31 Brings up, 35 Le roi d'Ys, composer, 36 _ chi, 37 Air-rifle ammo, 38 Muffin topper, 39 "Pomp and Circumstance" writer, 41 Lamb's alias, 42 Group of five, 44 Night before, 45 "... and that _ hay!", 46 Put up, 47 Gill opening, 48 Come clean, with "up", 49 English river, 51 Dict. offering, 53 Sheriff's aides, 57 Plaza Hotel girl, 62 Bronx Zoo beasts, 63 A scout may tie one, 65 Eat in style, 66 Former Spice Girl Halliwell, 67 Sir _ John, 68 Take steps, 69 Mount Rushmore's st., 70 Dreadlocked one, 9 Say "%&@#!", 10 Dueler with Hamilton, 11 Hellenic H's, 12 Edit out, 15 Like paper in a binder, 17 Got going, 21 Roll-call call, 23 One of three squares, 25 Skier's milieu, 26 Less tanned, 27 Coeur d'_, ID, 28 Origin, 30 Bruce of Sherlock Holmes films, 32 Kate's sitcom partner, 33 Jockey's straps, 34 Baseball card data, 37 Twelve-year-old, 40 Rah-rah, 43 Working diligently, 47 Get sore, 50 Bobby who lost to Billie Jean, 52 Philadelphia skater, 53 Arp's art, 54 Long story, 55 _ up (confined), 56 Poet Teasdale, 58 Sooner State: Abbr., 59 Insides: Abbr., 60 Chimney dirt, 61 Sicilian spewer, 64 Ending for beat or neat

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Some say the bread machine is in decline because new machine purchases are nowhere near the volume that they enjoyed in the bread machine's first decade of existence (1988 to 1998). But Fleischmann's Yeast appreciates the bread machine's versatility, sees it as extremely relevant to home baking today, and predicts a long future for the appliance, which has recently been miscalled a doorstop.

Indeed, the Bread Machine Industry Association (BMIA) estimates nearly 25 million American households

own a bread machine. And the National Bread Leadership Council (NBLC) announced a

study in November that projected of the 29 percent of Americans who intend to bake holiday bread

at home, 9 percent — about one-third — intend to. See BREAD, Page 2

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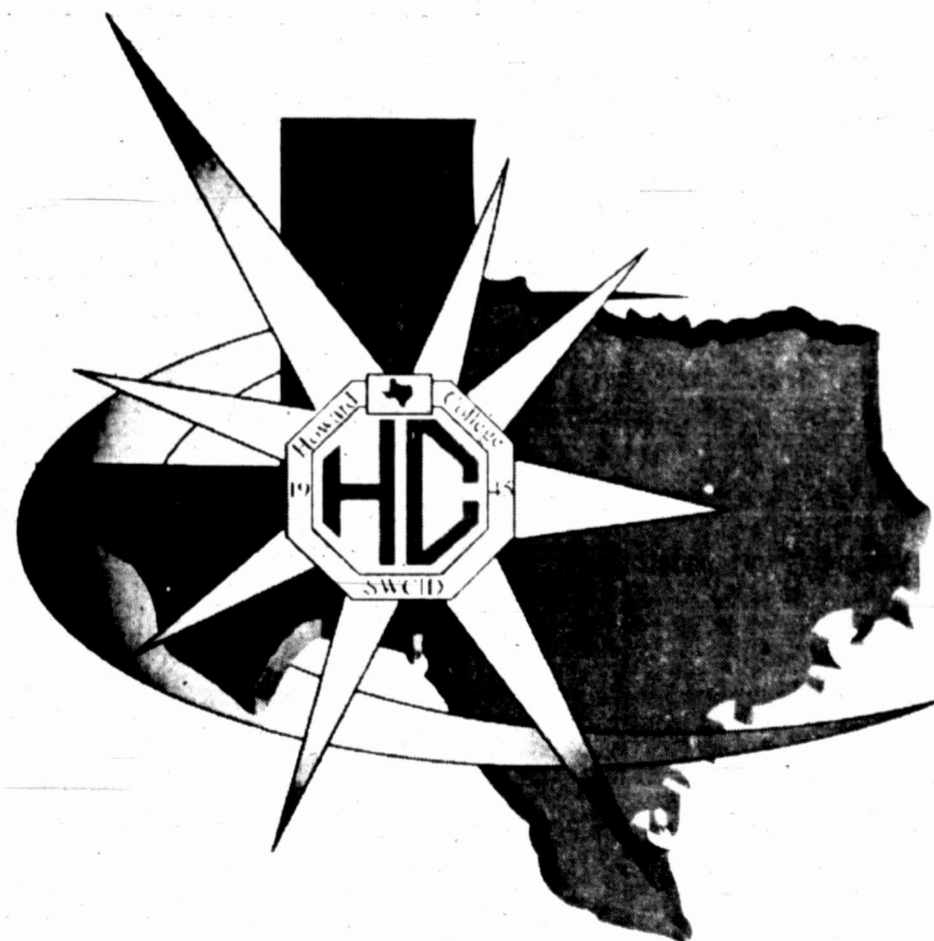
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ed to do so using their bread machines.

"The bread machine appears to be a long-term solution for more than 10 million American households," said Rogelia Siat, senior home economist, Fleischmann's Yeast. "For any appliance to be relevant — on a regular basis — in so many American households, almost 15 years after its rollout, indicates broad relevance and resiliency."

Today, new bread machine sales are settling-in around one-half million units per year. Many of these could be considered "replacement machines."

"The selling rate of replacement units is profoundly impressive to us," said Siat. "These are generally people who've worn-out their old bread machines from frequent use, or people who are eager to take advantage of compelling new features. These are people who've built the bread machine into their lives for the long term. And next year, it will be a different group of replacement buyers."

Invented almost 15 years ago, the versatile bread machine is a combination bread pan, mixer and oven, and it's all about convenience. Pour in liquids and dry ingredients, walk away, and return to a steaming, nourishing loaf. Many bread machines include a timer for delayed activation. Recent design breakthroughs have made the bread machine more relevant to the American lifestyle than ever. Newer bread machines make larger loaves, up to two-and-one-half pounds. Faster machines have cut preparation time by as much as 75 percent, to as little as an hour.

But the key to the success of the bread machine in finding a permanent place in as many as 15 million American kitchens is the way it has been adapted in many of those kitchens. Today, several million Americans use their bread machine in a way that was not exactly the way it was intended, but said Siat, "It doesn't make a good doorstop. It's too big."

Since the earliest days of their existence, bread machines have made loaves from store-bought mixes, or from scratch ingredients. (Fleischmann's Yeast offers 12 flavors of bread machine mixes.) The end result is always a loaf. But — over time — the bread machine has also come to play a role in virtually all dough-creations — such as pizza or cinnamon rolls — when used as a "kneading machine."

"It's hard to get bread machine owners to realize that they can make things other than loaves with their bread machines," said Siat. "When you think of the bread machine's rectangular bread pan, you don't exactly think of it producing a round, flat pizza pie or long, thin bread stick, or a set of 12 rolls."

But in the lesser-known use of the bread machine as a "kneading machine," the dough is removed from the bread machine pan when the "dough cycle" ends, but before the bread machine oven kicks-on. The bread machine dough is cut and shaped, topped or glazed, and baked in a conventional oven. The "kneading machine" method cuts preparation effort and clean-up time and makes very good dough from a technical standpoint.

The bread machine — as a kneading machine — is also important to people suffering from arthritis. Seventy million Americans suffer from arthritis and related conditions. They lack the dexterity to knead dough by hand. For them, the bread machine as a "kneading machine" is their only way to continue to enjoy homemade cinnamon rolls or fresh calzones.

Marking Bread Machine Baking Month 2003, Fleischmann's Yeast unveils a new recipe using the "kneading machine" method, Vanilla Nut Bread.

Whether as a loaf from the bread machine, or a hand-shaped coffee cake, Vanilla Nut Bread is a

light, sweet snack good for any occasion. The sweet and tasty vanilla icing marries beautifully with the tender sweet crumb and toasted sliced almonds. This creation is light and bright in color and taste! The recipe calls for a real vanilla bean (but allows for a vanilla extract substitute).

The recipe have been thoroughly tested in the kitchens of Fleischmann's Yeast. For added convenience, they use Fleischmann's Highly Active Bread Machine Yeast.

Vanilla Nut Bread Makes One Loaf

Ingredients
Dough:
1/2 cup water

1 large egg
3-inch piece vanilla bean
1 (8-ounce) cup vanilla yogurt
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 teaspoon salt
3 cups bread flour
1/2 cup sliced almonds, toasted
3 tablespoons dry milk powder
2 tablespoons sugar
2 teaspoons Fleischmann's Bread Machine Yeast

Vanilla Glaze:
1 cup powdered sugar, sifted
1 to 2 tablespoons milk
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Directions
Combine water and egg

in small bowl. With sharp knife, split vanilla bean in half lengthwise. With spoon, scrape seeds from bean; add to egg mixture. Add egg mixture and remaining dough ingredients to bread machine pan, in the order suggested by manufacturer.

Select dough/manual cycle. When cycle is complete, remove dough from machine to a lightly floured surface. If necessary, knead in enough flour to make dough easy to handle. Divide dough into 3 equal pieces. Roll each piece to 10-inch rope;

braid ropes together. Pinch ends to seal. Place in greased 9 x 5-inch loaf pan. Cover; let rise in warm, draft-free place until doubled in size, about 45 minutes.

Bake at 375 degrees F for 35 to 40 minutes or until done. Remove from pan; cool on wire rack. Drizzle with Vanilla Glaze.

Vanilla Glaze
In a small bowl, combine powdered sugar, milk, and vanilla extract. Stir until smooth.

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