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Tonight:



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Bass Club sets Saturday benefit

The Big Spring Bass Club will hold a benefit for 5-year-old Tristin Rangel Saturday at the Eagles Lodge, located at 703 W. Third Street. Chicken fajita plates will be served from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. with to-go orders available for \$5. A dance is also slated for 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$5. Rangel was diagnosed with acute lymphocytic leukemia in October. For more information, contact Gary Gillihan at 264-6528.

More blood drives slated for the area

There are several upcoming United Blood Services drives scheduled in Big Spring. Friday, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., a blood drive is scheduled in the Comanche Trail Nursing Center, 3200 Parkway. Blood drives are also scheduled in February. From 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Feb. 3 a blood drive will take place in the Rip Griffin Truck and Travel Center. From 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Feb. 17 a blood drive is set at the VA Medical Center. And the last opportunity to donate blood in February is from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. at Walmart Feb. 21. To donate blood an individual must be at least 18 years old or 17 years old with parent's permission and weigh more than 100 pounds. Bring a list of all medications currently being taken to the site. For more information, contact Peggy Hards at 432-569-5531.

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Davis named to WJCAC Hall of Fame

Court named after former coach and AD

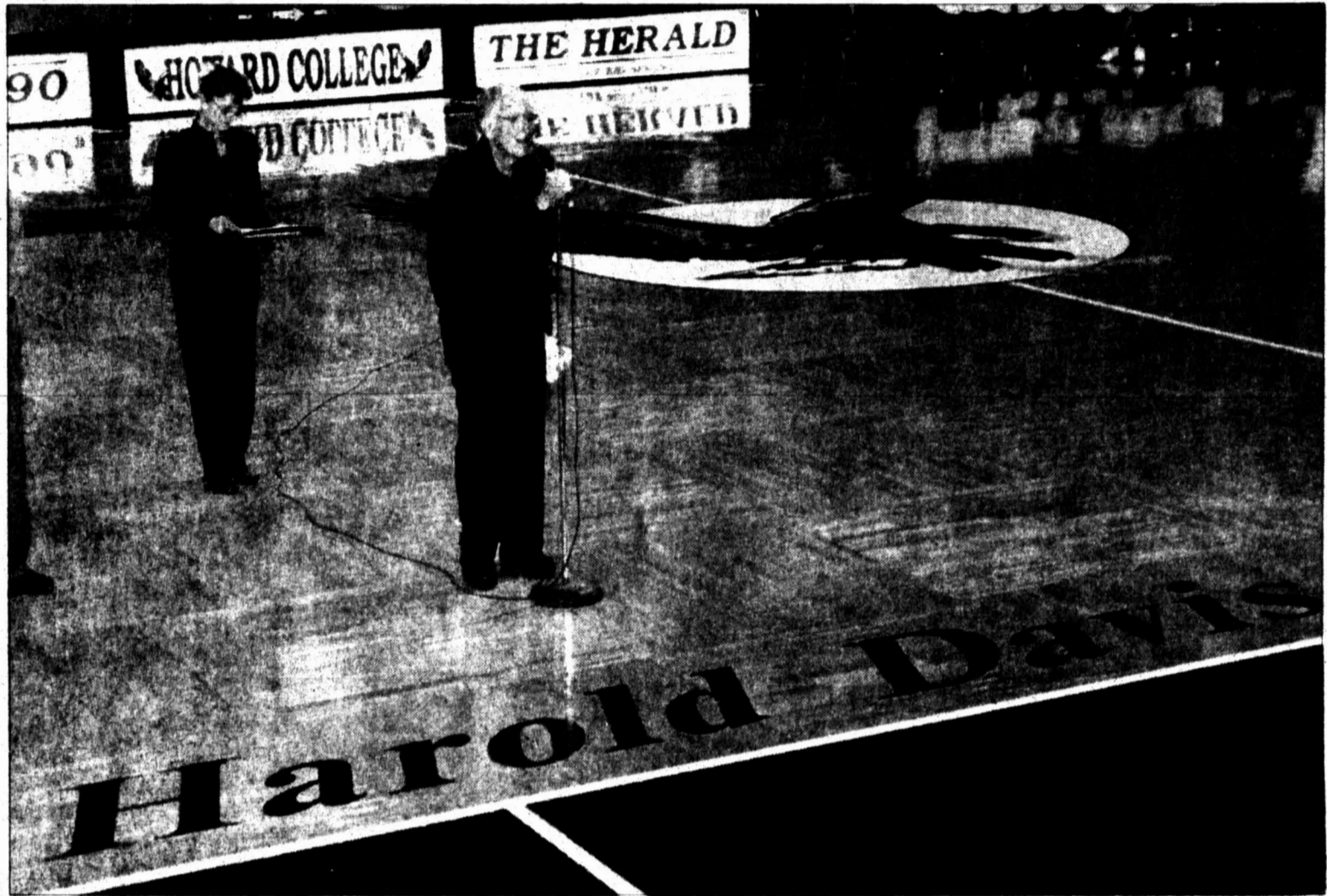
By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

Say the name Harold Davis and almost everyone affiliated with Howard College knows the name and knows the man. And after Monday night's ceremony at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in between the Howard College basketball games, it wouldn't be a surprise if even more people know him.

In front of the season's largest basketball crowd, Davis was introduced by Howard College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks as the first person at Howard to be voted into the newly formed Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) Hall of Fame.

"This is very special to me," said Davis. "I couldn't get an honor that beats this one."

Davis was hired in 1947 as the first basketball coach and athletic direc-



Harold Davis, Howard College's first head men's basketball coach and athletic director, addresses the season's largest basketball crowd Monday after being elected into the newly formed Western Junior College Athletic Conference Hall of Fame. The college also named the court at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in his honor.

tor at Howard College. Davis' teams twice advanced to the national tournament and one of those teams finished in the Final Four with a record of 34-6. His overall record at Howard was 222-113. He averaged 20 wins and 10 losses per season. See DAVIS, Page 3A

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Commissioners award vehicle bid to Bob Brock, Page 3A

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

They may have been too late to woo the Howard County Commissioners Court into hiring them as architectural consultants, but Idaho-based Rocky Mountain Corrections did raise



Crooker

some interesting questions about financing a new county jail Monday. Commissioners heard a presentation from RMC spokesman Earl Engemann during their morning meeting, which included offers to begin preliminary studies of a new jail facility for approximately \$20,000.

The presentation came despite the court's decision to sign a contract with the Phil Furqueron firm, which was solidified with a contract last week.

"They knew we had made the decision already before they came today," said Commissioner Bill Crooker. "They just wanted to make their presentation and let us know they're available if we need them in the future."

And while RMC won't be get-

ting the consulting contract for construction of the new facility, it did bring a new aspect to the court.

"A lot of counties are finding it nearly impossible to pass bond elections for new jails," said Engemann. "They're having a hard enough time for schools, so when it comes to something like jails, it gets voted down a lot of times."

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Howard College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks participates in groundbreaking for the college's Visual and Performing Arts Hall Monday morning. Construction is expected to take 14 months.

As arts center goes up, other needs viewed

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

With a 60-year-old campus on their hands, Howard College trustees know that renovation of some facilities is not a matter of if, but when.

To help decide exactly when they would undertake such a task, trustees agreed to a year-long study that will result in a new master plan for the college's infrastructure during their monthly meeting Thursday afternoon.

On the day when trustees celebrated groundbreaking ceremonies at the site of the new Visual and Performing Arts Hall, they also decided to take a close look at existing facilities to determine what, if anything, will need to be done in the near future.

To that end, they authorized the architectural consulting firm of Freese and Nichols of Fort Worth to begin formulating the master plan, which will give the college a clear idea of what their infrastructure needs will be during the next decade or so.

The firm's first steps in that direction will be to assess and map the cam-

"Without a good master plan, we really don't have a good idea about what we want to do."



Terry Hansen

pus' utility lines, which have been a cause of concern at various times in the past, school officials said.

"We're going to try to assess our current situation, as far as utilities go ... and see what our needs are, and what kind of action, if any, is needed," College Vice President Terry Hansen said.

Hansen said the college desperately wants to avoid a situation similar to what happened a few years ago, when one of the buildings lost electrical power for a few days during the Christmas holidays.

"If that had happened (while classes were in session), we might have been faced with a lengthy, significant interruption of

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Obituaries

Fay Yates Reed



Fay Yates Reed of Big Spring passed away Jan. 23, 2005, at the Hospice House in Odessa.

She was born to Mildred Lavenia Yates and William Radford Yates in Tuscola. After graduating high school in Big Spring, she married W.H. (Bill) Reed Dec. 8, 1939.

Fay worked for the State National Bank in Big Spring and retired as assistant vice president after 32 years of service. She was an instructor of Principals of Banking for AIB courses at Howard College and served as secretary-treasurer for the March of Dimes.

She was previously vice president and on the executive board of the Heritage Museum and worked with the Chamber of Commerce in the 1960s, serving on the Aviation Committee.

Fay was on the Parks and Recreation Board for the city of Big Spring and with her husband, Bill, owned the Bill Reed Insurance Agency. Fay and Bill were active in the Ambassadors' Club, ABC Club and many civic affairs in Big Spring.

Fay was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Bill Reed, her parents, one sister, Elsie Miller, and two brothers, George Yates and W.R. (Speck) Yates.

Fay is survived by her sister, Janis Petty Moore of Midland; her sister-in-law, Helen Yates of Lakeland, Fla.; nieces, Jody Thigpen of Beaumont, Donna Legro of Houston and Edie Yates Bayless of Lakeland, Fla.; nephews, Barry Petty of Midland, Steve Petty of Southlake, Rad Yates of Strongsville, Ohio, the Rev. Bill Yates of Camp Wingman, Fla., Dr. Dave Yates of Lakeland, Fla., and friend, Mel Stinson of Mount Pleasant.

Fay's family would like to extend special thanks to the staff of the Cimarron House in Midland and Home Hospice of Midland.

Graveside services have been scheduled for 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2005, at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring. The family will receive friends Wednesday from 12:30 p.m. until 1 p.m. at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad St., Big Spring, 79720, or the Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry St., 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

Maudine Cole



After a difficult year of health issues, Maudine Cole of Tempe, Ariz., went to rest Jan. 19, 2005.

She was born in Cannon Town, Fla., April 14, 1928. She moved to Big Spring in 1952, where she owned and operated Everybody's Café from 1963 until 1979.

She then owned and operated Pronto Convenience Stores from 1981 until 1988. She retired to Tempe, Ariz. to be with her children in 1989.

Maudine is survived by her husband, George Cole; her children, Peggy and Lou Lumsden, George and Nelda Cole and Terri and Joe Hedgecock, all of Arizona; her grandchildren, Ricky Winters, Justin Cole, Chrissy Cole and Chad Hernandez-Cole; and her great-granddaughter, Courtney Winters.

In addition, she is survived by her brothers, James and Janel Barnhill of Big Spring, Earl and Marie Barnhill and Willie Dee and Ruth Barnhill of Crestview, Fla.; sisters Gerry Bundy of Sun City, Ariz., and Jody Slaydon and Earline Antony of Portsmouth, Va.

A celebration of her life will be held at Peggy's home in Scottsdale, Ariz. Saturday, Jan. 29, 2005.

Paid obituary

Isaiah Lorenzo Penalber

Isaiah Lorenzo Penalber, infant son of Denise Mary Gomez and Martin Penalber of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2005, in a local hospital. Graveside funeral services are 2 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2005, in the Peace Chapel, Trinity Memorial Park, with Rick Cunningham, minister of 14th and Main Church of Christ, officiating.

Isaiah was born Jan. 18, 2005, in Big Spring. In addition to his parents, he is survived by his grandparents, Ben and Linda Perez of Big Spring and Catarino Penalber of California; one uncle; and one aunt.

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

Weather

Tonight - Increasing clouds. Lows in the lower 40s. West winds around 10 mph.
 Wednesday - Mostly cloudy. Cooler. Highs in the lower 60s. North winds around 10 mph.
 Wednesday night - Mostly cloudy. Isolated rain showers. Lows around 40. Northeast winds around 10 mph.
 Thursday - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 60s. East winds around 10 mph.

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Police blotter

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

- **KERRY MILLS**, 27, of 4211 Hamilton, was arrested Monday on three local capias warrants.
- **JAMEY JOHNSON**, 42, of 2004 S. Johnson, was arrested Monday on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **SHANA ROBBINS**, 36, of Coahoma, was arrested Monday on a charge of forgery.
- **ROBERT RAMSEY**, 26, of 2105 S. Scurry, was arrested Monday on a Pecos County warrant.
- **DEANNA AUTRY**, 24, of 1401 N. Highway 87 Apt. 303, was arrested Monday on two local warrants and a Howard County warrant.
- **DAVID GARZA**, 41, of 511 E. 17th Street, was arrested Monday on four local warrants and one capias warrant.
- **ROGER SCHLEICH**, 40, of 421 Hillside, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.
- **POSSESSION/DELIVERY OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA** was reported:
 - in the 200 block of 18th Street.
 - in the 2000 block of Johnson.
- **FORGERY OF A FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT** was reported:
 - in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.
 - in the 400 block of Fourth Street.
- **CRIMINAL TRESPASS** was reported:
 - in the 200 block of 18th Street.
 - in the 2000 block of Johnson.
 - in the 2500 block of Gregg Street.
- **ASSAULT/CLASS C** was reported:
 - in the 700 block of 11th Place.
 - in the 2600 block of Chanute.
- **ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 500 block of 17th Street.

Sheriff's report

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

- **KODY CHANCE JACKSON**, 19, was transferred to county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor - third offense enhanced.
- **EMILIO HERRERA**, 43, was transferred to county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid.
- **NATASHA MICHELLE MORRIS**, 18, was transferred to county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor - third offense enhanced.
- **DANA RACHELLE LOCKHART**, 21, was transferred to county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated - open container.
- **ENID AMBER STONEROOK**, 26, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a charge of theft by check.
- **ADAM CANDIDO AGUILAR**, 28, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated.
- **PEDRO RAMOS**, 19, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on charges of failure to appear - possession of marijuana and bondsman off of bond for possession of marijuana.
- **WILLIAM TROY HOGAN**, 38, was transferred to county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of theft.
- **JOSEPH EDWARD OLVERA**, 18, was transferred to county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of minor in consumption of alcohol beverage - third offense enhanced.
- **BRANDON LEE RUSHIN**, 35, was transferred to county jail Monday by the BSPD on charges of displaying a fictitious inspection sticker and driving while license suspended/invalid - enhanced.

Take note

□ **A WRAP-UP FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS MEETING** is set for 5:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Dora Roberts Community Center. All Adopt-A-Spot participants as well as committee members are asked to attend. A discussion on the next event will take place. Call Pat Simmons at 263-4607 or 213-5444.

□ **LEGAL AID OF NORTHWEST TEXAS** is accepting appointments for 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month, beginning Feb. 2. Individuals seeking legal advice for matters concerning family law, divorce, custody and child support issues, social security cases, employment and housing may contact the office to schedule an appointment. Criminal cases are not accepted. Anyone recently served with legal documents should call the office immediately at 800-926-5630 or 432-686-0647.

□ **HERITAGE MUSEUM EXHIBIT "TEXAS WATERCOLOR SOCIETY"** remains open through Jan. 31. Admission fees are waived for patrons viewing the exhibit. The museum is also accepting donations of costumes to be used with the new theme party area opening in May. Call the museum at 267-8255.

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Bulletin board

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

- TODAY**
- Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.
 - A Stitchin' Time Club meets at 3:30 p.m. at Primitive Baptist Church, 201 E. 24th St. Everyone is invited to learn and share sewing skills, and portable sewing machines are welcome. Call Kay Sikes at 394-4835 for more information.
 - The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets at 7 p.m. in the College Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1105 Birdwell Lane. For more information, call Tracey Pounds at 268-4948.

- WEDNESDAY**
- Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room.
 - Senior Circle meets at 11 a.m. in the Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom for Stretch and Tone. Call 268-4721.
 - Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.
 - Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. in the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 or 267-1628.
 - Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.
 - A wrap-up festival of Lights meeting is set for 5:30 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Community Center. All Adopt-A-Spot participants as well as committee members are asked to attend. A discussion on the next event will take place. Call Pat Simmons at 263-4607 or 213-5444.
 - Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

- THURSDAY**
- Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.
 - Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. in Gale's Sweet Shoppe.
 - Jason Moore, state chairman of Young Republicans, will be the guest speaker at the regular meeting of West Texas Pachyderm Club at Big Spring Country Club at noon. He will share with some of his insights and suggestions for working with Young Republicans. All interested persons are invited to meetings of the club.
 - Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room. Call 267-6479.
 - Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night:
 Winning numbers drawn: 2-12-33-34-35.
 Number matching five of five: 0.
 Next Cash 5 drawing: Tuesday night.

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Monday night:
 Winning numbers drawn: 2-5-6-32. Bonus Ball: 26.
 Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 0.
 Estimated jackpot for Thursday night drawing: \$225,000.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 8-3-4

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 4900 block of Jackson at 7:53 a.m. Monday. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 5700 block of Cedar at 11:36 a.m. Monday. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 2000 block of Virginia at 3:14 p.m. Monday. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 2000 block of Virginia at 5:10 p.m. Monday. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 3700 block of Wright at 11:35 p.m. Monday. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1700 block of Donley at 5:26 a.m. Monday. One person was transported to SMMC.

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County vehicle bid awarded to Bob Brock

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners voted unanimously to award a vehicle bid to Bob Brock Ford of Big Spring, despite the local dealership's bid being more than \$2,000 from the lowest bidder. Commissioners awarded the bid, which included three new patrol cars and a new pickup for the sheriff's office, to the local company for a bid of \$84,729. The lowest bidder,

Nederland-based Philpott Motors, turned in a bid of \$82,227, while the highest bidder, Arrow Ford, made a bid of \$90,154.

Commissioner Jerry Kilgore said the decision was based on several factors.

"I voted for the bid because they are a local company and a taxpayer," said Kilgore. "The warranty work also had me concerned. We need warranty work done promptly, and that can become a problem when the dealership is so far away. I

understand other people have run into problems with getting warranty work done on time when they've gone out of town on bids like these, and I just feel we'll get our money back just in the service — in what they do locally."

Because the county didn't go with the low bid, Kilgore said Philpott Motors will have the chance to appear before the court if it so chooses.

"It will be on the next agenda if they (Philpott Motors) choose to address it," said Kilgore.

"We'll explain to them why we chose the way we did, and if they want to be added to the agenda, they will be. This particular company has the state bids and I was really surprised there was such a difference in the bids."

Some concern was expressed by commissioners regarding the delivery time on the vehicles.

"I contacted Bob Brock Ford, and they tell me they can have the vehicles ready in 60 to 90 days," said Chief Deputy Gary

Pritchett. "They said at the very longest it will be 120 days."

Commissioners asked Sheriff Dale Walker if he would be able to hold out for that period of time.

"We've waited this long for them," said Walker. "We can wait a little longer if that's what it takes."

However, after the meeting Walker expressed concerns about repairs that will be needed until the new vehicles arrive.

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classes," he said.

The college's existing master plan was formulated in 1995 and is in need of updating.

"Without a good master plan, we really don't have a good idea about what we want to do in this area," Hansen said.

In other business, trustees:

- Approved a resolution renaming the basketball court at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum after long-time

trustee Harold Davis. Davis was the college's first men's basketball coach.

- Approved the district's financial audit. James Welch, of the accounting firm of Lee, Welch, and Reynolds, told trustees that the college district has net financial assets of \$24.6 million, an increase of \$1.3 million from the previous year.

- Extended the contract of President Cheri Sparks through August 2007.

- Discussed pending litigation against the college in executive session. No action was taken.



Marie Hall takes the controls of a backhoe to turn the first shovelful of dirt during ground-breaking ceremonies for Howard College's Visual and Performing Arts Building Monday morning. Hall was a major donor of funds for the building.

HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

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the time.

"We offer a different solution. We work with Municipal Capital Markets, which can work out a lease-purchase agreement which will satisfy the county's needs without exceeding its financial capabilities."

Engelmann briefly discussed other projects the company has managed or financed in Texas, including ones for the city of Haskell, Zapata County, Delta County and Dumas.

Crooker said he and the commissioners have only briefly discussed financing the construction of a county jail, which could cost in excess of \$6 million, according to previous architectural esti-

mates.

"We've talked just a little bit about certificates of obligation as opposed to bonds," said Crooker. "As you know, certificates of obligation do not require an election. But the citizens can still call for a vote by signing a petition and getting a certain number of signatures based on the last general election.

"The method these gen-

tleman talked about today is a little different, and I think it's very interesting. Several counties in Texas have gone to this method and I think it might be something we'll consider."

While "how" the commissioners will pay for the project is a major concern, Crooker said it's not his first concern.

"What I'm primarily interested in is the cost

factors involved," said Crooker. "Not from the standpoint of the jail itself, but the cost factors of the financing. What is something like that going to cost us."

"We'll just have to see. I think it's something we need to check out, but that's going to be a ways down the road."

During their last meeting, commissioners voted to retain Furqueron's

architectural firm, along with HOK (Hellmuth, Obata and Kassabaum) Justice of Dallas and Park-Hill-Smith and Cooper of Lubbock and Midland, to begin a five-step process to construct a new jail.

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while coaching basketball at Howard.

Davis also coached baseball and golf at Howard College. His baseball teams won three league titles, advanced to the finals of the state tournament one year, and qualified for the NJCAA Regional Finals in another year.

Davis resigned from the HCJCD in 1958 to become the head basketball coach at the University of Texas at El Paso, which fulfilled Davis' lifelong goal of becoming a head coach at the Division I level. He couldn't stay away from Howard or Big Spring, however, as he would later return to the community, but this time as a part of the business world.

"I came back to Big Spring because I had accomplished everything I wanted to accomplish as a coach," said Davis. "I didn't want to quit coaching, but thought it was for

the best."

Davis returned to Big Spring after accepting an offer to join Gamco Industries in its initial stages. He eventually became president and chairman of the board of Gamco and also executive vice president and chief operating officer of Gamco's parent company, Siboney, which was headquartered in New York City.

For his contributions to the community, he was named the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Man of the Year in 1996.

Davis was elected to the Howard College Board of Trustees in 1971 and after 35 years is still actively serving on the board as vice-chairman. Having retired from Gamco Industries in 1992, Harold and wife Janell remain vital supporters of the Howard College athletic program.

"Howard College is very fortunate to have Harold and Janell as longtime fans," said Assistant Athletic Director Stan

Feaster.

It was evident to Howard College officials that Davis, who served as coach of the Jayhawks — what Howard's athletic teams were called back then — from 1947-1951 and 1952-1958, should be nominated for this first-time award.

"We are very appreciative of Harold and the contributions he has made and continues to make for the betterment of Howard College and our community," said Sparks.

Several other members of the WJCAC were also voted into the Hall of Fame with Davis, including former-Arkansas head coach Nolan Richardson, who led Western Texas College to a national championship and former-NFL quarterback Roger Staubach, who played for New Mexico Military Institute. Others are Bill Powell, South Plains College; Ron Black, New Mexico Junior College; James Segrest, Odessa College; Delnor Poss, Midland College;

David Murphy, Frank Phillips College; and Bobby Lesley, Clarendon College.

"I am honored to be with this group," said Davis. "Those are some big-time names to be in with."

Besides getting voted into the WJCAC Hall of Fame, the college also named the court at the coliseum in his honor. The court will be known as Harold Davis Court. It is the second time Davis has been named to something at Howard College as the fitness center on campus is also named after him.

It is just fitting for a man who has only missed a handful of Howard College home basketball

games in his lifetime to be honored like this at the school.

"I have only missed games when I had to have surgery," said Davis. "I can't remember, though, the last time I missed a game. I even go to some road games and I always attend the Regional Tournament regardless of whether or not Howard is in it."

He is also hoping for a good season this year out of both Howard teams.

"The women have gone through a lot this year with not having a lot of players and hiring a new coach, so people can't really expect a lot out of them," said Davis. "The new men's coach also came in late and didn't

have a lot of time to recruit, but I think they will win their share of games this season. I think the guys will finish no worse than third or fourth in the conference."

The event also featured several of Davis' former players who were welcomed to the court during the ceremony. Several others who were unable to attend wrote letters of congratulations to Davis.

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OUR VIEWS

It's time again to enjoy helping local Girl Scouts

It's an 80-year-old tradition. That's why most of us can't remember a time when there weren't girls throughout the nation going door-to-door taking orders for Girl Scout Cookies during their annual sale.

Scouts from the West Texas Girl Scout Council will begin their annual fund-raising event on Saturday, offering local residents any or all of the eight different varieties of cookies available at \$3.25 per box.

And again, all of our favorites are on sale — Thin Mints, Caramel deLites, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Shortbread, Peanut Butter Patties, Upside-Downs, Frosted Oatmeal cookies, Animal Treasures Fudge and Shortbread, Lemon Pastry Cremes and the Pinata, an oatmeal cookie with a strawberry topping with white icing.

Each \$3.25 box of cookies we purchase, however, provides a great deal more than just a good-tasting treat.

Girl Scout officials note that the cookie sale helps girls learn important skills related to handling money, goal setting, teamwork and meeting the public.

In addition, one of the things that makes the Girl Scout Cookie Sale different from most youth fund raisers is that a portion of the revenue goes directly to the local troops so that the girls involved in the sale can make a decision on how it's spent.

So when a Girl Scout arrives on your doorstep or approaches you elsewhere, we hope you'll help make the local council's 2005 sale a success.

After all, when we buy Girl Scout cookies, we're not only supporting Girl Scouts and all the good things they do in our community, but we're helping fund the future.

And did we mention they taste good, too? We call that a win, win and win situation.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

The Comanche Trail golf course is being maintained and upgraded by course superintendent Jack Birdwell and his crew in an aggressive manner as the budget will allow. Birdwell has managed to show a positive profit picture at the course while upgrading the course condition and initiating improvements to greens, tee boxes, fairways and cart paths.

Simply maintaining the different types of grasses necessary for the greens (very delicate bent grass), the tee boxes, (tough, resilient) and the fairways (acres and acres) is a constant job that the Crew Tracy Asubie and Orville Henry do in a dedicated manner on a daily basis. The machinery including four types of mowers and utility haulers, trailers, tractors and loaders must be maintained and operated by a minimal crew.

We are especially lucky that Birdwell is educated in the science of agronomy. The knowledge he has demonstrated in directing the feeding and seasonal treatment of the course in a budget-wise manner is commendable and shows a far reaching grasp of the programs necessary to upgrade and improve the golf course and keep the budget in the black.

As with any public operation, there are detractors and supporters for any aspect of this endeavor. We, as citizens of Big Spring and Howard county should consider the Comanche Trail Park and Golf Course, the McMahon-Wrinkle Airport and Industrial Park and the Big Spring State Park as tremendous assets. We must, as with all assets, maintain and improve these civic gems with an eye to the future.

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Demos: The party of party poopers

In the wake of the worst natural disaster in our lifetime, with a death toll exceeding 150,000, and as America is at war in Iraq and Afghanistan, it is hard to understand how anyone could engage in an extravagant celebration. Or pour money into such frivolous expenses as gowns, tuxedos and limousines when those dollars could be spent on food or medical care for the tsunami victims.



DEBRA SAUNDERS

And yet the Golden Globe Awards ceremony was staged as scheduled. The actresses were svelte and glamorous, the actors dashing and charming. There was nary a peep about the wrongness of holding a glitter-and-jewels event so soon after the tsunami. No liberal guilt dampened the mood when Hollywood feted itself.

So I guess all those Democrats who say it is wrong for President Bush to hold inaugural balls because of the tsunami or the war — they mournfully note that it is inappropriate for Washington to celebrate while others suffer, and spend money on parties when so much is needed for disaster relief — are just sore losers looking for any excuse to bash Bush.

Make that sore losers who are hiding behind other people's heart-break and loss.

Ask yourself this: If John Kerry had won the election, would the same people suggest that there be no celebration in Washington? Hardly.

If America had gone blue, it would be party time. I remember a photo of TV producer Linda Bloodworth-Thomason and actress Markie Post jumping on Lincoln's bed in the Lincoln Bedroom when

President Clinton reclaimed the White House after 12 years of GOP rule. When the blues win, they gloat. When the blues lose, they cook up some noble reason to rain on the other guy's parade.

I don't expect hard-core Democrats to be happy about the election results. It's no fun losing. I know. I've been there. But I do expect them to show some respect — for the voters and for a system that serves them well when they win. I expect them to remember that Clinton held inaugural balls after he sent U.S. troops to Bosnia in a pre-emptive incursion — based, I'll add, on his unkept promise to keep troops in Bosnia for one year only. (Let me add that while I was skeptical at the time, history has shown that Clinton was right.)

I expect the crybabies at Moveon.org to move on with the news that the President Bush won the election handily — he's the first president to win a majority of the popular vote since 1988. And I expect people who complained that Bush didn't win the popular vote in 2000 to recognize he more than won it in 2004 and not look for reasons to discount those votes.

While most Democrats have the good sense and manners to do so, there are notable exceptions, most notably California Democratic Sen. Barbara Boxer.

For years now, she's been Little Bo Peep, California's backbench senator. And for good reason. Boxer won national fame railing against sexual harassment after Anita Hill charged that Clarence Thomas used lewd words with her. Then, Clinton came to town, and she had to change her act — pronto. Enter Boxer's quiet years.

Now, with her re-election in the bag, Bo Peep has come out of exile. First, Boxer made headlines as the only U.S. senator to contest Ohio's vote. She set out to prove she wanted every vote to count, by

voting to invalidate some 5 million ballots.

This week, Boxer took on national security adviser Condoleezza Rice during Senate hearings to confirm Rice as secretary of state. Boxer accused Rice of allowing her "loyalty to the mission" in Iraq to overwhelm Rice's "respect for the truth." To wit, Boxer asserted that the Bush administration's sole reason for sending U.S. troops to Iraq, and the Senate's sole reason for voting in favor of the Bush plan, was "WMD — period."

Apparently, Boxer's zeal has overwhelmed her respect for the truth. Just as Sen. John Kerry came up with the phony claim that there was language in the resolution calling President Bush to go to war only as a last resort, now Boxer claims the resolution was about "WMD — period."

The resolution does focus on weapons of mass destruction, but it also cites Saddam Hussein's repression of Iraqis, his aid to international terrorists and his many violations of the 1991 cease-fire agreement with United Nations.

It's irritating that Boxer and Kerry figured journalists wouldn't read the resolution to check their claims — and infuriating that they were right.

So Boxer is right: Loyalty to mission can overwhelm one's respect for the truth. The only question is: What is her mission?

Apparently, the mission is to beat the real enemy: successful Republicans.

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Administration in rush to fill UN slot

Sources close to New York Gov. George Pataki say he has been asked whether he would consider filling the vacancy of U.S. ambassador to the United Nations.

No firm offer has been made to Pataki, who is without diplomatic or international experience. The U.N. assignment would immediately rule out Pataki for a possible fourth term as governor next year.



ROBERT NOVAK

However, experience in international affairs might boost his 2008 presidential ambitions.

President Bush is under pressure to fill the U.N. vacancy, created Thursday when the resignation of John Danforth (after serving only six months) became effective. During Senate Foreign Relations Committee confirmation hearings, Secretary of State-designate Condoleezza Rice was pushed to replace Danforth immediately.

Sen. John Kerry's unexpected vote in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee against Condoleezza Rice's confirmation as secretary of state suggested the 2004 candidate is interested in another try for president.

Based on his Senate record, Kerry might have been predicted to follow the lead of Sen. Joseph Biden of Delaware, the top Democrat on Foreign Relations: express disappointment and reservations, but vote for Rice anyway. Instead, he was the only committee member other than Sen. Barbara Boxer of California to vote no.

Kerry's vote appealed to Democratic primary voters, who tend to be more anti-Bush than the party's leaders. His opposition to Rice could attract supporters of Howard Dean, who has sworn off running for president in '08 if he is elected chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

Joann Davidson, a supporter of abortion rights elected on Wednesday as co-chairman of the Republican National Committee (RNC), has privately promised social conservatives not to speak to any pro-choice groups while she holds her party post.

Davidson's selection triggered criticism in the pro-life movement, but she is given a high rating by President Bush's political inner circle. A former speaker of the Ohio House of Representatives, she was chairman of Bush's campaign in her state where a win was necessary for the president's re-election. Davidson was a counterforce to unpopular Republican Gov. Bob Taft, who was no help for Bush.

The RNC's co-chairmanship almost always goes to a pro-choice woman but is a job with no power. Davidson has pledged to support whatever the president wants.

Organizers of the annual Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC), stunned by the unexpected tax increase proposed by newly elected Indiana Gov. Mitch Daniels, are considering disinviting him from their meeting in Washington next month.

Daniels, a longtime Republican political operative and President George W. Bush's first budget director, was the only governor invited to CPAC this year. Board

members of the American Conservative Union, which runs CPAC, selected Daniels before he unveiled his tax hike in his state-of-the-state address Tuesday.

To cope with Indiana's \$1.3 billion budget shortfall, Daniels requested a 1 percent tax hike on income above \$100,000 a year. Daniels defends this on grounds the tax boost would expire after only one year.

First term Sen. Mark Dayton of Minnesota, who depleted his fortune as Dayton-Hudson department store heir by spending \$25 million in four statewide political campaigns, is being targeted by Republicans as the most vulnerable Senate Democrat in 2006.

Dayton spent \$12 million of his own money to provide nearly all funding for his election in 2000, and his net worth is now officially disclosed as \$5 million to \$15 million. Facing the need to raise money for the first time, he recently fired his top fund-raisers after he finished the third quarter of 2004 with just \$271,000 cash on hand.

In addition to money problems, Dayton slumped in the polls after he alone among U.S. senators closed his Washington offices because of an alleged terrorist threat. Former Rep. Bill Luther is considering a Democratic primary challenge against Dayton. The senator's Republican opponent is expected to be a well-funded Rep. Mark Kennedy.

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eBay plays the spam game; virus writer jailed in Spain

The next time you get clogged with spam or another Citibank-esque phishing trip, you can blame eBay — well, sorta'.

eBay has been talking this week of its efforts to crack down on e-mail phishing and last week addressed the problem of spam for its users — so it may come as a surprise that the auction site is playing a role in facilitating both problems.

A large, multi-million-dollar business helping to facilitate shady trades? C'mon, that couldn't happen. Right?

Anybody surfing eBay can buy millions of e-mail addresses as well as the tools to send them out, leading one anti-spam campaigner to accuse the auction site of profiting from the spam epidemic. What a surprise.

One lot on eBay.com offers 100 million e-mail addresses plus e-mail software to target them.

And such lots are not uncommon or limited solely to the U.S. On the United Kingdom version of eBay, it's possible to purchase all manner of e-mail lists. One seller, based in Germany, had seen its reserve met for a lot which promises the buyer one million e-mail addresses. And there are many others just like it, some issuing bogus claims that the lists are legitimate and "all opt-in."

Alyn Hockey, product director at content security firm Clearswift, told silicon.com his own anti-spam investigations had taken him to eBay where he was able to procure millions of e-mail addresses as well as the tools to process bulk mail.

Steve Linford from spamhaus said his foundation has repeatedly asked eBay to stop these kinds of sales, but says the response from the auction house has been lame at best.

"Sadly there aren't laws in this country with which we can go after these people, but irrespective of that, eBay should still be stopping them," he said.

eBay is certainly aware of the problem. The company's Web site states, "eBay does not permit the sale of bulk e-mail or mailing lists. Any tools or software designed predominantly to send unsolicited commercial e-mail will not be permitted."

But such wording is unlikely to deter those individuals selling such items.

A spokeswoman for eBay said the lots recently highlighted by silicon.com have now been removed and action taken against the sellers. She added that eBay's customer service team will also now be vetting the sites and removing any similar auctions.

But spamhaus' Linford believes eBay should be more vigilant about what trading it allows on its sites.

"eBay should be first in line doing whatever it can to stop the growth of spam, not taking a cut and appearing to condone such sales by host-

ing them," said Linford.

The Spanish Civil Guard has detained a 37-year-old man in Madrid who is suspected of writing and distributing a Trojan horse across peer-to-peer networks.

Police said that the unnamed man to steal confidential banking information from his victims and spy on people through their webcams. Isn't that a comforting notion?

"I don't know about you, but I'll think twice about running from the shower to my desk for the phone in nothing but my birthday suit."

"In Operation Tic Tac, the Civil Guard has detained a programmer accused of creating and spreading a computer virus that could have affected thousands of computers worldwide. The prisoner was able to access key banking details and Webcams, recording everything in the field of vision the camera occupied," said the Spanish Civil Guard in a statement earlier this week.

Police were alerted when a man in Alicante noticed that his computer was behaving strangely.

The police said they found the suspect in his apartment spying on people through their webcams.

But this guy will be popular in prison.

A PC virus has started to spread through e-mail, luring potential victims by disguising itself as a headline newsletter from CNN, an antivirus company said this week.

E-mails laden with the

virus, dubbed "Crowt.A" by Sophos, do not have a typical subject line and other characteristics, Sophos said. Instead, the virus sends out e-mail messages with subject lines, message content and attachment names drawn from the latest news headlines on CNN's Web site, which it gathers as it spreads. Very few Sophos customers have reported that they been affected by Crowt.A so far, the company said.

"Virus writers are always looking for new tricks to entice innocent computer users into running their malicious code. This latest ploy feeds on people's desire for the latest news," Carole Theriault, a security consultant at Sophos, said in a statement.

If a news-hungry PC user opens an infected e-mail attachment, the virus will install a program to allow remote intruders to rummage through the victim's PC and grab sensitive information. A program that records information entered into the infected computer, known as a keylogger, could also snare a victim's log-in information, Sophos said in its description of the virus, which it is referring to as a worm.

Just what we need — another worm.

Other computer viruses have incorporated real-time elements in a similar manner to spread faster. The Santy worm, for example, used a real-time search of Google to find vulnerable computers.

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To Your Health

Have you ever seen an ad for a prescription medicine?

Did it make you want to talk to your doctor?

A Prevention study last year found that nearly 65 million people said "yes."

Of those people, 29 million talked about a health problem for the first time. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration, FDA, found that 58 percent of doctors think that prescription medicine ads help their patients get more involved.

Ads help patients take better control of their health.

Doctors also find that these ads help their patients ask better questions.

Nearly 60 million Americans have high blood pressure, a serious medical condition that can cause damage to the body with every beat of the heart. Although treatable, 70 percent of Americans with the condition don't have it under control.

Left untreated, high blood pressure can be serious. In fact, even slightly high blood pressure may be damaging the tiny blood vessels that lead to your brain, heart, kidneys and eyes.

It can also lead to life-threatening health problems such as heart attack and stroke.

Everyone with high blood pressure should make certain healthy changes; but in some cases, these changes are not enough.

Learn more at www.HealthyBP.com.

According to a study published in "Optometry, The Journal of the American Optometric Association," a lutein supplement may help

improve vision for people who have "dry" age-related macular degeneration, the most prevalent form of the disease.

In a recent study, 90 AMD patients were supplemented daily with a supplement capsule containing 10 mg of crystalline FloraGlo lutein, 10 mg crystalline lutein in an OcuPower mixed antioxidant formula or placebo for 12 months.

Patients who took the lutein supplement experienced significant improvements in several symptoms.

For more information, call Prevent Blindness America at 1-800-331-2020 or visit www.preventblindness.org or www.amdaliance.org. More information about lutein is available at www.luteininfo.com.

Not only does a diagnosis of Alzheimer's have an enormous effect on the person with the disease, but the progressive nature of the disease also places a tremendous strain on the person's family, friends and especially the primary caretaker. A helpful free booklet, "Caregiver Guide," NIH publication No. 01-4013, is available in both English and Spanish. Another free resource, "Home Safety for People with Alzheimer's Disease," is also available.

To receive these booklets or fact sheets and other information on Alzheimer's without charge, contact the Alzheimer's Disease Education and Referral (ADEAR) Center at www.alzheimers.org or call toll free 1-800-438-4380.

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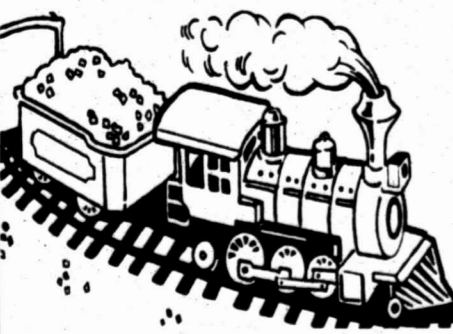
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Bedtime Stories

TIMMY AND TOMMY

You could see the train tracks from far, far away. They went over the hills and through the valleys. They even went through the big mountains and across the wide rivers. Those train



tracks seemed to go just about everywhere! And Tommy loved the tracks, because he was a big old train!

If you look very closely, you can also see big highways that goes to almost every city. They go to small cities. They go to big cities. They go to schools. They go to libraries. They even go to ballparks and to every place that you might like to visit. And Tommy loved those highways, because he was a great big truck!

Tommy and Tommy lived really

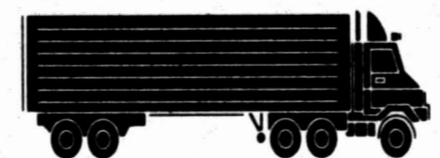
close to each other, but they had never met until one day, something happened to make them help each other!

There was a school on the other side of the mountain that needed new books. Getting over that mountain was easy for Tommy. He could just keep chugging and chugging until he reached the top and then he could coast all the way down the other side. While he was coasting, he could get his breath back and rest. But once Tommy reached the bottom of the mountain, he had a real problem! There were no train tracks going the rest of the way to the school! What will he do?

That same school needed ten new swingsets for the playground. It was a very nice school. All of the kids who went there loved to play outside after they had finished their school work. But, even though Tommy was a great big truck, he could not carry ten swingsets to that school! What will he do?

And then something strange happened! Tommy was on his

way to the school to tell the kids that they would not be getting their swings. He was so sad because he loved the kids and he didn't want to tell them that he could not



bring the swingsets to them.

Timmy saw Tommy sitting at the bottom of the mountain looking so sad, too. "What is wrong, Mr Train? Why are you looking so sad," he asked? "Mr.

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Truck, I need to get these books to that school and I don't have any tracks going there and I don't know what I am going to do! I love the kids and I want them to have all these books. I have books showing them how to add numbers.

I have books showing them how to find different countries of the world. I even have books showing them how to write!" And why do you look so sad, Mr Truck?"

"I have to take ten swingsets to that school and I can't carry that many. All of the kids love to play on the swingsets after they get out of school for the day. I don't know what I am going to do," Timmy cried.

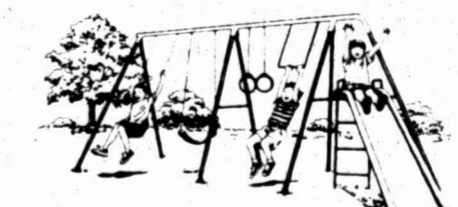
Tommy thought for a moment and said to Timmy, "I know! If you will carry these books to the school for me, then I will run back and bring the swingsets to

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you. I can carry all of them at the same time!"

So Timmy started loading those books on his back and had them to that school in no time at all! Tommy came back in just a few minutes with all of those swingsets on his back,

too. And then Timmy took the swingsets to the school one at a time. That was easy because the school wasn't very far away, now!



From then on, Timmy and Tommy became very good friends. They helped each other many, many times. And they often thought to themselves, "Helping someone else is nice! We helped each other even though we didn't know each other and look what happened! Each of us has a good friend. Our work is much easier. And together, there is nothing we can't do!

So the next time you pass by a train track and there is a train carrying books or swingsets and there is a big truck nearby, you will know who they are and what they are doing, won't you?

Good Night! ★★ ★

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Women's enrollment has schools courting males

By Laura Fasbach

(KRT)
HACKENSACK, N.J. — When Nicole Egnatowicz moved into her coed dorm at Ramapo College four years ago, it didn't take her long to notice there was something lacking — namely, men.

The scenario was similar in the classroom.

"If there were two guys in my class that was a lot," said the 22-year-old, who graduated in December with a degree in psychology.

Of Ramapo's 5,278 students, nearly 60 percent are women. But the Mahwah, N.J., campus is hardly unique.

At colleges across the country, the gender imbalance has been growing steadily for decades as women continue to outpace men in the pursuit of higher education.

Teen-age girls typically have better grades than their male counterparts, but college admissions officers say they can't stand idly by and watch the schools become mostly female bastions. And so, colleges are taking steps to reverse the trend — reaching out to high school boys through direct marketing and phone calls from recruiters and male professors.

Some universities are going even further. A few years ago, Wake Forest University in North Carolina began admitting more men to correct the gender imbalance, even though fewer males had applied. Among state universities, the University of Delaware says it some-

times lowers its expectations for promising boys who faltered in the ninth and 10th grades. And in a yet-to-be-released study, liberal arts colleges acknowledge admitting less-qualified boys to balance enrollment.

It wasn't always this way.

Consider that in 1951, 66 percent of the nation's college students were men. A half-century later, women made up 56 percent of the country's total college enrollment, according to the most recent figures from the National Center for Education Statistics. So does that mean your son could have an edge in the college application process, or that your daughter may be at a disadvantage? Yes. No. Maybe.

"In some cases we know if you are a male, you have a better chance," said Peggy Brennan, coordinator of guidance at Fort Lee (N.J.) High School, adding that the advantage would be greatest for colleges where the gender gap is the most dramatic.

College admissions officers said they are nervously watching the trend.

"There's a danger that a school faces once you go over 60 percent female or male," said Peter Goetz, a vice provost at Ramapo. "Students want diversity, and diversity starts with gender."

Some schools have worked to attract male students by adding programs that are typically of interest to them, such



KRT Photo/Carmine Galasso
At Ramapo College in Mahwah, N.J., male students are a distinct minority. The school is not unusual: The gender gap is a growing concern at colleges nationwide.

as business. Others, including Ramapo College, have thought about creating a football team to boost the male population.

In fact, at Penn State University, which boasts an elite football program, 53 percent of students are men. With all due respect to coach Joe Paterno, one school official said men outnumber women because of the popularity of the school's engineering and science programs.

"As women move into those fields, the gap is narrowing," said John Romano, vice provost and dean of enrollment management, adding that the Nittany Lions have as many rabid female fans as male fans.

At the University of Delaware, where women constitute 58 percent of the student body, administrators say they haven't lowered standards for male applicants outright, but they may be more lenient with high school boys.

"We see ups and downs in their academic records," said Louis Hirsh, director of admissions for the University of Delaware. "We try to be

Your financial plan is not complete without a will

by John Addison

Where there's a will, there's a way to manage your finances after you are gone. Creating a will may be the last thing on your to-do list, but if you have a family, it is one of the most important steps you can take to protect them.

In most cases, if you don't have a will:

- The state court can name the guardian for your children (most likely a family member).

- The court won't award anything to stepchildren you haven't adopted or charities you care about.

- Your unmarried life partner will inherit nothing.

A will puts you in the driver's seat, which is especially important if you have children. But two other documents are also important: a durable power of attorney and a living will. They ensure that your wishes will be carried out in the event that you become terminally ill or critically injured in an accident.

There are three essential documents you should consider when planning for your family's security. When crafted carefully and used in conjunction with a life insurance plan, these documents can provide maximum security for your family.

- Will: This is a legal document that dictates how to distribute your property after your death. If you don't have a

will, you die intestate (without a will), and your state law determines what happens to your estate and your minor children.

- Durable Power of Attorney: This names someone to manage your financial affairs if you become unable to do so.

- Living Will: This states your wishes about being kept alive by artificial means if you become terminally ill or seriously injured.

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After the holidays Indulging means hitting the gym

While I was out of state over the holidays, I read this great article about Yoga pants and how they helped this one lady feel that she was truly going to get in shape.



CHRISTY ALTON

She even went to a gym and tried to sign up for Yoga classes, explaining to the counter help: "I have these new Yoga pants."

The article was so hysterical and great that I almost wanted to try Yoga.

My mom-in-law said that she, too, got the same sense that she was going to do something when she donned her Yoga wear.

She said, "I get up, put on my Yoga pants and even get out my mat. And then, I don't do anything."

After consuming my fair share of roughly 42.8 pounds of candy (mostly chocolate), it's time for me to get back to the workout rooms of life.

Christmas cheer assailed me in great quantities while we were away and I ate at least

one of everything that I saw.

It started the minute I entered the portals of my husband's family's home.

There was a veritable feast of homemade cookies, fudge, boxed chocolates and snack foods.

Everything I ever learned from the flab-fighting club about restraint, restriction and reserve flew out the window.

French, Italian and American cuisine, com-

bined with freshly baked goodies, flowed freely and I got into the stream with a 55-gallon bucket.

Four extra pounds later, it's time for some resolve.

Some resolutions. Just like the lady with her Yoga britches, I, too, will be hitting the gym.

Christy Alton works full time, is mother of two and married to her park ranger, Ron.

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Howard rodeo sets fund-raiser
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CGA announces second meeting
The Chicopee Association is holding another national meeting on Monday, Feb. 14, at 7 p.m. at the Bowlerama I. For more information, contact Pineda at 263-7827.

Garnett, res lead Wolves
MINNEAPOLIS — Kevin Garnett points at rebounds, and ups came up for Minnesota's 83 victory over the Reserves. Sczerbiak and Eddie Griffin points, 10 and Fred Ho points) Minnesota victory straight.
Chauncey 22 points rebounds, assists against the many used to play Pistons during fourth straight despite a 51-pointing edge.
They were two starting players: LeBron James and Richard Hamilton out with a bruise to his thigh, and Prince and his ankle early quarter return.
On the possession missed through that would overturn them were though Wallace's buzzer the rim.

Tar Heel past No. 1
CHAPEL HILL — Ivory Latta with a key made two in the final lead North Carolina victory Monday top-ranked in the nation winning games.
The Blue Devils led to just points, go game with Currie scored 24 in a span late. But it was Latta Carolina Atlantic Conference points, and and Atkinson apiece as ended a 10 streak archrival (18-2, 4-1). It was for North 20 tries ranked to

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Howard rodeo team sets fund-raiser

The Howard College rodeo team has set up a third-annual fund-raiser for Thursday, Feb. 3, and Friday, Feb. 4.

The event will start at 1 p.m. and take place on the campus of Howard College and throughout the community.

CGA announces second meeting

The Chicano Golf Association will be holding another organizational meeting Monday.

The meeting will take place at 7 p.m. in the meeting room at Bowlerama Lanes.

For more information, contact Billy Pineda at 264-7116.

Garnett, reserves lead Wolves to win

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Kevin Garnett had 22 points and nine rebounds, and the backups came up big again for Minnesota in an 86-83 victory over Detroit.

Reserves Wally Szczerbiak (15 points), Eddie Griffin (14 points, 10 rebounds) and Fred Hoiberg (nine points) helped Minnesota win its third straight.

Chauncey Billups had 22 points, nine rebounds, and six assists against one of the many teams he used to play for, but the Pistons dropped their fourth straight game despite a 51-36 rebounding edge.

They were missing two starting perimeter players: Leading scorer Richard Hamilton sat out with a bruised right thigh, and Tayshaun Prince hurt his left ankle early in the first quarter and didn't return.

On the game's final possession, Detroit missed three 3-pointers that would have sent it to overtime. None of them were great looks, though Rasheed Wallace's attempt at the buzzer bounced off the rim.

Tar Heel women get past No. 1 Duke

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Ivory Latta came up with a key rebound and made two free throws in the final seconds to lead No. 12 North Carolina to a 56-51 victory Monday night over top-ranked Duke, ending the nation's longest winning streak at 16 games.

The Blue Devils, limited to just 13 first-half points, got back in the game when Monique Currie scored 17 of her 24 in a 5 1/2-minute span late in the game. But it wasn't enough.

Latta led North Carolina (15-3, 3-2 Atlantic Coast Conference) with 13 points, and Nikita Bell and La'Tangela Atkinson added 12 apiece as the Tar Heels ended a 12-game losing streak against the archrival Blue Devils (18-2, 4-1).

It was the first win for North Carolina in 20 tries against a top-ranked team.

Howard men record crushing victory

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

It took a while for Howard's men's basketball team to get the offense rolling Monday, but that didn't stop them from cruising to a 36-point win over rival New Mexico Junior College.

All five starters scored at least 12 points each and a slow start resulted in an 83-47 pasting of the rival Thunderbirds.

The win improves Howard's overall record to 15-3. The Hawks are now 2-1 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play and 2-0 inside the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

"Our gameplan going into the game was to play better defense than we did against Clarendon the other night and I think we did that," said Howard coach Mark Adams. "Our focus was on ourselves tonight."

The two teams combined for nine points through the first five minutes as second chance putbacks failed to go in the basket for both teams.

Sophomore Munir Shakir's putback with 10:00 to play in the first half gave Howard an 8-6 lead and they didn't look back after that.

The Hawks' biggest lead of the first half came with



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Howard College sophomore Munir Shakir takes the ball to the rim against New Mexico Junior College Monday. The Hawks won by 36 points and Shakir scored 15 points.

6 seconds to go as freshman Rashad Mintz got fouled, hit a free throw and gave his team a 19-point halftime advantage.

Adams said the season's largest crowd helped his team overcome the slow start.

"The crowd was a huge factor," added Adams. "It

helped us and intimidated the Thunderbirds.

"We had a lot of stuff going on at the coliseum tonight and that played a role in the amount of fans we had. I think a lot of people wanted to come out and support Harold Davis."

Davis was introduced in

between games by Howard College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks for being inducted into the newly formed WJCAC Hall of Fame. Davis was Howard's "first athletic director and men's basketball coach. The school also named the court in his name.

Much of the crowd would be gone before the final buzzer in this one, however, as Howard kept the pressure on in the second half.

The Hawks scored five straight baskets from inside the lane at one point. The final one came from freshman Ousmane Bangoura, which put Howard up 64-30.

Freshman Brandon Sampay and Mintz finished off the Thunderbirds late as Sampay threw down a dunk and Mintz connected on a layup at the buzzer.

Five players reached double figures for Howard. Freshman Charles Burgess finished two assists shy of a triple-double as he went for 20 points, 11 rebounds, eight assists and three steals. However, he made just four of nine shots from the foul line.

Freshman James Barrett also captured a double-double with 12

points and 10 rebounds. Sampay added 12 points and nine rebounds, while Mintz and Shakir added 12 and 15 points, respectively.

"It is a good sign to see balanced scoring across the board," said Adams. "Everyone has got to contribute because we don't have any superstars on this team."

The injury bug continued to hurt Howard Monday, however, as two more players suffered injuries.

Freshmen Louis Rodgers and Dezmon Harris both sustained hip injuries in the game, joining already injured freshman Dwayne Abraham.

"Louis' could be serious and we will have X-rays done (today)," said Adams. "Dwayne is still recovering from a possible stress fracture but he is questionable for Thursday's game."

No one reached double figures for New Mexico Junior College as the 'Birds were led by Jay Blythe's nine points.

Jeremiah Vitalis, Carl Washington and Chris Seaborn all scored six points.

Howard will host New Mexico Military Institute Thursday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum

Hawk women lose early lead, fall at home to T-Birds

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

The inability to rebound and take care of the ball plagued the Howard College women's basketball team Monday against rival New Mexico Junior College. The Hawk women committed 21 turnovers and gave up several second chance opportunities to the Thunderbirds and lost their third straight Western Junior College Athletic Conference game, falling 68-61.

"We shot ourselves in the foot with the turnovers," said assistant coach Eric Rodewald. "We had a crucial turnover at the end of the half that made a difference in the end result. The problem with the turnovers is that most of them were forced and those are the ones we can't afford to have."

Both teams started slow offensively and with 7:30 to play until halftime, the game was tied 15-15. However, Howard (11-10, 0-3) used a 10-0 run late in the half to grab a nine-point lead and eventually took a seven point advantage into the locker room at halftime.

"Both teams came out stagnant," said Rodewald.

"We struggled early because we couldn't get Latoya (Fairley) any post touches and she really needs to touch the ball on every possession.

"We were able to grab the lead because we had a nice inside outside game. And if we move on our motion offense it works pretty well. We didn't have a lot of movement early on."

Fairley, who is the nation's fifth best scorer at 21 points per game, didn't score her first basket until just past the midway point in the first half.

The inability to not get the ball inside required the women to take more 3-point shots and they didn't fall like they had hoped.

The team's three best shooters — sophomores Ciara Tidwell and Jessica Shusteric and freshman Jennifer Pena — went a combined five-for-15 from behind the 3-point line. However, the trio made just 13 of 37 shots total in the game.

"Overall as a team we are getting better," said Rodewald. "We have to learn how to seize the moment. We have to make things go our way when the opportunity is there."



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Howard College women's basketball coach Earl Diddle shouts out instruction during a timeout Monday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The Hawk women lost to rival New Mexico Junior College, 68-61. They dropped to 0-3 in WJCAC Conference play.

Howard did not do that Monday.

The Hawks held a double-digit lead in the second half before the Thunderbirds used the long range shot to get back into the game.

New Mexico cut its deficit to 42-40 and eventually took the lead by one point with 12:10 to go in the game.

The game remained close for the next five minutes, but New Mexico captured a six-point lead

with 6:00 to go.

Howard cut lead to five with 30 seconds to play, but wouldn't get closer.

Tidwell led Howard with 15 points, seven rebounds, three steals and three assists, while Fairley finished with 17 points, seven rebounds and two blocks.

Pena added 17 points and four assists. Shusteric dished out a team-high six assists and pulled down four rebounds.

New Mexico Junior College had four players reach double-figures led by Rebecca Miles' 15 points. Psyche Butler added 13 points while Asha West and Whitney Stephenson each scored 11. They both hit five 3-pointers combined.

The women's next game will be Monday in Odessa as the Hawks look to capture their first conference win against Odessa College. The game starts at 6 p.m.

Francis' return to Houston spoiled by McGrady-less Rockets

By JOEL ANDERSON
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — Yao Ming had 22 points and 10 rebounds, Jon Barry scored 19 and the Houston Rockets beat the Orlando Magic 89-78 Monday night despite playing without leading scorer Tracy McGrady.

The Rockets won their third straight and completed a two-game season sweep of the Magic in five

days, proving that — at least for now — they got the better of the summer blockbuster trade that fetched McGrady, Juwan Howard and two other players.

McGrady, who scored 27 points in a win at Orlando Thursday, wasn't around for the rematch because of a medical emergency in his family. Team officials weren't sure where he was going or how long he

would be away.

Barry picked up the scoring slack with a season-high point total off the bench and Bob Sura added 15 points, 11 rebounds and seven assists, helping the Rockets move a season-best four games over .500 (23-19).

Playing in Houston for the first time since the trade, Magic guard Steve Francis had a bittersweet

homecoming.

He received a brief standing ovation during pregame introductions, but those cheers turned to a smattering of boos as the game went along.

Francis had 23 points, 10 rebounds and seven assists but also committed seven turnovers — basically the same kind of uneven performance that made him a fan favorite but caused him problems

in Rockets coach Jeff Van Gundy's methodical offense.

The Rockets didn't miss a beat without McGrady, getting five players to score in double figures.

Houston took an early lead and held the Magic to a franchise-low 27 points in the first half, aided greatly by Francis' terrible start — two points on 1-for-8 shooting and three turnovers.

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No. 1 Federer takes out ageless Agassi in Australian Open

• **Serena Williams to rematch Russian phenom in Semifinals**

By **PAUL ALEXANDER**

Associated Press Writer
MELBOURNE, Australia — In a matchup worthy of a final, defending champion Roger Federer was graceful and at his relentless best in beating four-time winner Andre Agassi 6-3, 6-4, 6-4 on Tuesday to advance to the semifinals of the Australian Open.

The top-ranked Federer extended his winning streak to 26 matches with a dazzling array of stinging winners from the baseline, crisp volleys and 22 aces that often left the quick Agassi flat-footed and the sellout crowd applauding.

"He just outplayed me," Agassi said. "He was too good. I would suggest to his next opponent that he doesn't look to me for advice."

The 34-year-old Agassi, who came into the season-opening Grand Slam in perhaps the best shape of his life to be ready for matches like this, survived a record 51 aces in his fourth-round victory over Joachim Johansson by exploiting the few chances he got.

But one of the game's best counter-punchers never could find a real weakness to exploit against Federer's all-around game.

"I wanted tonight to be memorable. But it's one I'd probably prefer to forget," Agassi said. "I never got my teeth into it. And when I don't get my teeth into a match, I can look pretty ordinary."

With both players painting the lines and punishing ordinary shots, Federer broke for a 4-2 lead in the first set when Agassi, trying to put a little extra on a second serve, double-faulted.

Then, as he did again and again while winning three Grand Slam events last year, Federer found an extra gear when he needed it. The Swiss star saved four break points — two with aces — while serving for the set in a game that went to deuce six times. A third ace gave Federer his third set point, and he turned a good service return from Agassi into a backhand winner down the line.

"I have no secrets," a smiling Federer said. "It's like roulette. I always pick the right numbers."

Federer then broke Agassi in the first game of each of the next two sets and fended off the charismatic American's only other break point, in the fourth game of the second set, with a pair of service winners sandwiched around an ace.

With the crowd urging Agassi to extend the match, Federer finished it off with a serve that Agassi lunged for but could only dump into the net.

Asked how he made it look so easy, Federer said: "First of all, a good start always helps, especially against Andre. I really served well the whole match."

Federer next faces fourth-seeded Marat Safin, who he beat in last year's final. But while Safin was exhausted then after playing six grueling matches that took more than 18 hours, he's been on the court only 10 1/2 hours through five matches so far, including

90 minutes Tuesday to beat No. 20 Dominik Hrbaty 6-2, 6-4, 6-2.

The other semifinal matchup will be determined Wednesday when second-ranked Andy Roddick faces No. 26 Nikolay Davydenko and No. 3 Lleyton Hewitt meets No. 9 David Nalbandian.

Playing under a broiling sun that led tournament officials to close the roofs on the two show courts after their matches, fourth-seeded Sharapova and No. 7 Williams won Tuesday to set up a semifinal meeting at the Australian Open. It will be a rematch of last year's Wimbledon final, when the 17-year-old Sharapova won her first Grand Slam title.

Sharapova's victory gave Russia at least one slot in both the men's and women's semis.

Williams' toughest time came after she beat second-seeded Amelie Mauresmo 6-2, 6-2. She bristled when she was asked whether her and sister Venus' skills — they have combined for 10 Grand Slam singles titles — are declining, and whether she needs to win this tournament to prove they aren't.

"I'm tired of not saying anything, but that's not fair," Williams snapped. "We've been practicing really hard. We've had some serious injuries."

Her voice catching, she also said the shooting death of another sister in September 2003 has been a distraction.

"We have a very, very, very, very, very close family," Williams said. "To be in some situation that we've been placed in the past little over a year, it's not easy to come out and just perform at your best when you realize there are so many things that are so important."

"We're not declining. I don't have to win this tournament to prove anything. I know that I'm one of the best players out here."

She certainly looked to be against Mauresmo, who claimed she was only at 50 percent after tweaking the thigh that she wrapped for every match to try to avoid a recurrence of a muscle strain.

Mauresmo, one of the fittest players on the women's tour, has been plagued by injuries and withdrew from the Australian last year before her quarterfinal match with a back muscle strain.

Williams, who won the Australian championship in 2003 but didn't defend it last year because of a knee problem, took 71 minutes and hit 23 sizzling winners to beat Mauresmo, who had 27 unforced errors.

"I feel great," said Williams, who was downcast Sunday after what she considered a bad performance in her fourth-round victory. "I played really well."

Williams vowed to be more relaxed this time against Sharapova, who appeared on the verge of collapse in beating U.S. Open winner Svetlana Kuznetsova 4-6, 6-2, 6-2.

The players took a 10-minute break between the second and third sets. During the changeovers, they put ice packs and wet towels on their necks. Each constantly took shelter between points in small patches of shade at the ends of the court.



AP PHOTOGRAPH BY CORINNE DUBOUIL/CAMELEON VIA AP/WIDEWORLD
Russia's Maria Sharapova beat Italy's Sylvia Farina 6-0, 6-2 during the fourth round of the Australian Open in Melbourne, Australia Sunday. She defeated No. 6 Svetlana Kuznetsova Monday and will now face Serena Williams in the semifinals, which will be a rematch of last year's Wimbledon final.

Talks resume today on NHL lockout, hope to save 2005

By **IRA PODELL**

AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The NHL and the players' association are taking another shot at saving the hockey season, which has seemingly been on the brink of cancellation for weeks.

After a two-day meeting last week — initiated by Vancouver Canucks center Trevor Linden — that produced no tangible progress toward a labor agreement, the league invited the union back to the negotiating table Monday.

The sides agreed as late as last Thursday that philosophical differences remain, yet the same small group of negotiators that met last week in Chicago and Toronto will get together again Wednesday in Toronto.

"The league contacted our office to arrange for continued small-group discussions. We agreed to this request," players' association senior director Ted Saskin said Monday.

Just like last week, these talks will go on without NHL commissioner Gary Bettman or union chief Bob Goodenow.

The sides had hoped to sit down in secrecy, but word of where and when the meeting would take place got out quickly — just like last week.

"We both believe that the process now will be better served by a less-public approach," Daly said.

The lockout reached its 131st day Monday, and has already forced the cancellation of 699 regular-season games.

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BY HOLIDAY MATHIS The full moon in creative Leo cheers on the spirit of play. One definition for the word "creative" comes from the Encarta World Dictionary: making imaginative use of limited resources available. The full moon pours forth possibilities.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You rank -- it's obvious to everyone around you. There's a man in your realm who desperately wants your respect. You may have to walk cautiously through his place to avoid stepping on the names he'll drop.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The social arena begs for your input. You have something magical to add. You'll need fodder to start the conversation, though, so delve into the day's headlines for some icebreakers.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Friends could mistake you for their therapist. At a certain point, you have to draw the line, or your energy is sucked into the void of unsolvable problems.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Loved ones require your understanding more than ever. So what if you feel under-rehearsed or out of your league? Don't let fear stop you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Someone is putting on a performance meant to impress you or win your business. You'll probably be overwhelmed by your experience, but you can see the potential for growth there, too.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You may feel alone on your

path, but you're not. You've got key people on your side. What you know, you know well. You'll find love while learning about what you don't know.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The puzzles you face today are exactly the kind you usually figure out quickly - except these problems have no foreseeable solution, and you must act on faith. Accept that frustration is a normal part of business.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The one you're interested in will never know unless you make a noticeable effort. Be funny. Risk being embarrassed. Tonight, quality family time makes you feel centered, connected and whole.

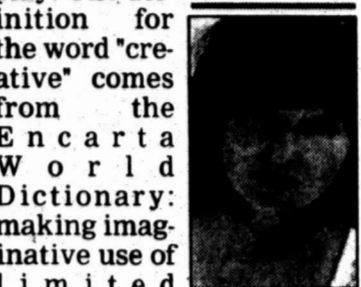
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You understand the importance of building and maintaining your own life. You know better than to look to someone else to provide it for you. As the song goes, "God bless the child that's got his own."

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Concern about doing the wrong thing will undermine the integrity of your creative life. Be bold, even outrageous.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). All things seem possible, even the impossible ones. You don't mind at all that love relationships ebb and flow; respect is what you're after, and you get it by giving it. Sagittarius is favored for love.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Killer career choices involve more than doing what you think will move you up the ladder. Delivering something totally unique is the secret to success. If others are already doing it, you shouldn't.

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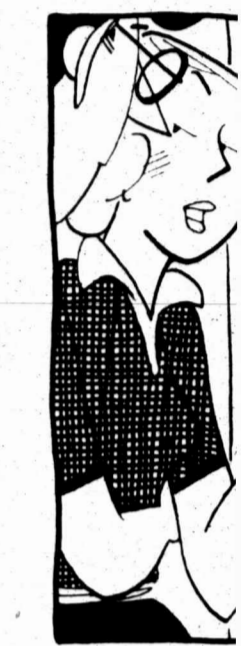


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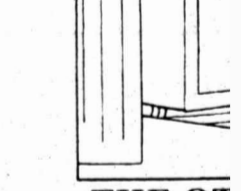
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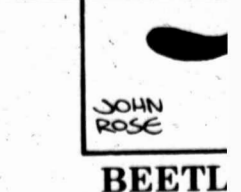
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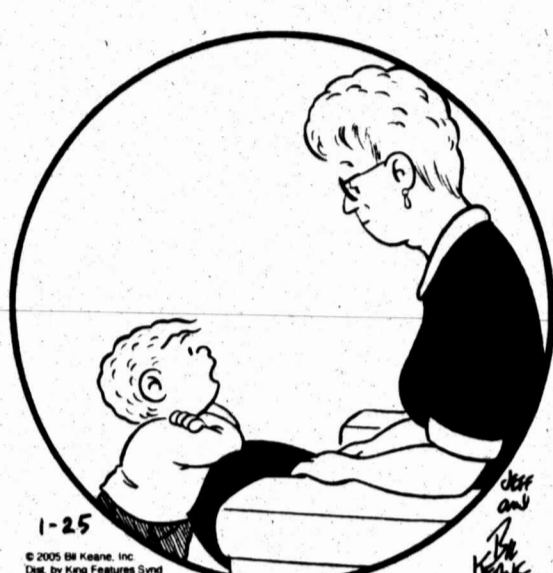
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS



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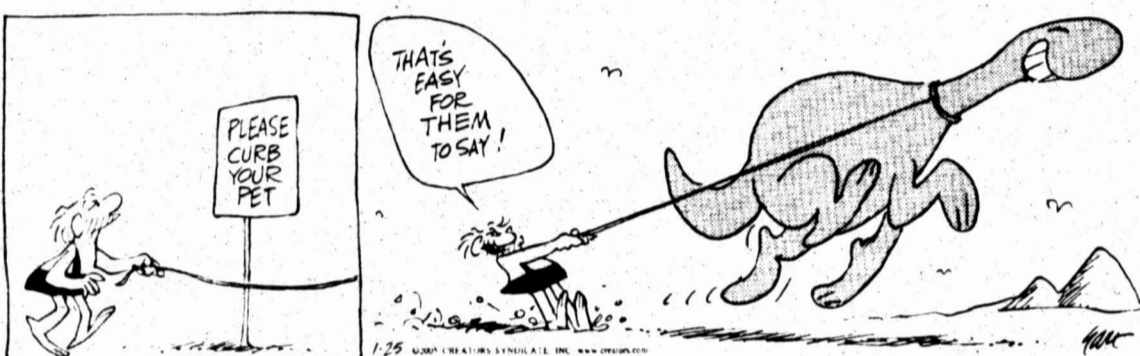
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 25, the 25th day of 2005. There are 340 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 25, 1959, American Airlines opened the jet age in the United States with the first scheduled transcontinental flight of a Boeing 707.

On this date: In 1787, Shays' Rebellion suffered a setback when debt-ridden farmers led by Capt. Daniel Shays failed to capture an arsenal at Springfield, Mass.

In 1890, reporter Nellie Bly (Elizabeth Cochran) of the New York World completed a round-the-world journey in 72 days, six hours and 11 minutes.

In 1890, the United Mine Workers of America was founded.

In 1915, the inventor of the telephone, Alexander Graham Bell, inaugurated U.S. transcontinental telephone service.

In 1946, the United Mine Workers rejoined the American Federation of Labor.

In 1947, American gangster Al Capone died in Miami Beach, Fla., at age 48.

In 1961, President Kennedy held the first presidential news conference carried live on radio and television.

In 1971, Charles Manson and three female followers were convicted in Los Angeles of murder and conspiracy in the 1969 slayings of seven people, including actress Sharon Tate.

In 1981, the 52 Americans held hostage by Iran for 444 days arrived in the United States.

In 1990, actress Ava Gardner died in London at age 67.

Ten years ago: The defense gave its opening statement in the O.J. Simpson trial in Los

Angeles, saying Simpson was the victim of a "rush to judgment" by authorities who had mishandled evidence and ignored witnesses.

Birthdays: Journalist-author Edwin Newman is 86. The former president of Georgia, Eduard Shevardnadze, is 77. Actor Dean Jones is 74. The former president of the Philippines, Corazon Aquino, is 72. Blues singer Etta James is 67. Movie director Tobe Hooper is 62. Actress Leigh Taylor-Young is 61. Actress Jennifer Lewis is 48. Actress Dinah Manoff is 47. R&B singer Kina is 36.

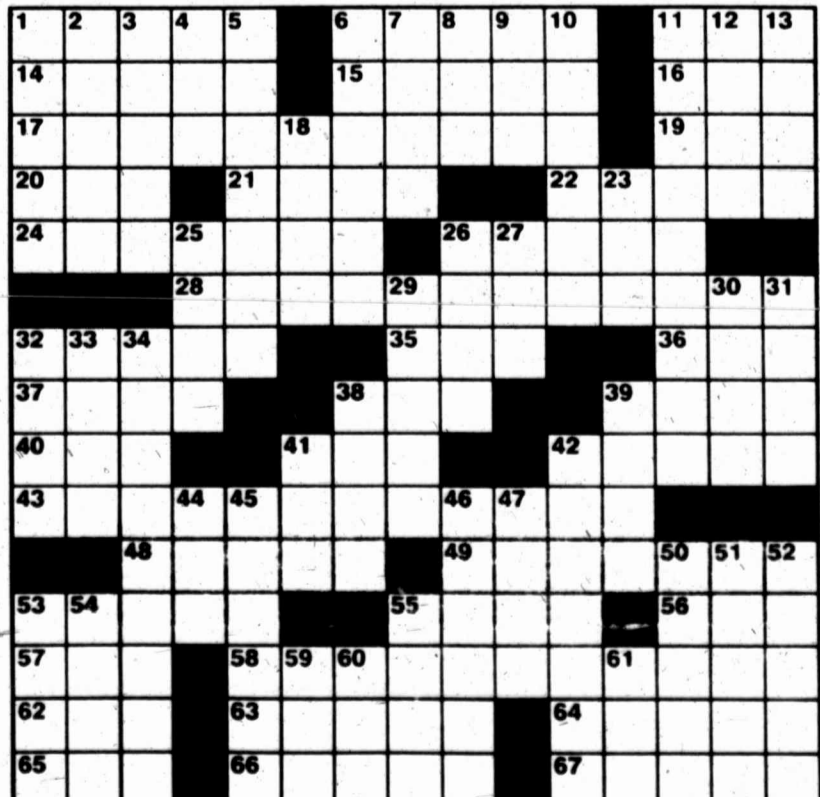
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Newsday Crossword

BELOW THE BELT by Gail Grabowski
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- ACROSS
- 1 Girl's garment
- 6 Glasgow residents
- 11 Boxer's punch
- 14 Spooky
- 15 Sports complex
- 16 GI show sponsor
- 17 Skimpy summer garments
- 19 Bashful
- 20 Young goat
- 21 Defrost
- 22 Fills completely
- 24 Pittsburgh footballer
- 26 Shave, as a sheep
- 28 Capri-style garments
- 32 Control the car
- 35 Have lunch
- 36 Pasture
- 37 Traditional knowledge
- 38 P.O. box item
- 39 Rather and Marino
- 40 Boxer Muhammad
- 41 "I kid ___ not"
- 42 ___ sense (ESP)
- 43 Some trousers
- 48 Country singer Patsy
- 49 Sunbather's goal, perhaps
- 53 Weight monitor
- 55 Dust particle
- 56 Go quickly
- 57 Heavy weight
- 58 Flared-leg garments
- 10 Talks back to
- 11 "Hey, calm down!"
- 12 Tennis champ Arthur
- 13 Young men
- 18 Storage building
- 23 Ooh and ___
- 25 Fencing blade
- 26 Practice in the ring
- 27 Makeshift shelter
- 29 Slow down, as rainfall
- 30 Tenant's expense
- 31 Window part
- 32 Smack
- 33 Turmpike fee
- 34 Waterway opened in 1825
- 38 Miner's strike
- 39 Floppy ___
- 41 Longing
- 42 Lengthen, as a rubber band
- 44 ___ in the Family
- 45 Man's jewelry clasp
- 46 Pueblo homes
- 47 Global alliance
- 50 Rosebush sticker
- 51 Pointed (at)
- 52 Robins' homes
- 53 Peony part
- 54 Apple center
- 55 French miss: Abbr.
- 59 Self-image
- 60 Facial feature
- 61 Mai ___



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By BETTY DEBNAM

A Modern Heroine

Rosa Parks

Sometimes one simple act of courage can change the world. Fifty years ago, on Dec. 1, 1955, Rosa Parks, a black woman in Montgomery, Ala., got tired of dealing with prejudice. She fought back with dignity and without violence. She set in motion a series of events that helped change laws that discriminated against African-Americans.

Segregation

Rosa Parks grew up in a world where laws forced black and white people to live separately from each other. In the mid-1900s in the South, black people were not allowed the same privileges as white people. This was called segregation. Black people could not share the same swimming pools, movie seats or restaurants. Black children could not even go to the same schools that white children attended.

Riding the bus

On public buses, the first 10 seats were usually reserved for white people. If more white people wanted to sit, black passengers had to move to the back of the bus.

Sometimes drivers made black people enter, pay their fares, then get off and come in again through the back door.

Sometimes the bus drivers took off before these passengers could reboard.



Rosa Parks (right) and E.D. Nixon, former president of the Alabama NAACP (a group working for black people's rights), arrive at court for the trial of those involved in the bus boycott on March 19, 1956.

Fighting against injustice

By the 1950s many people were trying to change the segregation laws. Rosa Parks was one of those people.

This took a lot of courage. People fighting against discrimination were threatened, beaten, arrested, and sometimes even killed. Some homes were even bombed.

Refusing to take it anymore

On Dec. 1, 1955, Rosa Parks decided she would not give up her seat to a white passenger.

She said later that she was tired of suffering the indignities of racism. She had too much self-respect to allow people to keep treating her this way.

She was arrested. Her arrest triggered a boycott of the buses in Montgomery. Black people refused to ride the buses until the laws were changed.

Black churches encouraged people to join the boycott. A young minister, Martin Luther King Jr., was asked to lead it.

The boycott continued for 381 days and almost bankrupted the city bus company.

On Nov. 13, 1956, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the segregation laws were unconstitutional. They ordered the city to end segregation on the buses.

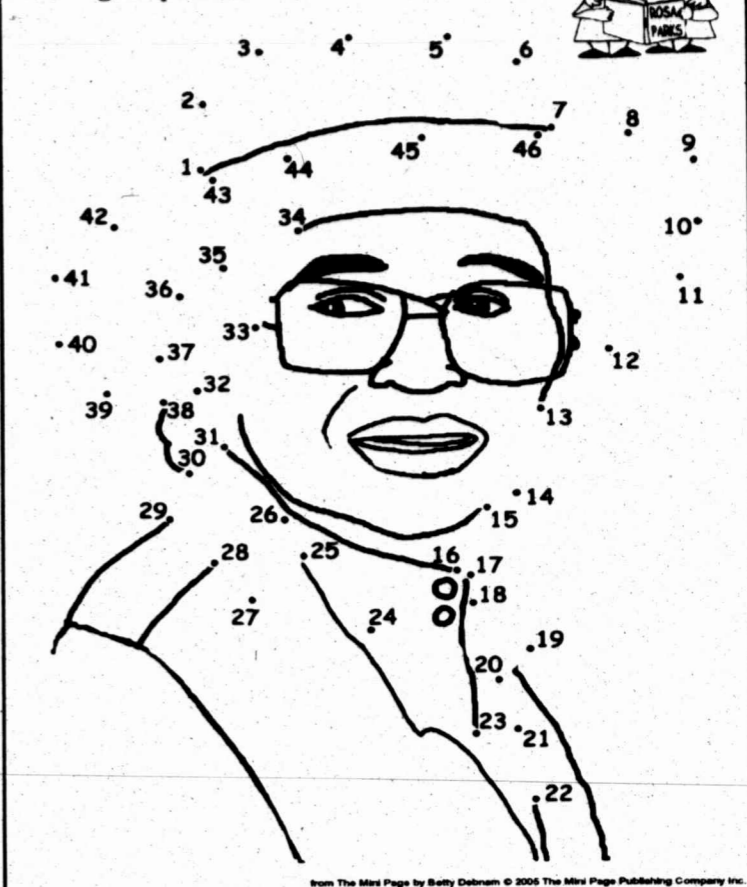
But the boycott continued for about a month more. Dr. King and other black leaders would not agree to end the boycott until the city actually started obeying the law and ended the segregation.



Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.



Go dot to dot and color this civil rights pioneer.



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**Rookie Cookie's Recipe
Bacon and Cheese Grits**

You'll need:

- 1 cup milk
- 1 cup chicken broth
- 1/2 cup grits, instant
- 1/4 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese

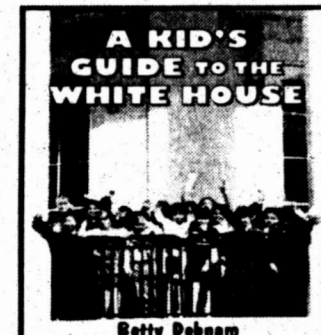
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- dash of pepper
- 4 slices bacon



What to do:

1. In a medium pot, stir milk and chicken broth and bring to a boil.
2. Add grits, reduce heat to medium, and stir until soft.
3. Remove grits from heat and add cheese, salt and pepper.
4. Place bacon on a plate and cook on high in a microwave oven for 3 minutes.
5. When cool, crumble bacon and sprinkle over grits. Serve in bowls. Makes 4 servings.

You will need an adult to help with this recipe.



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**Gus Goodsport's Report
Supersport: Michael Vick**

Height: 6-0 Birthdate: 6-26-80
Weight: 215 Hometown: Newport News, Va.
The Atlanta Falcons are delighted to have Michael Vick, and they intend to keep the dazzling quarterback a long time. Team officials recently rewarded the former Virginia Tech star with a 10-year contract.

Vick is a quarterback with a different style. He baffles opponents with an amazing combination of passing and running skills.

Though rich and famous now, Vick, who grew up in a modest Newport News neighborhood, remains a humble hero who helps the less fortunate. For example, this past Christmas he donated money and gifts to an Atlanta children's home.

"Down to earth" is the way one team official describes him. But on the football field, this talented Falcon flies high.

Meet Jamie Foxx

Jamie Foxx, 38, is a comedian and an actor. He was born in Terrell, Texas, and was raised by his grandparents. He was a Boy Scout and the quarterback for his high school football team.

Jamie has always loved music. He was playing the piano when he was 3, and as a young boy sang in the church choir. In college he studied music, and he made an album in 1994.

Jamie could always make people laugh. His second-grade teacher would reward the class for good behavior by having him tell jokes. When he was 22, a friend dared him to perform onstage at a comedy club. From this he landed parts on TV shows.

Jamie has had roles in several movies, including "Toys," "Any Given Sunday" and "Ali." He is the star of the movie "Ray," based on the life of musician Ray Charles.

MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes

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

- Louis:** Why did the angry lady put a firecracker under the pancakes?
Kate: She wanted to blow her stack!
- Clive:** Did you hear about the boy who ate 500 pancakes?
Leah: How waffle!
- Foster:** What sport does a pancake compete in?
Ruby: Stack & field!

Basset Brown The News Hound's Rosa Parks TRY 'N FIND

Words that remind us of Rosa Parks are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: HEROINE, COURAGE, ALABAMA, BUS, BOYCOTT, DISCRIMINATE, LAW, SEGREGATION, COURT, KING, SEAMSTRESS, JAIL, CIVIL, RIGHTS, DETROIT, HONOR, NONVIOLENT, WORLD.

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Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and her friends are riding the bus to school. See if you can find:

- man in the moon
- slice of bread
- fish
- candy cane
- word MINI
- kite
- key
- ladder
- letter E
- letter C
- turtle
- muffin
- ruler
- canoe
- lips
- toothbrush
- strawberry
- letter B
- letter A

The Life of Rosa Parks

Rosa Parks as a child

Rosa McCauley was born in Tuskegee, Ala., in 1913. She moved with her family to Pine Level, Ala., when she was about 2 years old.

When she was 11, she enrolled in the Montgomery Industrial School for Girls. This school helped teach black girls skills to help them make it in the world. Rosa learned to sew there.

When she was in high school, her grandmother became ill. Rosa left school to care for her. Then her mother became sick and Rosa cared for her until she died.

Rosa finally finished high school when she was an adult.

Her adult years

She worked as a seamstress at the Montgomery Fair department store. She married Raymond Parks, a barber.

She became the secretary for the local chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, or the NAACP.

Becoming a public figure

After Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat to a white passenger, police locked her in jail. They refused even to let her make a phone call. When her friends tried to check on her, the guards wouldn't tell them where she was.

Eventually friends paid her bond and freed her from jail. When she went to court, she was convicted and fined \$14 and court costs.

Later she was arrested again, for supporting the bus boycott.



Next week The Mini Page celebrates Valentine's Day with a story about animal mates.

Look through your newspaper for stories about heroes.



Rosa Parks is shown here at her 75th birthday celebration. Many people refer to her as St. Rosa or Auntie Rosa. She is often called the "mother of the civil rights movement."

The Mini Page thanks Ray White, vice president, administration and finance, Troy University, Montgomery Campus, Ala., for overseeing the Rosa Parks Library and Museum, for help with this issue.

Site to see: www.tsum.edu/museum

After the boycott

Because of their support of the bus boycott, Rosa and Raymond Parks both lost their jobs. No one else in Montgomery would hire them.

They received many threats against them. Her husband suffered serious illnesses as a result of the stress.

They decided to move to Detroit, where her brother helped Raymond get a job in the auto industry. Later, Rosa worked for Congressman John Conyers.

Her husband died in 1977, when he was 74.

Her work lives on

Rosa Parks has always loved children. Much of her later work was focused on helping children and trying to give them a better future.

She and her husband helped found the Rosa and Raymond Parks Institute for Self-Development. It helps children from all over the world learn about nonviolent ways of standing up for their rights. It also helps these children achieve as much as they can in their own lives.

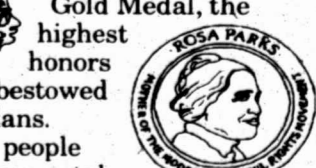
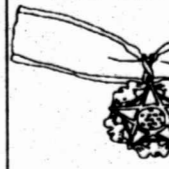
Honors

Because of her courageous acts, Rosa Parks is celebrated throughout the world. Leaders who have honored her include kings, world leaders and the pope.

She has received more than a dozen honorary doctorates from universities. Many mayors have given her the keys to their cities.

She was awarded the Medal of Freedom and the Congressional Gold Medal, the highest honors that can be bestowed on U.S. civilians.

In Japan, people gave her a rose-petal parade and lined the streets just to get a glimpse of her.



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