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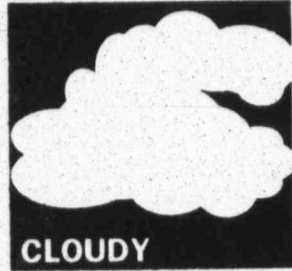
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January 14, 2004

WEATHER

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BRIEFLY

Senior Center vote

In addition to the Howard County Courthouse, early voting in the Senate District 31 election will be held at the Senior Center, 1901 Simler, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, according to the county clerk's office.

MLK presentation

The Big Spring VA Medical Center will observe the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Friday with a presentation entitled "The King and His Vision," presented by Elmer F. "Smiley" Williams. The program will begin at 11 a.m. and the community is invited to share in the remembrance of Dr. King.

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For instance, the Herald was only able to publish a fraction of the pictures we took during the Christmas parade. However, we placed all the pictures we took on the dotPhoto site and they are available for our readers to view, and if desired, prints of those pictures can be ordered.

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Stenholm will seek election in 19th Congressional District

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

It's a political challenge neither candidate wanted to see happen, but U.S. Congressmen Charlie Stenholm, D-Abilene, and Randy Neugebauer, R-Lubbock, will wrestle for the District 19 Congressional seat in November.

Stenholm announced Tuesday that he will run for re-election, and said he's pleased to be able to campaign in the Howard County area once again.

"We announced today that we'll be running for re-election for the U.S. Congress in the 19th District," said Stenholm, a 26-year veteran of Congress. "Howard County was a

"I know the issues, whether it's the prisons, refinery or VA Medical Center, I've represented this area in the past and I know the area and it's needs."



U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm

part of the 19th District for the 24 years that I represented it, and I'm looking forward to it being a part of my area again."

The congressional veteran said he feels

confident with his track record in the Howard County area going into this race, but there is an element of the unknown with approximately half of the counties that now fall within the 19th District borders.

"This is going to be a big race for us," said Stenholm. "While there are 14 counties in the district that I have represented in the past, there are 13 that I've never represented. They really don't know a lot about me, and I think that's going to be a challenge to overcome. It's definitely going to make it a hard campaign for us."

"Lubbock is the biggest part of the district

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An accident approximately four miles north of Big Spring on U.S. Highway 87 sent one woman to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center Emergency Room Tuesday afternoon. According to emergency officials on the scene, a 2003 Jeep Liberty and a delivery truck were traveling south on Highway 87 in the right lane when the delivery truck slowed to make a right turn. The driver of the Liberty swerved to the right of the truck, rolling her vehicle onto its side. The driver of the truck was unharmed. The driver of the Liberty was transported to the emergency room with only minor injuries.

'Pay off' for Howard County youth to occur at stock show

By BILL MCCLELLAN News Editor

A whole lot of area youngsters and even more animals will be gathered at the county fairbarns beginning today for the start of the Howard County Junior Live Stock Show.

The show continues through Saturday.

"We'd love to have everybody come out and support our youth," said Michael Brooks, Extension agent for 4-H and youth development. "This is what they have been working for all year long. Now it is 'pay-off time' — time to show off what they have done."

Today's activities begin at 3 p.m. with the lamb show, followed by the goat show. Kyle Eckert, assistant sheep and goat specialist with the Cooperative Extension program in San Angelo will be the judge. Some 120 goats and four lambs are entered.



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"The number of goats is up a little; lambs are down a bit from last year," noted Brooks. "Goats are a little cheaper and a little easier to work with, and that's the reason for the swing."

The rabbits — 125 strong — will take center stage at 6 p.m. Thursday. Cottle County Extension Agent Justin Nash will judge that show.

Friday's fare opens at 8:30 a.m. with the pig show and concludes after the 3 p.m. steer show. The judge for both will be John Senter, county agent for Mitchell County. He'll be judging 89 pigs and 28 steers.

The finale takes place Saturday with the appreciation luncheon set for 11 a.m., followed at 1 p.m. by the auction.

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Big Spring man's death was an accident, authorities say

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

Police have closed their investigation into the death of a Big Spring man that was pronounced dead-on-arrival at the Scenic Mountain Medical Center Emergency Room late Saturday evening.

Big Spring Police Department spokesperson Sgt. Roger Sweatt said the death has been ruled

accidental following an autopsy. "An autopsy was ordered by Justice of the Peace Kathryn Weissman, and going by the information she received, the case has been ruled an accidental death," said Sweatt. "During the course of the investigation we found no signs of foul play at all."

Anthony Noel, 48, of Big Spring

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Pee wees to join 'big'uns' during Martin Co. show

HERALD Staff Report

STANTON — Young'uns and older ones both get the opportunity to strut their stuff beginning Thursday at the Martin County Junior Livestock Show here.

Weigh-in for all animals will be held from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. that day.

The event gets under way in earnest on Friday with the goat show at 9 a.m. That will be immediately followed by the lamb show. Younger children will get into the act next with the pee wee goat and

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Trustee effectiveness training continues with board meeting

By LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

Big Spring Independent School District trustees continue to make strides in becoming a more effective board.

During their Thursday meeting, trustees will complete another effectiveness indicator by approving the board's calendar of events, which provides a guideline to take care of annual business for each month.

This latest accomplishment is part of the board's ongoing Texas Association of School Boards Board Effectiveness Audit program.

"The board started this process last summer," explained Superintendent Michael Downes. "When we started it, initially of 24 indicators we had almost completed one of them. Twenty-three

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RATE HIKE

Council hoping to turn off power to ATMOS request

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council sent a clear and resounding message to ATMOS Energy Tuesday evening, voting unanimously to deny the company's proposed 7 percent rate increase for natural gas.

The city joined a regional coalition to research the validity of ATMOS' proposed increase in September of 2003. City Manager Gary Fuqua said negotiations between the city and ATMOS are ongoing, and although a rate increase has been deemed necessary, it shouldn't be as high as the energy giant originally requested.

"As the council recommended, we joined the coalition of West Texas cities," said Fuqua. "We are also part of the steering committee that had hired a consultant to review the rate increase. At this point we do believe there is a rate increase necessary, but we haven't reached an agreement on that. We do know that the cities of Amarillo and Lubbock have settled with ATMOS for a 54 percent increase (a total increase of 3.78 percent versus the initially proposed 7 percent) of what they had originally asked for, so we are still looking at that and negotiating."

"Our consultant at this point said that ours should be lower than the 54 percent settled on in Lubbock and Amarillo. We feel confident that since they have settled with these cities that we certainly shouldn't pay over 54 percent of what they have requested. We know we've been able to save the citizens of Big Spring money simply by looking into this, and I think the council should be commended on its diligence in the matter."

While the rate increase is definitely looking better in the eyes of the city, Mayor Russ McEwen said the overall message ATMOS has sent with the proposed rate increase leaves a rather unpleasant taste in his mouth.

"It frustrates me tremendously because of the fact that we necessar-

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"My question is, why do you ask for so much? Are you playing a game with us?"



Mayor Russ McEwen

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Obituaries

Roberto O. Morales



Roberto O. Morales, 68, of Big Spring, died Monday night Jan. 12, 2004, at his home following a long illness. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with the Rev. James Plagens, pastor, officiating. Interment will be held at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Mr. Morales was born March 8, 1935, in Big Spring. He grew up in Big Spring and was a lifetime resident. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. He had worked at Walls Industries in Snyder until retiring.

He is survived by one daughter, Lorina Ontiveros of Big Spring; four sisters, Elda Morales, Merlinda Chavez, and Rosario Ramirez, all of Big Spring, and Aurora Glasgow of Arizona; one brother, Feliciano Morales Jr. of Big Spring; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Manuel Ramirez Jr., Randy Ramirez, Rocky Ramirez, Feliciano Morales III, Dimas Morales Jr. and Christopher Rivera.

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

Free obituary

John Michael Wood

John Michael Wood, 55, of Cibolo, formerly of Stanton, died on Thursday, Jan. 1, 2004, at his residence. Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, 2004, at the First United Methodist Church of Stanton with the Rev. Gene Weinete, pastor, officiating.

He was born on April 14, 1948, in Philadelphia. Mike came to Stanton with his parents in 1952 from Philadelphia. He attended public schools and graduated from Stanton High School in 1966. He received a bachelor's degree in music from North Texas State University.

His survivors include several cousins. Mr. Wood was preceded in death by his parents, John and Pauline Wood.

The family suggests memorials be made to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1193, Stanton 79782.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.

Free obituary

Dink Billington

Dink Billington, 83, of Hobbs, N.M., died Friday, Jan. 9, 2004, in Hobbs. Funeral services were to be held at 10 a.m. today, Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2004, at Calvary Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Terry Simmons, officiating. Interment will follow at the Morton Cemetery in Morton.

Mr. Billington was born on March 12, 1920. He moved to Hobbs, N.M., in 1952 from Morton. He married Mattie Beatrice Dewbre. He was a field mechanic for Waukasha Engines for 20 years until opening his own business, Industrial Field Services. He retired in 1989.

He is survived by four sons, Billy Shipp of Albuquerque, N.M., Larry Billington of Coahoma, Samy Billington of Farmington, N.M., and Danny Billington of Hobbs, N.M.; three daughters, Shirley Peden of Roswell, N.M., and Sandra Trotter and Glenda Ewing, both of Hobbs, N.M.; a sister, Erlene Newsome of Rauia, Okla.; 28 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife and two sons.

Funeral services are under the direction of Calvary Memorial Funeral Home of Hobbs, N.M.

Free obituary

Billie Jean "BJ" Rowe Gibson



Billie Jean "BJ" Rowe Gibson, age 76, died Monday Jan. 12, 2004. Mrs. Gibson was born Oct. 30, 1927, to Andy and Theresa Anderson in Big Spring. She graduated from Big Spring High School in 1945 and married Tabor Rowe on July 5, 1947, in Big Spring. Tabor died June 10, 1991. She married Joseph V. Gibson Jr. on April 26, 1994. He preceded her in death on March 3, 1999.

"B.J." was a member of Highland Methodist Church and a long-time member of the Progressive Study Club. She served as the medical records librarian for the Kermit Hospital and later worked as a receptionist for Charles Stephens, M.D., in Odessa.

Her survivors include her sons, Robert Rowe and his wife Janet of Amarillo and Andy Rowe and his wife Sandy of Odessa; grandchildren, Keri Jiow and her husband Charles and Trey Rowe and his wife Elisha, all of Odessa; great-grandchildren Dustin, Bryan and Jady Rowe and Nicholas and Rebekah Jiow, all of Lubbock; and sister, Janice Minter and her husband John of Richardson.

Funeral services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 15, at Frank W. Wilson Funeral Chapel in Odessa.

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Maberry Willbanks

Maberry Willbanks, 88, of New Braunfels, formerly of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2004, in a New Braunfels hospital. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

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Betty Keeling

Betty Keeling, 70, of Big Spring died at 1:15 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2004, at Hospice House in Odessa. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police blotter

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

- **MALCOM VANDERPOOL**, 21, of 800 Nolan, was arrested Tuesday on three local warrants and three capias warrants for traffic violations.
- **ALAN LAREZ**, 19, of 538 Westover Road, was arrested Tuesday on a local traffic warrant.
- **VIRGINIA GRANADOS**, 38, of 109 Pettus Street, was arrested Monday and held for the Howard County Sheriff's Office.
- **THEFT** was reported:
 - in the 1200 block of 11th Place.
 - in the 400 block of Birdwell Lane.
- **FORGERY OF A FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT** was reported in the 400 block of Fourth Street.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 200 block of Gregg Street.

Sheriff's report

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

- **LORAIN LEWIS**, 34, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of issuance of a bad check.
- **MARK ANTHONY AGUIRRE**, 30, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on charges of ride not secured by safety belt, violation of a promise to appear and driving while intoxicated-second offense.
- **MARCUS JAMAL MCVEA**, 19, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of aggravated robbery.
- **JOHN EUGENE KELLEY**, 37, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of criminal nonsupport.

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.

□ **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 Spring.

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

□ **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.

□ **SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH**, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy.

Distribution is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 11-13-15-20-26.
Number matching five of five: 1.
Prize per winner: \$40,723.
Winning tickets sold in: Waco.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Tuesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 7-8-21-24. Bonus Ball: 9.
Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: None. Prize: \$250,000.
Estimated jackpot for Friday night drawing: \$300,000.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-8-9

The winning Mega Millions numbers drawn Tuesday night: 3-17-18-21-45 Mega Ball = 21

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.

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

Thursday
Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room. Call 267-6479 for more information.

Gideon International, Big Spring Camp UH2060, meets at 7 a.m. at Herman's Restaurant.

The Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. at Gale's.

American Legion Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m. at 3203 West Highway 80. Call 263-2404 for more information.

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

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

Signal Mt. Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

Saturday
Howard County Scottish Rite Club meets at 7:30 a.m. in the Masonic Lodge, 21st and Lancaster streets.

Free eye glasses are given from 9 a.m. until noon at Bob's Custom Woodworking

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...Cloudy. A 70 percent chance of rain. Lows in the upper 40s. East winds around 10 mph increasing to 10 to 15 mph after midnight.

Thursday...A 80 percent chance of rain. Highs in the mid 50s. Southeast winds 5 to 15 mph. Thursday night...Cloudy with a 70 percent chance of rain. Lows around 50. Southeast winds 5 to 10 mph.

Friday...Cloudy with a 60 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 60s. South winds 5 to 15 mph. Friday night...Mostly cloudy. A 60 percent chance of showers. Lows in the mid 40s.

Saturday...Mostly cloudy. A 40 percent chance of showers. Highs in the lower 50s. Saturday night...Mostly cloudy. A 30 percent chance of light rain. Lows in the lower 30s.

Sunday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 50s. Sunday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 30s.

Martin Luther King Jr Day...Sunny. Highs in the lower 60s.

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Caller helps police catch escapee

OLMITO (AP) — A federal inmate who escaped from a county jail was back in custody Tuesday after an area resident spotted him walking in his underclothing, police said.

An anonymous caller notified authorities Monday night after recognizing 40-year-old Ernesto Pedro Martinez of Veracruz, Mexico, from police photos shown on news reports, police said. Martinez apparently suffered broken ribs from jumping off the county jail's roof during the escape.

"He was seen walking around asking for food and water," said Elizabeth Anguiano, Cameron County Sheriff's Department. "He was in his boxers and his T-shirt."

Anguiano said Martinez was being treated at an area hospital and would later face escape charges.

Bruce set to die for \$10 fatal robbery

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — With no other dwelling within a half-mile, Richard and Helen Ayers' home in rural Collin County was not difficult to see all aglow with holiday lights a couple weeks before Christmas 1990.

Two young men knocked on the door, said their car had broken down and they needed some jumper cables. But after Richard Ayers invited the pair inside to keep warm, two more young men barged in, armed with guns.

After surrendering a wallet and a purse, the couple was herded into a bedroom and told to lie face down on a mattress.

Then they were shot. And shot again moments later to make sure they were dead.

Helen Ayers, 54, was killed in the second volley. Her 58-year-old husband was seriously wounded.

Girl's family preparing for funeral after

SAGINAW (AP) — They had been preparing for this call for nearly five years, since the 6-year-old with big blue eyes under a fringe of thick bangs was snatched from the front yard in the middle of a spring day.

Opal Jennings' family had expected the worst as months turned into years without her and as a child molester was convicted in her kidnapping.

But as relatives watched home videos of the raven-haired youngster grinning and cradling her dolls, they couldn't stop hoping that Opal might come home alive.

"She was bubbly, funny, just a normal kid with a stubborn streak six miles wide," her great-aunt Teresa Sanderford said Tuesday. "She liked Barbie dolls and loved to ride her bicycle. She was such a happy child."

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lamb show. The day continues with the steer show and the pee wee

steer show.

Hogs take up Saturday's show activities, beginning at 9 a.m. A pee wee show will follow.

The annual awards banquet will be held at 7 Saturday evening.

STENHOLM

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that I haven't represented in the past. I think Lubbock represents our biggest challenge in the race, but we'll use the same strategy that's worked for the past 26 years. Lubbock will be no different."

Stenholm said ultimately it will be up to the voters to decide what type of leadership they want in the district.

"I think people are going to have to weigh the value of seniority," said Stenholm. "I know the issues. Whether it's the prisons, refinery or VA Medical Center, I've represented this area in the past and I know the area and its needs."

"We're really going to have to work hard. Because we have to reach so many different counties and still work on the legislature, we're going to have to use a lot of television advertising. That's going to make it a very expensive race."

Stenholm said the inevitable face-off

between himself and Neugebauer is something both politicians tried to avoid, but thanks to the redistricting push of District 22 Congressman Tom DeLay, R-Sugarland, it may become more of a war of parties than politicians.

"I think it's safe to say Randy and I never wanted this to happen," said Stenholm. "I think if you want to point a finger at this point you have to look at Tom DeLay. He's managed to totally polarize things. He has the attitude that if you're not with him, then you're against him."

"I really consider myself an independent. I've never voted with my party when I felt it was in the wrong. Never. Randy, on the other hand, votes with his party about 98 percent of the time, and I think that's something voters are going to have to look at. I really think what the voters want in Congress is an independent voice, not one that's dominated by their political party."

Neugebauer said he is ready to meet a challenge from the long-time con-

DEATH

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was transported to the emergency room shortly after he was found outside the Northcrest Apartments, located at 1002 N. Main Street. According to witness reports, Noel fell after a verbal altercation outside the apartment building.

"According to the witnesses we talked to, Noel was involved in a short

verbal altercation prior to his death," Sweatt said. "There was never any physical contact, according to the witnesses."

"The man was walking away from the apartment building when he suddenly just fell to the ground. When medics arrived on the scene, he was unresponsive. He was pronounced dead shortly after at the emergency room."

Weissman confirmed the report.

"The preliminary autopsy showed that he died from a skull fracture," she explained.

"According to the medical examiner, the fracture is consistent with the fall. The death has been ruled accidental."

Funeral services for Mr. Noel are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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

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"The sale last year made \$80,000 and we're hoping for as much this year," said Brooks.

In addition to the sale, those exhibiting breed champions receive banners while those showing champion and reserve of the show receive a banner and a buckle.

All activities are open to the public.

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of the indicators we didn't have in the place. Since then, we are over halfway to meeting all 24."

As the trustees continue along the program, Downes said the board has become more effective as a group, but work still needs to be accomplished.

"Growth is a process," he said. "TASB has a definition of effectiveness and we're trying to match

that definition, but we're not going to meet that definition over night."

In other business, trustees will consider retaining a law firm for the district.

"We sent out 200 requests for qualification letters and received 15 in response including our current firm and the firm that represented us before that," Downes said.

Downes also noted trustees and administrators are currently reviewing each of the responding law firms. The administration is expected to

present three recommendations during the meeting which will be held at 5:15 p.m. in the high school board room, 707 11th Place.

Trustees will also consider requesting qualifications for audit services, personnel changes and approval of the Big Spring High School band trip to the Gulf Coast Showcase Music Festival on South Padre Island.

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ily want to trust our partners... the people that provide us with electricity and gas," McEwen said.

"You have long term relationships because it's not like you can go out and change your gas company. You're getting your gas from one company, and they have a franchise."

"In this case, we've already been told they have a settlement with Amarillo and Lubbock that was just about 50 percent of what they asked. My question is, why do you ask for so much? Are you playing a game with us? Why can't we get to a point where we don't have to worry about that so much?"

McEwen said the way ATMOS has handled the request also causes citizens and cities to raise a cynical eye when a rate increase, necessary or not, is requested.

"Because of the way ATMOS has done business, each time they tell us what they need, we automatically say we have to look at it," he said. "I feel like that's not the type of relationship you want to have."

"The denial says we don't believe you, and that's just not a good relationship. I would hate to be in a situation where we sat down and said let's set the water rates at a price higher than we really need, that way we can back off of it and make everyone feel better. You want to say to the citizens this is how much it costs.

This is what our real cost is, and this is what we're going to have to charge, and have a level of trust."

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Anthony Noel, 48, died Saturday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.
Emilio Rodriguez, 93, died Sunday. Funeral mass was at 10:00 AM Wednesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.
Lerla Johnson, 80, of Big Spring, died Sunday. Graveside services were at 2:00 PM Wednesday at Trinity Memorial Park.
Roberto O. Moralez, 68, died Monday. Vigil service will be at 7:00 PM Wednesday at Myers & Smith chapel. Funeral mass will be at 10:00 AM Thursday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.
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gressman.
"One, we're all glad the redistricting process is over. I'm excited about getting the opportunity to represent the new District 19," said Neugebauer. "I'm excited to have Howard County in the district again. I think we've worked with the people there very well. I look forward to the opportunity to continue to work for the people of Howard County and throughout the district."
Like Stenholm, Neugebauer expects a strenuous campaign.
"I look forward to a very

energetic campaign. I think the ingredients we took out of the previous campaign are the same ingredients we will take into this campaign," he said. "We want to have an issue-based campaign. We intend to campaign throughout the district. We won't be out-worked. I have indicated that in the way I have campaigned in the past and in the way I have served the district in Congress."

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OUR VIEWS

With cold weather here, time to help out BSSH patients

With the first really frigid cold snap now behind us, it is patently obvious that clients at the Big Spring State Hospital are in need of warmer clothing.

That is particularly true for the hospital's male patients. In fact, Julie Thompson, coordinator for the hospital's fashion salon, notes that there is almost a continual shortage of men's clothes at the facility.

Most patients that come to the state hospital arrive with little more than just the clothes on their back, and that doesn't usually include a coat or jacket. At this time, the fashion salon is virtually out of men's clothing, including coats, shoes, pants and shirts; not to mention women's plus-size clothing.

And the problem is being compounded by a higher-than-usual number of male patients at the facility and the arrival of cold weather.

So, the call has gone out for winter clothing donations of all types.

Clothing must be freshly laundered and can be dropped off at the Community Relations building, located near the front gate of the hospital grounds, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information contact the Community Relations Department at (432) 268-7536.

Remember, donations not only help hospital patients in need of clothing, but operation of the BSSH Fashion Salon is an integral part of many of those patients' therapy.

We can think of few causes more worthy at this time of year.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

We are thankful each day, Lord, that you support us with your loving care.

Amen

Branding irons for cattle and steaks

I ran into Johnny Waddle at Canton's First Monday. He lives in Royse City and makes two types of branding irons: the traditional kind for branding animals and the steak kind for branding steaks.



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

A year ago Johnny was working for a Cadillac dealer in Dallas, doing branding irons as a hobby. Now his hobby is his vocation. "People kept asking me to make one for somebody's birthday or Christmas present," says Johnny. "I was making so many of them I just decided one day to get out of the car business and into branding irons fulltime."

The steak brands have been sold all over the US and in England. They generally have a two inch single letter on the business end. The basic cost is twenty dollars, but if

you want to add another letter, that's five dollars more. The traditional brands start at forty-five dollars, plus five dollars more for any additional letter.

Heating the small steak brands is no problem. Just fire up the grill, put the brand on it and let it start warming up. Then put on your steak, hamburger meat or chicken. When you flip it for the last time, apply the brand lightly to the meat. Johnny says with the brand on top of the grill you don't get any ashes or debris.

Some people use gloves to handle the steak brands. But they have an eighteen inch handle on them which doesn't get very hot. Johnny's wife doesn't use gloves.

He sells his branding irons mostly at rodeos and trades day events in Canton (he's here every month), Fredericksburg and Luckenbach.

He produces about two hundred brands a month. Some of the easy ones take an hour to make. The more difficult ones take as much as a day.

He has made some unique ones.

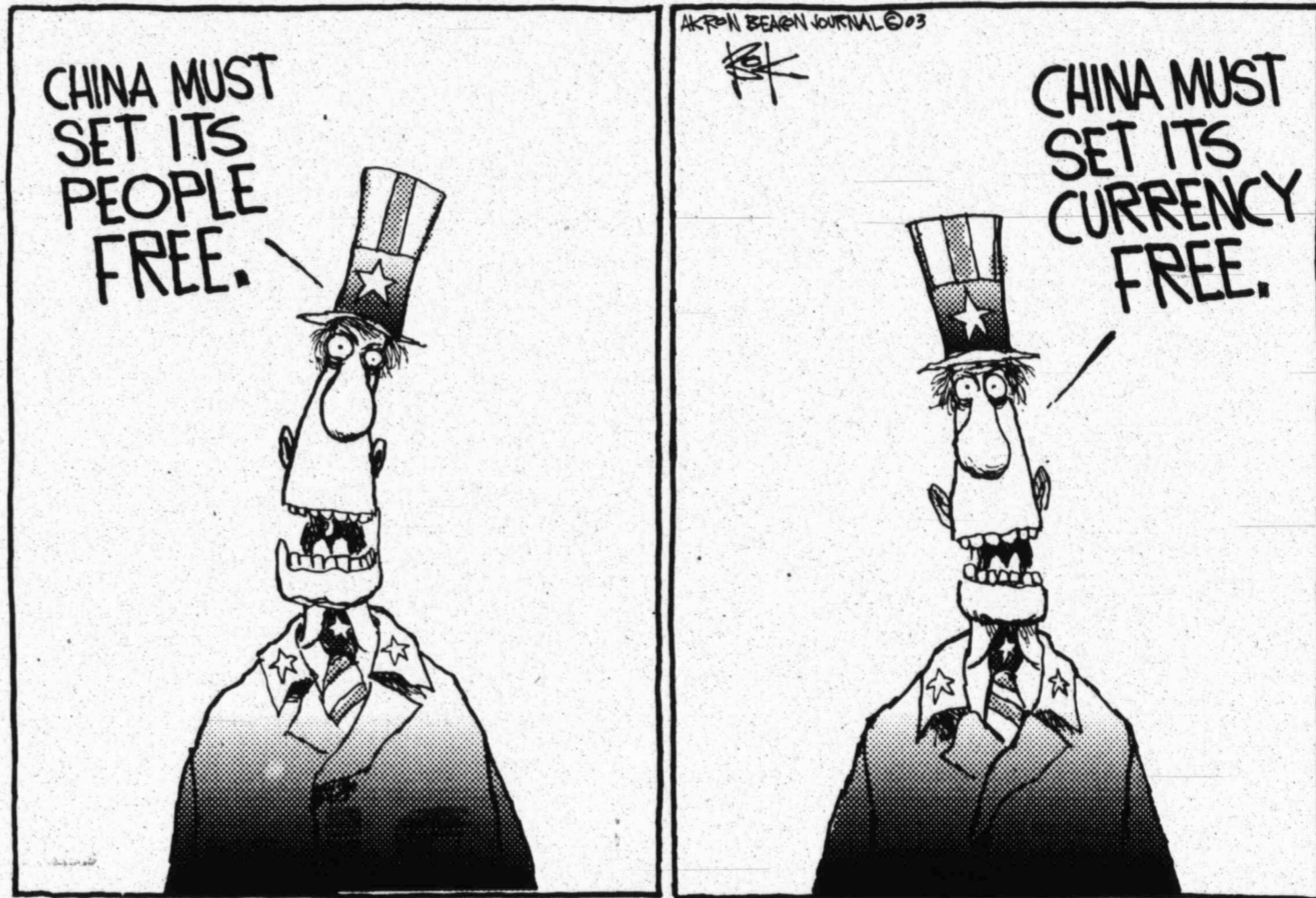
"A lady came in yesterday and wanted one for her husband who is a fireman. We're going to make one in the shape of a fire hat with his number on it. I made one in the shape of a chef's hat. The Van Zandt county sheriff has one in the shape of his badge. I've made brands for military units and even crafted some irons in the shape of company logos, like Georgia Pacific."

He started making branding irons when he wanted to brand some of his horses. "I couldn't find anyone who would make one like I wanted. I wanted 5J on it. There are five of us in the family and all our names start with J. Finally I just made it. 5J is the name of our company. 5J Brands."

He can fill most orders within a month, except around Father's Day or Christmas. Those take two months.

He got into branding irons fulltime while recuperating from an illness.

"I had time to think and realized this is what I want to do."



JAWBONING THROUGH THE YEARS

There's good news for bad guys

"60 Minutes" segment on federal mandatory-minimum drug sentences — "More Than They Deserve" — touched on a facet of the federal drug-sentencing system that might surprise many people.

No. 1: Laws that were supposed to put away the bad guys for long, hard prison time often are being used to keep low-level offenders behind bars for decades longer than drug kingpins.

Don't take my word on it. Former warden Joe Bogan stood near the federal prison in Fort Worth, that he once ran and told the camera, "If you look back here in this prison, there are maybe 1,400 inmates, and probably 700 to 800 of them could be out. And their sentences would still be just. It would still hold them accountable for their criminal conduct."

When I reached Bogan on his cell phone, I asked him how many drug kingpins he thought were in federal prison today. Bogan answered, "My estimation is of the 85,000 drug traffickers in the federal system, there are probably fewer than 1 percent whom you could call kingpins."

Some inmates serving long sentences are first-time offenders like Brenda Valencia, who was 19 years old when she was arrested for driving a drug dealer to another dealer's home. The feds charged Valencia for her role in a drug conspiracy. Her sentence: 12.5 years. The sentencing judge wrote that he found Valencia's sentence to be "an outrage" but that the law forced him to apply it.

What passes for a drug kingpin in 99 percent of the cases is nothing more than a young man who can't even afford a lawyer when he's hauled into court," U.S.

District Court Judge Patrick Murphy of East St. Louis told "60 Minutes." "I've seen very few drug kings."

No. 2: Prosecutors can reduce the sentences of drug kingpins who testify against others. But underlings new to the drug business, who can only implicate those who have implicated them, don't have as much bargaining power.

As Bogan noted, if you are a "drug kingpin, then you have a lot of information with which to bargain if you are caught."

No. 3: Conspiracy laws are not only used to punish drug lords for the deals they direct; they also are used to incarcerate small fish for the deals their higher-ups make. "The conspiracy amendment of 1988 was designed to assure that kingpins could not escape prosecution for the drug crimes they directed. Now, the Justice Department is misusing that law to attribute to the lowest-level operatives all of the responsibilities of the kingpin," said Eric Sterling, who helped write the 1986 federal drug sentencing law and then later created the Criminal Justice Policy Foundation to work to atone for the law's excesses.

The worst part is that "60 Minutes" didn't touch on the most egregious case in the federal system, that of Clarence Aaron, who is serving a life sentence with no possibility of parole for a first-time, non-violent offense that netted him \$1,500. "60 Minutes" executive producer David Gelber confirmed that federal officials wouldn't allow the show access to Aaron.

San Francisco U.S. Attorney Kevin Ryan noted that there have been many changes in the sentencing guidelines since Aaron was convicted, including the "safety valve," which mitigates sentences for first-time offenders. He's right, I'm glad to say, but until Washington reduces the sentences

of older cases, justice won't be done.

Ryan also noted that his office doesn't focus on prosecuting small fish. "We look for leaders of these (criminal) organizations. We are not interested, typically, in the low-end individuals," Ryan noted. He added that some notorious sentences didn't fit his understanding of the sentencing guidelines.

The intent of the guidelines, Ryan noted, was "to make sure that everyone is treated the same for their conduct." But there are too many voices in and around the system complaining that the desire to make judges issue sentences more equitably has moved the inequality to prosecutors' offices. Where there are good prosecutors, there is little problem. Where prosecutors are unreasonable, there is harsh over-sentencing.

Whenever I write on federal mandatory minimums (and I've written frequently on the case of Clarence Aaron), I receive e-mail from some readers who believe in no mercy whatsoever for drug offenders, no matter how minor the charge, because it makes them feel safer to know that dealers are doing hard time. I feel safer, too, when high-level and violent dealers do decades in prison. But if you feel safer because first-time offenders are in for 12.5 years to eternity, it's because you've bought into an illusion: It's like feeling safer because Al Capone's accountant is doing more time than Capone.

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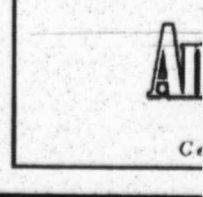


Brooke

Brooke Nix, Jody Nix of 1 and Donna Britton of V graduated on 2003, from S Austin State in Nacogdoch bachelor's of administration human resourment and Sp had a 3.95 g average, which fied as sum laude. She was of Betta Gam and Sigma honor societie majoring in bu

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Books on weight loss diets; WWII, are picks this week

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All right, how many of you are on a diet? The New Year's resolution of eating sensibly, exercising regularly and all that jazz.

I finally got to the track and walked last night, so take it slowly and don't burn out. While you know what you should do, why not check out a few of the diet books that the library has to see how to lose weight.

Several diet books are worthy of your notice. The first one is "The T-Factor 2000 Diet" (613.2 KAT M) by Martin Katahn. It doesn't promise any magic solutions, or strange new combinations to make fat disappear. I enjoyed the detail and logical reasoning of the book which agrees with several other health experts.

They have been telling



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us to cut down on fat for years. The recipes consist of foods that anyone would enjoy eating, not strange or extreme. Eating natural whole foods and getting enough exercise is just plain common sense. Family size recipes can be overwhelming for a small family, but thanks to the freezer, you can just cook and freeze leftovers. I liked having the menus planned for me.

A second book is "The Formula: A Personalized 40-30-30 Weight Loss Program" (613.2 DAO G). The 40-30-30 plan is on the premise that your food intake should consist of 40 percent carbohydrates, 30 percent protein and 30 percent fat.

The authors Gene and Joyce Daoust take it a step further and explain how this plan will help your body to maximize its natural fat burning potential. Certainly worth checking out, plus it doesn't rely upon exotic foods!

T.A. Heppenheimer's "A History of Space Flight" (387.8 HEO T) is a comprehensive account of mankind's drive to explore

space. Heppenheimer draws upon newly opened Soviet archives and declassified CIA (Central Intelligence Agency) documents to reveal the behind the scenes look at both the Soviet and United States' space programs. This is a most interesting volume, given the announcement by President Bush of his intent to put a permanent station on the moon.

Martin Cruz Smith has written political thrillers, "Gorky Park," "Havana Bay," and "Polar Star." However in "Rose" (FCRU M) he takes us to Wigan, a coal-rich suburb of Hell located in Lancashire, England. Mining engineer Jonathan Blair wants only to return to Africa, but his sponsor, coal baron and Anglican bishop Hannay, who funds African explorations, coerces him into going to Wigan to investigate the disappearance of a young curate who was engaged to Hannay's daughter.

Smith's characterization of Blair is superb. Blair's observations imbue this gray landscape with prismatic color, and whose verbal sparring matches with the Hannays and

Rowlands are equal to Waugh in their hilarious, scathing send-up of English upper-class incivility.

Smith's extravagant talent runs the spectrum here from sparkling dialogue and tantalizing mystery to grim, graphic depictions of mining life that sear both the conscience and the imagination.

This is very different from his other work, so be warned. Do check out Smith's other books, "Gorky Park," which was made into a movie that starring John Hurt.

Ready for a family epic? Paullina Simons has written "The Bronze Horseman" (F SIM P). The siege of Leningrad during WW II is something few American history books talk about.

But, those of us who have read about what happened there know how horrific it was. Ms. Simons lived there, and was able to talk to people who had, barely, lived through it.

And that siege formed the backdrop for this intense tale of passion, betrayal, and danger. It all begins when 17-year old

Tatiana was eating an ice cream on a beach when she noticed a Red Army soldier staring at her. Events moved forward from there.

As Tatiana suffered one loss after another of her twin brother, her father, her mother, and her sister, the book's male character, Alexander, showed his love for her.

He often did so at great risk. In fact, Alexander risked everything for Tatiana at the end of the novel.

But, this love was not one-sided. Tatiana gave of herself, repeatedly, and also took great risks.

This story is not about two young people who survive war. It's really about two young people caught in a complex web spun by

other people, like the devils Dmitri, while the circumstances of war also bear down on them.

This will be a good book to read during a cold, wintry weekend. Maybe you can imagine yourself in Leningrad.

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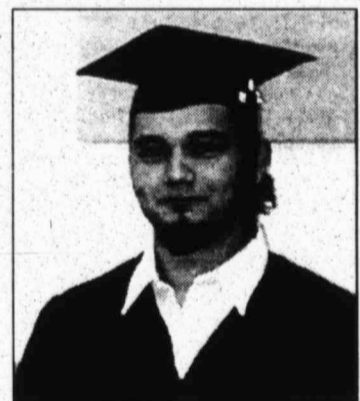


Brooke Nix

Brooke Nix, daughter of Jody Nix of Big Spring, and Donna and Lewis Britton of Winnsboro, graduated on Dec. 20, 2003, from Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches with a bachelor's of business administration degree in human resource management and Spanish. She had a 3.95 grade point average, which is classified as summa cum laude. She was a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, and Sigma Delta Pi, honor societies for those majoring in business and

Spanish. She also was an SFA ambassador and a charter member of the SFA chapter of the Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Honor Society.

Miss Nix is pursuing her master's degree in higher education and student personnel service from the University of Oklahoma. She is employed in the Benefits Administration Department of the Office of Human Resources of the University of Oklahoma.



Bobby Lopez

Bobby Joe Lopez graduated from Cleburne Team

High School in Cleburne on Nov. 12, 2003. Lopez previously attended elementary school in Big Spring High School his freshman, sophomore and junior year.

He is the son of John and Andrea Lyons of Big Spring and Joseph Lopez of Beaumont.

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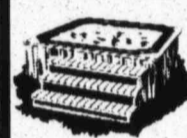
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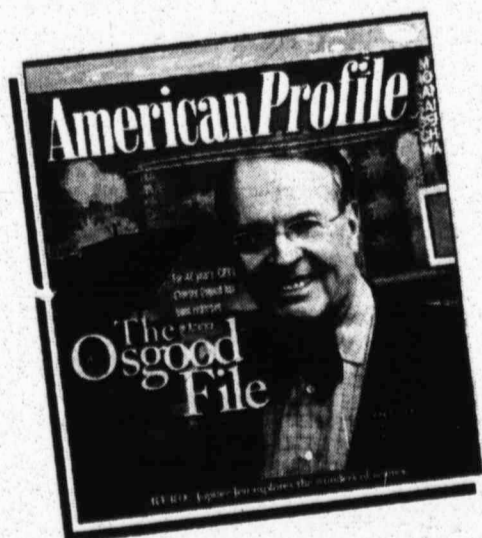
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Advances in cataract treatment help improve sight of many

A remarkable advance in cataract treatment is designed to approximate the eye's natural ability to filter high-energy wavelengths of the blue light spectrum, which is lost following cataract surgery.

Approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in June, it's the world's first foldable intraocular lens (IOL) for cataract surgery patients specifically designed to filter high-energy wavelengths of the blue light spectrum, in addition to absorbing ultraviolet (UV) light.

When a cataract is removed, an artificial intraocular lens is inserted.

Until the availability of this lens, IOLs were less effective than the eye's natural ability to filter blue light.

"A growing body of evidence shows increased exposure to blue light may lead to retinal damage," said Robert Cionni, M.D., medical director, Cincinnati Eye Institute and clinical investigator of the new lens.

"The AcrySof, Natural IOL filters this potentially dangerous blue light without negative visual consequences."

Research suggests blue light may be one of the risk factors in the progression of age-related

macular degeneration (AMD). AMD is a leading cause of blindness in the developed world. An irreversible, progressive disease, AMD is a degeneration of the macula, the light-sensitive region of the retina.

The disease impacts central vision, and may limit patients' abilities to read, drive and perform activities that require fine, sharp vision.

Long-term effects of filtering blue light and the clinical efficacy of that filtering on the retina have not been conclusively established.

As we age, the eye's natural lens becomes increasingly yellow, which may provide a defense against potentially damaging high-energy wavelengths of the blue light spectrum. When a cataract develops, requiring the natural lens to be removed, this potential defense is lost.

In addition to a UV light-absorbing chromophore, the new AcrySof Natural IOL features a proprietary yellow, blue-light absorbing chromophore integrated into the lens material to safely and effectively filter blue light.

Results from the clinical study show while the lens provides increased blue-light filtration, it does not alter color perception.

Cultural; gender biases could influence diagnosing of ADHD

Growing Up

from African American males.

Caucasian females were seen as the least severely affected. In addition, gender and ethnic differences increased as symptom severity increased - something that leads Riccio to believe a cultural bias could exist.

Assessing ADHD is a highly subjective process, Riccio says, and much of it has to do with the internal frame of reference of the person making the evaluation. There may be a bias when the cultural values of the evaluator - usually a teacher - are different from that of the child being evaluated.

"You may see very different things in terms of what is the expected level of activity for a child if the culture acknowledges that children don't often sit still, compared to a culture that values a more reserved disposition," she

says.

Underscoring this are findings from other research that show African-American teachers tend to evaluate African-American male students as less severe when it comes to behavior, in general, she notes.

"We really have to consider some of the cultural differences," Riccio says. "We can't look at somebody who is of one culture and assume that the same behaviors mean exactly the same thing in another culture, although ADHD does exist universally."

Much in the same way an expressive child might stand out to a teacher from a quiet classroom while not standing out to a teacher who is accustomed to a more active classroom, a child from a certain culture may stand out to a teacher who has his or her own cultural expectations, Riccio says.

"What we see as abnormal may not be abnormal; it may just be a difference," Riccio cautions.

"Realizing this takes us beyond the belief that everybody has to look the same. Being different isn't always being abnormal. It's about respecting diversity."

In addition to ethnic and cultural biases, Riccio says findings like hers that show Caucasian females as least severely affected by ADHD, call into a question a potential gender bias as well.

"A lot of times we look for the disruptive behaviors because they disrupt the classroom structure," Riccio explains. "The kids we don't tend to identify, whether for ADHD or any emotional disorder, are the ones that tend to be quiet, ones who tend to be less disruptive. Historically, referral rates for ADHD and emotional problems are six times higher for boys than for girls."

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Lady Steers return to play
The Big Spring School Lady Steers will action Friday.

The Lady Steers and O-2 will second round in District traveling to meet the Lady Tigers.

The BSHS open their District slate tonight. The game will be girls' varsity.

Hawks, Lacrosse to face Clarendon
The Howards men's and women's basketball teams will open their District slate Thursday at Clarendon Coliseum.

The HC men's and women's basketball teams will face Clarendon at 8 p.m. on Thursday, 9-9 a.m. on Friday, and 6 p.m. on Saturday.

Baseball boys to meet the Tigers
The Big Spring Baseball Boys will hold a District game Thursday at Athletic Training Center.

All parents are invited to attend the game which will be at 6 p.m.

YMCA swim team spots available
The Big Spring Family YMCA swim team has open spots.

To be eligible to participate in the swim team, you must be at least 12 years of age and have completed two lengths of the pool with proper breathing.

are responsible for their own transportation, all entrance fees, and meals at meet.

For more information, call Dolline at 264-8252 or 264-8253.

Ten Star all-star application
Application being accepted for the Ten Star Summer Camp. Boys ages 10-19 are eligible.

For more information, call (704) 373-4444.

BSHS swim team 4-4A meet on Jan. 17
Big Spring School swim team will begin their season with a meet on Jan. 17. The Wildcats will travel to Ft. Worth.

WJHS hoops begins Thursday
The Junior Varsity Basketball Team will begin their season on Thursday. The Wildcats will play Highland in round.

ON THE

Sports Broadcast

Jan. 14
Event, Time
Spurs vs. Minnesota 7 p.m.

Jan. 15
Event, Time
Lady Steers vs. Clarendon, 7:45
Hawks vs. Clarendon, 7:45

Jan. 16
Event, Time
Lady Steers vs. Friendship, 5:30
Spurs vs. Friendship, 7:15 p.m.

Jan. 17
Event, Time
Texas Tech vs. Baylor, 8 p.m.

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IN BRIEF

Lady Steers, Steers return to play Friday

The Big Spring High School Lady Steers and Steers will return to action Friday.

The Lady Steers, 5-14 and 0-2, will make their second road appearance in District 4-4A by traveling to Wolforth to meet the Frenship Lady Tigers at 6 p.m.

The BSHS boys will open their District 4-4A slate tonight against Frenship. The boys' game will follow the girls' varsity bout.

Hawks, Lady Hawks to face Clarendon

The Howard College men's and women's basketball teams will open their home WJCAC schedules Thursday by hosting Clarendon in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The HC men, 10-4 and 0-1, will face Clarendon at 8 p.m. The HC women, 9-9 and 1-0, will begin at 6 p.m.

Baseball boosters to meet Thursday

The Big Spring Steers Baseball Booster Club will hold a meeting on Thursday in the BSHS Athletic Training Complex.

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

YMCA swim team spots available

The Big Spring Family YMCA swim team has positions open.

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 and meals at meets.

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

Ten Star seeking all-star applications

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

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.

WJHS hoops tourney begins Thursday

The Westbrook Junior High School Basketball Tournament will begin Thursday. The Wildcats will face Highland in the first round.

ON THE AIR

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Jan. 14	
Spurs vs. Minnesota, 7 p.m.	1490
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Jan. 16	
Lady Steers vs. Frenship, 5:45 p.m.	1490
Steers vs. Frenship, 7:15 p.m.	1490
Jan. 17	
Texas Tech vs. Baylor, 8 p.m.	1490

Rebels bring pro hoops league to Big Spring

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Professional basketball will make its debut in Big Spring this weekend.

The Big Spring Rebels, which became the Texas Professional Basketball League's eighth franchise earlier this month, is scheduled to begin its inaugural campaign Friday night when they host the San Angelo Chaparrals at 7:30 p.m. in the Big Spring High School gymnasium.

"We're thrilled to have Big Spring join the TPBL this season," said Chris Cardenas, the president of the four-year-old league based in San Angelo. "We hope everyone will come out and support the team."

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The Texas Professional Basketball League was founded in 2001 to give Texas players the opportunity to further their basketball careers and to give Texas cities a clean, affordable entertainment.

Since its inception in 2001, the league has sported teams in Dallas, Grand Prairie, Odessa, Midland, Abilene, Junction, Kerrville, Arlington and Austin. Houston and Corpus Christi are expected to land franchises in

2005. The Rebels are scheduled to receive a stiff test in their first game. In San Angelo, Big Spring will be facing the defending TPBL champions.

The Chaparrals, who defeated the Dallas War Angels, the regular season champion, in the 2003 finals, will be led into the game by a host of standouts, including guard Tony Allen, the TPBL Player of the Year. Last fall, Allen averaging 28 points and

seven assists a game.

San Angelo posted a 14-6 record last year.

Joining Allen on the floor will be first-team all-TPBL stars in guards Tracy Brazier and Sam Handsborough and 6-foot-5 forward Mark Turener.

The Rebels, who have not released a roster to the media yet, will join four other West Texas teams in the league this fall, including San Angelo, Odessa and Abilene. League officials said Snyder could land a franchise as well.

The Texas Professional Basketball season is scheduled to run from Jan. 16 through the end of March. The TPBL championship series — a best-of-2 format, will be held in early April.

Mustangs slip past Big Spring

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Sometimes a loss isn't as bad as it may seem. Such was the case Tuesday night for the Big Spring Steers.

Despite suffering a 69-51 setback to the Sweetwater Mustangs, Big Spring head coach Jim Kinnear was pleased with his team's effort in their final non-district matchup.

"I thought we played extremely well," said Kinnear. "We played solid defense. We were in every quarter. We played a lot better team ball and that's what we have to do going into district. "I think we're on track," he added.

The Steers, who closed out the non-district mark at 4-16, stood toe-to-toe with Sweetwater throughout the first eight minutes. Jordan Cobb pushed in two shots in the frame and helped Big Spring pull to within three, at 11-8, at the start of the second.

Big Spring continued to hit offensively in the second. Wes Smith scored six of his team-high 12 points while C.J. Lowery, Michael Orna's-Doport and Cobb and Brandon Hughes all added shots.

The Mustangs, behind 11 second-quarter points from Seth Hatley, posted an 18-13 run in the frame and took a 31-21 lead into the half.

Sweetwater, 10-6 overall, looked as if it would blow the game open in the third. The Mustangs built a 16-point lead before Ornales-Doport and the BSHS defense began wreaking havoc — keying a late run that cut the Mustangs' lead to 10.

Ornales-Doport, one of three Steers players to reach double figures offensively, netted eight of his 10 points in the frame.

"We were patient on offense and that was big for us," said Kinnear. "We were in every quarter."

Sweetwater managed to pull away late in the contest. The Mustangs, who had four players in double-digits, used an 18-12 run in the final eight minutes to salt away the victory.

Brandon Hughes and Lowery led the Steers in the fourth. Hughes tallied six of his seven points in the frame. Lowery, who finished with 11, scored four.

Cobb finished with nine. The Steers will open District 4-4A play Friday against Frenship.



Big Spring senior Wes Smith drives past a Sweetwater defender firing the third quarter of the Steers' non-district contest Tuesday. Big Spring will open District 4-4A play Friday against Frenship.

Lady Steers suffer 53-38 setback

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Levelland Loboettes reeled off a 17-2 run in the second quarter Tuesday night and streaked to a 53-38 come-from-behind win over the Big Spring Lady Steers in District 4-4A play.

With the setback, Big Spring slipped to 5-14 for the year and to 0-2 in district play. Levelland is now 10-11 and 1-1.

The Lady Steers, who were paced by 13 points by Leina Braxton, got off to a solid start. Big Spring outscored Levelland by

a 13-12 clip in the first quarter. The Loboettes, who moved into a four-way tie for the district top spot, roared back to take a 29-15 lead at the half.

The Lady Steers, who also garnered eight points from Raegan Ritchey and six from Elida Rodriguez and Alex Watkins, made a late run, outscoring the Loboettes by a 17-12 margin in the fourth.

Big Spring will return to district play Friday with a bout against the Frenship Lady Tigers. Game time is set for 6 p.m.

Stanton girls deal Lady Buffs 43-24 setback

By BRANDON HALLFORD

Special to the Herald

FORSAN — The Stanton Lady Buffaloes gave the Forsan Lady Buffs a lesson in how to run the press defense Tuesday night.

It was a course Stanton taught very well.

Stanton held Forsan to just 20 percent shooting in the first half and built an 19-6 advantage at the break and cruised to the easy 43-24 victory.

"I'm really proud of our defense," said Stanton head coach Tim Van Hecke. "Our defense is what gave us the opportunities on the offensive end."

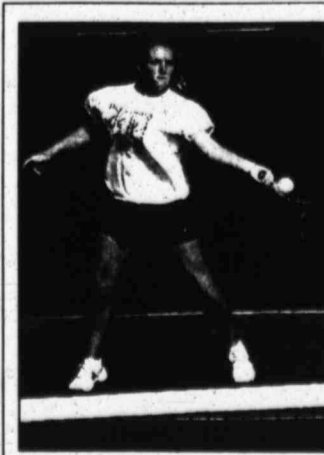
Stanton senior Shelby Harp lead the way for the Lady Buffaloes with a game-high 13, including two shots from behind the three-point line, while Kristi Bridges joined her in double figures with 11 points. Misty McGuire paced

the Forsan attack with seven.

Casi Graves, Staci Borel, and Audra Bailey each scored four points in the loss.

With the win Stanton improves to 2-0 in District 3-2A play heading into Friday's game against Crane. Forsan, which faces Coahoma Friday, falls to 1-1 in loop play.

The Stanton junior varsity won its game as well, taking a 27-10 decision over Forsan.



The Big Spring tennis season will get under way Jan. 24 in Abilene.

Grape Creek runs past Forsan, 50-36

By BRANDON HALLFORD

Special to the Herald

FORSAN — Despite shooting less than 10 percent from the floor in the first eight minutes, the Forsan Buffaloes found themselves down only 9-5 after the first quarter of play Tuesday night against the Grape Creek Eagles.

Then the roof fell in.

Grape Creek used a 21-10 run in the second stanza and streaked to a 50-36 victory in the Buffaloes' final non-district game before they start the District 3-2A battles.

Josh Helmstetler sparked Forsan by scoring 22 points, including four three-point shots while Brandon Burleson and Tye Baker combined for 10 with six and four, respectively.

The Buffaloes, now 10-8, managed to get untracked in the second half a bit. They outscored Grape Creek by a 21-20 margin in the final 16 minutes.

Justin Poehls lead the Eagles' attack with 14, while Travis Stevens reached double figures with 12. Grape Creek's Eric Jackson and Chase Ripley accounted for eight apiece.

Forsan will begin 3-2A action Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Coahoma with a bout against their cross-country rivals.

Big Spring's Franks named to Pro Bowl

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Bubba Franks is headed back to Hawaii.

Franks, a 1996 graduate of Big Spring High School, was added to the NFC Pro Bowl squad Tuesday as an injury replacement. The Green Bay Packers' tight end will be making his third straight appearance in the game.

Franks, who starred at the University of Miami after graduating from Big Spring, helped power the Packers to the NFC Division playoff game this season by hauling in 30 passes for 241 yards and four touchdowns.

Franks, who started at tight end the past two Pro Bowl games, replaces New York Giants' tight end Jeremy Shockey on the NFC roster. Shockey will not be able to play in the Feb. 8 game due to a sprained right knee.

Also being named to the NFC squad as an injury replacement was Seattle offensive guard Steve Hutchinson. The third-year player is making his first trip to the Pro Bowl.

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Mercury transits through Capricorn until Feb. 6. The trend in communication that this transit brings on is somewhat reserved. Don't expect anyone to spell out the instructions, introduce you to the chain of command, or tell you which channels you need to go through to make things happen. Remain observant, and you'll learn what to do.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're quite intuitive, but being too judgmental is a danger. Try not to analyze every piece of information your imagination produces. The afternoon brings surprise phone calls and happy

coincidental meetings. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're bristling with bright ideas. Write them down so you can develop them into something tangible enough to present. A Libra or Leo will help with this endeavor. A relationship may be going through a transformation, but don't worry.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). When you say "no" to one project, another one becomes even more lucrative. A puzzling romantic situation is more clear when you bounce some ideas off of friends. New love plays it low key but is truly crazy for you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Deep business is featured - this comes with some important decisions, best made before 3 p.m. Once you've resolved the issues at hand, your mind is free to do some quick thinking that puts you miles ahead of the

competition. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There's a fly in the ointment at work. Though others are gullible and perhaps not looking out for trouble, you cannot be fooled by even the most crafty individual. Just keep your powers of observation turned up.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Enjoy duty if that's possible - not taking it too seriously helps! Imaginative ideas make you want to go a little crazy with the spending - stick to the budget. Children need time one on one.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You've got to spend it to make it, and this is a terrific day to stretch the dollar. Purchases are lucky, especially if related to transportation. On the other hand, worrying about money is a waste of time and breath.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's been said that opportunities are never lost. Someone will take the ones you miss. This is true this morning, so keep your eyes peeled. This evening, spend some time with one who has good influence over you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You accommodate the hard-to-please somebody. But this person may not really know how to be happy and may be throwing up obstacles for you just so he or she can stay in that comfortable state of misery.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Mary J. Blige is hot on the music scene now, but in true Capricorn fashion, she won't be content to keep her success to one industry. She could follow in the footsteps of Sean "P. Diddy" Combs by starting up a clothing line this year and forming an alliance with a garment-industry mogul that may be a lifelong connection. If you would like to write to Joyce Jillson, please go to www.creators.com and click on "Write the Author" on the Joyce Jillson page, or you may send her a postcard in the mail. To find out more about Joyce Jillson and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There are too many cooks in the kitchen for sure. It's nice that your special project is so appealing that everyone wants to help, but delegating too much will rob you of the joy of doing it yourself.

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Public Notices

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AVISO PUBLICO DE PROBAR EL EQUIPO PARA TABULAR AUTOMATICAMENTE Por lo presente se da aviso que el equipo para tabular automaticamente que se usara en la Especial Eleccion que se llevara a cabo el January 20, 2004 se probara el January 16th, 2004 a las 3:00 PM en Howard County Clerk's Office, 300 Main St. Big Spring, Texas, para determinar si el equipo contare con exactitud los votos para todos los puestos electorales y sobre todos los proyectos de ley. Pat Anderson, Asst. Tabulating Supervisor #4079 January 14, 2004

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Dallas	Midland	Spanish	Odessa	Odessa	Telemundo	Midland	Atlanta	Odessa	Odessa	Discovery	Classics	Atlanta	Black Ent.	Dianey	Sports	Sports	New York	Premium	
6:30 PM News (CC) Wheel-Fortune	News (CC) Wheel-Fortune	News (CC) Wheel-Fortune	King of the Hill Raymond	News (CC) Ent. Tonight	Pasion de Gavilanes	News (CC) Ent. Tonight	Seinfeld (CC) Friends (CC)	Sam Peak Update/Israel Jesse Lee Pa	News-Lehrer	FBI Files	David and Goliath	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Live BET com	Sister, Sister Lizelle McGuire	NFL Live NFL's Greatest Game (CC)	College Basketball: Cincinnati at Marquette	Law & Order: Special Victims	JAG (CC)	Baby (CC)
7:30 PM My Wife-Kids It's All Relative	My Wife-Kids It's All Relative	My Wife-Kids It's All Relative	70s Show Simple Life	CSI: Crime Scene Investigat	Amor Descarado	Amor Descarado	Seinfeld (CC) Seinfeld (CC)	Update/Israel Jesse Lee Pa	Live From Lincoln Center	David and Goliath	Movier: For Your Eyes	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Parkers (CC)	Movier: Full-Court Miracle	Game (CC)	Cincinnati at Marquette	Law & Order: Special Victims	Law & Order: Special Victims	Movier: A Rumor of Angels (CC)
8:30 PM Bachelorette (CC)	Bachelorette (CC)	Te Amare en Silencio	The O.C. (CC)	King Becker (CC)	El Alma Herida	West Wing (CC)	Ripley's Believe It or Not!	Light of the Southwest	Joshua Bell American	Coverit Action: Rat	Only	Homicide: Life on the Street	Music Special: How Im Living	Sister, Sister Boy World	Philadelphia 76ers at Dallas Mavericks (CC)	College Basketball: SportsCenter at Maryland	Law & Order: Special Victims	Law & Order: Special Victims	35 Movie: Soul Survivors (CC)
9:30 PM Celebrity Mole Yucatan	Celebrity Mole Yucatan	Don Francisco Presenta	70s Show Dharma-Greg	48 Hours Investigates	Especiales de Laura	Law & Order (CC)	Movier: A Thin Line Between	Hour of Healing	Masters: "Balanchine"	Bridging the Bering Strait	Sex at 24	Movier: The Bodyguard	Comicview	Sister, Sister Proud Family	Kim Possible NFL Live	North Carolina at SportsCenter (CC)	Law & Order: Special Victims	Law & Order: Special Victims	Movier: Four Dogs Playing
10:30 PM News (CC) Nightline	News (CC) Nightline	Primer Impacto Noticias Univ.	70s Show Raymond	News Late Show	Noticias Laura	News Tonight Show	Love and Hate (CC)	Hour of Healing	(CC) David and Goliath	Giro Vannelli	Nightly News How Im Living	Even Stevens Sister, Sister	Boy World Recess (CC)	Kim Possible NFL Live	Mavericks (CC) NBA Fastbreak	SportsCenter (CC)	Law & Order: Special Victims	Law & Order: Special Victims	Movier: Four Dogs Playing
11:30 AM Live (CC) Oprah Winfrey	Live (CC) Oprah Winfrey	Live (CC) Angela	Blind Date Blind Date	Show (CC) Street Smarts	Maria Celeste Corte-Familia	Fraser (CC)	Update/Israel Joe McGee	Update/Israel Joe McGee	Sign Off	Coverit Action: Rat	Halloween 4: The Return of Michael Myers	X-Files (CC)	Comicview	Boy World Recess (CC)	Lost Treasures of NFL Films	SportsCenter (CC)	Nash Bridges (CC)	Nash Bridges (CC)	Desert Passion

DENNIS THE MENACE

"I'VE LOOKED, BUT I CAN'T FIND MR. WILSON IN ANY OF HIS USUAL HIDING PLACES."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

"Daddy's gonna be jealous."

HAGAR

"SON IN LIFE, DON'T EXPECT TO HAVE EVERYTHING HANDED TO YOU ON A SILVER PLATTER!"

"HOLD OUT FOR A GOLD PLATTER!!"

BLONDIE

"C'MON! HURRY! I'VE GOT TO WATCH THAT TV SPECIAL TONIGHT!!"

"DAGWOOD, YOU SPOILED YOUR DINNER BOLTING IT DOWN LIKE THAT!"

"I CAN'T HELP IT! I'VE GOT TO WATCH THAT TV SPECIAL!"

"YOU'RE NOT GONNA SLEEP THROUGH THIS SHOW!"

WIZARD OF ID

"YOU KNOW"

"YOU KNOW YOUR TRIAL IS HEADING SOUTH WHEN YOUR LAWYER OBJECTS TO YOUR SWEARING TO TELL THE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH."

AGNES

"HOW WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR LIVER?"

"FRIED"

HI AND LOIS

"HELLO, MR. FINSTER! I AM HERE TO ASSIST YOU IN MAKING YOUR VERY OWN MEMENTO ALBUM!"

"SO GATHER UP ALL THE TREASURED PHOTOS OF YOUR PAST, AND WE WILL ASSEMBLE A SCRAPBOOK TO THUMB THROUGH AND REMINISCENCE ABOUT FOR YEARS TO COME!"

"THERE ARE TWO PHOTOS, AND ONE OF THEM IS OF TEETH IN A JAR."

"BEST-FITTING DENTURES I EVER HAD."

MR. HOUSEWIFE

"WHY DON'T YOU PLAY WITH YOUR TEDDY BEAR ANYMORE, TRIXIE?"

"I HAVE TO BE CAREFUL..."

"... HE DOESN'T HAVE MANY HUGS LEFT IN HIM."

"OUCH!"

SNUFFY SMITH

"TH' RADIO SAID THAR'S NO RAIN IN SIGHT, PAW!!"

"DADBURNIT!! THAT AIN'T GOOD NEWS FER TH' LAWN!!"

"STUFF ROTS AWAY TO NOTHIN' FASTER IF IT'S WET!!"

"BUT I LOVE IT MOST TO SEE THE GUYS ENVYING ME"

BETLE BAILEY

"YOU'RE SO CUTE, OTTO! I JUST LOVE YOU!"

"I LOVE IT WHEN MISS BUXLEY CUDDLES ME"

"BUT I LOVE IT MOST TO SEE THE GUYS ENVYING ME"

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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 14, the 14th day of 2004. There are 352 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 14, 1952, NBC's "Today" show premiered, with Dave Garroway as the host, or "communicator," as he was officially known.

On this date:

In 1639, the first constitution of Connecticut - the "Fundamental Orders" - was adopted.

In 1784, the United States ratified a peace treaty with England ending the Revolutionary War.

In 1858, French emperor Napoleon III escaped an attempt on his life.

In 1900, Puccini's opera "Tosca" received a mixed reception at its world premiere in Rome.

In 1943, President Franklin Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill opened a wartime conference in Casablanca.

In 1953, Josip Broz Tito was elected president of Yugoslavia by the country's Parliament.

In 1963, George C. Wallace was sworn in as governor of Alabama with a pledge of "segregation forever."

In 1969, 25 crew members of the U.S. aircraft carrier Enterprise were killed in an explosion that ripped through the ship off Hawaii.

In 1970, Diana Ross and the Supremes performed their last concert as a group, at the Frontier Hotel in Las Vegas.

In 1993, talk show host David Letterman announced he was moving from NBC to CBS.

Today's Birthdays: CBS commentator Andy Rooney is 85. Former CBS newsmen George Herman is 84. Country singer Billy Walker is 75. Blues singer Clarence Carter is 68. Country singer Billie Jo Spears is 67. Singer Jack Jones is 66. Singer-songwriter Allen Toussaint is 66. NAACP Chairman Julian Bond is 64. Actress Faye Dunaway is 63. Actress Holland Taylor is 61. Actor Carl Weathers is 56. Singer-producer T-Bone Burnett is 56. Movie writer-director Lawrence Kasdan is 55. Rock singer Geoff Tate (Queensryche) is 45. Movie writer-director Steven Soderbergh is 41. Actor Mark Addy is 40. Rapper Slick Rick is 39. Actor Dan Schneider is 38. Actress Emily Watson is 37.

Newsday Crossword

SECRETIVE by Roslyn Stark
Edited by Stanley Newman

ACROSS

1 Dwell (on)

5 Maverick of TV

9 Pinnacles

14 Offshore

15 San __, Italy

16 Beach location

17 Dele a dele

18 Flattened circle

19 Madonna role

20 Inflexible

22 Basic precept

23 Notion

24 Slot fillers

25 Defeat

29 Imperturbable ones

31 Raises

33 Moose relative

34 Wool caps

38 Manage to find

40 Politeness

42 Make a video

43 Fairy queen

45 Pilgrim's goal

46 Deleted some data

49 Vocalist Gorme

50 Naturally beautiful

53 Overdo the TLC

55 Sci-fi mags of old

56 Nightclub amenity

61 Advantageous

62 Dust collectors

63 Numerous neighbor

64 Pave over

DOWN

1 Beanery fare

2 __ spumante

3 Papyrus or cattail

4 Upscale appetizer

5 Act moody

6 Variety shows

7 Give off

8 Passed the word

9 __ acid (vinegar)

10 Time feature

11 Lobster source

12 Fragrant compound

13 Box-score summaries

21 Please, to Fritz

24 Follows the trail

25 Into the sunset

26 Free Willy whale

27 Get as a return

28 Movie script

30 Long in the tooth

32 Wild shrub

35 Dull, as prose

36 Tax-free bond, for short

37 Peter Pan pirate

39 Dance step

41 Chipmunk pouch

44 Night owl's need

47 Choir platforms

48 __ Howser, M.D.

50 Jet forth

51 More appealing

52 Privileged few

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56 Manitoba tribe

57 Sit on the throne

58 Actress Lena

59 For Your Eyes __

60 Yucatan native

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