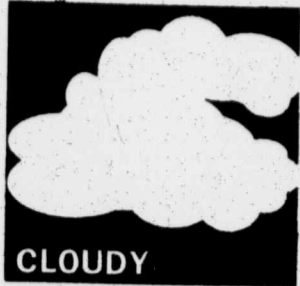


TUESDAY

February 3, 2004

WEATHER

Tonight:



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UIL realignment

Things just got a little tougher on the playing field for District 4-4A.

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Seliger reception

A reception for Kel Seliger, R-Amarillo, a candidate in the Texas Senate District 31 runoff election set for Feb. 17.

Goliad PTA event

Goliad Intermediate School Parent/Teacher Association will host a program over practical tips to help children succeed inside and outside the classroom.

Sharon Goldblatt, Texas PTA Region IV vice president, will present the program entitled "10 Tips, One Reason, Your Child's Happiness."

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American Heart Association gala approaching quickly

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

The battle against heart disease is coming to Big Spring this month, as the American Heart Association prepares to hold its only fund-raising event of the year.

Local volunteers and AHA representatives are gearing up for their annual gala, and according to Corporate Market Director Angela Watson, the event will be a "one-shot" deal for the Big Spring chapter of the organization.

"In the past we've always had the gala as well as the Heart Walk," said Watson. "This year, because of economic restraints and

What: Annual American Heart Association fund-raiser.

Where: Big Spring Country Club.

When: Saturday, Feb. 21.

Tickets: \$25 each, available at the door.

other problems, the walk has been canceled. So the gala will be the only fund-raiser for the AHA in Big Spring this year.

"The theme for the gala is going to be Hollywood for Heart, and will feature live and silent auctions, as well as a private party for sponsors who have donated \$1,000 or

more before hand. It's going to be a lot of fun."

Invitations for the event, which is slated for Feb. 21 at the Big Spring Country Club, will begin going out soon, according to Watson. If for some reason you don't receive an invitation, however, she said she doesn't want anyone in the area to feel left out.

"We're sending out invitations for the gala, but it's certainly open to the public," she said. "We want everyone who wants to join in the fight against heart disease to come out and have a good time. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$25 per person, and that includes

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Reaching out to help others

Area Scouts will collect food Saturday

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Boy Scouts will be conducting their own search mission come Saturday, in an effort to help replenish the food shelves of two charitable organizations in Big Spring.

The Lone Star District of the Buffalo Trail Council of the Boy Scouts of America will hold its annual canned food drive to collect non-perishable items for the West Texas Food Bank and Salvation Army.

The drive comes right after the holiday season when both organizations' shelves are usually depleted.

"We have divided the city up into areas," said Lone Star District Commissioner Jim Billings. "Each troop is in charge of that area. We'll begin picking up the food at 10 a.m. and continue as long as it takes."

In an effort to help, bags



Boy Scouts Austin Newton, left, Brent Yater, Andrew Newton and Devin Craven give the Big Spring Herald staff a helping hand by stuffing H-E-B bags into the newspaper.

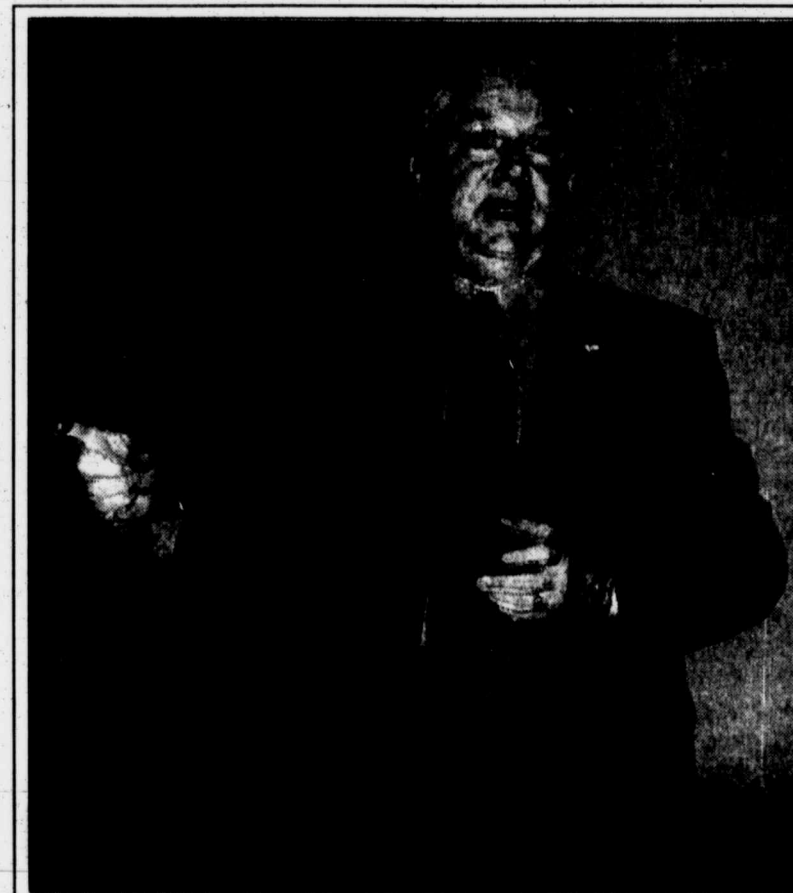
donated from H-E-B will be placed in Wednesday's edition of the Big Spring Herald. Those wishing to contribute may place

their donations in these bags. Once filled, the bags should be placed on the curb or porch by the residence Saturday morning.

"They can set the bags, or the cans wherever they want as long as it can be seen," Billings said. "If you get missed, call the

Scout office at 263-3407 and we will come pick it up. Or, you can bring the

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U.S. Congressman Randy Neugebauer, R-Lubbock, held a "congressional coffee" Monday afternoon at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, bringing the audience up to speed on a number of national issues.

HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

Neugebauer backs President Bush, ready to take on veteran Stenholm

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

With a showdown looming on the horizon with Congressman Charlie Stenholm, D-Abilene, current District 19 Congressman Randy Neugebauer, R-Lubbock, made it clear this week his "hot list" of topics going into the race haven't changed over the past several months.

Health care reform, the war in Iraq and the U.S. economy were the topics of concern Monday afternoon as Neugebauer held a "congressional coffee" at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. Neugebauer commented on President Bush's recent state of the union address, backing the administration's efforts to tighten security in the U.S. and cut taxes for

Americans. "He talked about priorities," said Neugebauer, "and really all of it is about you. It's about making sure you live in safe country. It's about making sure you live in a prosperous country. Making sure you live in a country that promotes the solid West Texas values you grew up with,

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BUCKLE UP Secure your children properly, officials urges

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Americans will be asked to answer a simple question next week: Are your children passengers properly restrained when you take to the road?

National Child Passenger Safety Week, Feb. 8-14, has both local and national safety and emergency response officials taking aim at how well children are restrained when they get in a vehicle, including seat belts and car seats.

Big Spring Fire Chief Brian Jensen said unrestrained and improperly restrained children continues to be a problem in the Crossroads area, and despite a lack of "hon-

esty" on many drivers' part, it's obvious just how dangerous it can be.

"When we respond to an accident, the occupants of the vehicle are usually already out of the vehicle," said Jensen. "Of course when we ask them if everyone was properly restrained they say yes because they're afraid of getting a ticket. People who have been ejected from the vehicle even tell us they were wearing their seat belts."

"It's very important that you make sure the children riding with you are properly restrained, whether that means seat belts or a car seat. I really don't know how we can better get that across to

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"I think the knowledge is out there. I just don't think people realize what can happen if children aren't properly restrained."



Brian Jensen, Big Spring Fire Chief

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Obituaries

Harold Ray Broughton



Harold Ray Broughton, 71, of Big Spring, died on Sunday, Feb. 1, 2004, in a local hospital.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2004, at the Midway Baptist Church with the Rev. Jim Binnix, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on Jan. 26, 1933, in Big Spring, and married Juanez Rogers on Dec. 28, 1952, in the Fairview Community.

Harold retired from Cosden Refinery after 30 years of service. He was a gunsmith, an expert marksman, an avid hunter and guide. He was a member of Midway Baptist Church.

He served in the United States Army at Fort Sill, Okla., in the atomic gun project. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge No's 598 and 992 and was past Master of both lodges and also past District Deputy of the Grand Lodge of Texas.

Survivors include his wife, Juanez Broughton of Big Spring; two sons and daughters-in-law, Jack and Alice Broughton of Abilene and Bruce and Tina Broughton of Coahoma; one daughter and son-in-law, Lori and Steve Johnson of Roswell, N.M.; eight grandchildren, Jaime and her husband Wayne Line of San Angelo, Shawna Broughton of Ft. Benning, Ga., Kurt, Kami, and Korley Bennett of Coahoma, Audrey and Ashlea Johnson of Roswell, N.M.; two great-grandchildren, Kelli Paul and Trinity Tidwell, both of San Angelo; two nephews, Elbert Long and Donnie Long, both of Big Spring; and one sister-in-law, Theda Broughton of Big Spring; and five great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents Milton and Mae Broughton; one brother, J.W. Broughton; one sister, Mildred Denton; and one grandson Weldon Bruce "Bo" Broughton Jr.

The family will receive friends Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2003, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., at their residence, 10507 Old Colorado City Highway.

The family suggests memorials to: Midway Baptist Church, 6200 S. Service Road, Big Spring 79720.

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

Paid obituary

Marcella Adams Carter

Marcella Adams Carter, 80, died Sunday, Feb. 1, 2004, at Mountain View Lodge. Funeral Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

She was born Dec. 31, 1923, at Ardmore, Okla. She married Robert Cleo Carter on March 8, 1941, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on Nov. 20, 1962. Mrs. Carter lived most of her life in Howard County. She went to Richland School. She worked at the Crystal Cafe in the 1950's and Mary's Cafe and Rainbow Inn in the 1960's. Mrs. Carter was a Baptist.

She is survived by two daughters, Beverly Yarbar of Big Spring and Cheryl Click of Coahoma; two sons, Ronnie Carter and Roger Carter, both of Big Spring; one sister, Winnona Hobson of Cushing, Okla.; one brother, Henry Adams of Big Spring; 18 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; a number of nieces and nephews.

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

Velva Bebee Williams

Velva Bebee Williams, 59, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2004, at her residence. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Deloras De Salvo Rivera

Deloras De Salvo Rivera, 75, of Big Spring, died Monday, Feb. 2, 2004, at her residence. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

George Farris Jr.

George Farris Jr., of Midland, passed away Feb. 2, 2004.

He entered this world March 10, 1948 in Wellington to George Farris Sr., and Blanche Saied Farris.

While in Shamrock, Texas, George served as the president of his high school band and was named to the All-Region Band. He attended Southwestern State College in Weatherford, Okla., graduating with a bachelor of science degree in pharmacy in 1971.

Many of George's friends and acquaintances stem from his serving them when he opened and operated Imperial Drug Store in 1972.

Other friends, co-workers and clients remember George when he served as a pharmacist for the Veterans Administration Hospital in Big Spring and the Children's Clinic in Midland.

While in poor health for the past five years, George served as an inspiration to thousands of others who noticed that not only did he not give in to his illness, but instead served as an inspiration to others in facing their own lesser physical problems.

His children as well as his nephews, nieces and friends called him their hero for maintaining a sense of humor. His contagious smile and positive outlook always uplifted those visiting him.

The family will always be indebted to Gary and Anita Carnett for being his faithful and caring friends. They are equally grateful to his caregiver, Wanda Johnston, for the loving way she took care of him.

Also, George's family will always remember the outstanding healthcare that Dr. P. K. Patel provided.

He was preceded in death by his mother in 1972 and his father in 1999. George married Becky Sidan in 1972.

He is survived by his three children, George Farris III (Trey), Julie Farris and Lindsay Farris; grandson, Jordan Farris, all of Midland, TX; one brother and sister-in-law, Camal and Nancy Dakil; nephew, David Dakil; niece, Susan Rowland; great-nieces and nephews, David, Brittany and Dylan Dakil, and Ryan and Taylor Rowland, all of Midland.

The family will receive friends at Ellis Funeral Home, Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2004, between the hours of 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2004, at Alamo Heights Baptist Church.

Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home, 801 Andrews Hwy. Midland.

Pallbearers will be David Charles Dakil, David Dakil, Ryan Rowland, Gene Butler, Gary Carnett, Armando Rodriguez, Kelly McCulloch and Steve Woodfin.

Paid obituary

Bulletin board

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

TUESDAY

Intermediate line dance classes meet at 9 a.m. in the Senior Citizens Center. Call 267-1628 for more information.

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

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

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

The Sheriff's Posse meets at 7 p.m. in the Clubhouse on Andrews Highway.

American Red Cross, Canterbury, meets at 7 p.m. at 1600 Lancaster.

Alzheimer's Association, Greater West Texas Chapter, meets at 2 p.m. in the conference room of Howard County Library, 500 South Main.

Gospel singing is held at Kentwood Activity Center at 7 p.m.

Concerned Citizens Council's meets at 7 p.m. in the basement room of the Howard County Library.

WEDNESDAY

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 Aerie meets at 7 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge, 703 West Third.

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.

Lottery

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 6-2-8

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery: 3-5-11-31-32

Weather

Tonight...Cloudy. A 30 percent chance of showers. Warmer. Lows in the mid 40s. Southeast winds 10 to 20 mph.

Wednesday...Cloudy until late afternoon then clearing. A 40 percent chance of showers in the morning. Highs in the upper 50s. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Wednesday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 30s. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 50s. North winds 10 to 20 mph.

Thursday night...Mostly cloudy. A 30 percent chance of rain or snow. Lows in the upper 20s.

Friday...Mostly cloudy. Highs in the mid 40s.

Friday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 20s.

Saturday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 50s.

Saturday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s.

Sunday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 50s.

Sunday night and Monday...Mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s. Highs in the lower 50s.

Police blotter

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

• JOE ERNEST VALENCIA JR., 20, of 3606 Dixon, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.

• SHANE EDDIE ANDERSON, 32, of 1200 Lloyd Street was arrested Monday on local traffic warrants.

• JOEY LEE KIRKLAND, 32, of Snyder was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication and a Nolan County warrant for assault.

• ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1200 block of Second Street.

• THEFT was reported:

- in the 1500 block of Gregg Street.

- in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.

- in the 700 block of Interstate Highway 20.

• CRUELTY TO ANIMALS in the 1000 block of Wood Street.

• BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 700 block of 11th Place.

• CRIMINAL TRESPASS OF A HABITATION/SHELTER CENTER was reported in the 700 block of 15th Street.

Sheriff's report

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

• JEFFREY ANDREW WOLFLA, 23, was arrested Saturday by TABC on a charge of purchasing/furnishing alcohol to a minor.

• RENE ACEVEDO, 32, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of assault with intent to cause bodily injury/family violence enhanced.

• STEPHEN CRUZ, 25, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of theft by check.

• LEO GARCIA PENA, 25, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated, bondsman off bond for driving while intoxicated-second offense and a charge of driving while intoxicated-second offense.

• SAMMY FERRELL, 42, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of assault with intent to cause bodily injury.

• ROBERT ISMAIL TORRES, 18, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

• CHRISTOPHER JAY PADILLA, 21, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

• THEFT was reported in the 1400 block of S. Moss Lake Road. Offense report was taken.

• ASSAULT was reported in the 300 block of S. Main Street. Deputies responded, arrest was made.

• FIGHT IN PROGRESS was reported in the 5600 block of Interstate Highway 20. Deputies responded, suspects gone upon arrival.

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Internet gambling: It's just as addictive

As the Internet continues to grow at a ferocious rate, we're continually finding new answers to old problems — or in the case of online gambling, the rebirth of an American addiction.

Growing up, I always had what my parents considered a terrifying interest in the New York Mafia, or as I'm sure they would rather be called, the Goodfellas. Stories from my uncle, who lived in New York for many years, about the bookies and numbers operations were my favorites as a child, as I sat there envisioning a fat guy on a stool, only inches away from "Ma Bell," sharpened pencil behind his ear and notebook in his hands.

Numbers operations gave way to drug enterprises in the 70s and 80s, and the country decided to take its thrill-seeking directly to the vein. The bookies and their runners were soon just another forgotten piece of our culture, discarded for the most part in favor of other ventures of ill-gotten gain.

Gambling is back, and so is its infamous addiction — all thanks to the Internet. Online gambling is becoming an increasingly popular form of gambling, and there are now an estimated 1,700 gambling Web sites on the Internet. As well as the Internet, you can now gamble through interactive television and a mobile phone.

The convenience of gambling at home, the ease of setting up an gambling account and the variety of forms of gambling — from traditional betting to casino gambling, bingo and lotteries — makes online gambling very appealing to Joe Q. Public.

However, while many people gamble online without any problems, gambling addiction services and support groups have begun to see an increase in the number of people contacting them. People are losing control of their online gambling.

While I could more than likely fill this entire page with the legal and economic risks of gambling in general, much less taking part in something the U.S. government has yet to deem legal or illegal, I'm much more concerned with the effects of gambling addiction.

In college, one of my best friends was a manager of an "arcade," and trust me, Pac-Man wasn't anywhere in the building. Video poker machines (and I'm well aware I'm going to catch flack with this comparison) lined the walls of this dark, smoky place, as men and women sat blank-faced in front of the screens looking for their "pay day."

Now I know I probably sound preachy at this point, but please bear with me.

There are some factors of online gambling that could certainly increase the risk of developing a gambling problem. These include:

- The ability to gamble 24 hours a day in your own home.
- The increased risk of

exposure and access by children.

• The absorption of computers, leading people to lose track of time while gambling.

• The decrease in the perception of the value of cash — players forget they are spending money.

While online "gaming," as its proponents would prefer it be called, continues to grow on the net, it does have some very formidable hurdles to overcome in the coming years.

As a market activity devoted to the pursuit of "happiness," Internet gambling draws support from neither Democrats nor Republicans. As an upstart competitor to entrenched gambling interests, both public and private, Internet gambling threatens some very powerful lobbies.

Not surprisingly, Congress has been considering bills that would prohibit Internet gambling. But the architecture of the Internet makes prohibition easy to evade and impossible to enforce. As an international network, moreover, the Internet offers instant detours around domestic bans.

While I would personally advise against online gambling (which requires the use of a credit card and other personal information that could be thieved in the long run), there are some simple guidelines you can follow to avoid falling into the gambling addiction trap. Here are just a few:

• Keep track of the time that you are playing. Set limits so you don't end up on the back of a milk carton.

• Only spend what you can afford to lose. Keep track of your expenses while playing and remember that the numbers on the screen are real money!

• Avoid chasing your losses.

• If you're a parent, keep your password safe, and if you wish, use software to block access to gambling sites from minors.

• Look for sites with options where you can set your own spend and session limits, which should help you to control your gambling.

• If you are having a problem, then you can request to be self-excluded from the site. There is also software that blocks access to all online gambling sites. Visit www.gamblock.com for details on one of the more popular casino-blocking softwares.

While these guidelines may seem elementary, you might be surprised at how easily they fall to the wind when someone begins gambling. I had the distinct displeasure of watching my college roommate struggle with the lure of the numbers, so a first-hand view is enough to keep me from anteing up and going for the "big win."

Like anything on the Internet, I believe online casinos can entertain and provide a service to millions of people all over the world. The key to it, however, is the individual and how they handle it. If you know someone you think has a gambling problem, encourage them to get help. It can be just as destructive as a drug habit or excessive drinking, whether it happens online or somewhere else.

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everything from the auctions to the hors d'oeuvres."

Watson said the auctions will feature various items donated by local businesses and sponsors.

"For the silent auction there are going to be things like gift baskets and dinners up for grabs," said Watson. "During the live auction, they will present the more expensive items, such as vacations and trips. I understand there are also going to be some Rockhound tickets on the block."

While the gala is for the enjoyment of those in attendance, Watson said it's important not to lose sight of the reason for the event.

"We've all been touched by heart disease in some

way," she explained. "Almost everyone has had a family member or friend go through heart problems at some point in their life, if they haven't. It's the number one killer in America, causing more than 40 percent of the deaths in this country."

"The money raised by the gala will go to research and public education. We do a lot of work right here in Big Spring, but there's also a whole array of operations that are statewide. Every time something is invented or discovered to help in the war against heart disease, it's done with the donations from the public. It's the generosity of the people that allow us to move ahead."

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donations to our collection point which is located at the corner of Seventh and Scurry streets."

More than 6,000 pounds of canned goods were collected during the community drive, which is the district's largest civic service project of the year.

Billings is hoping to increase that number this year.

"We're hoping with as much advertisement as we've done that we're going to do much better than last year," Billings said.

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Protesters gather outside pharmacy

DENTON (AP) —

About 40 people gathered outside an Eckerd store Monday, protesting what they said was a decision to deny a rape victim a prescription for the morning-after pill.

A spokesman for the company confirmed that Eckerd has taken disciplinary action in response to an incident at the pharmacy.

"Apparently there was a request for a prescription to be filled and the prescription was denied based on a moral or ethical decision made by the pharmacist, and that's not in accordance with our corporate policy," said Joan Gallagher, the vice president of communications for Largo, Fla.-based Eckerd Corp.

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and honestly, the president grew up with.

"So a lot of that was about keeping in place the tax packet that has been put in place to stimulate the economy. The good news is that it's working. The economy was growing into the third-quarter at a phenomenal rate of 3.2 percent, and I think it's going to end up for the year around 4 percent, which is a really strong growth rate."

The congressional freshman also touched on recent "unexpected" costs to the federal budget, which have managed to drive the nation's deficit up over the past several years.

"We weren't planning on Sept. 11, 2001," he said. "We weren't planning on the technology market falling out completely. We weren't counting on corporate America to be doing funny things with their books, and we have a war to fight so we can have a free Iraq and a safe America."

"Don't let anyone kid you. We are still at war. After I left the Christmas parade here in Big Spring, I traveled to Iraq and Afghanistan to witness first-hand the great job our men and women

are doing over there, and see the great results that we're having over there."

Neugebauer said all too often the American public doesn't get to hear or see the positive things that are going on in Iraq, but assured the audience that the war is being won.

"I wish you could hear the good news about what's going on in Iraq," he said, "but, unfortunately, what you get to hear every night is nine presidential wannabes bashing our president and talking about things they really don't have knowledge about."

"Of all of those candidates, I seriously doubt if any of them have been to Iraq. I've been there and I know what's going on there. The truth is we are winning in a big way over there. Things are going extremely well."

One of the major concerns voiced by members of the audience during the meeting was the impending race between Neugebauer and Stenholm, something Neugebauer said wasn't totally unexpected.

"I always felt like there was a possibility that when you look at how the district was re-drawn it would either be Mack Thornberry or me," he said. "More of this new district (19) is in Charlie's old district. I'm sure he was faced with a hard decision."

"I love this job and I didn't come

in here for an 18-month sabbatical away from my business. I made a conscious change the day my wife and I made the decision to run for this office, and that was to come and serve the people of West Texas, an area I grew up in and has been so good to me."

Neugebauer said recent comparisons between himself and Stenholm and the idea they share a large number of similarities politically should be put to rest, as he vowed to stick with his Republican ideas.

"I think the voters are going to look at this as being between the past and the future," he said. "I think my candidacy is very much about where we go from here, rather than where we've been in the past."

"He (Stenholm) philosophically aligns himself with the Democratic party the majority of the time, and I still align myself with the Republican party. One issue we differ on is taxes. I still believe the money belongs in the people's pocket and you don't curb the deficit by raising taxes. I think when this campaign begins to materialize, the differences between the candidates will be distinctive."

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the drivers, It's obvious how dangerous the alternative can be."

Jensen said he and Deputy Chief Richard Grove recently took a course to become certified technicians on proper restraining techniques and the installation of car seats, and what they saw during the course was a definite eye opener.

"We took this course in Lubbock," Jensen explained. "They had a tractor-trailer full of car seats, and all of them installed differently. I remember seeing a room with more than 100 different seats as well, many of which were very complicated in how they were supposed to be installed."

"Car seats built after the year 2000 are pretty much no-brainers when it comes to installing them. Unfortunately there are so many seats floating around out there, being passed from one family to another, that were built before then that it's hard to have one standard."

While many car seats may resemble a plastic and velour Rubik Cube to the average driver, Jensen said some the most surprising and alarming situations involve drivers that do nothing at all to secure the car seat once it's inside the car.

"You wouldn't believe how many people simply set the car seat in the car and that's it," he said. "They don't attempt to buckle the car seat in at all. Those are the ones that really scare me."

The fire chief said the course also involved a quick class in physics, dispelling the common idea that someone in the car can simply "hold" a child in place in the event of an accident.

"We looked at, the physics of a car wreck," said Jensen. "In a car wreck, a child that isn't restrained is moving with the force of a sack of cement dropped from a third-story window. Obviously, putting your arm out in front of them isn't going to do a thing to keep them out of harm's way. There's just too much energy involved in an accident."

While Jensen was more than happy to discuss the need for proper child restraints in vehicles, he said it's somewhat disheartening how many people continue to ignore the need, even when it's made public on a constant basis.

"I really don't know what else we can do to get the message across to people," he said. "The statistics and the severity of the injuries speak for themselves, yet people still don't do it. I think the knowledge is out there. I just don't think people realize what can happen if children aren't

properly restrained."

According to the National Safe Kids Campaign Web site, located at www.safekids.org, motor vehicle crashes remain the leading cause of unintentional injury-related death in America. In 2000, 1,654 child occupants ages 14 and under died in motor vehicle crashes in the U.S., and in 2001 an estimated 228,000 were injured.

Approximately 14 percent of children ages 14 and under ride unrestrained, placing them at twice the risk of death and injury than those riding restrained. Although 96 percent of parents believe they install their child safety seat correctly, the National Safe Kids Campaign estimates that approximately 82 percent of children who are placed in child safety seats are improperly restrained.

Statistics also show nearly a third of children ride in the wrong restraints for their age and size. Recent data from the Crash Injury Research & Engineering

Network indicates that inappropriately restrained children are nearly three and a half times more likely to be seriously injured than their appropriately restrained counterparts.

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OUR VIEWS

'Be Prepared' to help Scouts feed the needy

Your local Scouts are asking you to "Be Prepared." This Saturday, Scouts from Howard County will be holding their annual Scouting for Food drive and you can prepare for it this week by getting a few non-perishable food items together. To help you, plastic food bags will be placed in Wednesday's edition of the Herald, courtesy of H-E-B, the Scouts, and, of course, the Herald. But the bags aren't the important thing. You can use any bag, box or sack. What is important is your participation.

Each year, the Scouts collect thousands of pounds of food to help out the needy in our community. It's an important endeavor, and one we can all be proud of. It helps teach these young men responsibility to others and reminds us there are many others out there much worse off financially than we are.

So we are asking that you take the time to gather together cans, bags or boxes of food — anything that won't spoil will be acceptable. Then on Saturday morning, place your bag or box full of food on your doorstep or in a visible place outside your home.

If you forget to place the bag outside or would rather not do that, then bring it by the Scout office at 610 Scurry at any time.

So, "Be Prepared." Be prepared to help our Scouts and those who are less fortunate than we are.

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Foundations feeding funds to the right

Editor's Note: Molly Ivins is on vacation. The following column was originally published in May 1999.

Philanthropy may not be high on your list of Stuff to Think About — except maybe to hope that some might be headed your way. But political philanthropy is in fact playing a large role in your life — indeed, it is shaping the entire nation's life to an extent that deserves to be put on your list of Stuff to Think About.

The National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy is an outfit "committed to making philanthropy more responsive to people with the least wealth and opportunity." You probably thought that's what philanthropy was — money to help people with the least wealth and opportunity. But to an amazing extent, you would be wrong. A report by the Responsive Philanthropy folks points out that more and more foundations and corporations are instead giving their money to conservative think tanks, which in turn use the money to push the right-wing political agenda.

What's amazing is not just how much money is involved but how pervasive and prevalent is the influence of these think tanks. If they were not called conservative think tanks, they might easily be mistaken by the average citizen for lobbying organizations.

The 20 wealthiest conservative think tanks together spent \$158 million in 1996, which happens to be more than the Republican Party spent in soft money that

year. And their budgets have more than doubled since 1992.

"Conservative think tanks have increasingly become a magnet for private-sector money," writes David Callahan, author of the report, in *The Nation* magazine. "Corporations see them as effective tools for pushing their own interests within the political process. ... These groups put a highbrow spin on the self-interested arguments of corporate America. In effect, gifts to right-wing think tanks have become another form of political campaign donation by those anxious to roll back government regulations, cut corporate taxes and loosen labor laws."

For example, the pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies and companies that produce medical devices gave more than \$400,000 to the Progress and Freedom Foundation (now there's a name) for a major project on restructuring the Food and Drug Administration.

Wall Street firms have given several million dollars in the '90s to the Cato Institute and other supporters of Social Security privatization; there were large donations from telecommunications companies to Citizens for a Sound Economy and other anti-regulatory groups that worked hard for the passage of the 1996 Telecommunications Act; and there were the millions that Koch Industries, an energy conglomerate, has given to think tanks working to water down federal environmental laws.

More than half a dozen new conservative think tanks have become major players, including the Center for Policy Analysis, the Reason Foundation and the Competitive Enterprise Institute. The major issues for these groups are deregulation, school vouchers

and Social Security privatization.

The Heritage Foundation, the granddaddy of right-wing think tanks, works closely with Republican congressional leaders. It has such high-powered computers that it competes with the Congressional Budget Office in analyzing the fiscal impact of bills. (Garbage in, garbage out.)

Callahan observes that Cato, Citizens for a Sound Economy, etc., "have imitated Heritage's success in walking the fine line between illegal lobbying and policy analysis." What's so fine about it?

In addition to their longstanding attacks on environmental and worker-safety laws, the right-wing tanks are now concentrating on laws safeguarding the nation's food and drug supply. After their victory in eliminating the federal welfare entitlement, Callahan observes, they have now begun a vigorous attack on the other main components of the New Deal/Great Society legacy: Medicare and Social Security. They will have spent a total of \$1 billion pushing their ideas in this decade.

Liberal think tanks, by contrast, have far fewer resources and tend to focus on single issues without weaving them into an overarching philosophical framework, the report says. According to the *Chronicle of Philanthropy*, there is more liberal money in philanthropy, but it goes into grass-roots anti-poverty programs and other concrete efforts to help people with the least wealth and opportunity.

To find out more about Molly Ivins and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com.

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TO THE EDITOR:

There was a letter published in Friday's Jan. 31 edition of the Herald that was signed with my name. I did not write that letter.

The letter criticized the city and city employees. This was in no way my opinion.

I have lived here for 50 years and worked as a contract painter. I know a lot of people. I am so sorry that someone stole my identity.

JOE T. GAMBLE
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

As a citizen and not an employee of our city, I am fully aware of city employees using city vehicles to go to and from work.

These employees are furnished vehicles for a greater need than just going to and from work. When there is a call out, these employees are able to respond rapidly to calls after normal business hours.

As for furnishing a bus, the cost would not at all be feasible. There is the cost of the bus, fuel and maintenance which would outweigh the cost of operating the city vehicles which are used now.

The city employees who have this so-called "free transportation" would most likely rather not have it, for they are the ones that get called out at 2 a.m., etc.

These city employees should be commended for their dedication in serving our city, instead of someone writing about what they don't

fully understand.

My hat's off to these dedicated workers.

HAROLD B. HALE
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

Our veterans of the United States make great sacrifices during war. Many are seriously disabled today. Here's an update on how Bush is supporting our veterans. He ordered the Department of Veteran's Affairs to close some of the VA hospitals. Bush is leading an effort and plans to shift the agency's healthcare focus to outpatient facilities and shutter hospitals. Some senators feel that Bush has not spent enough time studying veterans' long-term care and mental health needs or weighing the impact on rural veterans. Some of the senators support realigning VA facilities to save money but fear Bush may shut down places that could fulfill future veterans needs. The American Legion does not support Bush's stance on this subject.

Bush's tax cuts has mainly benefited the wealthy and created a record-setting federal deficit that could hurt the economy in the long run by pushing up long-term interest rates. Bush should forget about helping his wealthy friends for a while and create something that will help support our veterans. Many suffer terribly as a result of their service. The sad news is that Bush may never get around to helping the veterans' needs.

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West Texas water said threatened

ODESSA (AP) — The proposal to pump water for commercial sale from state land in five West Texas counties could hurt supplies in future years, a university researcher says.

John Walton, interim director of the University of Texas at El Paso's Center for Environmental Resource Management, said Monday that pumping water out of the region could dry up springs, lower groundwater tables, degrade quality of remaining supplies and make them more expensive.

Midland-based Rio Nuevo Ltd. has been negotiating with the Texas General Land Office for water leases on hundreds of thousands of acres. Lease proceeds would go into the Permanent School Fund of Texas.

Walton said there is little recharge in the area Rio Nuevo wants to mine water from 355,368 acres of state-owned land in Culberson, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Presidio and El Paso counties.

He said that besides springs, waterways such as the Pecos River and Rio Grande may also be harmed along with regional ecology.

Johnson widow calls for film probe

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Two former presidents and a former first lady are calling on the History Channel to investigate a documentary it aired alleging President Lyndon B. Johnson was involved in the Kennedy assassination.

The former first lady, Lady Bird Johnson, said the film "falsely and irresponsibly" accuses her husband of conspiring to kill President John F. Kennedy.

No accusation made against Johnson "has hurt as painfully," the 91-year-old Mrs. Johnson said in a Jan. 29 letter. Her husband died in 1973.

Copies of her letter were sent to the chief executives of three companies that own A&E Networks, which includes the History Channel. The letters went to Bob Wright of NBC, Victor Ganz of Hearst Corp. and Michael Eisner of The Walt Disney Co.

Former Presidents Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter also sent letters citing the documentary, "The Guilty Men," which aired in November as part of a series of History Channel specials on the assassination.

White powder found in Senate building

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate majority leader's office apparently has suffered its second bioterror attack in three years, with another suspicious white powder delivered through the mail system — this time laced with poisonous ricin, officials said.

"This is a criminal action," said Sen. Bill Frist, R-Tenn., whose staff discovered the white powder in their Dirksen Senate Office Building mailroom Monday afternoon.

Dirksen and the other two main Senate office buildings were to be closed Tuesday for officials to check other mail in the buildings, but the Capitol was to remain open with the Senate convening Tuesday morning as scheduled.

Sixteen people on the floor were decontaminated, and others who might have been in the area were urged to contact Senate officials, Capitol Police Chief Terrance Gainer told reporters.

However, no one was expected to get sick, said Frist. If symptoms of ricin poisoning have not surfaced in about eight hours, contamination is unlikely, said Frist, a surgeon before his election to the Senate.

Two out of three tests conducted on the powder indicated ricin, Gainer said.

Tug of war on Iraq questions continues

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats say they're worried an inquiry into intelligence failures planned by President Bush won't be truly independent. Some Republicans worry the inquiry — at least the fifth now underway — will distract the CIA from key tasks.

With discontent growing on both sides, the White House was leaning toward announcing the commission and its members Wednesday when Bush is expected to give a speech on terrorism at Library of Congress, a senior administration official said, speaking on the condition of anonymity.

Bush said Monday he wants an independent panel to uncover "all the facts" on prewar intelligence in Iraq and also "look at our war against proliferation and weapons of mass destruction" in a broader context.

In one week, Bush has gone from dismissing the need for a review to discussing what form such a panel should take.

Although no timetable is set, the review would most likely be completed well after the November election — in 2005.

Bush budget taking broadsides

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's \$2.4 trillion election-year budget is taking broadsides from Republicans for spending too much, from Democrats for embracing the wrong priorities and from anti-deficit groups for masking red ink.

Treasury Secretary John Snow and White House budget chief Joshua Bolten were visiting congressional committees Tuesday to begin their defense of Bush's 2005 fiscal blueprint.

Before they did, Bush told his Cabinet on Monday, "We're calling upon Congress to be wise with the taxpayers' money."

The package calls for bolstering domestic security by 10 percent and defense by 7 percent — not counting a new request Bolten said could hit \$50 billion for U.S. troops in Iraq and Afghanistan that the administration is expected to seek next year.

Bush's budget would provide the first funds for an eventual trip to Mars and increase funds for disabled students, the Securities and Exchange Commission and federal volunteer programs.

Pressured by war and federal deficits, the plan also proposes to cut or eliminate 122 programs, from school dropout prevention to aid for state and local law enforcement agencies, and from water projects to Amtrak subsidies.

Bush budget includes programs for Texas

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's proposed budget calls for spending \$23 million to hire more investigators to prevent employers from hiring undocumented workers.

The number of investigators in Customs and Immigration Enforcement, a division of the Department of Homeland Security, would more than double with the 200 additional investigators called for in Bush's 2005 budget sent to Congress on Monday. Those investigators would be deployed nationally.

The additional investigators would support Bush's immigration plan outlined in January that proposes a guest worker program. The program would match foreign workers with U.S. employers that have difficulty filling jobs Americans don't want and includes creating a temporary work program.

The \$2.4 trillion election-year budget amounts to a request from Bush.

Congress often changes amounts

and priorities when it finally passes the budget.

The request comes a little more than a week after Bush signed a 2004 spending bill for most of the federal government.

The budget funds an array of programs from defense to agriculture, immigration services to water projects.

Another \$340 million is requested to continue US VISIT, a system that fingerprints and photographs foreigners traveling to America on visas. It is due to be operating at the 50 busiest land ports of entry, many in Texas, by the end of this year.

The president wants to spend another \$50 million to arrest more immigrants who have committed crimes, but fled before they could be deported and \$11 million to expand alternatives to detention. His budget asks for \$10 million for development and deployment of unmanned aerial vehicles to help patrol the nation's borders.

To deal with the backlog of immigrants waiting for immigration

benefit applications, Bush is asking Congress to provide \$140 million, up from \$80 million in 2004. With another \$20 million from \$1,000 fees paid by people wanting to expedite applications, that brings the total dedicated to backlog reduction to \$160 million, up from \$100 million in 2004.

Bush has pledged to reduce the backlog.

Bush also proposes spending \$1.8 billion for 11 V-22 Ospreys, an aircraft that takes off like a helicopter and flies like an airplane. The aircraft, built by Bell Helicopter Textron in Fort Worth, has been plagued by deadly crashes and cost overruns during its development.

Bush also wants \$4.7 billion for 24 F-22 Raptors, a next-generation military aircraft designed and manufactured by Lockheed Martin in Fort Worth.

In agriculture, the president wants to add \$60 million to the Agriculture Department budget for programs targeting mad cow disease.

Report: FBI is reviewing claims of porn Web site viewing at UTHSC

HOUSTON (AP) — Accusations that physicians and other employees at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston regularly accessed teen-porn Web sites are reportedly under investigation by FBI agents.

An audit manager at UTHSC who conducted an internal investigation into the allegations has resigned, telling UTHouston President James Willerson in memos obtained by the Houston Chronicle for Tuesday's editions that the center's failure to take stronger disciplinary action against the employees and what she called retaliation against her had created a hostile work environment.

The manager, Cynthia

Davis, said she reported the porn viewing to the FBI because she is "no longer confident" that UTHouston can investigate itself. UTHouston police have turned the matter over to the FBI, said Police Chief Charlie Price.

"In the five years I have been at UT-Houston, I have conducted 15 investigations of employees viewing pornography," Davis wrote in an Oct. 12 memo to Willerson. "Only four of these investigations resulted in termination of employment, despite the most horrific and egregious displays of pornographic material and behavior by some of our physicians."

Her most recent investigation, Davis said, focused on 10 male

employees viewing pornography, with eight visiting teen sites. One, she said, was a pediatric dentist who allegedly logged every weekday morning onto sites whose graphic depictions involved young teenage girls.

Davis wrote that it was "disturbing" to imagine the dentist viewing such material and then seeing child patients later the same morning. Internet logs run in September showed many more employees were viewing pornography, some of it deviant, she said.

In an Oct. 31 memo to Davis, Willerson wrote that because of "previous inconsistent application" of center policies, a decision was made "to counsel those involved and place written reprimands

in their files." He also wrote that those reprimanded were advised that "further similar incidents would result in termination."

Willerson noted that a memo to all faculty, staff and students advised that "incidents of this nature would subject them to disciplinary action, up to and including termination."

But Davis, in her December resignation memo, wrote Willerson that while the offending employees "keep their jobs, reputations and income," UT System and UT-Houston leaders "united in an attempt to cover up the investigation results by defaming and persecuting me and the entire auditing department."

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The Mini Page

By BETTY DEBNAM

The History-Making Speech and Rally...

The March on Washington

The Mini Page celebrates African-American History Month with a story about a huge demonstration and a great speech that was delivered on a hot summer day, Aug. 28, 1963.

The speech was by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a leader in the struggle for equal rights for black citizens.

To find out more about this man and his speech, The Mini Page talked with Dr. Clayborne Carson. We asked him to tell us more about Dr. King and the March on Jobs and Freedom. We have quoted Dr. Carson.

About segregation

"Segregation was a system of holding people down by preventing them from doing things other Americans could ... such as going to whatever public restaurants, bathrooms, drinking fountains or libraries they wished. Segregation was a way of keeping white people and black people separate ... but not equal, because white people were allowed to do things that black people were not allowed to do."

Dr. Clayborne Carson is a professor of history at Stanford University. Coretta Scott King, the wife of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., asked Dr. Carson to edit and publish the papers, or writings, of her husband. He is the director of the project.

Site to see:
The Martin Luther King Jr. Papers Project at: www.stanford.edu/group/king



The 250,000 marchers were mostly blacks but there were also many whites. They came by car, train, plane and bus. There were marchers from every state. By reading the signs, you can tell why they were demonstrating. Dr. King is on the first row, left.



Dr. King and others who spoke that day delivered their speeches from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C. Monuments to Washington and Jefferson are nearby.

About the march

"I saw more black people in one day than I had ever seen. What was so wonderful was that everyone was so calm. They were there with a very positive and friendly spirit."

About Dr. King



"Dr. King dedicated his life to make life better for other people. Even though he was a well-educated person, he could speak

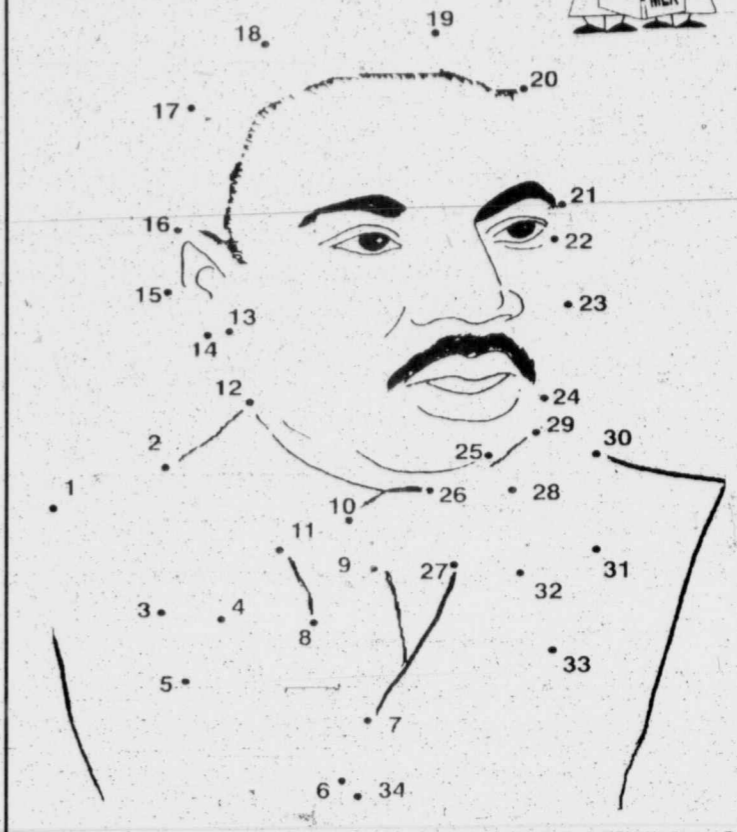
in a way that would easily be understood. Those without much education would feel comfortable. He made complicated things seem simple."

About the speech

"Dr. King had given parts of the speech before. He had written out his speech, but got to the end and then began to speak without notes. He said many things he had said before — but never quite as well before. He always spoke his best when inspired by the crowds.

"The speech and the March on Washington showed that there was a great deal of support for the end of segregation. Congress passed the Civil Rights Act of 1964 the next year."

Go dot to dot and color this famous African-American leader.



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Rookie Cookie's Recipe Glazed Carrots

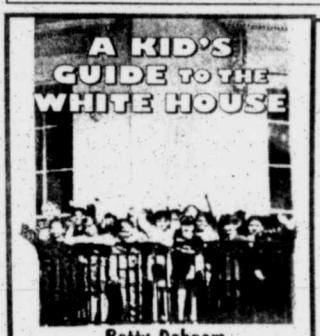
You'll need:

- 5 cups carrots, sliced
- 1 can tomato soup
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 1/4 cup vinegar
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

What to do:

- Cook carrots in 1 cup water on high heat in microwave oven for 10 minutes.
- Remove, drain and let cool.
- Mix remaining ingredients together.
- Pour sauce on top of carrots.
- Cover and put in refrigerator overnight to serve cold the next day. Serves 6.

Note: You will need an adult's help with this recipe. You can also use the sauce on any other vegetable you like.



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Gus Goodsport's Report Supersport: Tracy McGrady

Height: 6-8 Birthdate: 5-24-79 Weight: 210
Welcome to the "Magic Show," starring Tracy McGrady. No, the Orlando Magic guard doesn't pull rabbits out of his hat. But he does do amazing feats on the basketball court. Poof! He puts the ball in the basket, makes clever passes and snatches rebounds.
McGrady is one of pro basketball's superstars. He led the NBA in scoring last year, with an average of 32.1 points per game. He also excels as a defender, rebounder and passer.
McGrady was so good as a prep player at Mount Zion Christian Academy that he went straight from high school to the NBA Toronto Raptors seven years ago.
But Tracy is more than a superb athlete. He was voted by The Sporting News as one of the "Good Guys in Sports" for outstanding character and admirable civic responsibility. It's fitting that he wears No. 1 on his jersey.

Meet Eddie Murphy

In high school, Eddie Murphy's talent for making people laugh won him the title of "Most Popular." At the age of 42, he's still making lots of people laugh as a popular comedian and actor.
Eddie grew up in Brooklyn, N.Y. By age 15, he was writing and performing his own comedy routines at youth centers and in his high school auditorium. His big break came when he was asked to join the cast of "Saturday Night Live" at the age of 19.
Two years later, Eddie made his first movie. If you haven't seen his acting in a movie, you may have heard his voice. Eddie provided the voice for Mushu the Dragon in "Mulan" and the Donkey in "Shrek." Last year, Eddie starred in "The Haunted Mansion." This year he will be back as the Donkey in "Shrek 2."
Eddie is married and has five children.

Mighty Funny's Mini Jokes

All the following jokes have something in common. Can you guess the common theme or category?

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Charlie: Sandy candy!

Angela: Why should you not trust the ocean?
Bernice: Because there is something fishy about it!

Blake: What did the ocean say to the beach?
Eunice: "I'm not shore!"

March on Washington TRY 'N FIND

Words and names that remind us of the March on Washington are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. Some letters are used twice. See if you can find: MARTIN, LUTHER, KING, LEADER, FREEDOM, WASHINGTON, MARCH, DEMONSTRATION, DREAM, SPEECH, EQUAL, CIVIL, RIGHTS, LINCOLN, MEMORIAL, FREE, UNITE, SONGS, CAPITAL, CROWD.

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The "I Have a Dream" Speech

Below are parts of the speech Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. gave on Aug. 28, 1963, at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C.

"I say to you today, my friends, so even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream.

"I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal.'

"I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia, sons of former slaves and sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood ...

"I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skins, but by the content of their character.

"I have a dream today!
"I have a dream that one day down in Alabama ... little black boys and little black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as sisters and brothers ...

"This is our hope. This is our faith that I go back to the South with ... With this faith we will be able to work together, to pray together, to struggle together ...



Dr. King waves to crowd of thousands from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial.

ring from the snowcapped Rockies of Colorado ...
"Let freedom ring from every hill and mole hill of Mississippi. From every mountainside, let freedom ring."
"And when this happens, and when we allow freedom to ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of that old Negro spiritual, "Free at last! Free at last! "Thank God Almighty, we are free at last!"

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IN BRIEF

Lady Steers, Steers return to play today

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

The Lady Steers, 6-17 and 1-6, will continue District 4-4A play by hosting the Frenship Lady Tigers in the Steer Gym. The girls will begin play at 6 p.m.

The BSHS boys will face Frenship at 8 p.m.

Lady Steers to face faculty in first bout

The Big Spring Lady Steers will unofficially open their 2004 season with a "Meet the Lady Steers" rag ball game against the Big Spring High School faculty at 2 p.m. on Feb. 7 at the Lady Steers Softball Complex.

The BSSH softball boosters will also be holding a hamburger feed at noon as a fundraiser. Persons purchasing a \$5 meal ticket will automatically be entered into a "Big Spring Steers" quilt giveaway.

Tickets for the event can be purchased from any BSHS player or from Kay Cook at the high school ATC.

Little League officials set to meet Feb. 8

Big Spring Little League officials will hold a community meeting on Feb. 8 to elect officers and coaches for the 2004 season.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 3:30 p.m. at the Howard County Library building.

Persons interested in an office or serving as coaches should attend the meeting.

Hawks to host Frank Phillips Thursday

The Howard College men's basketball team will host Frank Phillips College Thursday in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The HC men, 13-6 and 3-2, will begin play at 8 p.m. The HC women will begin their WJCAC encounter at 6 p.m.

YMCA swim team spots available

The Big Spring Family YMCA swim team has positions open.

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Welcome back, Plainview

UIL makes major changes to Crossroads' prep scene

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The University Interscholastic League gave the Big Spring Steers something they didn't really want: an even tougher district schedule.

It also dramatically reshaped the Crossroads area football scene by shifting several longtime powers into new classes.

None may have been as big as the news Big Spring received. Plainview is coming.

The UIL, looking to fill a hole in the District 4-4A roster with the move of Levelland to Class 3A, penciled in the Plainview Bulldogs as the newest member in what arguably has been one of the state's toughest districts. Plainview joins Big Spring, Frenship, Andrews, Lubbock Estacado and San Angelo Lake View.

The UIL's move didn't surprise Big Spring head coach Dwight Butler.

"After looking at the numbers, we kind of expected this," he said. "They (the UIL) didn't have any choice but to put them with us. It just means a lot of us are going to have to step up and compete with them."

Big Spring has competed well with the Bulldogs — a Class 5A school the past two years after being moved out of Big Spring's district in 2001. The Steers have beaten Plainview in three of their last five meetings.

The Steers won't be the only area team seeing new places and new faces this season. The Coahoma Bulldogs and Stanton Buffaloes will move into District 4-2A this coming year, joining longtime rival Colorado City in a new district that will include Anson, Stamford and Hawley.

Coahoma tied for the District 3-2A crown this past season and advanced to the third round of the state playoffs.

One face the Bulldogs won't see in district play is cross-county rival Forsan. The Buffaloes moved into the Class A ranks.

Forsan, which went 1-9 this season under first-year head coach Tommy Thompson, will be competing in District 10-A this fall against Bronte, Hermleigh, Roby, Roscoe, Sterling City and Winters.

While Forsan is coming down from 2A to join the 10-A list, the Hermleigh Cardinals are making the biggest jump. Hermleigh went 3-7 last fall as a six-man program.

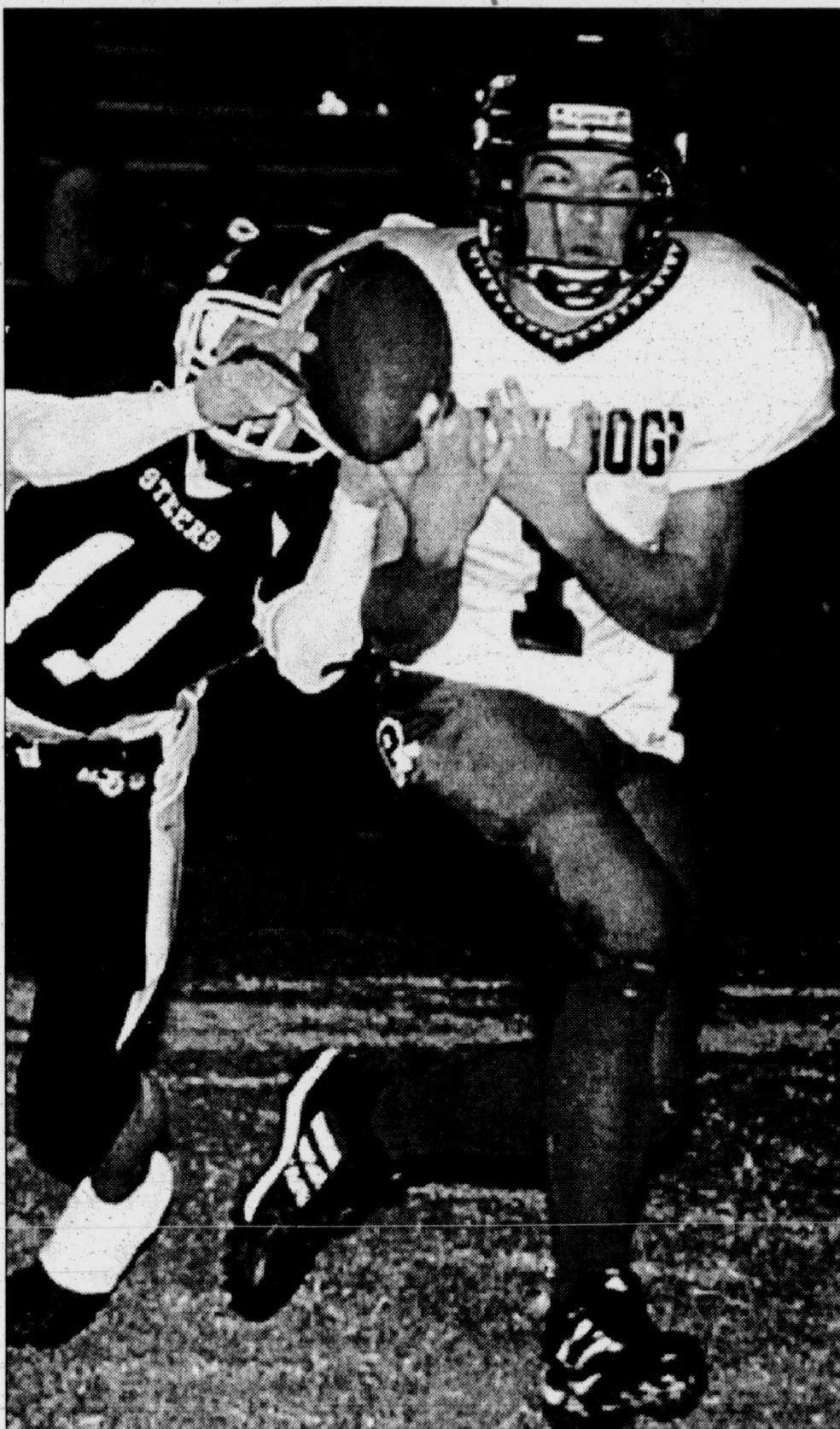
The Garden City Bearkats became the Crossroads' newest six-man squad, moving into a District 8 scene that will likely make them a playoff contender quickly.

Garden City, under former Whitharral High School coach Ken Hoskins, joins Blackwell, Paint Rock, Robert Lee, Veribest and Water Valley in District 8. Of the six teams in the new district, only Water Valley had a winning record in 2003.

Robert Lee, like Garden City, will be debuting at the six-man level this year.

For the most part, the UIL left the Grady Wildcats and Sands Mustangs old district intact. Joining with Sands, Klondike, Grady, Loop and Dawson is Wellman-Union to form District 5.

The Westbrook Wildcats, like Sands and Grady, will be in pretty familiar territory. The Wildcats, who return all six starters from last year's 5-5 team, join former district rivals Ira, Loraine, Highland, Trent and



The Big Spring Steers will get the opportunity to renew their rivalry with the Plainview Bulldogs for at least two years thanks to the UIL's biennial realignment which was released Monday.

newcomer Borden County in forming District 7.

The UIL's biennial exercise of realigning districts for Texas high school football and basketball made several other major shifts in the high school sports scene, including producing a smaller Class 3A and shifted some perennial football powers out of their comfort zone.

In the realignment for the 2004-05 and 2005-06 academic schools years released Monday, Class 3A was reduced from 210 schools to 187 as the UIL increased the enrollment minimum from 345 students to 390. That left 3A with its fewest number of schools since the 1980s.

UIL Athletic Director Charles Breithaupt said the move was necessary because of the wide range of school sizes in 3A, where enrollment peaks at 899.

It also created 12 five-team districts in 3A, which will force some schools to travel more than they like, Breithaupt said.

The UIL adjusts its districts, regions and classes for about 1,200 schools every two years based on enrollment figures. The changes can have a major impact in a state where high school sports, and the local team's ability to contend for a championship, remain important to communities.

Moving up or down in a classification or changing districts can ignite state championship dreams — or dash them.

"Some will be happy, some won't," Breithaupt said. "It all depends on where you are. The toughest district in the state is the one you're assigned to."

Burnet, which reached the last Class 3A state football finals the last two years, moves up to 4A because its enrollment hit 947,

only 48 students more than the 3A cutoff of 899. Burnet goes from one of the largest schools in 3A to one of the smallest in 4A.

The Bulldogs will compete with schools twice their size as Class 4A tops out at 1,924 students. Coach Bob Shipley knew the move was coming and has warned his players and community that the competition will be fierce.

"It would be unrealistic for us to go compete for the 4A state championship the first year," Shipley said. "We welcome the challenge. We're going to dive in head first and let the guts fly with the feathers."

Breithaupt said enrollment and geography are the only factors considered in realigning districts. Traditional rivalries are not considered, although some fans would like them to be, he said.

Class 5A, with enrollment at 1,925 and up, has 245 schools, up from 227. In one of the biggest moves, Lufkin, which won the 5A Division II title in 2001, shifts to District 14 with Conroe, Conroe Oak Ridge, Conroe The Woodlands, Huntsville, Klein, Klein Collins, Klein Forest.

Austin Westlake, another perennial 5A football power, also finds itself in a new District 16, with city rivals Austin, Austin Akins, Austin Anderson, Austin Bowie, Austin Crockett, Austin Westlake, Bastrop, Buda Hays.

Class 4A, with enrollment ranging from 900 to 1,924 has 222 schools. Class 2A has 226 schools with an enrollment range of 190-389.

Class 1A enrollment tops out at 189. It has 359 basketball schools, 153 playing 11-man football and 112 playing six-man football.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

Lady Hawks pound Midland

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Kristen Valentine and Ciara Tidwell made sure the Howard College Lady Hawks' five-game losing streak never saw six.

Valentine scored a season-high 30 points and Tidwell added 19 more and powered Howard College to a stunning 83-76 come-from-behind upset of the Midland College Lady Chaparrals Monday night at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

With the victory, Howard College ran its season record to 11-13 and eclipsed its entire win total from a year ago with six games remaining. The win, Howard's first since its conference-opening win over Frank Phillips on Jan. 12, gave the Lady Hawks a 2-4 mark heading into the start of the second half of Western Junior College Athletic Conference action. Midland, which had entered the game trailing conference-leading Odessa by one game, fell to 4-2.

The Lady Chaparrals, behind 10 first-quarter points from Savannah Werner, jumped out to an early advantage, outscoring the Lady Hawks by a slim 23-22 margin in the first 10 minutes.

Howard hit stride over the final 10, however. Tidwell and Valentine each pushed in six points and keyed a 22-11 run down the stretch to send the game into the half with HC holding a 43-24 cushion.

Alison Lopez and Erin Lohafer added four points apiece in the Lady Hawks' first-half run.

Midland rallied back in the second half. The Lady Chaps, scored 42 points in the final 20 minutes to pull to within striking distance.

Howard, which sank 12 of 15 attempts from the free throw line in the final 10 minutes of the contest, was able to withstand the Lady Chaps' run courtesy of a solid effort by Valentine in the closing minutes. The 6-foot-2 sophomore tallied 11 of her game-high total in the final 10 minutes.

Lopez and Desiree Bostice both hit double figures for the HC women. Lopez netted 14 in the win, while Bostice pitched in 10.

Werner, who fouled out with 1:17 remaining in the matchup, and Melissa Jacobs both tallied 22 for the Lady Chaps.

Second-half surge sinks HC

The Midland College Chaparrals outscored the Howard College Hawks by a 54-34 margin in the second half Monday night and streaked to a 72-58 win in Western Junior College Athletic Conference action.

With the loss, the Hawks fell to 13-6 and to 4-3 in conference. Midland is to 17-6 and 6-1.

Johnny Jones led HC with 19 points. Steve Story added 15.

Midland College, which had 21 from Rodney Epperson, held a 24-18 lead at the half.

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it may not
come out
in a way
that's easy
to hear,
even
though it
feels true.
Feeling
true
doesn't
make
things so,
since emotions
are a bit out
of whack.
Speaking out
is a good
way to get
into trouble
with friends,
who are
especially
sensitive
now. The
Cancer moon
is a moody
bedfellow.



Joyce Jillson

ARIES (March 21-April
19). You make excellent
progress on a pie-in-the-
sky project. Agility is
your talent, and you
bounce back from a
bruised ego faster than
anyone. Knowing this is
true helps you take the
very risks that can propel
you to the top.

TAURUS (April 20-May
20). New people are
happy and interested to
meet you. You
communicate those
elusive traits of strength,
comfort
and
attractiveness that have
people talking about you.
You are serious about
striving to break out of
the status quo.

GEMINI (May 21-June
21). Politics at work heat
up, so stay focused. Tell
your side of the story
with sincerity, but avoid
dishing other people's
dirt. Be bold - introduce
yourself to someone
powerful. You meet
eligible souls at a high-
brow event. Dress up.

CANCER (June 22-July
22). You know how to sell
your idea but may have
to cater your pitch to the
potential buyer. Solving
this kind of puzzle helps
you strengthen your
intellect. Your devil-may-
care attitude attracts an
admirer.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).
This is your day to shine.
Be grateful for problems
that are handed to you -
they give you a platform
in which to show your
talent. Everything is
solved with ease.
Deadline extensions
could help and also a co-
worker's efforts.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept.
22). You may be counting
each compromise you
make as payment for the
future when everything
goes exactly to your
specifications. Others are
happy to meet you
halfway, though, and
won't think at all that
you owe them one.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).
At work, pay close
attention to someone
who's been there before
you. Advice applied right
away leads to promotion.

New friendship meets
your expectations.
Clients are won over by
your sweetness and
carefree attitude.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov.
21). On this harmonious
day, success comes easier
without conflict between
head and heart. Much of
the work you do may
seem unrelated to the
results you'd like to get,
but the correlation is
stronger than
appearances suggest.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-
Dec. 21). If you imagine
big success - now,
tomorrow and every day
- you'll obtain it. A
bonus is the beginning of
something great for your
career. Keep your needs
at the forefront, and be
willing to walk if they're
not met.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-
Jan. 19). Consider your
most fundamental
strengths. You are a
manager of situations by
nature and have a
nurturing quality that
manifests through your
personal and professional
endeavors. You attract
abundance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-
Feb. 18). Do what you do
so well - dramatically
capture the public
curiosity. Being a
trendsetter is one of your
fortes. You know what
buttons to push to get
people all atwitter with
questions, assumptions
and general excitement!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March
20). Let family members
fight it out amongst
themselves; you are wise
to keep quiet.
Disappointments cannot
be taken personally, and
by tomorrow, you'll see
that things are not as
they seem.

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tomorrow, they feel they
are only as successful as
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For information on the program contact the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, 507 Sabine, Suite #700, Austin, Texas 78701, 512-475-2213, or the website at www.tdhca.state.tx.us. #4100 February 3, 2004

TUESDAY

Table of TV listings for various stations including WFAA, KMID, UNI, KPEJ, KOSA, KTLF, KWES, WTBS, KMLM, KOCV, DISC, AMC, TNT, BET, DISN, ESPN, USA, and TMC.

DENNIS THE MENACE comic strip panel showing characters talking about becoming partners.

THE FAMILY CIRCUS comic strip panel showing Uncle Tom and a child with a magic dime.

HAGAR comic strip panel showing a castle owner and an insurance agent.

BC comic strip panel showing a character with a 'YOU KNOW' sign.

WIZARD OF ID comic strip panel showing a wizard and a man with a sign.

BLONDIE comic strip panel showing a character asking a dog to play with the ball.

BLONDIE comic strip panel showing a character saying 'DON'T BLAME ME, IT WAS HER IDEA'.

AGNES comic strip panel showing a character in a suit talking to a man.

This Date In History: Today is Tuesday, Feb. 3, the 34th day of 2004. There are 332 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 3, 1959, a plane crash near Clear Lake, Iowa, claimed the lives of rock-and-roll stars Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson.

Answer to previous puzzle: SANE SLUR ARSON, AMEX LORE LUCRE, FABULOUSFIFTIES, ELUDE SAUDI SGT, SILENT GEE SAL, TEA HATES DONE, CAIRO TYROS, GAYNINETIES, DARIN GAINS, ELAN ENSUE APR, MAD BTU SPHERE, EMU LOGS AIRED, ROARINGTWTIES, IDTAG ETAL MANE, TEETH TONI ELSA.

HI AND LOIS comic strip panel showing a character with a 'LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT' speech.

Newsday Crossword MAKE-BELIEVE MISSES by Lee Weaver Edited by Stanley Newman

MR. HOUSEWIFE comic strip panel showing a character talking about manufacturing services.

- ACROSS: 1 Game on horseback, 5 Lickety-split, 9 Outdated oath, 13 On __ with (equal to), 14 Two-door auto, 15 Shredded, as lettuce, 16 Glass-slipper wearer, 18 Author Wiesel, 19 Calm and quiet, 20 Confusion, 22 "If __ a Hammer", 24 Wimbledon game, 25 Loss of memory, 28 Not imaginary, 29 Yes, to Yvette, 30 Kingdom, 32 Splash through mud, 35 Magazine execs, briefly, 36 Director Spike, 37 Corporate VIP, 38 Ascended, 41 Mischievous one, 44 Crazy __, 45 Popular street name, 47 Least fresh, 49 Military horns, 51 Wheel of Fortune action, 52 Turns aside, 54 Book pages, 58 Prevalent, 59 Peter Pan sidekick, 61 " __ no kick from champagne", 62 Spiny houseplants, 63 Wedding car, 64 Parakeets and poodles, 65 McEntire of country music, 66 Other than that, 4 Appoint to a holy office, 5 Enemy, 6 " __ Lang Syne", 7 Bowler's bane, 8 Fun-poking one, 9 Everlasting, 10 Porridge eater, 11 Zodiac ram, 12 Doe or stag, 14 Put in a pleat, 17 Old-style anesthetic, 21 Billfold stuffers, 23 Watch faces, 25 VV rival, 26 Spider shunner, 27 Baldwin and Guinness, 29 Anthem preposition, 31 Pepperoni and sausage, 33 Chair or sofa, 34 Hugely popular, 39 Baby birds of prey, 40 World's longest river, 42 Sugar sources, 43 Hard worker, 46 Fruit juice, 48 Help make possible, 49 Stocking shade, 50 Steps over a fence, 52 Faucet fault, 53 Stuck-up one, 55 Bride's headgear, 56 Shade trees, 57 Gin flavor, 60 Large parrot.

SNUFFY SMITH comic strip panel showing a character with a 'LOOK INTO MY EYES' speech.

BEEBLE BAILEY comic strip panel showing a character with a 'I FOUND A WAY TO GIT HIM TO EAT HIS MASHED 'TATERS' speech.

BEETLE BAILEY comic strip panel showing a character with a 'SGT. LUGG TREATS BELLA BETTER THAN YOU TREAT ME!' speech.

Newsday Crossword grid with numbers 1-66 indicating starting positions for words.