WEDNESDAY

January 7, 2004

WEATHER

Tonight:



PARTLY CLOUDY

TONIGHT TOMORROW 40°-41° 60°-62°

BRIEFLY

CFS dinner

College Park Church of God, 603 Tulane, will be offering chicken fried steak dinners from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday. Free delivery is available, Prices are \$6.50 for a double serving; \$5 for adults; and \$3 per child.

Call 267-8593 for delivery or other information.

SMMC open house

Scenic Mountain Medical Center will be holding an open house for expectant mothers from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. Thursday. The open house will feature a tour of the labor and delivery department, prenatal care information, childbirth class registration and financial counseling and payment options. Refreshments will be served. For more information please call 268-4550.

55 Alive Course

The Spring City Senior Center AARP have scheduled a driver safety program 55 Alive course from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Jan. 15-16. The sessions include a break for lunch.

Those attending both days will receive a certificate good for auto insurance discounts. There is a \$10 fee. To enroll, call 267-1628.

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An early morning accident involving three tractor-trailer trucks on Interstate Highway 20 near the Big Spring Refinery closed down the eastbound lane of traffic as emergency personnel worked to clear an incredible amount of debris from the roadway. According to DPS officials, the drivers of the three vehicles escaped without any lifethreatening injuries. Cleanup is expected to take until later this evening.



I-20 accident leaves debris, minor injuries

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

A near-fatal accident involving three tractor-trailer trucks shut down the eastbound lane of Interstate Highway 20 in front of the Big Spring Refinery during the early morning hours, with cleanup expected to take the better part of the day.

According to Department of Public Safety Sgt. Jason Hester, the chain of events that caused the accident began when the driver of Shippers

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Judges OK redistricting

Neugebauer might face Stenholm for 19th Congressional District

By BILL MCCLELLAN

News Editor

U.S. Congressman Charles Stenholm, D-Abilene, is unhappy with a federal panel's approval of a Republican backed redistrict-

ing map, but says it won't change his decision to run for re-election. The

three-judge panel's decision on Tuesday was a blow to Stenholm and other Democrats, who had STENHOLM worked for most of 2003 to block the effort.

In a prepared statement, Stenholm said "I am saddened by today's ruling because I believe this redistricting plan unfairly overlooks the best NEUGEBAUER interests of Texans

and Texas communities in order to satisfy the partisan power cravings of a handful of politicians in Austin and Washington. I believe a compelling case was presented to reject this unfair. purely political plan, but this court has chosen to go in a different direction."

The new map places Abilene and Taylor County in the 19th Congressional District. Therefore, the court's decision could end up pairing Stenholm, the U.S. 17th District congress-Lubbock man, against Republican Randy Neugebauer, the 19th District representative. in the November general election. However, Stenholm has the option to file for election in District 13, currently held by Mac Thornberry, R-Clarendon.

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Let the shows begin

Crossroads area livestock shows begin at Garden City

By BILL MCCLELLAN

News Editor GARDEN

CITY Meanwhile, back at the ranch....

A West Texas tradition gets under way here Thursday with the opening of the Glasscock County Junior

Livestock Show - the first of three Crossroads shows

over the next two weeks. The three-day 4-H Club event is held at the Glasscock County Community Center, locat-

It opens at 8 a.m. Thursday with the swine See SHOW, Page 3A

ed just east of the court-

Glasscock Co. Jan. 8-10

> Martin Co. Jan. 15-17

Howard Co. Jan. 14-17

show. Snorts and grunts will be followed by showmanship competition in the rabbit show at 1 p.m., then the rabbit show.

Friday's activities begin with the goat show at 8 a.m. The sheep show will be next, followed by the steer show.

Saturday morning, one



The pig scramble is a popular activity during the Glasscock County Junior Livestock Show.

Eradication foundation says effort showing success

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

The Texas Boll Weevil Eradication program can add another successful year to its resume.

Eddie Herm has been a part of the effort to eliminate the cropspoiling weevils from the Howard County area for a number of years and currently serves on the state board as the repre-sentative of the Permian Basin eradication zone. Herm said he

doesn't have to walk far to see the results of the program.

"In the past, a late crop like the one we have this year would have been almost impossible to harvest," said Herm, who also produces cotton in the Howard County area. "The boll weevils would have already ruined the

"We've had a really good year and I have to attribute the success to the eradication program. It's really made a difference in the crop.

rently at a 99 percent eradication level for the pesky insects, but to reach full eradication, it's going to take teamwork from eradication zones.

"Since we started this program we've managed to reach a 99 percent eradication level, which is really good," he said. "We're in the last steps of the program, but it looks like we won't be able to complete it just yet because of the migration problem."

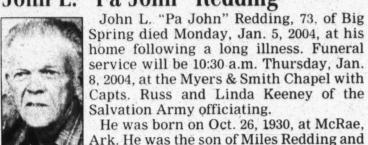
Herm said boll weevils migrat-

Herm said the program is curing from the northern portion of Glasscock County, which falls within the St. Lawrence zone, have kept surrounding counties from reaching their 100 percent

"They don't currently have an eradication program implemented," said Herm. "It's going to take them implementing such a program before we'll be able to get away from the migratory effects we're seeing near the zone

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John L. "Pa John" Redding



Ark. He was the son of Miles Redding and Sally Liles Redding. He lived most of his life in McRae, Ark., before moving to Big

Spring in 1975. He had been a horse trader and truck driver. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army from 1947 until 1949, serving in Korea. He enjoyed horses, dominoes and poker ..

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Redding of Big Spring; four daughters, Susan Lee of Ruidoso, N.M. Cindy Mackie and her husband, Cabell, of Coahoma, Julie Redding and her husband, W.J. McNew, of Big Spring and Allison Redding and her husband, Neuner Edmonson, of Big Spring; one son, John L. "Hoss' Redding of Austin; 10 grandchildren, Toby Bryant of Big Spring, Cody, Kevva, Cori and Colt Lee, all of Lamesa, Sklier, Jace and Haley Sandridge, all of Big Spring, C.J. Hanke of Big Spring and Kason Louis Redding of Big Spring; two great-grandchildren, Kathy Morgan Bryant of McRae, Ark., and Michael Cole Bryant of Big Spring; a close friend, J.A. Smith of Big Spring; a son-in-law, Terry Joe Sandridge of Big Spring; and four sisters.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Kathy Redding; his parents; and one brother.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com Paid obituary

Benjamin Franklin Daughtery Benjamin Franklin Daughtery, 80, of



Wills Point, formerly of Big Spring, died Friday, Jan. 2, 2004, at his home. Funeral services were at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 5, 2004, at Hiett's LyBrand Chapel in Wills Point. Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, 2004, at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. Matt Miles of First Presbyterian Church officiating. The family will receive friends from 6

until 8 tonight Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2004, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

He was born on Nov. 16, 1923, in Alabama to the late John William Daughtery Sr. and Eva Mae Sundy Daughtery. His father passed away Nov. 15, 1926, the day before Ben's third birthday. His mother later married Oren Newton Lancaster Sr. and lived in Knott. He married Bennie Jo Melton in Big Spring and she preceded him in death in 1974. Ben married Kathleen Beene April 20, 1981, in Lovington, N.M., and six years ago they moved to Wills Point to make their home. Ben served in the U.S. Army, serving in North Africa and Italy. He worked for Hester and Robertson Mechanical Contractors for many years and then retired from the Big Spring State Hospital Maintenance Department on April 30, 1986.

Ben is survived by his wife, Kathleen Daughtery of Wills Point; children, Ben Daughtery Jr. of Louisiana, Terry Daughtery of Dahlonega, Ga., Joben Daughtery of Lower Lake, Calif., Cheryl Kay Kennemur and her husband, Danny, of Big Spring, Vickie Daughtery of Odessa, Tammie Daughtery of Big Spring, Donna Ward and her husband, Mark, of Wills Point, Sandy Dean of Big Spring and Douglas Ashby and his wife, Kathleen Farland, of Dallas; brothers, John Daughtery and his wife, Jessie, of Nacogdoches and Oren Lancaster and his wife, Deborah, of Knoti, sisters, Shirley Weaver and her husband, Elton, of Big Spring and Mary Ray and her husband, James, of Big Spring; brother-in-law Jerry Roman of Big Spring; 20 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Oren and Eva Lancaster; one son, Jerry Daughtery; sisters, Leona Roman, Jean Brummett and her husband, C.B., and Cannis Florene Cogburn; and abrother, Marvin Daughtery.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com Paid obituary

Johnnie Sue Coleman

Johnnie Sue Coleman, 83, of Ackerly died on Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2004, in a local hosital. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 9, 2004, at the Ackerly United Methodist Church with the Rev. Delmar Thompson officiating. Interment will be at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

She was born on Aug. 22, 1920, in Hopkins County and married Leonard Coleman on Oct. 12, 1939, in Lamesa.

Mrs. Coleman had worked as the cafeteria manager for the Ackerly ISD and as a bookkeeper for Coleman Grain, Paymaster Gin and Farmer's CO-OP Gin. She had been a member of the Ackerly United

Methodist Church since the early 1940s.

Survivors include her husband, Leonard Coleman of Ackerly; one son, Eugene Coleman of Midland; one daughter, Wanda Sue Austin of Granbury; one brother, Marion McAnear of Lemon Grove, Calif.; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two

The family will receive from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, 2004, at the funeral home.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made www.npwelch.com

Oliver "Curley" Johnson

Oliver "Curly" Johnson, 90, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2004, in a local nursing home. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

For all of your news, sports and local information

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Virginia Hale

Virginia Hale, 72, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2004, in a local hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m.

- · JUAN HERNANDEZ, 22, of 1601 Canary, was arrested Tuesday on a Howard County warrant for
- MAURICE EDWARD FRANKS, 24, of 1425 E. Sixth Street, was arrested Tuesday on a Howard
- County warrant for aggravated sexual assault. RUSSEL EDWARD MCKISKI, 57, of 1700 Runnels, was arrested Tuesday on local traffic warrants.
- TRICIA DIANE CASTILLO, 28, of 1003 N.W. Second Street, was arrested Tuesday and held for the Howard County Sheriff's Office.
- MELISSA WILTSIE, 29, of Midland, was arrested Tuesday and held for the Howard County Sheriff's
- CELIA CONDE, 47, of 3702 Hamilton, was arrested Tuesday on three local traffic warrants.
- ASSAULT was reported:
- in the 2000 block of Monticello.
- in the 3700 block of Hamilton. - in the 1000 block of 16th Street.
- · THEFT was reported: - in the 3300 block of FM 700.
- in the 900 block of Willia.
- in the v400 block of Birdwell Lane.
- in the 700 block of Interstate Highway 20.

Take note

A FUND HAS BEEN established at the First Bank of West Texas, 1810 FM 700, to help with the medical expenses of 30-year-old Misty McCullum Wilson, who was diagnosed with cancer more than two months ago. Wilson, who went to Coahoma High School before moving to Lubbock, requires radiation treatments expected to cost \$10,000 per visit.

☐ A FUND HAS BEEN established at the First Bank of West Texas, 1810 FM 700, to help with the medical expenses for 14-year-old Destini Solis. Solis is suffering from a rare liver disease.

☐ 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, you are needed.

About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered to recipients within the city limits of Big

If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3

□ ROAD TO RECOVERY DRIVERS WANTED.

Volunteer drivers are needed to transport cancer patients to and from treatments. If you can spare a few hours each month, please consider volunteering to drive somebody along the Road to Recovery. For more information about volunteering or if you are a cancer patient in need of the service, call La Wanda Hamm, 263-7827.

□ BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING counties are in critical need of foster families.

Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglect-

For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.

□ SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright,

has free food for the area needy. Distribution is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon

every Thursday.

Correction

In an article on the Big Spring Evening Lions Club Peace Poster contest, the first place winner was incorrectly identified. The first place winner was Robbi Gonzales, son of Brenda Perez.

> All announcements to the Sunday Life! section are free of charge. Call the Herald office for more details, 263-7331

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Big Spring, Texas

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Bulletin board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald news room at 263-7331 or email editor@bigspringherald.com

Today

Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. in the Senior Citizens Center located in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 for more information.

Duplicate Bridge Club meets Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 1 p.m at Big Spring Country Club.

The Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room.

Downtown Lions Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

Senior Circle meets at 10 a.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom for stretch and tone.

Fraternal Order of Eagles meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 West Third.

Friday

Spring City Senior Citizens country and western dance is held from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All area senior citizens are invited.

AMBUCS meet at noon at LaPosada.

Greater Big Spring Rotary meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

Saturday

Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historical home, is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. A one time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens is encouraged.

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

Hangar 25 Air Museum, located in the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday, 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Weather

Tonight...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday...Partly cloudy. Warmer. Highs in the mid 60s. West winds10 to 15 mph shifting to the northwest late in the afternoon.. Thursday night... Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s. North winds 5 to 10 mph.

Friday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 60s. North winds 5 to 10 mph..Friday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 30s.

Saturday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 60s..Saturday night and Sunday...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s. Highs in the mid 60s.. Sunday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s.

Monday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 50s.. Monday night... Mostly clear. Lows in the upper

Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 50s.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 35-33-24-5-4. Number matching five of five: 0. Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Tuesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 2-17-29-34 (numerical order). Bonus Ball: 2.

Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 1. Prize: \$475,000. (estimate).

Number matching one of four, plus Bonus Ball: 4,290. Prize: \$7.

Estimated jackpot for Friday night drawing: \$200,000.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 8-5-1

The winning Mega Millions numbers drawn Tuesday night: 7-13-15-25-32 Mega Ball = 9

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Stenholm has said he will make a decision no earlier than Thursday.

Neugebauer, who won a runoff to replace the retiring Larry Combest, said he plans on running again, whether Stenholm chooses to run for the 19th District or not.

"We're hard campaigners," said

Neugebauer. "We intend to run the same kind of campaign we ran before."

The panel's decision left Stenholm. the top-ranking Democrat of the House Agriculture Committee, disappointed, but accepting the challenge.

"I believe it is important that the voters, and not the partisan power brokers, have the real say in who will represent them," said

"Now, more than ever, we need members of Congress who will put the needs of people ahead of the demands of partisan politics. I look forward to talking directly to as many people as possible and having a frank, open discussion about the issues that are so important to Texas families."

The supplemental filing period for congressional candidates under the newly drawn lines begins Jan. 11 and will run though Jan. 16.

Judges uphold redistricting map

By APRIL CASTRO

Associated Press Writer AUSTIN - A threejudge federal panel on Tuesday approved a Republican-backed redistricting map designed to bolster the GOP's strength in Texas' congressional delegation and increase the party's advantage over Democrats in the U.S.

House. The decision, which comes after a December trial, was a blow to Democrats who have worked for the better part of the year to block the GOP's efforts. Democrats in the Texas House and Senate both staged quorum-breaking walkouts last year in an attempt to kill redistricting bills.

"The decision was based upon the law, upon the Constitution," said Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott, a Republican. "The judges were able to distinguish between rhetoric and the law."

The Texas congressional delegation is split 16-16 after U.S. Rep. Ralph Hall of Rockwall switched to the Republican Party last week. Republicans say the new map could mean a 22-10 GOP advantage.

Republicans, who hold every statewide office and control the Texas House and Senate, have a 229-204 advantage in the U.S. House.

Democrats will appeal the ruling to the U.S. Supreme Court, said Gerry Hebert, attorney Democrats · Congress. The League of United Latin American Citizens, one of the minority group's challenging the plan in court, also said it will appeal.

Hebert said he will this week ask the court to immediately prevent the map from taking effect, pending the appeal.

"Only the Supreme Court can put a stop to the dismantling of voting rights that was done in Texas to accomodate the extreme partisan inter-

Redistricting timeline

By The Associated Press

Here's a look at major events in Texas' redistricting process:

- April 25, 2003: U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Sugar Land, meets with Republican legislative leaders in Texas, imploring them to take up congressional redistricting.

- May 12, 2003: More than 50 Texas House Democrats flee to Ardmore, Okla., blocking a quorum and halting business in the legislative chamber. They remain out of the state long enough to force the House to miss a key deadline, ending consideration of redistricting during the regular

- June 30, 2003: Special legislative session to take up redistricting begins.

- July 14, 2003: Texas Sen. Bill Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, joins 10 Democrats in citing "unalterable opposition" to redistricting, dooming redistricting in the Senate during the special session.

- July 28, 2003: Eleven Senate Democrats block a quorum by fleeing to Albuquerque, N.M., moments before the House and Senate adjourn the special session and just before Republican Gov. Rick Perry calls a second special session on redistricting.

- Aug. 26, 2003: Second special session ends with Democratic senators still in New Mexico and no redistricting bill passed by the Senate.

- Sept. 15, 2003: Third special session to address redistricting begins. With Democratic Sen. John Whitmire of Houston defecting from Albuquerque, remaining Democratic senators who fled return to the Capitol.

 Oct. 12, 2003: House and Senate compromise redistricting map sent to Perry's office for his signature.

 Dec. 11, 2003: Federal trial begins in Austin in which Democrats and minority groups are challenging the GOP redistricting plan, saying it dilutes minority voting power.

 Dec. 19, 2003: U.S. Department of Justice gives preliminary approval, known as "pre-clearance," to Texas redistricting map. The agency found the plan did not violate the Voting Rights Act.

- Jan. 6: Three-judge federal panel hearing the case approves the Republican-drawn map. Democrats promise appeal to U.S. Supreme Court.

ests that drove the redistricting process," Hebert

However, Abbott said he expects the election will go forward as planned.

Tuesday's ruling means candidates who filed for the March 9 primary election using the old map will have to refile. Candidates can file to run for Congress under the new map Jan. 11-16.

"The Legislature has fulfilled its constitutional responsibility, and the primary election process in Texas can now move forward," Republican

Gov. Rick Perry said.

Legislature The approved the map in October, but Democrats and minority groups challenged the plan in federal court, saying minority voting strength was weakened in some districts. The state disagreed, and Republicans said the map simply reflected the vot-

ing trends of Texans. The three-judge panel hearing the case issued a 127-page ruling Tuesday, including a partial dissent by Judge T. John Ward, that said plaintiffs "failed to prove" the plan

violates the Constitution or the Voting Rights Act, which protects minority

The U.S. Department of Justice also has reviewed to map, on Dec. 19 clearing it of Voting Rights Act violations.

Opponents of the redistricting plan particularly criticized the reconfiguration of District 23 in southwest Texas, a heavily Hispanic district now held by U.S. Rep. Henry Bonilla, R-San Antonio; newly drawn District 25, which snakes from Austin to the Mexico border; and the decimation of District 24, held for years by Democratic U.S. Rep. Martin Frost

Arlington. Frost called the decision a repeal of Voting Rights Act that turns "back the clock on nearly 40 years of progress for minority Americans."

The panel also rejected the Democrats' claims that the state constitution allows for redistricting only after U.S. Census information is released every 10 years.

The Legislature failed to act on redistricting during the 2001 session, after the latest census, so a court-drawn plan was adopted. The federal judges ruled earlier that mid-decade redistricting is allowable under state

"If the state is allowed to do this, then in effect they have rewritten the law and minorities have no protection, said Gary Bledsoe, an attorney for the plaintiffs and president of the Texas NAACP.

The opinion noted that the judges ruled on the legality of the Republican plan, not its "wisdom."

"We know it is rough and tumble politics, and we are ever mindful that the judiciary must call the fouls without participating in the game," according to the opinion.

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Transport truck swerved

into the eastbound lane. "The Shippers Transport truck was traveling west on Interstate Highway 20, and for whatever reason, left its lane of traffic and went into a guard rail, crossing over into the eastbound lane," said Hester. "The driver of the other truck took evasive action to the right, causing her to go up along the concrete embankment. Ultimately, she flipped and slid down the roadway until she col-

pillar of the overpass. third truck "The involved in the accident went straight through the trailer of the second truck, which was lying on its side in the middle of the lane. He was traveling

lided with the concrete

eastbound as well.' While the scene of the accident pointed ominously for the worst, Hester said the drivers of all three trucks were fortunate enough to survive with no life-threatening injuries.

"There were no fatalities," said Hester. "The driver of the truck that hit the concrete pillar was wearing her seat belt, which allowed her to live through this accident. Had she not had that on she would have been ejected from her vehicle, most likely making this a fatality accident.

"They had to cut her seat belt and use the jaws of life to pry her out, but I'm convinced that seat belt saved her life this morning. Everyone involved in the accident was transported to the hospital but it looks like everyone is going to be all right. They're going to have some injuries, but none of them are life

threatening."

While the bitter cold did make recovery cleanup efforts tough on emergency personnel, Hester_said he doesn't believe it played a part in the accident.

"The weather didn't play any part in this accident as far as we can tell," he said. "It's just cold. We don't have any moisture or anything like that. We're still trying to determine the cause or reason the westbound truck crossed over into the eastbound lane.

"We hope to have this cleaned up and have the lane open again by dark. There's an awful lot to clean up, as you can see."

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

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MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Irelene Foster, 64, died Friday. Graveside services were 2:00 PM Wednesday at Markley Markley, Cemetery,

B.J. Watkins, 75, died Saturday. Graveside services were 11:00 Am Wednesday at the Ross Cemetery, Baird, Texas.

Ben Daughtery, 80, died Friday. Graveside services will be 2:00 PM thursday at Trinity Memorial park. The family will receive friends from 6:00 until 8:00 PM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

John L. Redding 74, died Monday. Funeral service will be 10:30 AM Thursday at the Myers & Smith Chapel.



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of the highlights of the livestock show takes place as children in the second grader younger compete in the pig scramble.

'The pig scramble is a lot of fun. It is open to anyone." said Charlene Belew, Extension agent for family and consumer science. "They do not have to be a member of the community. If someone from Howard County wants to participate, they are welcome. There is no registration. They can enter the day of the show."

Activities continue with a barbecue meal at noon. The premium sale begins at 1 p.m. Awards will be presented at about 2:30 p.m., or as soon as the sale ends.

"We encourage everyone to come and attend

SCENIC MOUNTAIN MEDICAL CENTER Our Community. Our Hospital. 601 W. 11th Pl. Big Spring, T)

our stock show," said Belew.

"From the beginning of the year, these youth begin to work with these animals, exercise them and feed them. It has been a real education and an emotional project for ence.

"The money the students receive from the premium sale allows them to start their next project or help pay for their college," said Belew. "So, not only does this teach good skills, it's important to the students financially."

Judge for the swine, goats, lambs and steers is Chad Coburn, ag extension agent for Sterling County. Judging the rabbits will be Dawn Kalina of Miles.

Some 63 4-H members will be participating in the rabbit show, six in the steer show, 38 in the swine show, 19 in the goat show, 20 in the sheep show and 16 in the rabbit

In addition, those who those youth to experi- attend are invited to view photographs from the 4-H photography contest.

The photographs will be displayed at the show. Winners from the high school 4-H photo competition will advance to the state competition held in conjunction with the 4-H Roundup this June in College Station.

Next week there will be two shows. The Howard County Junior Livestock Show runs from Jan. 14-

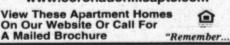
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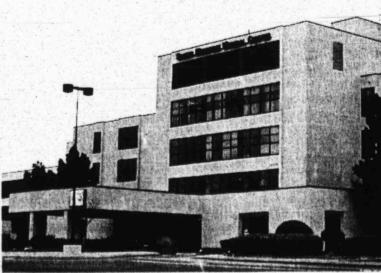
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OUR VIEWS

There's still time to become one of city's leaders

't's not too late to take advantage of one of the best tools the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce offers our community. That's because the chamber has extended its registration deadline for Leadership Big Spring.

That deadline is now Friday, Jan. 23, to sign up for the program that begins Feb. 12.

The Chamber-sponsored program takes its students throughout the city and county to government offices, major industries such as Western Container and he ALON Big Spring Refinery, the public school district, agribusinesses and many, many other entities vital to our community. Those in the program see firsthand how businesses and government work. They learn about communication resources and law enforcement. There are also workshops on developing leadership skills.

This is definitely not a "do-nothing" escape. Participants are required to attend three board meetings of a local governmental entity, ride in a patrol car with a police officer and take part in a community project.

The course is a "must" for new business people in Howard County and should be a prerequisite for anyone interested in a locally-elected

The day-long classes are held on the second Thursday of each month for nine months.

Tuition is \$300 per person and covers transportation, lunch and textbooks.

Applications can be obtained at the Chamber, 215 W. Third St., but don't delay signing up, this

is "last call." If you haven't considered taking part in the

program, we strongly suggest you do so now. Leadership Big Spring builds community leaders and that's something we can't have too many of these days.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Dear Lord, may we not be anxious but patient trusting in your timing.

West Texas Cruisers build bicycles

est Texas Cruisers is the name of a classic car club in Midland. When the club was formed in 1991, members felt some portion of any profits the club made should go to charity.

At the end of their first year, the club had one hundred dollars extra. Jeff Brookings, one of the founding members. went to a mall and asked the manager for suggestions as to what could be done with it. The manager suggested dressing a doll and giving it to a

needy child. As the years progressed, the club bought turkeys for veterans, gave \$500 to a cancer victim, donated funds for a family whose home had burned and paid expenses for a girl to compete in the tiquando world championships. The club raises money by an

anntial car show, sponsors and donations. A few years ago the

of the year. Members decided to spend it all on toys for underprivileged kids. "No toy could cost more than ten dollars," says Jeff. "It's hard to spend twenty-five hundred dollars ten dollars at a time."

A few years ago the club started buying bicycles and giving them to the Salvation Army to distribute to children in low income fam-

The club has more than one hundred members now and has its own building in Midland's industrial district. Members are always shopping for bicycles. This year they bought 100 from a firm in Fort Worth. They bought 150 more bikes from Wal Mart. The Wal Mart bikes were already assembled. The others were not. Club members grabbed their tools and went to their building weekends in November to assemble the rest of the bikes. Members put on the handle bars, training wheels, pedals, and front forks.

"The good guys can do 5 in an hour and we have guys who can do one an hour. We've done a

club had \$2500 to donate at the end thousand bicycles in the last five years, so some of us have put together a hundred bicycles or more."

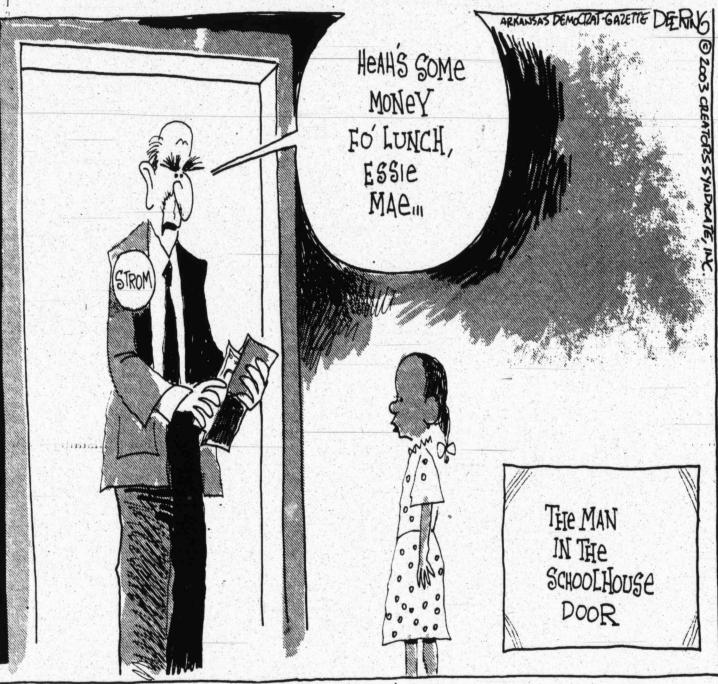
A Midland Television station, KWES, collects toys each Christmas time and displays them in front of the news set. Cruisers take about half the bikes to the station in a convoy of classic cars. Law enforcement officers stop traffic to let the West Texas Cruisers pass. Those bikes go to the Salvation Army in Odessa.

"The other half we carry in our Christmas Parade in Midland and deliver them to the Salvation Army distribution Center here in Midland."

Last year the club put together 220 bikes in two weekends. It has 250 this year, ranging in size from sidewalk bikes for little kids to 20 inch bikes for the bigger ones.

The club bought wagons one year and will never do that again. It took an average of an hour and a half to put together a wagon.

"At the Salvation Army, kids can chose 5 toys. The bikes are the favorites. We could give away 1600 bikes a year if we could get them."



The law of unintended gas guzzling

here are two problems with the Corporate Average Fuel Economyknown as CAFE-fuel-efficiency standards for cars and light trucks.

The first problem, oddly, is that CAFE standards work.

That's what a report by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration essentially noted in a report on recommendations to reform CAFE standards, now 27.5 miles per gallon for automobiles and 20.7 mpg for light trucks, a category

vehicles and minivans. When the standards were developed in the 1970s, Washington rightly wanted to spare commercial enterprises—such as contractors, farmers and businesses that transport goods on flatbed trucks-from standards that made sense for passenger cars but not for commercial vehicles. Detroit

that also includes sports utility

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later used the light-truck loophole to develop a different kind of gasguzzling passenger car—the SUV. Fuel efficiency had improved after CAFE was born. But as SUVs have proliferated, fuel efficiency has dropped; the average miles per gallon for new cars has fallen to 20.8 mpg, 6 percent below the peak

year of 1988. Consumer groups and environmental activists rightly have been pushing for an end to the SUV loophole. The Bush administration appears poised to respond, if halfheartedly, with proposed rules released in December.

On the plus side, the administration has already raised the CAFE standard for light trucks to 22.2 mpg for 2007—the biggest increase in 20 years. And it's progress that Transportation Secretary Norman Mineta has proposed making passenger vehicles like the Hummer, Chevy Tahoe and Ford Excursion comply with the light-truck CAFE

heavy and, hence, gas guzzling.) On the downside, the NHTSA's proposal included the caveat that the CAFE system favors "manufacturers with a product mix dominated by small light trucks and disfavors manufacturers with a full line of light trucks or those

standard. (Oddly, they have been

exempted because they are so

nated by heavier trucks.' Excuse me, but that's the idea, isn't it? CAFE is supposed to hurt the makers of gas guzzlers to prod them to produce more fuel-efficient vehicles.

with a product mix that is domi-

The second problem is more difficult: It's that CAFE standards are a safety concern. According to the National Academy of Sciences, changes made to comply with CAFE standards may have contributed to 1,300 to 2,600 additional traffic fatalities in 1993.

The Department of Transportation is afraid that if it beefs up CAFE standards, manufacturers will respond by making light trucks even lighter-which could result in more deathsinstead of by reducing oversized SUVs, which actually could save lives. (Fewer monster cars would hit fewer midsize cars.)

So the department is considering classifying trucks into two or more different weight classes with their own standards. Japan, experts note, has eight such classi-

Environmentalists are crying foul at the notion. They're right to suspect, as the Sierra Club warned, that "the proposal would create an incentive for automakers to add weight to their (SUVs and) trucks, qualifying them for weaker standards."

Besides, if Washington wants Detroit to downsize four-wheel Goliaths, why not set a floor on how inefficient a passenger car's gas mileage can be? Start, for argument's sake, at 15 mpg, with a requirement to increase the minimum by 1 mpg each year. It just might push Detroit to manufacture hybrid SUVs. The NHTSA recommendations

showed an understanding that the status quo simply isn't fair. Not that the report put it as I will, but CAFE has produced two kinds of car buyers-suckers and gas guzzlers (consumers who care about using less gasoline and those who don't). Often, the gas guzzlers enjoy a safety bonus that makes roads less safe for sedan drivers. The suckers deserve a better deal. America will breathe better for it.

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Just exactly what are those green stripes for?

he library will be closed on Monday, Jan. 19, in honor of Martin Luther King's Birthday.

Have you ever wondered what the green stripe along the bottom of some our "new books" is? It signifies that it is a "McNaughton" book. McNaughton is a firm

from which we lease best sellers. Staff selects from a booklet each month, ordering what we think will really circulate and one that we think



"ought to." This week's column is about some of the McNaughton books that we have just received.

Jayne Ann Krentz's new book, "Truth of Dare." takes up for the second time the story of psychic interior designer Zoë and private investigator Ethan (who met and fell in love in Light in Shadow). They are now working to create a successful marriage, but different events in their pasts keep interfering with their hopes for wedded bliss. Ethan expects Zoë to dump him, just as his previous three wives did. Zoë is plagued by memories of her imprisonment in a private psychiatric sanatorium. As Ethan and Zoë struggle with their pasts, both become caught up in the dilemma of Zoë's friend, Arcadia. This is a book with an unbeatable combination: danger and thrills, sexy romance and polished writing. Jayne Ann Krentz's sophisticated brand of romantic suspense will never go out of style with readers.

Switching to danger is the latest book from Ed McBain. A novel of the 87th Precinct, in "The Frumious Bandersnatch," Detective

Steve Carella is called to the job when superstar Tamar Valparaiso is snatched off a luxury yacht into a waiting speedboat. A brilliant look at the music industry, McBain uses his trademarked style for another riveting book.

Four-time winner of the Spur Award, Loren E. Estleman has written "Port Hazard." Estleman's character, Page Murdoch, is a deputy federal marshal who is being hunted by both cutthroats and respected and powerful businessmen. Murdock descends into San Francisco's Barbary Coast peopled by the dregs of society. With only an unwilling backup man, Murdock searches for the reason why someone wants him out of the way.

Bestselling author Belva Plain takes us to West in the early 1900s. Dressed in a brand-new suit, with \$150 in his pocket, Adam Arnring says good-bye to his family and boards a train for the fabled West. The year is 1907. Adam is 19 years old, a young man with stars in his eyes who has always dreamed of a future in the great open spaces of America. Across a teeming canvas

of history, through world wars and the close of a century, "The Sight of the Stars" tells a deeply affecting story of family and forgiveness, guilt and redemption.

Here is another Fern Michaels book! "Crown Jewell" is the story of Ricky Lam. An actor with adoring fans, incredible wealth and a cocaine/alcohol addiction that will nearly kill him, he is saved by his older brother Phillip. But unforgivable words are spoken and forgiveness comes too late for Ricky and Phillip. Read the how and why of family love, reconciliation and revenge.

The Corps (Marine

Corps that is) comes

alive in W.E.B. Griffin's books. In his latest volume in "The Corp" series, "Retreat, Hell!" Korea is the site of the action. It is the fall of 1950. The Marines have made a breakthrough at Inchon, Korea. General Douglas MacArthur has the bit between his teeth and is determined to surge across the 38th Parallel to the Yalu River. Characters from prior volumes, General Pickering Fleming, Major Ken McCoy and others, will play pivotal roles in the confrontation that will arise between President Harry S. Truman and General MacArthur. Griffin is so well known for his military books that you will not be able to put this down. In fact, you will have to get on a reserve list, because I am going to check this one out

The final McNaughton book that has come in is by Elmer Kelton, from San Angelo. "Texas Vendetta" is the story of Ranger privates Andy Pickard and Farley Brackett. They are assigned to deliver a prisoner to a county some distance from the Ranger camp on the San Saba River. It is further complicated by the feud between the Landon and Hopper families. This is the fifth in Kelton's Texas Ranger series.

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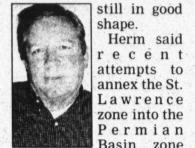
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lines. It's not only effecting the Permian Basin zone, but other zones near it as well.

"We've had to do some spraying we didn't anticipate because of the migration from the St. Lawrence zone. It set us back a little bit, but we're



Basin zone have failed, leaving him and other area cotton farmers without a clear

still in good plan to finish off the cotton boll weevil. Herm said

"We tried to annex them a while back," he said. "They took a vote on it and it didn't go through, so we're still waiting. They will have to imple-Permian ment an eradication program if any of the surrounding zones are going to make their eradication goals.'

The Permian Basin zone

includes Howard, Borden, Dawson, Martin, Midland and Ector counties. For more information on the Weevil Boll Texas Eradication Foundation, visit them on their Web site at www.txbollweevil.org.

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Illegal immigrants could stay, work for at least three years under Bush plan

By JENNIFER LOVEN

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON of illegal Millions migrant farmers, hotel maids and others working in the shadows of American society would be freed from the threat of deportation for at least three years and could get a chance - although probably remote for most at permanent legal U.S. status under an electionyear proposal President Bush is asking Congress to approve.

Bush was to promote a overhaul major American immigration policy — and break a virtual silence on the issue since the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks — before scores of immigration-rights advocates in the East Room on Wednesday.

The president was to argue that his plan would make America safer by giving the government a better idea of who was crossing U.S. borders, bolster the economy by meeting employers' need for willing low-wage workers, and fulfill a mandate for compassion by guaranteeing the rights and legitimacy of illegal workers, according to senior administration officials who briefed reporters Tuesday.

Likely to be left unsaid during the president's speech were the political dividends White House advisers hoped the proposal would pay.

the dangling prospect of legal status to

some 8 million illegal ers' first three year term immigrants now estimated to be in this country, about half of them Mexican, Bush was granting a top priority of the business community while making his most aggressive move yet to court Latino voters. He won just over one-third of that constituency in 2000 but wants to expand his support in the community to better his chances for re-election in November.

The proposal would provide a way for illegal immigrants who can show they have employment to work legally, although temporarily, in the United States. The new "temporary worker program," which also would include people still in their native countries who have a job lined up in the United States, would not, like the temporary visa programs already in existence that involve mostly technical experts, apply only to a certain sector of the economy or industry.

president's proposal was to be worked out by Congress in future negotiations with the White House.

instance, Bush For wants to increase the nation's yearly allotment of green cards that allow for permanent U.S. residency, but won't say by how much, the officials Approximately said. 140,000 green cards a year are issued now.

He also wants the work-

in the progr n to be renewable but won't say for how long; he won't set the amount workers should pay to apply for the program; and he won't specify how to enforce the requirement that no American worker wants the job the foreign worker is taking, according to the officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Perhaps the biggest unresolved question is illegal immigrants access, which they do not now have, to the process of applying for green cards, or permanent U.S. residency.

Sensitive to the opposition of many conservatives in Bush's own party to any reward for those who broke the law when they entered the United States, the administration officials said repeatedly that the president is not proposing blanket amnesty for illegals and that the program is not Much of the detail of linked to the green card

But they also said that workers accepted into the temporary program could immediately, with an employer's sponsorship, begin applying for a green card. Although these workers would get no advantage over other applicants, an illegal immigrant who attempted to apply now would simply be deported.

If permanent residency were not granted before the worker's term was up a likely outcome given how the plan will allow the long backlog of applicants and the relatively small percentage of applicants who receive green cards each year - the person would have to return to his or her home country to apply from

> As a result, even though program participants would be allowed to have dependents with them and be able to move freely between their country and the United States, immigrant advocacy groups say the president's proposal falls short of the comprehensive reform they say is needed.

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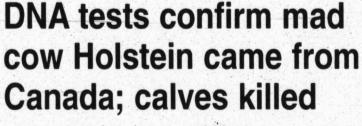
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vacant slaughterhouse in rural Eastern Washington began killing a herd of calves that included the offspring of a Holstein infected with mad cow disease whose bloodlines were traced to Canada.

The entire herd of 449 bull calves, ranging in age from one month to several months, being sedated and given lethal injections Tuesday at a privately owned facility in Wilbur, said Nolan Lemon, spokesman for the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Agriculture officials had said the herd would have to be killed because the calf born to the sick cow was not tagged and could not be identified.

WILBUR, Wash. (AP) — They have been unable to Federal workers using a rule out the possibility that mad cow disease can transmitted from be mother to calf.

The animals were not to be processed for meat or other products. The carcasses will be buried at a landfill in southern Washington, Lemon said. He could not say when.

Sheriff's cars blocked the snow-covered road leading to the slaughterhouse. Calves could be seen in pens next to a one-story white block building. A sign outside was covered with a black plastic bag.

Some of the animals had been killed by mid-afternoon, and the rest of the 449 calves were scheduled to be killed by midnight Tuesday, Lemon said.





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World news

India, Pakistan agree to begin peace dialogue

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) - Two years after nuclear-armed India and Pakistan nearly went to war, their leaders agreed Tuesday to hold landmark peace talks next month on all topics, including the hot-button issue of Kashmir that lies at the heart of their half-century of mutual hatred and mistrust.

"I think the victory is for the world," Pakistan's President Gen. Pervez Musharraf declared, though observers cautioned a lasting peace is far from

Musharraf and Indian Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee agreed to the talks in tightly guarded meetings in the Pakistani capital under the cover of a major regional summit.

In a joint declaration read separately by the Indian and Pakistani foreign ministers, Musharraf pledged not to permit his country to be used as a haven for terrorism, and Vajpayee promised to seek a solution to the Kashmir dispute.

Syrian, Turkish leaders issue warning to Kurds

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) - The leaders of Iraq's neighbors, Syria and Turkey, insisted Tuesday that Iraq remain united, issuing a warning to Kurds who may aspire to create an independent state in the north of the country.

In Washington, Secretary of State Colin Powell said the United States believes the Iraqis should decide the future of the overwhelmingly Kurdish northern region, but "it is absolutely clear" it must remain part of Iraq.

The statements came as Iraq's Governing Council has been hammering out details of a new government for Iraq. Iraqi Kurdish leaders are asking for greater autonomy for the oil-rich north and a federal Iraq based on two ethnic states.

Although Iraqi Kurdish leaders are not asking for independence, Turkey fears that increased autonomy and states based on ethnic identity will encourage sep-

Audit says Catholic bishops' reforms on trackt

WASHINGTON (AP) - America's Roman Catholic bishops are following the reforms they adopted to prevent further sex abuse by clergy, but those policies have flaws that limit their effectiveness, an audit overseen by former FBI officials said Tuesday.

The study recommended changes that victims have been advocating for years, including improved monitoring of guilty priests and a survey of victims asking how bishops should respond when an abuse claim is

The bishops adopted the reforms in June 2002, at the height of the scandal, which began two years ago this week with revelations about a single predatory priest in the Archdiocese of Boston. The scandal spread to every American diocese, with thousands of new abuse claims across the country.

The review found 90 percent of the 195 U.S. dioceses were complying fully with the plan, which dictates how guilty priests should be punished and requires bishops to protect children. Among the 20 judged not fully compliant are the architioceses of New York; Anchorage, Alaska; and Omaha, Neb. Four dioceses were not audited.

Bomb kills at least 13, mostly children

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan (AP) — A bomb strapped to a bicycle killed 13 people Tuesday in this southern Afghan city, most of them children who halted a soccer game and rushed to the site after an initial explo-

The treacherous double blast, blamed on Taliban militants, may have been intended to lure U.S. troops or hit the provincial governor. But it was innocents who died — another bloody reminder of the violence sweeping Afghanistan two years after the Taliban's fall.

The death toll put a brutal end to celebrations of a new constitution feted as a bulwark against terrorism. and highlighted the task facing American forces gearing up for a new offensive in time for summer elections.

Curiosity got the better of the children after the first blast tossed bicycles parked on the roadside. The second bomb, a few minutes later at the same spot, was devastating.

Wrecked bikes, blood and shattered glass from a passing truck lay strewn across the road, which was quickly sealed off by shouting Afghan and U.S. soldiers.

Second battalion of new Iraqi Army graduates

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — The second battalion of a new Iraqi army graduated Tuesday at a ceremony with traditional songs and dances, and a U.S. commander and Iraqi politicians said they soon will choose a civilian defense minister to lead the soldiers in securing a democratic nation.

Iraqi police, meanwhile, fired on former soldiers of Saddam Hussein's disbanded army, killing one and wounding three, to halt a violent protest in the southern city of Basra.

Demanding payment of monthly stipends promised



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by the U.S.-led coalition authority, hundreds of the exsoldiers tried to storm the Central Bank and lobbed stones at it, and then at police who tried to keep them back with batons before shooting into the crowd.

Protesters said they had not received their allowances since September.

On Tuesday night, coalition officials said the ex-soldiers would be paid Wednesday - but only if there

Reflecting pool design chosen for WTC

NEW YORK (AP) - A design consisting of two reflecting pools and a paved stone field was chosen Tuesday for the World Trade Center memorial after an eight-month competition that drew more than 5,000 entries from around the world.

The "Reflecting Absence" memorial, created by city designer Michael Arad, was chosen by a 13-member jury of artists, architects and civic and cultural leaders. The winning memorial was announced by the Lower Manhattan Development Corp., the agency overseeing the rebuilding of the site.

The memorial drew an icy reception from victims' families, who accused the jury of ignoring their input during a hasty deliberation and said the design failed to convey the horror of the attack.

Anthony Gardner, who lost his brother in the Sept. 11 attack and is a member of a coalition for family groups, said the design is "unacceptable."

"This is minimalism, and you can't minimalize the impact and the enormity of Sept. 11," Gardner said. "You can't minimalize the deaths. You can't minimalize the response of New Yorkers."

McDonald's posts carb and fat grams

NEW YORK (AP) — With Americans fattening up and fast food on the defensive, McDonald's this week began telling dieters in the New York area how much fat and carbs are in some of its meals.

New posters and brochures, prominently displayed in restaurants in New York, New Jersey and parts of Connecticut, tell customers how to modify McDonald's existing menu — by leaving out the bun or cheese, for example — to reduce their intake of fat, carbohydrates and calories.

"We are trying to educate our customers that the foods they love at McDonald's can fit into the diet they're on," said Cristina Vilella, marketing director for the fast food company's New York metro region office in Roseland, N.J.

"If they're watching fat, carbs or counting calories, they can take the menu and fit it into the lifestyle that they're leading.'

Vilella said there is no immediate plan to make such information available outside the tri-state area.

Police asked to investigate conspiracy

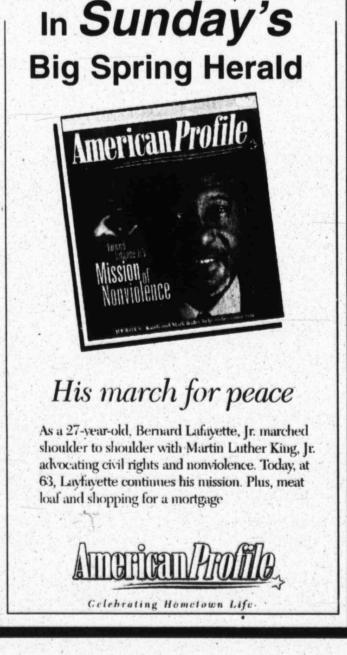
LONDON (AP) - Britain's royal coroner asked police to look into theories a conspiracy led to the car crash in Paris that killed Princess Diana and boyfriend Dodi Fayed, saying Tuesday he was obliged "to separate fact from fiction and speculation."

Coroner Michael Burgess' request - part of the opening of official inquests into their 1997 deaths came as a tabloid newspaper reported Diana believed Prince Charles was plotting to kill her by staging a car accident. Fayed's father said he suspects not only Charles, but also his father, Prince Philip.

A French investigation found the crash was an accident and that driver Henri Paul, who also died, had been drinking. But more sinister explanations for the crash abound, and Burgess said he asked police to investigate whether he should take them up in his inquests.

Victims' advocates criticize audit

BROWNSVILLE (AP) - A nationwide audit of almost 200 Roman Catholic dioceses, which bishops are hailing as evidence the church has reformed to prevent more sex abuse by clergy, offers little comfort



for Texas representatives of victims' groups and some who have now chosen to speak out about attacks.

Victims said the report released Tuesday was misleading and questioned its validity because bishops approved the criteria for the audit, prohibited access to sensitive documents about predatory clergy and helped select those interviewed by auditors.

A charter with 17 mandates, including criminal background checks of clergy and church personnel who work with children, was adopted at a Dallas meeting of the bishops in response to a crisis that led to the removal of more than 350 bishops and priests.

"You have a situation because it's a church, the ordinary rules for an organizational audit don't apply," Peter Isely of SNAP, the Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests, told The Dallas Morning News in Wednesday's editions.

"If Enron leaders had gotten to control an audit like this on themselves, they'd been very happy with the results, too," he said, referring to the Houston-based energy company that collapsed in bankruptcy.

Hutchison pulls together Nobel winners

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Texas has almost a dozen Nobel prize winners, and Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison is putting them to work for the state.

Hutchison on Tuesday announced the creation of the Texas Academy of Science, Engineering and Medicine, which aims to harness the brain power of the Nobel laureates and other top scientists in ways that pay off for academic, health and commercial entities.

"I think this is going to be the beginning of adding another star in the flag of Texas, and that is (making it) the pre-eminent science state that will foster more technology and more industry," said Hutchison on the opening day of a two-day gathering of academy members to start setting its direction.

Academy membership includes the state's 11 Nobel winners, along with more than 200 other accomplished scientists and researchers.

The senator says her motivation for the academy came in 1997, when she learned that Texas, second among states in population, ranked sixth in bringing in federal funds for research and development.

Laredo's Camino Columbia auctioned

LAREDO (AP) — The state's only private toll road, a \$90 million link to Mexico that opened just three years ago, was auctioned back to the bank Tuesday for \$12 million and may close.

The 22-mile Camino Columbia route between Mexico and Interstate 35 had investors expecting to get rich because of increased Mexico-U.S. truck traffic linked to the North American Free Trade Agreement.

The landowners along the route invested a total of \$15 million, in addition to providing strips of property

Tony Sanchez's International Bank of Commerce provided an initial \$6 million funding for the road. John Hancock and New York Life Insurance Co. loaned an additional \$75 million. But motorists weren't buying the \$16-per-truck, \$3-per-car trip.



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IN BRIEF

Baseball boosters to hold meeting Monday

The Big Spring Steers Baseball Booster Club will hold a meeting on Jan. 15 in the BSHS Athletic Training Com-

All parents and baseball boosters are urged to attend the meeting, which will begin at 6

YMCA swim team spots available

The Big Spring Family YMCA swim team has positions open for interested athletes.

To be eligible to participate as a member of the swim team, athletes must be at least six years of age and able to swim two lengths of the pool with proper rotary breathing. Swimmers are responsible for annual USS registration, all entry fees and equipment and all transportation meals at meets.

For more information call Dolline Budke at 264-8252 or 263-4505.

Lady Steers to open 4-4A play Friday

The Big Spring Lady Steers will begin their district basketball schedule Friday by traveling to San Angelo to face off against the Lake View Maidens.

The BSHS girls, 5-13 overall, are scheduled to begin play at 7:30

Ten Star seeking all-star applications

Applications are being accepted for the Ten Star All-Star Basketball Summer Camp. Boys and girls ages 10-19 are eligible to apply.

For more information call (704) 373-0873.

BSHS swimmers face 4-4A meet on Jan. 23

Big Spring High School swim team will try and nail down the District 4-4A swimming title on Jan. 23 when it travels to Ft. Stockton.

Hawks to face North Lake tonight

The Howard College Hawks will return to action tonight when they host North Lake College at 7 p.m. in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The Hawks enter the game at 8-3. record. They lost to Hill College Saturday.

Zimmer to remain with Dalls Cowboys

IRVING (AP) Defensive coordinator Mike Zimmer is staying with the Dallas Cowboys, as are several other coaches and players who ended the season in limbo.

Coach Bill Parcells said Tuesday that Zimmer told University of Nebraska officials he was remaining in the pros rather than continue to pursue the head coaching Huskers' vacancy.

ON THE AIR



Big Spring's Jordan Cobb looks for a place to pass during the Steers' 47-40 win over Pecos Tuesday.

Second-half stand spurs Steers past Pecos, 47-40

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Big Spring Steers found the perfect cure for what ailed them Tuesday night: The found their defense.

And they found a win. Big Spring held the Pecos Eagles to just three shots from the field in the first eight minutes of the second half and used that effort to roll to a thrilling 47-40 non-district victory.

"In the first half, they (Pecos) got up on us," said Big Spring head coach

Jim Kinnear. "They were bout just shooting the lights out and we weren't. Then in the third, we picked up our defensive intensity and got in their face which caused them to turn the ball over.

"You have to tip you hat to the defense," he said. "That's what won the game.'

The win was a memorable one for the Steers. With the victory over overall, doubled its entire shots in the frame. heading into Friday's See STEERS, Page 2B

Cooper.

Pecos, anchored by the clutch shooting of Ricardo Morales, controlled the tempo in the first period. Morales sank two shots from the field and led the Eagles on an 11-8 run.

Wesley Smith highlighted the Steers' first quarter effort, scoring four of his game-high 10 points. C.J. Lowery and Kyle Pecos, Big Spring, 4-16 Flenniken also buried

win total from last season — Pecos stretched its lead

Juan Gone

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) - After they lost free agent Raul Ibanez to Seattle, the Kansas City Royals needed an outfielder who could drive in runs.

They got a two-time American League MVP who has proven his power-hitting ability for 15 years in the majors.

Juan Gonzalez agreed Tuesday to a one-year deal with the Royals that guarantees him \$4.5 million _ more if he stays healthy. And if he does, the Royals expect more than the 90 RBIs Ibanez gave them in 2003.

we wanted a run-producing bat," general manager Allard Baird said. "That's the key for us. If he stays healthy, he could have a 120-130 (RBI) year. He's got a lot of guys ahead of him who can get on base.'

The 34-year-old Gonzalez's health and age did not worry Baird, even though injuries limited the outfielder to 152 games over the last two seasons.

Gonzalez, an outfielder with 429 career homers, played only 82 games for the Texas Rangers last year before a torn muscle in his right calf ended his season on July 20.

"I went out to Arizona and watched him work out for two days," Baird said. "I think he's in great shape ... and I feel very comfortable with him being ready to go."

Baird also said he has no concerns about how Gonzalez, whose relationships with former clubs have come off as strained, would fit in in Kansas City.

The free agent gets \$4 million next season, and the deal includes a mutual option for 2005 at \$7 million. If the Royals decline the option, Gonzalez would receive a \$500,000 buyout.



Grady's Brianna Pribyla attempts to find a place to pass during the second quarter of the Lady Cats' game with Garden City Tuesday. Garden City finished off a three-game sweep of Grady this season with a 45-33 victory.

Garden City complete hat trick against Grady with 45-33 victory

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

LENORAH — Megan Niehues scored three times, had four rebounds and two steals in the first eight minutes Tuesday night and helped the Garden City Lady Kats bolt roll to a 45-33 win over rival Grady.

With the victory, Garden City completed a three-game sweep of the Grady Lady Cats this season and closed out their non-district schedule with a sparkling 16-3 mark.

Niehues was the fuel that led the Garden City fire all night. The junior forward accounted for almost half of the Lady Kats' offensive output, finishing with a game-high 21 poir..s.

Garden City, which is scheduled to open District 7-A play Tuesday in Wink, went to work early against Grady. Niehues staked the

State-ranked Grady topples Garden City

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Lady Kats to a quick 4-0 lead with a pair of free throws and a 10-foot jumper from the wing.

Following a basket by Grady's Kelsey Tubb, Niehues sparked another 4-0 run by pushing back an offensive rebound.

Garden City held a 8-2 cushion with less than one minute remaining in the opening period.

Tubb refused to let the Lady Cats end the quarter on a sour note. Grady scored twice in the final 57 seconds to pull to within 8-6 at the start of the second.

Garden City padded its lead to seven, at 22-15, in the second period by reeling off a 14-9 run.

Seniors Jessica Hoch, Amanda Henson and Leslie Jansa all

turned in key plays in the frame. Grady, which slipped to 13-5 in its first year under head coach Lin Fink, managed to cut the Lady Kats' lead to four with a solid effort in the third. Anchored by Tubb, the Lady Cats hammered out a 10-7 spree in the frame and

went into the final eight minutes

trailing 29-25.

Niehues and Hoch made sure Grady wouldn't enjoy any lastminute rally. Both sank clutch shots early in the fourth and helped Garden City close out the contest with a 16-8 effort.

Hoch closed out the contest as the Lady Kats' second-leading scorer, collecting 10 points. Jansa added five.

Tubb finished the contest as Grady's top scorer, netting 11 points. Brittany Rivas pumped in

The Grady Lady Cats will begin district play Friday against Ira.

Coronado deals Lady Steers 96-51 setback

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Lubbock Coronado Lady Mustangs scored 31 points in the first eight minutes of play and rolled to a 96-51 victory over the Big Spring Lady Steers Tuesday night.

The loss spoiled a stellar performance by senior Leina Braxton. The BSHS standout pumped in a game-high 21 points including 11 in the final eight minutes.

to a solid start in the contest. Raegan Ritchey and Shannon Higgins both pushed home shots from the field in the first two minutes of the contest and helped Big Spring fight its way to a 4-4 tie with 6:09 to play in the

first. The Lady Mustangs exploded from there. Coronado reeled off a 27-7 run over the ensuing six minutes and took a 31-11 lead into the second quar-

The Lady Steers got off ter.

Coronado, which had three players reach double figures, added to its lead in the second. The Lady Mustangs pounded out a 21-18 advantage in the frame and held a 52-29 cushion at the break.

Braxton, who sank four 3-pointers in the game, keved the Lady Steers' second-quarter effort with eight points. Imari Brown added five.

The Lady Steers strug-See GIRLS, Page 2B



knocks the ball free from Big Spring's Alex Watkins.

Westbrook head coach hospitalized

Westbrook High School head coach Jim Hill was hospitalized Tuesday night after collapsing on the team bus following the Wildcats' district opener against Blackwell.

Hill, the school's former head football coach, was overcome with chest pains on the trip home and was rushed to a Colorado City hospital.

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STEERS

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to nine in the second. The Eagles garnered five points from Oscar Parada in the frame and outscored Big Spring by an 11-5 margin.

Pecos took a 22-13 lead into the half.

The Steers, who managed to snap a four-game losing streak, put Pecos on the defensive in the third with a stifling effort that fed the Big Spring offense.

The Steers, using a tight man-to-man and trapping defense, forced Pecos into several turnovers that played a key role in Big Spring being able to pound out a 20-6 offensive advantage.

Senior forward Brandon Hughes and Jordan Cobb powered the Steers' offense by combining for 12 third-quarter points. Hughes pumped in seven points in the third quar-

gled to get their offense

into gear in the third.

Hampered by several

turnovers, Big Spring

managed just seven

points in the first eight

minutes of the second

Coronado didn't have

the same offensive woes. The Lady Mustangs

pushed in 19 points in the

frame and took a 71-36

advantage into the fourth.

Braxton, the team's

leading scorer the past

two years, came alive in

knocked down two treys

and two shots from inside

the three-point arc in the

ter while Cobb added five. Big Spring sealed the win by outscoring Pecos by a 13-12 margin in the fourth quarter.

Cobb finished the contest as Big Spring's second-leading scorer, netting nine points. Michael Ornales-Doporto added eight while Hughes and Flenniken finished with seven and six, respective-

Lowery also contributed six points to the win.

Parada, Morales and Jose Reyes all tallied nine points for the Eagles.

Big Spring will return to action Friday by traveling to Lubbock for a bout against Cooper.

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Big Spring .8 5 20 13 - 47 BIG SPRING — Wesley Smith 4-2-4 10; Jordan Cobb 4 0-0 9;

Michael Ornales-Doporto 4 0-0 8; Brandon Hughes 2 3-5 7; C.J. Lowery 3 0-0 6; Kyle Flenniken 2 2-3 6; Erin Partee 0 0-2 0. Totals -19 7-14 47

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Tiffany Hardwell keyed **GIRLS** a 25-point fourth-quarter run by Coronado by scor-Continued from Page 1B

ing eight points. Hardwell finished the game with a team-high 18 points.

Brown was the Lady Steers' second-leading scorer with eight points. Elida Rodriguez and Alex Watkins chalked up five

apiece. With the loss, Big Spring closed out its nondistrict schedule with a 5-12 record. The Lady Steers open District 4-4A play at 7:30 p.m. on Friday night in San Angelo against Lake the final frame. She

View. Big Spring's first home district game will be at 7:30 p.m. on Jan. 13 against Levelland



Grady's Nick Winford scrambles for a loose ball in the Wildcats' win.

Winford powers No. 2-ranked Grady past Garden City, 68-37 By TOMMY WELLS Garden City managed to stay

Sports Editor

LENORAH — The Grady Wildcats found their offense — and the Garden City Bearkats paid the price for it.

Nick Winford scored 17 points and Trent May added 12 more Tuesday night and helped carry No. 2-ranked Grady to a 68-37 win over Garden City in the non-district finale for both squads.

Grady, now 16-1 for the year, didn't show any signs of the rustiness that plagued them last week against New Home. The Wildcats scored into double digits in every frame.

close in the first quarter. The Bearkats, behind the lead of Blake Chudei and Chais Goodwin, trailed only 14-8 heading into the second. The Wildcats began to pull away

in the second, however. Grady posted a 16-6 spree in the frame and took a commanding 30-14 cushion into the half.

Grady, which is scheduled to open district play Friday against Ira, salted the win away with a 38-23 run in the second half.

Brent Madison and Andrew Villa also scored in double figures for GHS, netting 11 apiece.

Chudej led GCHS with 10 points.

Boling, Piercefield help JV Steers slide past Pecos Brandon Boling and nailed down the O.W. picked up a solid perfor- leading scorer with six Invitational mance from guard Justin points. Follis

Tournament's JV title Green. He finished the

Kyle Piercefield each scored nine points and helped the Big Spring last week in Lamesa, also game as the Steers' third- Cooper on Friday. Steers junior varsity pound out a 42-29 victory over the Pecos Eagles Tuesday night in the BSHS gym.

With the win, the Steers improved to 7-6 for the year and extended their' recent win streak to four games.

"I think we played pretty well," said Big Spring coach Will Johnson. "We've been playing good defense the past few games and that's helped Garden City rallies past Grady, 29-22

Sports Editor

By TOMMY WELLS

LENORAH - Alex Halfmann scored 14 points an Evan Jansa added seven more Tuesday night and led the Garden City Bearkats junior varsity to a 29-22 come-from-behind victory over the Grady Wildcats.

Grady, which was paced by seven points from Ben Spring, which Hirth and Cole Mitchell,

jumped out to an early lead into the half. advantage. The Wildcats, thanks to a three-point their lead to six points in shot by outscored Garden City by a slim 7-6 clip in the first held a 23-17 lead heading

The Bearkats answered back in the second. Halfmann pushed in two shots from the floor and points. Jansa buried a trey to ignite an 8-2 run.

the year, carried a 14-9 against Wink.

The Bearkats stretched Mitchell, the third by reeling off a 9-8 spree. Garden City

The Steers will face

into the fourth quarter. Jared Bradford contributed to the Bearkats' win by scoring five

The Bearkats, under coach Koby Abney, open Garden City, now 6-4 for District 7-A play Tuesday

Westbrook girls streak past Blackwell in district opener

The Westbrook Lady Cats opened District 13-A action on a high note Tuesday night by streaking to a 58-53 win over the Blackwell Lady Hornets.

Westbrook, 2-14, outscored Blackwell by a 40-26 margin in the second half to claim the vic-

Blackwell held a 27-18 Highland. lead at the half.

Allison Bray led all Westbrook scorers in the game with 25 points. Codee Waldrep also hit double figures for WHS, netting 20.

The Lady Cats will return to district play on Jan. 13 when they host District 13-A play.

Blackwell 58 Westbrook 57

The Blackwell Hornets outscored Westbrook by a 15-14 margin in the final eight minutes of play and managed to sneak out a victory over Westbrook Tuesday in

Trey Chavez was one of three Westbrook players to reach double figures in the game. He finished with 14 points. Cory Jared Morton and Matlock added 12 and 10, respectively. With the

loss, Westbrook slipped to 0-1

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Some buying tips:

■ Buy your shoes at the end of the day, when your feet are somewhat larger from the day's walking.

■ Make sure there is about a finger's width at the front of the shoe. This will help prevent runner's (black) toe.

RUNNER'S GLOSSARY

If you're going to buy running shoes, you've got to know the lingo. Here are some definitions:



Pronation:
The rotation of the foot as you run. Everyone pronates, but some people roll their foot too much in one direction or the other. The right shoe can help compensate for over- or under-

o flot position pronating.

Stability:

The level of support and motion

resistance a shoe provides.

Toebox: The part of the shoe
where your toes go. When buying

where your toes go. When buying shoes, make sure there is plenty of room in the top of the shoe.

ON YOUR MARK, GET SET ...

If you've never run before, take it easy during your first few jogs. After stretching, start with a short distance, perhaps a half mile, then walk a half mile briskly. After several days of this routine, you'll be able comfortably to add an additional quarter mile. In no time you'll be running a mile! You'll be surprised how quickly you'll be ready to try the starter schedule.

The key is to start slowly and pace yourself. Remember, this is a distance run, not a sprint. After the run, cool down with a walk and muscle stretching.



STARTER SCHEDULE

Everyone has to start somewhere. Here's a running schedule for beginners (for starters, run on flat ground):

Day One: Three miles.
Day Two: Rest. Stretch.
Day Three: Walk three miles

riskly.

Day Four: Two miles.

Day Five: Rest. Stretch.

Day Six: Two miles.

Day Seven: Rest. Stretch. Running seven miles a week will help you achieve fitness without taking too much time.

INTERMEDIATE SCHEDULE

OK, you've faithfully followed the starter schedule for a couple months, and now you want to move up. Try this:

Day One: Five miles. Push yourself on the fourth mile before slowing down for the fifth mile.

Day Two: Rest.
Day Three: Three miles.
Day Four: Rest. Stretch.
Day Five: Four miles.
Day Six: Rest. Stretch.
Day Seven: Four miles.

RUNNING ETIQUETTE

When you're ready to run a road race, keep these tips in mind:

Slower runners should start

near the back of the pack.

Pin your bib number on the

front of your shirt.

If you need to stop for any

reason, move to the side of the road.

Run no more than two abreast, and if someone wants

to pass, let them.

If stopping at an aid station, grab what you want then

SOURCES: "RUNNING" (FODOR'S); RUNNER'S WORLD; USA TRACK AND FIELD (WWW.USATF.COM); FUNNING USA (WWW.RUNNINGUSA.ORG)



Lace up your shoes and hit the road with our guide to running

BY RAY WALKER I KNIGHT RIDDER/TRIBUNE

Some people are born to run. Then there are the rest of us. But lucky for us, when it comes to running, motivation and desire can overcome lack of talent. In fact, motivation, desire and a good pair of running shoes are really all you need.

Let's get one thing straight: Anyone can be a runner. Not long ago, sports pages referred to cross-country runners as "thinclads." One look at the photo and you knew why the runners were thin and lean.

That was then. Today, running trails and sidewalks present a nonstop parade of young professionals, soccer moms, paunchy middle-age men and grandparents pounding the pavement and loving it.

And runners' reasons for hitting the road are just as varied: Some want to lose weight. Others want to build their endurance and cardiovascular health. And some just want the satisfaction of knowing they can cross the finish line.

According to 2001 research by American Sports Data Inc., 33.7 million Americans run more than one day a year. Almost 10 million are frequent runners, lacing up their shoes 100 or more days a year. Vermont has the most runners per capita — 29.1 for every 100 people in the state.

And for the record, what's the difference between a "run" and a "jog"? According to Jill Geer, director of communications for USA Track and Field, "The difference between a jog and a run is definitely subjective. Generally, it's a difference in pace and/or effort. A slow, easy run is often called 'a 'jog'; a run of moderate pace and above is largely considered a 'run.' Of course, slow and moderate depend on the person!"

Whatever your pace or your reason for hitting the road, go for it.



CONTROL CHAFING

Few things are more painful to runners than blisters on the feet or skin chafing. Avoid them by liberal use of a petroleum jelly such as Runner's Lube, BodyGlide or Vaseline. Coat your feet generously, especially the soles, heels and toes.

Arm pits and nipples are also susceptible to chafing. And, particularly in longer runs, other areas of the body such as thighs may require some attention. Keep the goop handy.

Avoid cotton; it has a rougher feel and stays wet longer, increasing the friction that causes chafing. Instead, go for breathable polyester shorts with a mesh liner.

T-SHIRTS

One of the plusses of running is the accumulation of race T-shirts. Who couldn't resist getting in a little subtle bragging by advertising an athletic accomplishment?

After a while, you'll discover you have more race shirts than you can use. Lucky you — a number of places will cut out race logos and incorporate them in a runner's quilt.

GET ENERGIZED

Eat smart. That means lots of fruits and vegetables, and small portions of meat. You'll feel better, and after a while you'll notice your running times improve.

For peak performance on race day, avoid dietary fat, protein and alcohol the day before and instead load up on carbohydrates (pastas and rice) and simple sugars (fruits).

And drink lots of water!

SWEET TREAT

Horses sweat. Men perspire. Women glow. But it's all the same

After a good run, you'll want to replenish your body electrolytes. Have a banana with your water.

Don't like bananas? No sweat, so to speak. Chocolate is high in potassium (as are raisins and coconuts). Woof down your favorite chocolate bar and feel the healing begin.

STRETCH ...

Let's get serious for a moment. Stretching before running can help you avoid injury. Got it? Good.

Stretching produces better results if you follow this routine: Put yourself in the stretched position. Then, holding that position, push the muscle against whatever is constraining it (table, wall, floor, etc.). After 10 seconds of pressure, relax. Repeat the steps once.

Here are four stretches that will

Here are four stretches that will pay dividends later:

Hamstring stretch. Stand beside a table and put one foot up on it. Holding your hips still, bend over and try to touch your toes on the table.

stomach and bend one knee, bringing your foot to your butt. Reach behind and grasp your ankle.

Groin stretch. Sit on the

floor and bring the soles of your feet together in front of you. Try to lower your knees to the floor.

Calf stretch. Stand 2 feet from a wall. Put your hands flat on the wall and lean into it.

RUNNER IN CHIEF

President Bush ran his first (and only) marathon in 3 hours, 44 minutes (Houston, 1993). Former Vice President Al Gore ran his first (and only) marathon in 4 hours, 58 minutes (Marine Corps, 1997). THAT'S AMORE



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Some have argued that running adversely affects one's, uh, love life. Au contraire, mon cheri. In fact, running helps prevent male impotence. A study of 1,709 men found that men who were sedentary throughout the 10 years of the study had the highest incidence of impotence, while those who had either started or continued exercising had the lowest incidence.

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Want to know more? Check out these sites:

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Tomorrow's Horoscope TOO LATES

BY JOYCE JILLSON The moon is full in psychic Cancer. Enjoy the equipment \$225,000.00 newly opened channels of communication, accept the fact that there

> keep from saying. Tonight, will you h a v e prophetic dreams and

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crazy and not to be taken at all literally. The subconscious works in mysterious ways, but this is deeper.

is very little you can

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're focused on the emotional and sexual aspects of love, but what of friendship? For the ultimate relationship high, find beauty in the respect a partner shows you daily! Singles make YOUR BUSINESS stellar impressions at a

> formal event. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Spend more time on activities that feed your soul. You'll be offered a lukewarm opportunity. If vou don't say "no" to it, you'll be feeling obligated, dreading the day when you have to make good on your word.

> GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your big break is on the way, but you're not quite ready to take advantage of it yet. Make sure you know what you're going to do when it comes. Indecision is the enemy of romance.

> CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll get carried away with grandiose dreams. Believe in your vision, even if it doesn't make any sense right now. Also keep in the front of your mind that what you get is in direct proportion to what you give.

> ·LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Put potential "special friends" through a battery of tests as a way to make sure that new people are worth the atime and effort you're about to spend on them. For some, legal wins settle issues of custody or finance.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Keep thinking big, and the money flows in.

Realizing that you are the only one who can provide a balanced schedule for yourself and a method for taking good care of yourself will release you from being angry with others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Rise, shine, and your Although there are plenty of opportunities, there are absolutely no free lunches. You'd rather pay your way anyhow. Teamwork is lucky this afternoon, as long as you're with the right;

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll get wind of something that sounds too good to be true. It's just that, so don't fall for the hype. Instead, review your "to-do" list for new projects. A little elbow accomplishes: much. Control issues are: featured tonight.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). While you are asked to deal with irritating issues and handle difficult personalities, your creative self grows rich. You can use today's events as fodder for your art. Don't open the door for guidance or criticism.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Revisiting and reviving projects are your specialty today. Brush off an old idea, polish it up, and call it to the; attention of someone who: counts. It could be a winner, moving you to the next level in your career.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Be extremely choosy about whom you spend time with; someone dear might be fostering laziness and procrastination in you. You're sometimes tempted to tone down your talents so others won't become jeal-

PISCES (Feb. 19-March, 20). If you've been dreaming of circuitous ways to: attain your dream, it's unnecessary to do so. Direct questions lead to direct answers. Tonight, it is even more helpful; than usual to envision yourself accomplishing your goals.

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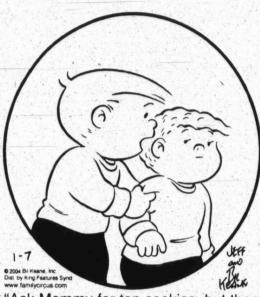
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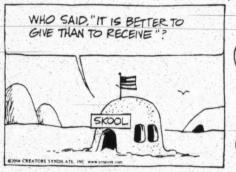
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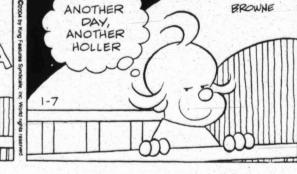
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 7, the seventh day of 2004. There are 359 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in

History:

On Jan. 7, 1789, the first U.S. presidential election was held. Americans voted for electors who, a month later. chose George Washington to be the nation's first president. On this date:

In 1610, the astronomer Galileo Galilei sighted four of Jupiter's moons.

In 1800, the 13th president the United States. Millard Fillmore, was born

in Summerhill, N.Y. In 1927, commercial trans-Atlantic telephone service was inaugurated between

New York and London. In 1942, the World War II siege of Bataan began.

In 1953, President Truman announced in his State of the Union address that the United States had developed a hydrogen bomb.

Anderson made her debut with the Metropolitan Opera in New York, in Verdi's "Un Ballo in Maschera." · In 1959, the United States

In 1955, singer Marian

recognized Fidel Castro's new government in Cuba. In 1972, Lewis F. Powell Jr. and William H.

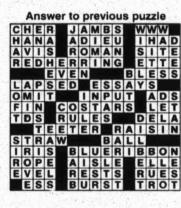
Rehnquist were sworn in as the 99th and 100th members of the U.S. Supreme Court. In 1979, Vietnamese forces captured the Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh, overthrowing the Khmer Rouge government.

In 1989, Emperor Hirohito of Japan died in Tokyo at age 87; he was succeeded by son, Akihito.

Ten years ago: The government reported the unemployment rate fell to a three-year low of 6.4 percent in December 1993. Nancy Kerrigan withdrew from the U.S. Figure Skating

Championships in Detroit, a day after her right leg was severely bruised in an attack following a practice session.

Today's Birthdays: Author William Peter Blatty is 76. Country singer Jack Greene is 74. Pop musician Paul Revere is 66. Magazine publisher Jann Wenner is 58. Singer Kenny Loggins is 56. Singer-songwriter Marshall Chapman is 55. Actress Erin Gray is 54. Actor Sammo Hung is 52. Actor David Caruso ("CSI: Miami") is 48. "Today" show co-host Katie Couric is 47. Country singer David Lee Murphy is 45.



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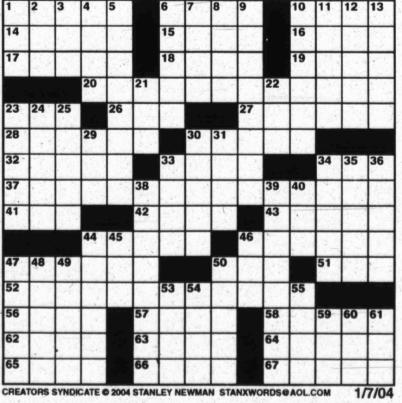
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