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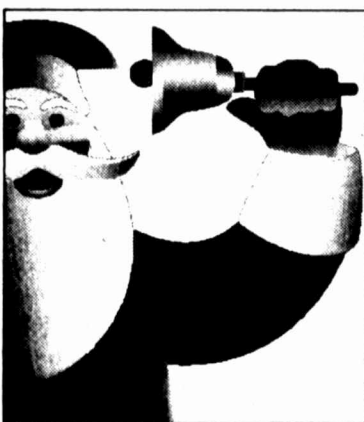
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Each day through the holiday season, the Herald will publish locations where you might help others less fortunate, including Salvation Army Angel Trees and Salvation Army Kettles.

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Salvation Army Kettles:

- Wal-Mart
- Rip Griffin's
- Big Spring Post Office
- Bealls For Her
- Cinema IV

Toys For Tots:

- Cellular One in the College Park Shopping through Dec. 14.

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Community Parade relies on plenty of cooperation, goodwill

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**
News Editor

Preparations for the 13th Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade are almost complete, with lineup information having been mailed to participants and schematics of the huge undertaking worked out.

"We rely on a lot of people to bring all this together, and I'm just thankful for their cooperation," said Mark Sheedy, Herald circulation manager, who is in charge of lining up the entries for Saturday's event.

Communication is a major part of

ensuring things go smoothly.

"The Big Spring Amateur Radio Club will be helping us relay information from the staging area to the judge's booth," said Sheedy. "Wal-Mart has been gracious enough to provide us with radios for communication within the staging area. That's crucial because when you are stretched out over a 17-block staging area, you have to be able to communicate."

Teens working off misdemeanor offenses will be helping line up the parade participants, as will Herald employees. They'll be wearing orange vests, furnished by the City of Big Spring.

Lee's Rentals has helped with signs which will be placed on U.S. Highway 87, letting truckers know they'll need to re-route along FM 700 to avoid the parade that evening.

Sheedy also pointed out that Lee's Rentals is an indication of the economic impact the parade has on the community — the local business has rented all of its generators for the parade.

"Maybe the biggest help we get is from Big Spring Police Department," said Sheedy. "They shut off Third and Fourth streets which is a major undertaking, and divert traffic from Gregg Street. And the Citizens Police Academy volunteers will be on side streets, helping us with

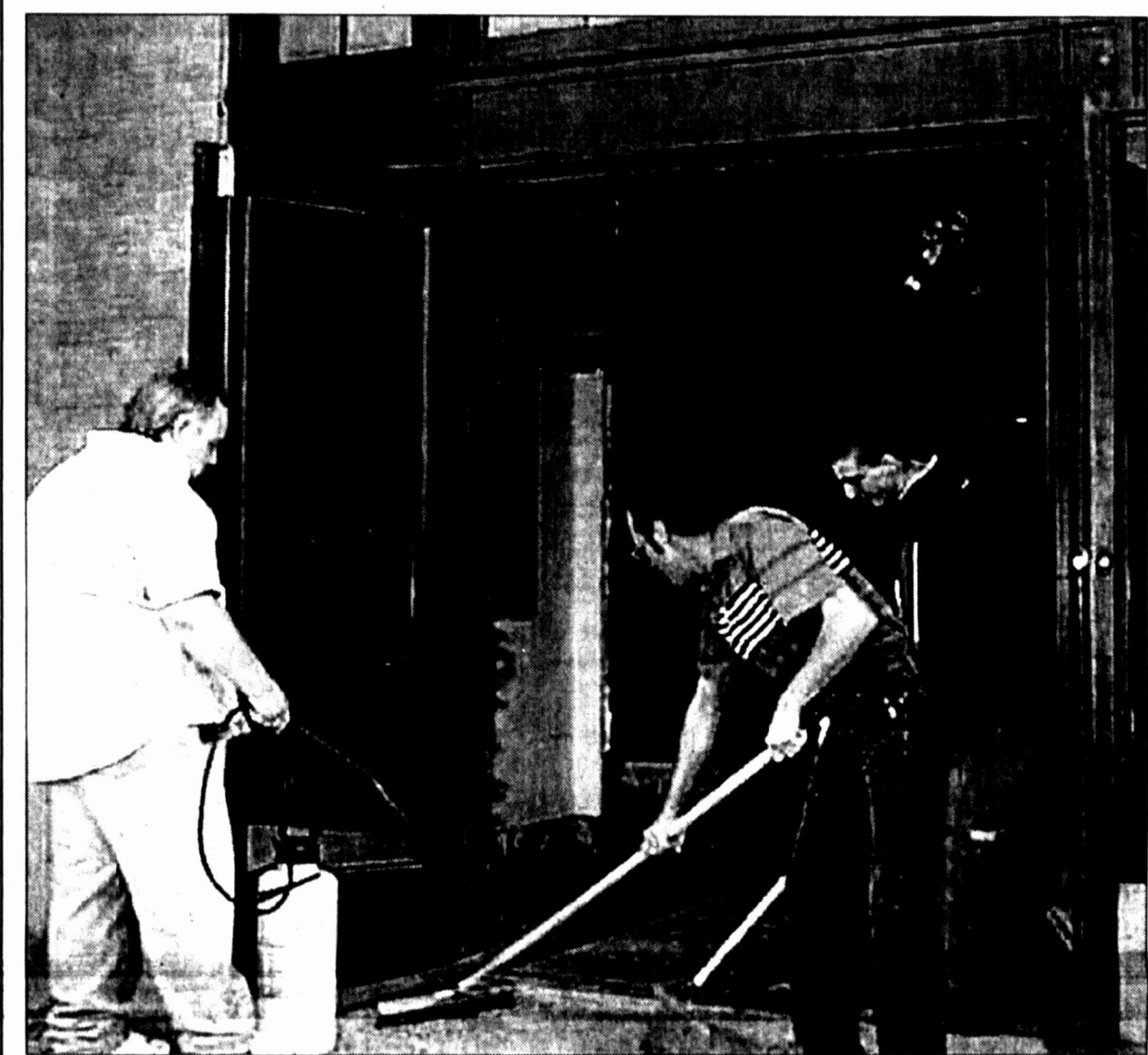
traffic there."

Sheedy also said thanks goes to the Jack Birdwell, superintendent at Comanche Trail Municipal Golf Course, who loaned two golf carts to help organizers get around, the Texas Department of Transportation for allowing Gregg Street to be closed during the event, and to KBST, which will be promoting the parade via live remote.

"Everyone who is involved in the parade has really been working together well," said Sheedy.

Participants are to be at the staging area no later than 4 p.m. The parade

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Expert Carpet Cleaning manager Billy Berry, employees Matt Hill and Tony Sneed donated their time, labor, and materials to help clean up the Settles for Saturday's Party After the Parade, which begins at 7 p.m. Organizations are being asked to rent booth space to sell food and drinks during the fundraiser. There will be live music and the building will be decorated for the holidays. Admission is free. To rent a booth, call Andi Andrews-York at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, 263-7641.

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Pact amended

First Bank of West Texas new lender of \$1.5 million as part of agreement with StarTek

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**
Staff Writer

A resolution approving \$2.3 million in loans to StarTek USA was amended by directors of Moore Development for Big Spring at an emergency meeting Wednesday afternoon.

"We needed to do this because we've got to get this deal done and on its way," said Kent Sharp, Moore's executive director.

The new lender of the loan, First Bank of West Texas, agreed to fund \$1.5 million at 8.25 percent interest for eight years, Sharp said.

Another \$800,000 was borrowed from the Howard County Industrial Foundation, with a repayment schedule set for seven years at about \$11,000 per month.

The \$2.3 million loan is part of an incentive agreement Moore made with StarTek USA to bring the high tech industry to



SHARP

Big Spring.

StarTek, which will operate a call center in a remodeled 30,000-square-foot building in College Park Shopping Center, has promised to add 200 jobs and a \$1.5 million annual payroll. Ultimately, the center will employ 450 people.

Sharp said he learned of StarTek's interest in locating a call center in Big Spring through a lead supplied from the Texas Department of Economic Development.

"We always hear that these leads do not work, but this one sure did for us," Sharp said.

Sharp went into negotiations with StarTek corporate officials in the spring, competing against at least 10 other cities to win the call center, and the economic growth for Big Spring.

An incentive package presented to StarTek was signed late last week, and included details of the loan, as well as other incentives Big Spring is able to provide the company.

StarTek will earn credit against the loan that amounts to a repayment schedule of \$1

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Friday first day to file for office in March party primaries

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**
News Editor

Filing for the March party primaries begins Friday, and with at least seven local offices up for election, as well as state representative, U.S. House and



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Senate seats and president, activity is expected at a speedy pace.

"They are predicting March 2000 elections to be a big one. They told us to be sure and order plenty of ballots. I hope they're right," said Donna Wright, county clerk, referring to the Secretary of State's Office.

Local office-seekers filing with the Republican Party should do so with GOP County

Chairman Dwain Fox. Those filing with the Democratic Party should see Chairman Rey Villarreal.

A good stop first, however might be the county clerk's office.

"They have to file designation of campaign treasurer," said Wright. "We have the forms for that. We also have the form to be placed on the ballot that they file with their party chairman, so they can pick those up here

at the same time."

Local offices up for election include the county sheriff's seat, held by Bill Jennings; the district attorney's seat, held by Hardy Wilkerson; county tax assessor-collector, held by Kathy Sales; county attorney, held by Mike Thomas; and the unexpired term of county treasurer, currently held by Teresa Thomas.

Two commissioner's seats are up: Precinct 1, occupied by

Emma Brown, and Precinct 3, held by William Crocker. Also up for election is the Justice of the Peace, held by Bennie Green.

All candidates are on the ballot as well, but may or may not draw a candidate. Constables draw no salary.

Of particular interest to Howard County residents will be the District 50 Texas House

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Public invited to VA Medical Center annual lighting ceremony Friday night

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**
Staff Writer

Christmas lights will twinkle atop the Veterans Administration Medical Center with a lighting ceremony set for 6 p.m. Friday, including the Peace



BROWN

on Earth display that was created locally to honor veterans serving in Desert Storm in 1991.

"I look forward to the lighting ceremony each year, this is truly a beautiful ceremony and brings a real feeling of Christmas," said VA Medical Center chief operating officer Cary Brown.

"This is a gift to our veterans and our staff, but we also think of this as a gift to our community, and we enjoy presenting this to the veterans and the

community each year," said Brown, who will flip the switch that lights the decorations Friday night.

All the Christmas lights were removed this summer due to the joint commission inspection, where the hospital received accreditation and top marks for their work and care of veterans.

However, the engineering staff has been working diligent

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AT-11's landing tense, but damage minor

HERALD Staff Report

Hangar Air Museum's latest exhibit — arriving in time for Saturday's lighting event at the airpark — narrowly avoided tragedy Wednesday when landing gear on an AT-11 apparently did not open.

"Nobody was hurt. The plane



REAGAN

sustained only minor damage," said Nelda Reagan, airpark manager.

"It was an incident that when the plane landed, the landing gear did not come down."

The plane was being delivered for display at the air museum, and arriving in time for Saturday's reception at the restored hangar.

Reagan said the plane had come to Big Spring from Breckenridge, but is not sure where its home base is located.

"It's a beautiful plane. This was the AT-11 that the Confederate Air Force in Midland had attempted to pur-

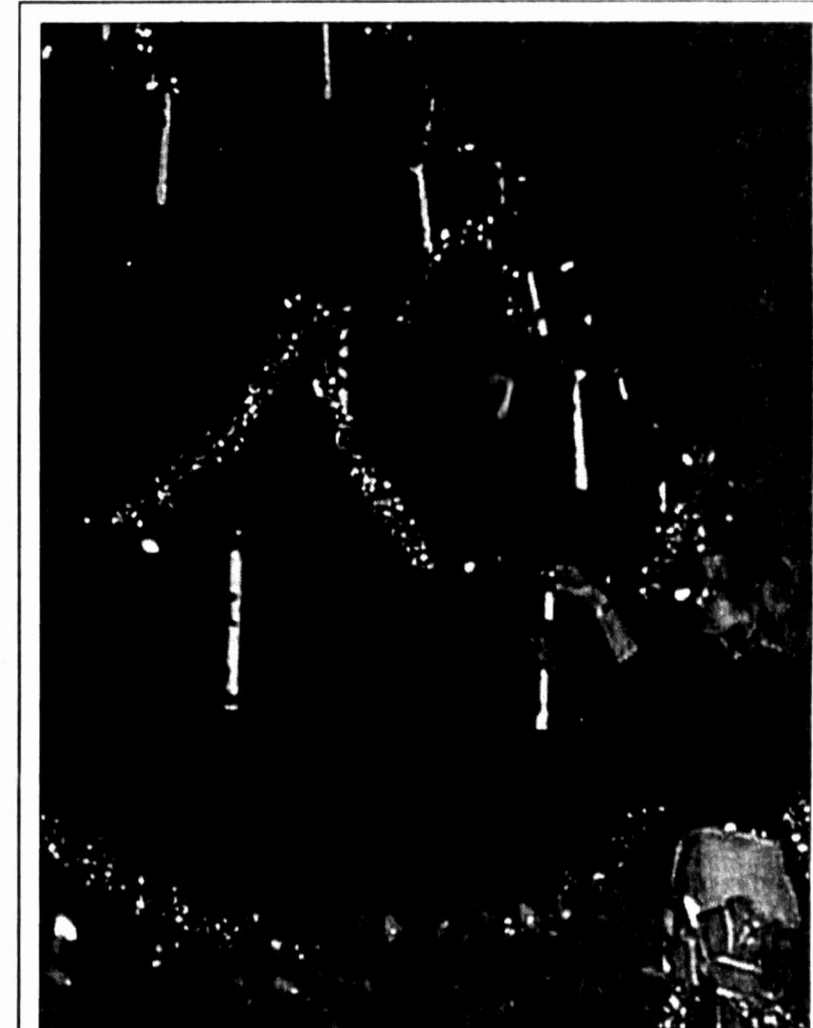
chase but was unable to acquire enough funding for," said Reagan.

She was not sure how long the plane will be on display at the hangar, but said a good time to see it will be Saturday evening.

"Right after the lighting of the spring we are hoping people come out to the hangar. We'll be serving coffee, punch, hot chocolate — all kinds of beverages. The hangar will be lit for Christmas."

"And now we have the AT-11. It's here. We're hoping people who have come out before will

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody
Sharon Johnston works on finishing touches of decorations for the Living Christmas Tree at First United Methodist Church. There are some free tickets left for Sunday night's performance of the annual holiday production; they can be picked up at the church office.

DECEMBER 2, 1999

OBITUARIES

Jerry L. Cain

Funeral service for Jerry L. Cain, 59, Wichita Falls, will be 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, 1999, at Sunnyside Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, with the Rev. Jim Daniels, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at Crestview Memorial Park under the direction of Hampton Vaughan Crestview Chapel.

Mr. Cain died Tuesday, Nov. 29, 1999, in Wichita Falls. He was born July 27, 1940, in Loraine. He married Linda Spratt on April 12, 1963, and attended school in Colorado City. He graduated from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth and served as pastor at churches in Stiles Community, Ozona, Wickett, McCamey, Mineral Wells and Wichita Falls.

Survivors include: his wife; one daughter, Sheri Speegle of San Diego, Calif.; a son, Nicky Cain of Garland; two sisters, Patricia Drabble of Texarkana, Ark., and Mary Smith of Fernley, Nev.; three grandchildren, a stepmother-in-law, Tommie Spratt of Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements are with Hampton Vaughan Funeral Homes of Wichita Falls.

Violet Johnson

Funeral service is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home for Violet Johnson, 70, of Big Spring. She died Wednesday at St. Mary's Regional Medical Center in Russellville, Ark., following a sudden illness.

Harold L. Hundley

Service is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home for Harold L. Hundley, 58. He died Thursday, Dec. 2, 1999, at a local hospital.

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begins at 5:15 p.m. and will travel north from FM 700 up to Gregg to Sixth Street, east to Main and north to Second Street.

The parade traditionally kicks off the Christmas season in Big Spring — with the illuminating of the lights at the Comanche Trail Festival of Lights scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Hangar 25 Air Museum will also be open after the parade with a reception and display of its special lights.

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24th & Johnson 267-8288

Ester Parras, 82, died Tuesday. Services were 2:00 PM. Today at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial in Mt. Olive Cemetery.

Violet Johnson, 70, died Wednesday. Services are pending.

Harold L. Hundley, 58, died Thursday. Services are pending.

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& WELCH
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James Dixon, 63, died Tuesday. Services were 1:00 PM Thursday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment followed at Trinity Memorial Park.

Melvin A. Brown, 62, died Tuesday. Services were 4:00 PM Thursday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment followed at Trinity Memorial Park.

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Also that evening, Friends of the Settles will have a dance at the Settles Building from 7 to 11 p.m. Admission to partygoers will be free.

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of Representatives race. That seat is currently held by David Counts. Equally of interest will be a race for U.S. Representative for the 17th District. Charlie Stenholm holds that position.

A U.S. Senator's seat — this one held by Kay Bailey Hutchison — will also be up for election in March.

Candidate filing ends Jan. 3. The primary is March 14. Fox has an office at 1101 Main St. and can be reached at 263-2199. Villarreal, principal at Marcy Elementary, can be reached in the evenings at 263-5322.

Anyone who has not registered to vote in the primary, or who has moved and needs to renew their voter's registration information, has until Feb. 14 to do so at the county clerk's office.

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ly to replace those lights, and all the traditional favorites will return, including the giant star with lighted streamers to the ground, and the Peace on Earth sign.

"In 1991, one of our engineering employees built the Peace on Earth display and it was placed on top of the building. At that time, we declared the Peace on Earth display honoring our Desert Storm troops would shine until the crisis in Desert Storm ended," said Iva Jo Hanslik, acting chief of community relations.

Hanslik said the Peace on Earth display stayed lit until the troops returned home. Desert Storm officially began in August of 1990. Veterans records indicate the conflict would not end until designated by a presidential proclamation, she said.

"We had at least one and maybe two employees who had sons over there," Hanslik said.

The water tower will be lit with Christmas displays, as well as the entire roof outline of the six-story building.

Part of the festivities Friday will be a choir comprised of sixth-floor nursing home residents, who will sing Christmas carols led by Santa Claus, she said.

"They will be our featured entertainment, along with a traditional Christmas story by our Chaplain, Dean Thomas," Hanslik said.

Thomas will share a version of the meaning of Christmas as a celebration of life and redemption, with all those attending, she said.

The ceremony is free and open to the public. Children are encouraged to visit Santa Claus, and refreshments will be served.

HANGAR

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come back to see the AT-11, and hoping those who haven't seen all that has been done at the hangar will come on out and see what we've been doing here," said Reagan.

"It's going to be an eventful evening, with the parade, lighting of the spring and this, but we think people will be able to attend all three. We'll be here until about 9:30 p.m., so we want everyone who can, to

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come on out. Big Spring will be the place to be on Saturday night," she said.

MOORE

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for every \$7 generated in payroll, said Charles Beil, president of Moore Development.

Should the annual payroll fall short of the \$1.5 million, StarTek will be responsible for making cash payments, Beil said.

Other components to the incentive agreement include a subsidy toward the cost of the DS-3 lines that brought a point of presence to Big Spring for the high tech industry.

A point of presence are telephone lines capable of handling the computer data received from calls from all across the nation.

"We are also reimbursing them the lease on the building, which is \$1 per square foot, for 10 years," Sharp said.

The amendment to the resolution for the loans was signed by all directors and attorney Drew Mouton.

HELPING

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Other efforts:

- H-E-B Food Stores "Ring In A Miracle" to benefit the Salvation Army. Tell your cashier what you want to give and either \$1 or \$2 will be added to your grocery total.

- Church of the Nazarene will collect canned food for the Salvation Army during the drive-through nativity scene, Dec. 9-12.

- Pizza Inn, Goliad Elementary, St. Mary's Episcopal School, Forsan ISD, Moss Elementary and Big Spring Junior High are all holding canned food drives through Dec. 8.

- Norwest Bank is sponsoring The Giving Tree, which aids foster children. Come by and select an ornament and bring a gift back to the bank by Dec. 17.

- Parks Convenience Center, 311 Gregg, is having a canned food drive for the Salvation Army. For four cans of food you get "The Works" car wash, a \$6 value, free through Dec. 10.

BRIEFS

THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH will be giving flu shots every Wednesday through the winter months to those persons 18 years and older, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m. If you are on Medicare we will file. The cost to others will be \$5. For more information call 263-9775.

THE COAHOMA LIONS CLUB will bring in the Christmas spirit this year by selling poinsettias. They have five colors available: red, white

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For more information, call Bill R. at 394-4384, Jack at 394-4527, Quail at 394-4000, or any other member of the club.

CIRCLE SIX, SIX MILES north of Stanton on Hwy. 137, will have a Christmas light display.

There will be hayrides to tour the camp and see the lights at 6 p.m. on Dec. 3-5, 10-12, and 17-19.

After the hayride, there will be hot coffee, hot chocolate and homemade cookies. There is no cost.

For more information call 458-3467.

THE AREA AGENCY ON Aging Ombudsman Program will begin a new training session to train volunteer ombudsmen to visit residents in Big Spring nursing homes. The training will begin after Jan. 1. Please call 800-491-4636 for more information.

FREE TICKETS WILL BE available starting Monday for this year's Living Christmas Tree, planned Dec. 4-5 at First United Methodist Church.

This year's version of the annual program will include sugarplum fairies, elves, mimes and a flag corps along with the traditional singers on a Christmas tree frame.

This year's theme is "Love Comes Down at Christmas."

Both shows begin at 8 p.m., and a 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4 dress rehearsal is also open to the public, without requiring a ticket.

SUPPORT GROUPS

THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.
- A.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Meets second Thursday of September, October, November, January, February, March, April and May, Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland.

- Alzheimer's support group, noon, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, third Thursday of the month. Call Janice Wagner at 263-1211.
- Grief Support related to the death of a loved one. Call Nurses Unlimited, Inc., at 264-6523.
- Alzheimer's Association Support Group, last Thursday of the month, Comanche Trail Nursing Center, 3200 Parkway, 7 p.m. Call 267-0459.
- Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.)
- Al-Anon support group, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

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p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. Big Book Study.

- Al-Anon support group, noon, 615 Settles.

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 48.67 cents, down 28 points; Jan. crude 25.26, up 26 points; cash hogs \$1 lower at 35; cash steers \$1 lower at 69 even; Dec. lean hog futures 51.45, down 80 points; Dec. live cattle futures 69.17, down 40 points.

courtesy: Delta Corporation. Other markets not available by press time.

Noon quotes provided by Edward Jones & Co.

ATT	60 1/2 + 2 1/2
Atlantic Richfield	94 3/4 - 1/2
Atmos Energy	22 1/2 - 1/2
BP Amoco	61 1/2 nc
Chevron	87 1/2 - 1 1/2
Cifra	18 1/2 to 18 3/4
Compaq Computer	25 1/2 + 1/2
Cornell Correc.	12 1/2 + 1/2
Dell	44 1/2 + 1 1/2
DuPont	59 1/2 - 1 1/2
Exxon	78 1/2 - 1 1/2
Halliburton	38 1/2 - 1 1/2
IBM	103 1/2 - 1 1/2
Intel Corp	78 1/2 - 1 1/2
Mid Amer Energy	33 nc
Mobil	103 1/2 + 5/16
NUV	8 1/2 - 1/2
Palex Inc.	6 1/2 - 1/2
Patterson Ener	13 1/2 - 1
Pepsi Cola	34 1/2 nc
Phillips Petroleum	47 nc
SBC Com.	51 1/2 - 1/2
Sears	31 1/2 + 3/16
Texasco	60 1/2 - 1/2
Texas Instruments	103 1/2 + 1/2
Texas Utils. Co	34 1/2 - 1/2
Total Fina SA	67 1/2 - 1/2
Unocal Corp	33 - 1 1/2
Wal-Mart	58 1/2 + 1/2
Amcap	19.46-20.65
Euro Pacific	39.56-41.97
Prime Rate	8.50%
Gold	291.20-294.20
Silver	5.16-5.24

FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reports:

WEDNESDAY
12:45 a.m. — 2300 block Rickabaugh, extrication.
6:26 a.m. — 1900 block Choctaw, trauma call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
9:50 a.m. — 700 block W. I-20, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
3:45 p.m. — 2400 block Gregg, structure fire report, false alarm.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents from 8:00 a.m. Wednesday to 8:00 a.m. today:

- **SANDY DAVES**, 17, was arrested for a charge of minor in possession.

- **DELILAH DELOSSANTOS**, 27, was arrested for a charge of having a fictitious motor vehicle inspection.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 1300 block of Kindle, 200 block of West Marcy, 1100 block of North Lamesa Highway, 1800 block of Gregg, and at the Police Department.

- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 1100 block of Mt. Vernon.

- **ASSAULT** was reported in the 800 block of Anna.

- **HARASSMENT** was reported in the 1600 block of Scurry.

- **JUVENILE PROBLEM** was reported at 11th and Birdwell.

- **DISTURBANCE/FIGHT** was reported in the 600 block of East Sixth.

- **MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 3900 block of West Highway 80.

SHERIFF

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

- **CLINT RYAN HARRIS**, 22, was arrested for a Howard County Grand Jury warrant for burglary of a building, an Upton County warrant for burglary of a building, a Crosby County warrant for seven counts of burglary of a building, a Crosby County warrant for criminal mischief of more than \$1,500 but less than \$20,000, a Crane County warrant for burglary of a building, and a Gains County warrant for burglary of a building.

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Wednesday's high 67
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Average high 62
Average low 34
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WTO:

SEATTLE (AP) — Clinton wants to be included in talks, but he's reception from nations as trade down to serious after two days of wrapping up the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development ministerial talks.

With a Friday post in 2002, Clinton's efforts to launch trade talks. "I know it is an issue for the administration."

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WTO: Clinton gets chilly reception on worker rights, environmental safeguards

SEATTLE (AP) — President Clinton wants worker rights and environmental safeguards to be included in global trade talks, but he's getting a chilly reception from Third World nations as trade officials get down to serious negotiations after two days of street protests.

With a Friday deadline for wrapping up the World Trade Organization meeting, the commerce minister of Thailand, who takes over the top WTO post in 2002, said Wednesday that Clinton's tough stance on worker rights could jeopardize efforts to launch a new round of trade talks.

"I know it is an important issue for the United States administration, but to have

trade sanctions linked to labor rights violations would be really ultimately highly detrimental," Supachai Panitchpakdi told reporters.

It could even prompt some trade ministers from developing countries "to walk away from any agreement on a new round," Supachai warned, responding to an interview Clinton gave to the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Clinton was quoted as saying a new trade deal should contain provisions on worker rights, and countries that don't go along should face sanctions.

Giving a luncheon address Wednesday to trade ministers from the 135 member countries, Clinton pressed the U.S. case

that the new trade talks should work to eliminate the secrecy that shrouds WTO deliberations and search for ways to tie trade agreements to worker rights and environmental protection.

"I implore you," Clinton said. "Let's continue to find ways to prove that the quality of life of ordinary citizens in every country can be lifted, including basic labor standards and an advance on the environmental front."

Clinton received only lukewarm applause at the end of his speech, during which at least two delegates listened with their eyes closed.

After police cracked down on violent demonstrators who disrupted the WTO talks and left

downtown Seattle in a state of emergency for two days, business at the trade meeting proceeded fairly smoothly Wednesday, even starting on time.

That was in sharp contrast to the day before when trade ministers found themselves immobilized by protesters chained together to block the streets.

Nearly 500 people were arrested Wednesday as Seattle police in riot gear abandoned a more hands-off approach that had let many run amok on Tuesday, vandalizing businesses and scuffling in the streets.

Mayor Paul Schell called another overnight curfew Wednesday night for the entire downtown, and then tacked on a

24-hour curfew for a smaller area surrounding WTO meeting venues until midnight Friday. Only those with residences or legitimate business downtown were being allowed inside the "no-protest" zone.

"I'm very distressed to see videos of our beautiful city with tear gas and police dressed in riot gear," Schell said.

The worker rights issue is an enormous sticking point among the 135 members of the WTO, the Geneva-based body that sets world trade rules. The European Union trade commissioner, Pascal Lamy, calls it the biggest hurdle the ministers now face.

Wealthy nations want their poorer trading partners to adopt

more stringent regulations protecting workers and the environment, saying standards that lag behind those in the West amount to an unfair trade tactic that steals business from nations where workers get a better deal.

Developing nations in Asia and Latin America are upset, saying they can't afford such proposals. More than 100 of the WTO members are developing nations.

The WTO members are grappling with other big issues, such as U.S. insistence on elimination of tariffs on agricultural exports. That faces major opposition from the European Union and Japan — America's top rivals in the WTO.

States make some strides, but fall short of decade-end teaching goals

WASHINGTON (AP) — States have made some progress in improving their educational systems, but overall the nation will not meet by 2000 the goals in reading, math, graduation rates and other measures that a national commission set a decade ago, a panel reported today.

The good news, however, the National Educational Goals panel said, is that more U.S. preschool children are starting school in better health and with better reading skills, more middle school students are also reading better, and everyone is making strides in math.

More older students also are

going to college and more are earning degrees in math and science, said the panel, charged with measuring the eight education goals set over the decade by Presidents Bush and Clinton and the nation's governors.

"The improvements called for in the National Education Goals are as important today as they were 10 years ago," said Kentucky Gov. Paul Patton, who heads the bipartisan panel of governors, state lawmakers and members of Congress. "I urge every state to make them a priority and to continue working toward their attainment."

But progress toward goals for improved teacher preparation,

school safety and parent participation has stalled or worsened since the goals were established, according to information gleaned from the states for the panel's last report of the decade.

In 1990, after Bush and the nation's governors and business leaders held an education summit, six goals were adopted to target preschool preparation, high school graduation, student achievement in basic subjects, achievement in math and science compared with other nations, school safety, and adult literacy and job skills.

Two goals for teacher training and parent involvement were added in 1994 under the Clinton

administration.

Serious challenges remain on all eight goals, panel members acknowledged, but many educators said that didn't mean the mission was a failure.

"I am not deeply troubled that America did not conquer all these goals during the 10-year period," said Sharon Lynn Keegan, a Yale University early childhood learning researcher. "The national education goals panel has created hope, dreams and opportunities for millions of children in this nation."

Rep. Bill Goodling, R-Pa., a goals panel member and chairman of the House Education and the Workforce Committee,

said the goals have prompted states to improve individually.

"They took the goals as a real challenge," Goodling said. "The whole idea of setting goals and getting the American people to think about education has helped a lot of enlightened governors win support from their state assemblies in order to

move reform programs."

The panel's report found that Colorado, Connecticut, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina and Texas have shown the biggest improvement in meeting the goals during the 1990s. Maine, Connecticut and North Dakota are the states that consistently do the best.

Border car deposit program takes effect in Mexico

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — A crowd gathered as Eduardo Zuniga loudly complained about Mexico's new policy requiring drivers crossing the border to leave hundreds of dollars behind as a deposit.

The unpopular program, which began Wednesday, is aimed at preventing the illegal importation of cars registered in the United States.

Zuniga, a Chicago resident who visits relatives in Tampico, Mexico, several times each year, usually takes several hundred dollars to spend. He said the deposit would practically wipe him out.

"What am I going to do in Tampico with (only) \$200?" he

asked outside the Mexican customs building in Matamoros, across the border from Brownsville. "Beg for money?"

Zuniga predicted that the Mexican government will stop the program once the economic impact is apparent.

"This will last perhaps a few months," he said.

Frustrated motorists were given hologram stickers for their windshields that will allow them to recover their deposits if they leave Mexico within six months. For model years 1998-2000, the deposit is \$800; for model years 1994 to 1997, \$600; and for older cars, \$400. Refunds can be collected at any border post.

The Baja California peninsula and parts of Sonora are exempt to preserve easy access to Mexico's west coast beaches. Drivers traveling less than 15 miles into Mexico also are exempt, and the program is using existing checkpoints set up 15 miles from the border.

Since Mexico announced the plan in October, some tourists have threatened boycotts, and U.S. officials have asked the Mexican government to reconsider. A Senate transportation subcommittee led by Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, is scheduled to convene hearings on the car deposit plan Monday.

The Mexican government says the goal is to prevent ille-

gal importation of U.S.-registered cars into Mexico and protect the domestic car industry.

Lucy Prendergast and Mark Dearden's road trip to Panama came to a halt in Matamoros.

The couple, visiting from Hong Kong, ran into problems because Dearden's credit card expired. Since Ms. Prendergast's name was not on the car's title, she could not use her credit card, so they were going to try and change the title in Brownsville. Complicating matters, their visas were about to expire.

"So the clock is ticking and I'm getting more and more nervous every day," Ms. Prendergast said.

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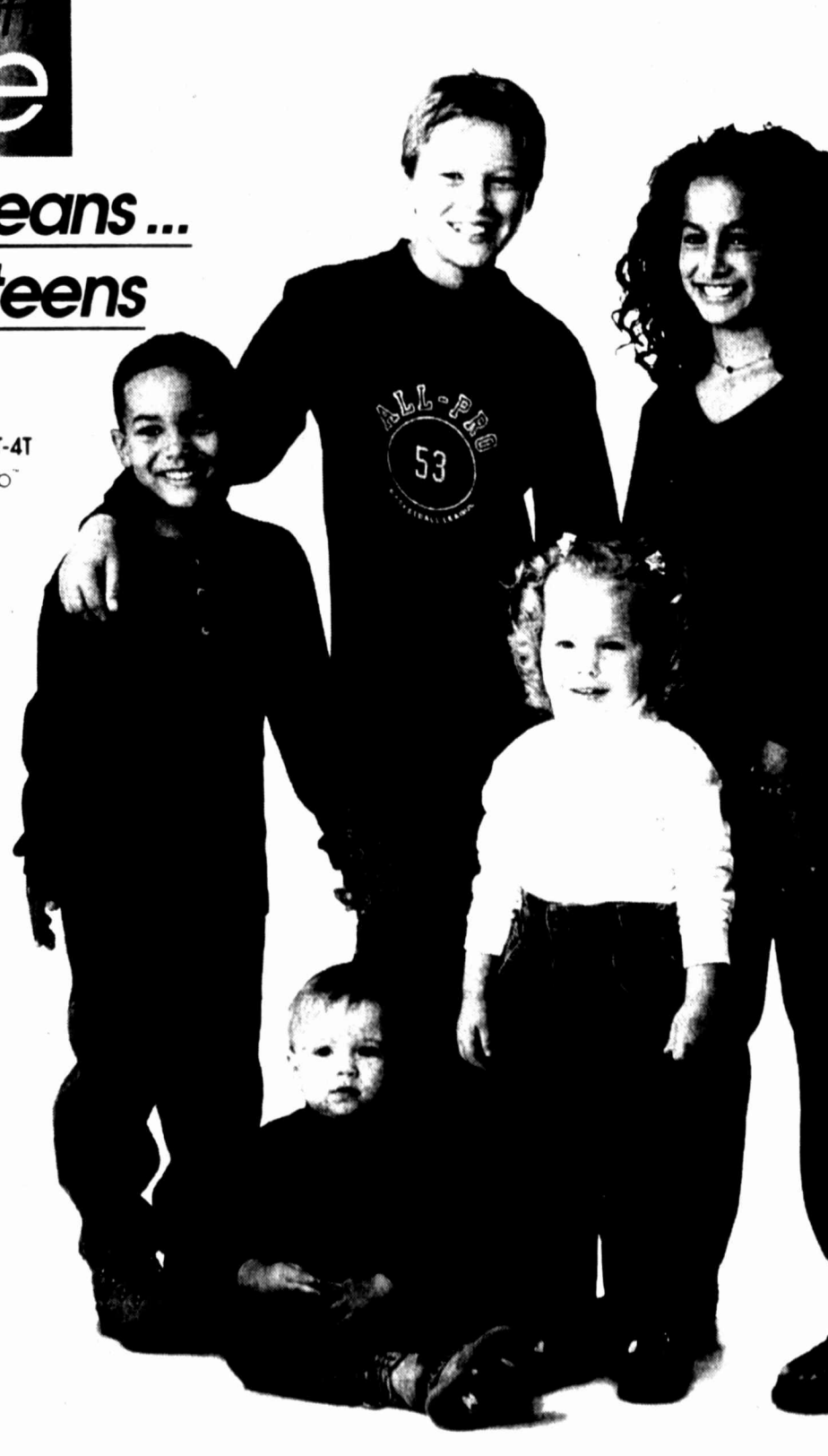
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OUR VIEWS

Crossroads Area
bursting with
weekend activity

The holiday season is always one of the busiest times of the year, when we all have social activities mixed in with the rigors of battling the crowds while we try to find that very special gift.

But this weekend, beginning tonight, is especially busy in Big Spring and Coahoma.

While we at the newspaper are busy preparing for the 13th annual Herald Community Christmas Parade, there are others around town who are applying the finishing touches on other activities as well.

For both the uniformed and those who whine that "there's nothing to do" here on the weekend, it's time to put on a pair of comfortable shoes, get out the holiday sweatshirt, red nose and antlers ... because there's action aplenty this weekend.

Consider, if you will, the activities that began at 11 a.m. today when the 14th annual Coahoma Invitational Basketball Tournament tipped off.

While it's not a holiday activity per se, the tournament is a fixture during the holiday season and certainly brings people into our community. The tournament continues at 11 a.m. Friday and 10 a.m. on Saturday.

Tonight at 7, the lighting of the 21st annual Howard College Luminarias will be held, followed at 8 by the opening performance of "A Christmas Carol" at Municipal Auditorium.

On Friday, the VA Medical Center will throw the switch to illuminate its lighting display at 6 p.m. followed by the second performance of "A Christmas Carol" at 8. Admission to the play is free both nights, although a donation box will be available.

By the time Saturday rolls around, folks looking for something to do should be warmed up for a day full of activities.

Things kick off at 2 p.m. with the final rehearsal of the 21st annual Living Christmas Tree at First United Methodist Church. The free rehearsal is open to the public.

At 5:15, one of the community's biggest events, the 13th annual Herald Community Christmas Parade, gets under way.

By parade's start, 90 entries are expected to roll down Gregg Street as an estimated 2,500 persons participate in the parade and another 20,000 line the route to watch.

At 6:30, the official lighting of the Comanche Trail Festival of Lights will take place at The Historic Spring, followed in quick succession by a number of activities.

Beginning after the lighting and continuing until 9 p.m., Hangar 25 will hold a holiday open house.

At 7 p.m., Friends of the Settles will kick off their "Party After the Parade," which includes food booths, a live band and dancing until 11 p.m.

At 8 p.m., the first performance of the Living Christmas Tree will be presented.

Then, on Sunday night at 8, First United Methodist's Living Christmas Tree will bring to a close what promises to be an enjoyable weekend full of activities.

The thing we all need to remember is that none of the activities can occur without the involvement of many, many people. If we were to add up the number of people attending and participating in each event this weekend, no doubt it would total two or three times the population of our community.

So take the time to enjoy the weekend as our community and her people kick off the holiday season in a manner that can only be described as "Positively ... Big Spring!"

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Covering the Courts: Back to fundamentals

Annette Litman had an unhappy time at George Mason University in northern Virginia. Now she has asked the Supreme Court to review her story. If the high court agrees, we will be transported to the very core of the Constitution. Judge Paul V. Niemeyer of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit summarized the facts in an opinion last July.



JAMES J. KILPATRICK

As a student in 1995, Litman enrolled in a computer science course taught by Professor Eugene Norris. Over the course of the fall semester, she asserts, Norris became infatuated with her. He ardently pursued her, asked questions about her sex life, and sent her an e-mail message, "Don't marry someone you can live with. Marry someone you can't live without."

In 1996 Litman filed a complaint of sexual harassment with the university's Equity Office, but though the office ordered Norris to avoid contact with Litman, the young woman was not a happy camper. When

she was unable to find a professor to supervise her senior research project, she sent hostile messages to certain faculty members. Bad idea. Two of the faculty members instituted sexual harassment charges of their own against her. The university's judicial board upheld their charges, and in May 1996 the university's judicial board ordered her expulsion. In October, rubbing salt in her wounded feelings, the board acquitted Professor Norris of sexual harassment.

She sued the university, charging that she had been the victim of sexual discrimination under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. The university responded by asserting its immunity to suit under the 11th Amendment to the Constitution. A three-judge panel of the 4th Circuit, speaking through Judge Niemeyer, ruled that by accepting federal funds under Title IX, the university had waived its sovereign immunity under the 11th Amendment.

Sovereign immunity! The doctrine evokes the mystique of crowned heads and noble lords in a medieval time when kings of England could legally do no wrong. Our founding fathers applied the doctrine to the states through a structure of dual sovereignty. The 14th Amendment confirmed this novel arrangement. Persons who are born or naturalized in

the United States are citizens "of the United States and of the state wherein they reside."

The Supreme Court is awash in this term in cases testing the continued vitality of the 11th Amendment. On Oct. 13 the court heard argument in a case brought by a group of professors and librarians under the ADEA (Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967). They contend that Florida State University and Florida International University denied them salary increases and other benefits because they were getting old and their successors could be employed at lower cost. The universities said that as agencies of a sovereign state, they could not be sued without the state's consent. The plaintiffs argued in return that Congress had removed Florida's immunity under terms of the ADEA.

The Litman case, if the high court accepts it, will provide a test of more than the 11th Amendment. In what is known as the "pending clause," the Constitution delegates power to Congress to lay taxes "to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States." Alexander Hamilton and James Madison argued over the clause. Broadly construed, as Hamilton contended, the clause permits unrestricted spending on anything in the name of "general welfare." Madison

thought Hamilton's view was dead wrong. It would render fruitless the very purpose of the enumerated powers.

A part of the fascination of constitutional law is that the most abstract principles of jurisprudence have a way of tangibly affecting everyday lives. Annette Litman, the student, has counterparts in a grain inspector in Missouri, an aspiring police officer in Arkansas, a correctional officer in Florida, and college teachers in New Mexico and Tennessee. All of them are suing the states for redress. The states have responded by general denials and by specific invocations of their 11th Amendment immunity.

The law is in flux. After decades in which Congress appeared to have unlimited powers, the Madisonian view increasingly prevails. The high court has curbed congressional excesses under the commerce clause. Some of the appellate circuit courts are insisting upon strict construction of the 14th Amendment's enforcement clause. The 10th Amendment, crisply defining the whole concept of federalism, is enjoying new respect.

Political conservatives, a pessimistic lot, are reveling in the new order, but they fear it won't last.

If the Democrats win the White House next year, they're probably right.

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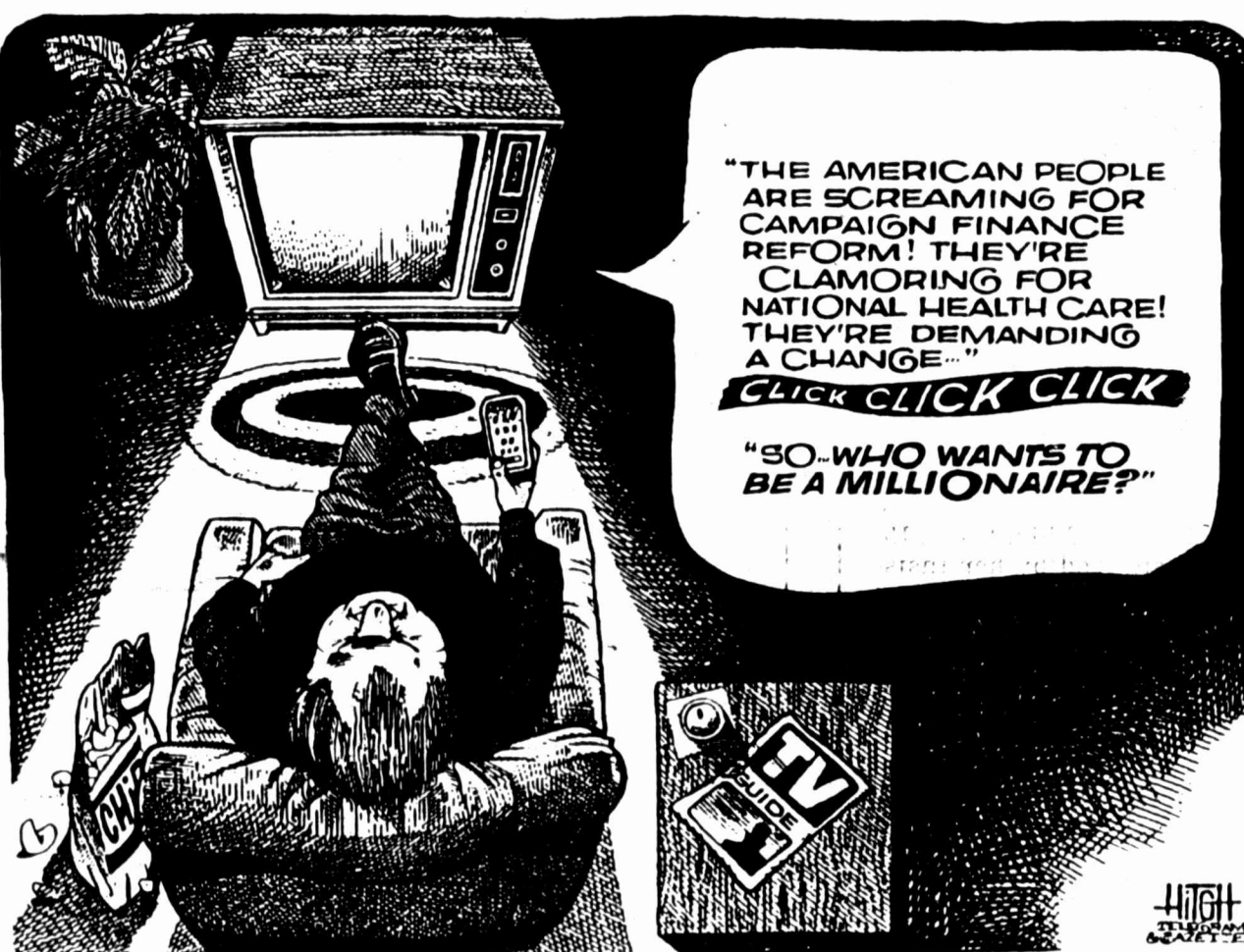
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So much owed by so many...to so many

Winston Churchill's World War II reputation — from his efforts to involve the United States to his tactics in the Battle of Britain — has been undergoing the scrutiny of revisionist historians.

Specifically, and apparently to the surprise of the revisionists, Churchill as prime minister of Great Britain sought to involve the United States in World War II, much as he had done during World War I, when he was First Lord of the Admiralty. But what patriot attempting to save his nation would have done otherwise?

The Battle of Britain offers an even better example of Churchill's nation-saving efforts. Following the German blitzkrieg in the Low Countries and France, which resulted in the evacuation of the British

Expeditionary Force from Dunkirk in June of 1940, Hitler prepared to invade Britain. A prerequisite for such an endeavor was control of the air, lest his invasion fleet be scuttled by the Royal Air Force (RAF). And so the Battle of Britain, the greatest air battle of the war, commenced on July 10, 1940.

An overconfident Luftwaffe soon had the RAF on the ropes, when quite by accident, bombs were dropped on London.

Churchill quickly seized upon the opportunity, ordering a series of retaliatory air raids on Berlin. Hitler took the bait. Ordering the Luftwaffe to let up on its primary targets, the RAF fighters, airfields and radar stations, he concentrated instead on British civilian centers, particularly London.

By intentionally enticing the Germans into killing civilians, Churchill saved the air fields. And by refusing to squander his precious few fighters in an all-out defense of the cities, he was able to quickly rebuild, reform and reorganize the RAF. Churchill later wrote:

"We never thought of the struggle in terms of the defense of London or any other place,

but only who won in the air."

As a result, it was German strength that was squandered in a futile effort to break the will of the civilian populace. It was calculating, brutal, terrible and bloody, and Churchill was praised for the effort. He had turned the homefront into the frontline, the first major home-front battle of the war — for in World War II, the term "home-front" defined a true military front. Civilians were sacrificed that the RAF might survive.

So Churchill would praise the RAF in a speech summarizing the Battle of Britain: "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few." But Home Secretary and Minister of Home Security offered another credit: "If the morale of London had cracked, it could have lost the war. If the morale of the women of London alone had cracked, we could have lost the war. But it did not. They stuck it. They decided London could take it, and London did. So did the rest of Britain."

The battle's statistics tell the tale: RAF personnel killed: 507; British civilians killed: more than 43,000.



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Knowing nicknames of family members could save time in researching your history

A while back, I found a court document in Alabama which listed Luke Rawls. Since there are several in my family named Luke, I was interested to find out exactly who he was. I searched the census and other records, but no Luke. Then it dawned on me, he was actually Lewis S. Rawls, listed on the census with father Elijah H. Rawls of Marengo County, Ala., the county I was searching.

This in itself brought another mystery. Elisha is the lazy-tongue pronunciation of Elijah. This Elijah Rawls was actually the Elisha Rawls listed in his fathers will in Edgefield County, S. C., he being Phillip Rawls.

Nicknames are very important in genealogical research, it can save you hours if not months of research time if you know the various nicknames used in everyday life. A nickname used by us now, may not have been used one hundred years ago. Careful research into nicknames is suggested before you begin your search.

Jack is commonly used for John, Jim for James, Frank for Francis, Hank for Hiram or Henry, Bob for Robert, Dick for Richard, Ran or Randol for Randolph, Andy for Andrew, etc.

For women it could be Liz-Lizzie or Beth or Betsy for Elizabeth, Sally for Sarah, Maggie for Margaret, etc.

Remember your ancestors may have special nicknames for their families.

My mother's brother uncle Ira O. Whitley was nicknamed, Ira O. Tobonkio Rabbit Britches Dr. Stone Whitley. He often wore overalls which were called rabbit britches, and was delivered by Dr. Stone.

Uncle Ira was in World War II and came home shell-shocked, he couldn't stay

around loud noise very long and had little to say in later years. When I saw him about a year or so before he died, he did not say much, but when I called him by his nickname a smile ear-to-ear came across his face.

I found a Rawls on the census of Tom Green county I thought I would never find, he was listed as Tophia Rawls. How would I ever find that name? Out of the blue a descendant of his called me; it turns out his name was actually Christopher Cameron Rawls who died at the age of twenty-eight and is buried around Robert Lee. I would have never thought of him as Tophia. Tophia's sister was listed as Dosa, she was Theodosia Rawls.

When looking for relatives try saying their names as they may be pronounced, then try different nicknames that may have been used. Try leaving the front of the name off as the Dosa above for Theodosia. Then try leaving off the back of the name, Frank for Franklin. Try adding to a



BOBBY RAWLS

Smithsonian exhibition documents American prairie

WASHINGTON (AP) — Prairie photographer Terry Evans captures a handsome white church in the corner of an endless swath of land in North Dakota, a seeming outpost of civilization in a sea of brown. Or is it?

"This is a well-tended place," Evans writes in text accompanying the aerial photo, "but I don't see a parking area and the path to the door has almost disappeared. What are the stories here?"

It's one of the missions of her 48-photograph exhibit, "In Place of Prairie," which opened at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History on Tuesday.

Next to the church photo, taken outside Crosby, N.D., is a picture of an oil-pumping jack in central South Dakota. The two represent "symbols of economic and community development from European settlement of the prairie," Evans writes.

In a telephone interview from her Chicago studio, Evans said she tried to show how the prairie has been changed by its inhabitants.

"It shows all of these marks that show use and abuse, and

care, all of these things mixed together," she said. "To me the prairie is very beautiful, and it shines through all of these human stories on the landscape."

Evans spent seven years photographing prairie in the Dakotas, Kansas, Illinois, Texas, Oklahoma and Canada, collecting images of animals, people, farms and houses.

In one, hundreds of snow geese migrating outside Regina, Saskatchewan fill the sky like a ticker-tape parade. At the Assaria Cemetery in Kansas, a single deer makes a curlicue-shaped loop with its hoof prints.

Evans, 55, who spent most of her career in Kansas before moving to Chicago, dedicates an entire section of the exhibit to the small Kansas town of Matfield Green. Included are portraits of people, homes, cellars and farms.

Evans said the beauty of the prairie is tinged with sadness.

"You see things like the little church that is well cared for, but it nevertheless looks somewhat abandoned," she said.

"The rural prairie is losing population, yet it is so beautiful."

Parents should shape child's will but not break his spirit

QUESTION: I want to control and lead my strong-willed child properly, but I'm afraid I'll break his spirit and damage him in some way. How can I deal with his misbehavior without hurting his self-concept?

DR. DOBSON: I sense that you do not have a clear understanding of the difference between breaking the spirit and shaping the will of a child. The human spirit, as I have defined it, relates to the self-esteem or the personal worth that a child feels. As such, it is exceedingly fragile at all ages and must be handled with care. You as a parent correctly assume that you can damage your child's spirit quite easily - by ridicule, disrespect, verbal rejection and threats to withdraw love. Anything that depreciates his self-worth can be costly to his spirit.

However, while the spirit is brittle and must be treated gently, the will is made of steel. It is one of the few intellectual components that arrive full strength at the moment of birth. In a past issue of Psychology Today, this heading described the research findings from a study of infancy: "A baby knows who he is before he has language to tell us so. He reaches deliberately for control of his environment, especially his parents." This scientific disclosure would be no surprise to the parents of a strong-willed infant. They have walked the floor with him in the wee small hours, listening to this tiny dictator as he made his wants and wishes abundantly clear.

Later, a defiant toddler can become so angry that he is capable of holding his breath until he loses consciousness. One headstrong 3-year-old recently refused to obey a direct command from her mother, saying, "You're just my mommie, you know!"



DR. JAMES DOBSON

Another mere mommie wrote me that she found herself in a similar confrontation with her 3-year-old son over something that she wanted him to eat. He was so enraged by her insistence that he refused to eat or drink anything for two full days. He became weak and lethargic, but steadfastly held his ground. The mother was worried and guilt-ridden, as might be expected. Finally, in desperation, the father looked the child in the eyes sternly and convinced him that he would face the consequences if he didn't eat his dinner. With that, the contest was over. The toddler surrendered. He began to consume everything he could get his hands on, and virtually emptied the refrigerator.

Returning to your question, your objective as a parent is to shape the steely will of your child while leaving his fragile spirit intact. QUESTION: You have told us what kinds of homes produce children with the greatest intellectual potential. Are there other studies that would tell us how to raise kids with the healthiest attitudes toward themselves and others?

DR. DOBSON: A study designed to answer that precise question was conducted some years ago by Dr. Stanley Coopersmith, associate professor of psychology, University of California. He evaluated 1,738 normal middle-class boys and their families, beginning in the preadolescent period and following them through to young manhood. After identifying those boys having the highest self-esteem, he compared their homes and childhood influences with those having a lower sense of self-worth. He

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Loraine Cason puts up strings of icicle lights on her house in east Big Spring Tuesday afternoon. Dozens of local residents are adding holiday cheer to their homes and businesses this week.

HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

ODDS-N-ENDS

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. (AP) — A salamander that apparently hitchhiked across the country aboard a Christmas tree has been dubbed creature-non-grata.

The squishy tourist, curled up in a moist spiral beneath the tree, was discovered Saturday at a local hardware store by shopper Laurel Glasco, who alerted her son Jeremy.

"He's brown, and my son thought he was a pile of animal poop," said Ms. Glasco, a gardener who likes snakes and lizards and took the creature to the Virginia Living Museum.

John Kleopfer, curator of

amphibians and reptiles at the museum, said the creature is native to Oregon, which turned out to be where the Christmas tree had been shipped from.

"My theory is some trees were cut and stacked and laid overnight, and he climbed in, and the next morning they were picked up and away he went. The next thing he knows, he's in Virginia," Kleopfer said.

Not for long. The museum has been feeding the salamander and plans to ship it next week by Federal Express to the Oregon Zoo in Portland.

CAMBRIDGE SPRINGS, Pa. (AP) — David J. Rue has just the stocking stuffer for the person on your gift list with everything — a 200-foot-long steel bridge.

Rue, an architectural consultant, is working with state officials to give away the bridge that crosses French Creek in the northwestern Pennsylvania borough of Cambridge Springs.

The bridge is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. But it's not strong enough to carry an ambulance or a fire truck, and the state Transportation Department intends to replace it.

Some Yuletide garden gifts from \$7.49 to \$875

POUND RIDGE, N.Y. (AP) — Garden writers get snowed with gift catalogs as Yuletide nears. Innovative and expensive items catch the eye, but I also look for the tried and true.

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A sturdy plastic box containing 12 garden tools that doubles as a seat is offered at \$100 by Brookstone Inc., 17 Nashua, N.H. 03062, telephone 800-926-7000; www.brookstone.com. The box with built-in grips includes hedge shears, hand rake, bulb planter, folding saw, grass shears, anvil pruner, bypass pruner, dibble, weeder, transplanter, cultivator and, of course, a trowel.

A trowel might be all your

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

BERLIN (AP) — A court ordered a doctor Tuesday to pay \$10,500 to Arnold Schwarzenegger and retract his 1998 prediction that the actor didn't have much longer to live.

Dr. Willi Heepe, a Berlin heart specialist and sports doctor, made the comment during a radio interview while discussing the connection between anabolic steroids and heart disease.

Although Heepe apologized in an exchange of letters with Schwarzenegger's attorneys, he refused to sign a statement they had drafted, leading to the court case.

Heepe's attorney said the doctor cited Schwarzenegger simply as a "symbol of the cult surrounding the body," adding that it was well known the actor had heart surgery in 1997. Schwarzenegger says the operation fixed a congenital heart condition that had not been causing any problems.

Schwarzenegger's attorney accused Heepe of "stubbornness" and said even public figures had a right to be protected from such speculative medical diagnoses.

The civil court agreed, fined Heepe and ordered him to retract the statement, never repeat it and publicly state that he had never examined Schwarzenegger.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CIRCLE SIX, SIX MILES north of Stanton on Hwy. 137, will have a Christmas light display. There will be hayrides to tour the camp and see the lights at 6 p.m. on Dec. 3-5, 10-12, and 17-19.

After the hayride, there will be hot coffee, hot chocolate and homemade cookies. There is no cost, however, there will be a donation box set up. For more information call 458-3467.

AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION will have its annual Arts and Crafts sales at Big Spring Mall Dec. 11, and booths are available for vendors. Booths are available at \$35. Proceeds fund the ABWA scholarship program, but any profit the vendor makes is theirs to keep.

For more information or to secure a booth call Deloris Albert at 263-4253.

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found three important characteristics that distinguished them:

(1) The high-esteem children were clearly more loved and appreciated at home than were the low-esteem boys.

(2) The high-esteem group came from homes where parents had been significantly more strict in their approach to discipline. By contrast, the parents of the low-esteem group had created insecurity and dependence by their permissiveness. Their children were more likely to feel that the rules were not enforced because no one cared enough to get involved.

Furthermore, the most successful and independent young men during the latter period of the study were found to have come from homes that demanded the strictest accountability and responsibility. And as could have been predicted, the family ties remained the strongest, not in the wishy-washy homes, but in the homes where discipline and self-control had been a way of life.

(3) The homes of the high-esteem group were also characterized by democracy and openness. Once the boundaries for behavior were established, there was freedom for individual personalities to grow and develop. The boys could express themselves without fear of ridicule, and the overall atmosphere was marked by acceptance and emotional safety.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. James C. Dobson's "Focus on the Family" appears each Thursday as a cooperative effort of Scenic Mountain Medical Center and the Big Spring Herald. Letters to Dr. Dobson may be sent to P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, Colo., 80903.

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gift recipient needs to dig holes for planting bulbs. But the terrain might be hard and he or she low on strength or pressed for time. Especially in mass plantings, a cordless drill with bulb auger makes the job easier.

Two augers drilling three-inch diameter holes are offered by Plow & Hearth, P.O. Box 5000, Madison, Va. 22727, telephone 800-627-1712; www.plow-hearth.com. The short auger comes at \$24.95. The 2-foot-tall auger, for less bending over while planting, comes at \$39.95. They fit any three-eighth-inch or larger drill.

An augur for smaller bulbs drilling one and one-half inch

wide holes and made by Jisco, Protech Tool Supply, Inc., P.O. Box 582 Wildwood, Mo. 63040, retailed at my hardware store for \$7.49.

If you don't have a cordless drill, an attractive holiday combination of 14.4 volt drill and flashlight is offered by Ryobi America Corp., 1424 Pearman Dairy Road, Anderson, S.C. 29625, telephone 800-525-2579; www.ryobi.com. The kit comes with two rechargeable battery packs and a one-hour charger. Its available at The Home Depot outlets for \$99.

People who want telephones handy while gardening could use a strap-on pocket that holds both a cordless phone and a variety of tools. The strap is

adjustable for waist or shoulder wear and the pocket has a hear-through mesh to let you hear the ring better. The gear is offered at \$19.99 by Duluth Trading Co., 5200 Quincy Street, St. Paul, Minn. 55112, telephone 800-505-8888; www.duluthtrading.com.

Watering cans are something a gardener needs to have around. For hard-to-reach places indoors and out a long-spout can is a must. Kinsman offers upscale English models with detachable 360-hole brass roses at the ends for \$83.95 and \$93.95. Less expensive long-reach models come at \$15.95 and \$17.95.

Gardeners are often weather hobbyists, too. Interesting —

and pricey — gifts for them are offered by Wind & Weather, 12 N. Main Street, Fort Bragg, Calif. 95437, telephone 800-922-9463; www.windandweather.com. A home weather station that monitors, tracks and forecasts the weather 12 to 24 hours in advance comes at \$275. Among its features: indoor and outdoor temperatures and relative humidity, dew point and wind chill factor.

The same company markets a dazzling variety of weather-vanes starting at \$178. Ornaments include the old-time rooster, of course, but there are also diving dolphins, quail, pelican, stag deer, moose, golden labrador, biplane, handsaw,

pine trees, sail at, pig, light-house. The costliest, \$875, features three geese in flight.

For one-volume, up-to-date gardening how-to, I've seen nothing to match "America's Garden Book" revised in 1996 with the assistance of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden and published by Macmillan. It's available from www.amazon.com for \$45.50 with shipping usually done within 24 hours.

And for the many of us who feel after-effects of gardening in our backs and knees, "Gardener's Fitness," a \$12.95 paperback by a Manhattan fitness guru, Barbara Pearlman, suggests how to weed out the aches and pains.

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IN BRIEF

Big Spring linksters shine against Lamesa

Members of the Big Spring Steers and Lady Steers golf teams recently played host to Lamesa teams at the Big Spring Country Club.

Ashlie Simmons' impressive round of 74 led the Lady Steers, while Heather Harris added a 93 and Sarah Anthony posted a 108.

In the boys' division, Big Spring's "A" team posted a 313, while the "B" team matched the 345 turned in by Lamesa.

Chris Rodriguez posted the best boys' score of 74, followed closely by Jerrod Simmons' 76.

Other Big Spring scores were Chris Bravo 80, Zac Hall 81, Nick Reed 82, Richard Gaitan 85, Jaime Womble 87, Will Conley 88, Pat Reagan 90, Jacob Garcia 93 and Richard Key at 96.

Special Olympics coach training clinic scheduled

A training school for those interested in being a coach for Special Olympics athletes has been scheduled for 9 a.m. Saturday at the Odessa College Sports Center.

Coaches are needed for athletes preparing for track and field, soccer, basketball and swimming programs.

To register in advance, call the Special Olympics Area 18 office at (915) 570-6058 or 570-6903.

Bulldogettes demolish Kermit in two games

Coahoma's Bulldogettes were nothing short of dominant Tuesday in romping to wins in both varsity and junior varsity games at Kermit.

The Bulldogette varsity put five players in double figures en route to a 91-52 win, while the JV put three in double figures in a 64-40 win.

Suzanna Wood paced the varsity with 24 points, while Jayci Roberts had 19, Crystal Atkinson added 16, Brandi Hart scored 12 and Kourtney Kemper chipped in 10 more.

The Bulldogette JV got 16 points from Stephanie Sparks, 11 more from Sheena Harding and 10 from Karen Sterling.

Steers football banquet slated for Monday night

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will hold its annual Steers Football Banquet at 6:30 p.m. Monday in the Dora Roberts Community Center.

The banquet's meal will be catered by Al's and Son Barbecue.

Tickets are \$10 each and are available at Athletic Supply, Al's and Son Barbecue and at the high school. They will also be available at the door.

Odessa Jackalopes slate 'Howard County Night'

The Odessa Jackalopes have scheduled Saturday, Dec. 11, as "Howard County Night" at the Ector County Coliseum where they'll take on the El Paso Buzzards at 7 p.m.

Tickets for the game are priced at \$3, \$5 and \$7.

To purchase tickets or for more information, call Carroll Jennings at 267-5201.

Cancer Society offering Texas Golf Pass again

The Howard County unit of the American Cancer Society is encouraging golfers to take advantage of the society's 2000 Texas Golf Pass.

The pass, which provides golfers with more than 450 rounds of golf at 273 Texas courses, is now available for a \$35 donation.

The Comanche Trail Golf Course, Big Spring Country Club and Stanton Country Club are participating.

ON THE AIR

Television

NBA

7:30 p.m. — Dallas Mavericks at Chicago Bulls, FXS, Ch. 29.

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

7:15 p.m. — Pittsburgh Steelers at Jacksonville Jaguars, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Search for new Texas Tech coach reportedly near an end

LUBBOCK (AP) — The active search for a new head football coach for Texas Tech University is nearly over, the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal reported today.

The newspaper quoted "sources" as saying the search has nearly reached its conclusion.

Athletic Director Gerald Myers said Wednesday he has narrowed his current list to "about five" candidates. They include Clemson offensive coordinator Rich Rodriguez, Oklahoma offensive coordinator Mike Leach and New Mexico State head coach Tony Samuel.

Rodriguez has visited Lubbock twice for an interview and was told by Myers that the active search might be done by today.

Myers, who is leading the search to replace the recently retired Spike Dykes,

declined to divulge the names of other candidates but said no new in-person interviews have been planned.

The next step of the process will be more talks with candidates and university officials.

Myers says the university hopes to name a new coach next week. He denied that the school has made a decision to hire Rodriguez.

According to state law, Tuesday is the earliest Tech could name a new coach because the position is required to have been open to applicants for at least 10 working days.

Tech chancellor John Montford cited the state guideline Wednesday in saying the process remains open and he doesn't consider the search over yet.

"New names have come in (Wednesday)," said Montford, who

declined to disclose them.

Myers has received "several" calls about the opening and will continue to leave open the possibility of additional interviews.

He conducted a first in-person interview at El Paso Tuesday with Samuel, 44. He also contacted Leach, 39, and Rodriguez, 36, by phone that day.

Leach, the former offensive coordinator at Kentucky, did not return phone calls from the Lubbock newspaper.

Myers said he was not scheduled for another in-person interview and had already visited with him "extensively" after Oklahoma played Tech in Lubbock Nov. 20.

Rodriguez made visits to Lubbock on Nov. 22 and Nov. 26. On his latter visit, he brought his wife, Rita, and told the newspaper he was "looking at neighbor-

hoods" to get a feel for the city.

"I feel good," Rodriguez, the offensive coordinator at Tulane from 1997-98, told the newspaper.

"I feel the (interview) process went well with me. I met all the people involved in the decision-making," he said. "I feel pretty good about everything, but nothing further is scheduled right now."

Myers said he would talk to Rodriguez again and added that he researched several other candidates, including Florida State offensive coordinator Mark Richt and Georgia Tech offensive coordinator Ralph Friedgen.

Both Richt and Friedgen told the Lubbock newspaper they would be interested. Myers says he has not talked to either of them and also said he doesn't plan to.

Over the hill? Emmitt's proving he's anything but

IRVING (AP) — So what if he's 30 years old, in his 10th NFL season and playing with a broken hand.

Emmitt Smith says he's not the aging back on the downside of his career that some people have suggested he is. And his desire to succeed hasn't diminished, even with three Super Bowl rings and four NFL rushing titles.

"To win another rushing title, another Super Bowl and another Super Bowl, that's all in me," Smith said Wednesday. "That's what it's all about. That's my motivation."

"Why would I go out here and beat up myself to take chances on breaking hands and breaking bones and everything if I did not want to be a champion all over again?" Smith said, showing the swollen right hand and its accompanying 3-inch scar.

Smith, who has played his entire NFL career in Dallas, concedes that it takes more effort to stay in playing shape. He doesn't recover from the wear and tear of games as quickly as he did when the Cowboys were winning three Super Bowls in four seasons earlier this decade.

That's not showing in his performance this season for the Cowboys (6-5), who are a game behind Washington in the NFC East.

Smith is fifth in the NFL in rushing, just 22 yards shy of his ninth straight 1,000-yard season. He is third on the NFL career rushing list and with 13,544 yards and is within striking distance of Walter Payton's record 16,726 yards compiled over 13 seasons.

Smith has had consecutive 100-yard rushing games since having six screws and a plate surgically inserted into his broken hand on Nov. 9.

He had rushed for 140 yards and two touchdowns on 13 carries, the best rushing total in a half in his career, before fracturing the hand in the second quarter against Minnesota on Nov. 8.

"To try to tie in my age with my physical condition and my injuries, that's the variable right there that they got them wrong," Smith said. "They failed to look at the overall picture. They just wanted to look at one segment."

"I feel like I've got a good four or five more years in me,"



Emmitt Smith, shown here warming up prior to a 1995 game, says it's harder to stay in playing shape and that he doesn't recover from the wear and tear he absorbs during games in this his 10th year in the NFL. But back-to-back 100-yard performances while playing with a broken hand make it clear he's still one of the league's best running backs.

he said. "They jumped the gun, and never took the time to really look at the game and dissect the game."

Maybe 30 is considered old in the NFL, where the average career lasts only a few seasons. But players the caliber of Smith and Deion Sanders can't always be defined by numbers for average players.

"They are saying the same thing about Deion right now, that he's on the downside of his

career ... all because statistics have shown and indicated this happens when you reach a certain age," Smith said. "You are dealing with today's athletes now, people that train year-round."

In Sanders' case, he sometimes plays professionally almost year-round. He has played baseball and football in the past and has indicated that a return to the Cincinnati Reds is possible.

Texas' Applewhite, K-State's Simoneau Big 12's top players

AUSTIN (AP) — The Associated Press Big 12 defensive and offensive players of the year won't need to be introduced at this winter's awards banquets.

Major Applewhite might even say he already knows Mark Simoneau all too well.

Simoneau, Kansas State's senior linebacker, intercepted a pass from Texas' sophomore quarterback and returned it 37 yards for a touchdown as the Wildcats beat the Longhorns 35-17 on Oct. 2.

"I made him defensive player of the year," Applewhite laughed. "Seriously, he's a great ball player. His speed, size, strength and aggressiveness makes him a real threat on the field. I think he's best linebacker maybe we've played against."

On Wednesday, a panel of media representatives named Applewhite the Big 12's top offensive player and Simoneau the No. 1 defensive star.

At the same time, Oklahoma quarterback Josh Heupel and Kansas safety Carl Nesmith were named the offensive and defensive newcomers of the year.

Simoneau, a 6-foot, 240-pound native of tiny Smith Center, Kan., moved from outside linebacker to middle linebacker in 1996 and immediately became a star in one of the toughest defenses in the nation. This year, no longer overshadowed by the graduated Jeff Kelly, he assumed more of a leadership role as the Wildcats went 10-1 in a year that should have been for rebuilding, losing only to Nebraska.

He finished the season with a team-high 91 tackles, which was his lowest output as a four-year starter, and had a career-high 6.5 sacks.

"You listen to all the preseason stuff, people thought we'd have a down year," Simoneau said. "Heck, our whole team was supposed to have a down year, but we wound up 10-1. If 10-1 is what you do in a down year, that's great. And I was glad I was part of it."

Simoneau said he welcomed the role of team leader.

"In the past, I stepped back from the leadership role because I was an underclassman. But being a senior I tried to be more vocal as well as lead by example," he said.

Despite being the Big 12 newcomer of the year last season, Applewhite had to prove he could handle defenses geared to stop him instead of Heisman Trophy winner Ricky Williams. He did that and more, completing 60.2 percent of his passes for 3,185 yards and a school-record 21 touchdowns.

"The only thing I wanted was respect," Applewhite said. "Last year, I played OK. This year, I had to deal with the fact that Ricky was gone, we lost seven starters and had the incoming high school player of the year."

"All that talk and I came back and played well."

As Texas' first 3,000-yard passer, he led the Longhorns (9-3) to the Big 12 South Division title, earning a spot in the league's championship game Saturday against Nebraska.

"There's not much that unnerves him," said Texas coach Mack Brown. "He has handled all the Chris Simms questions honestly, he's handled them fairly. He's convinced me that winning is more important than how he plays."

Applewhite also earned the respect of his competition.

"He's done nothing but win," said retiring Texas Tech coach Spike Dykes, who watched Applewhite pass for 241 yards and three touchdowns in a little more than three quarters to beat the Red Raiders 58-7. "He's the catalyst of that football team."

Applewhite's best effort came in the second half of the Longhorns' 24-20 victory over Nebraska.

After going 9-of-21 for 47 yards in the first half, Applewhite was 8-of-9 for 166 yards and two touchdowns in the final two quarters as Texas rallied from a 13-3 deficit.

"You know how some people are born to be something?" said Texas wide receiver Kwame Cavil. "Major was born to be a quarterback."

Heupel, a junior college transfer, rewrote Oklahoma's record book and led the Big 12 with 3,460 yards passing and 30 TDs with 15 interceptions. He was a big reason why the Sooners (7-4) qualified for their first bowl since 1994.

Nesmith signed with Kansas out of junior college as a wide receiver, but switched to defense in spring practice.

Rockets lose another close one — in double overtime, no less

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

After playing three straight overtime games, the Houston Rockets are tired and cranky.

Charles Barkley lashed into the referees, coach Rudy Tomjanovich was frustrated and Steve Francis injured his ankle in Houston's 128-122 double-overtime loss to the Phoenix Suns on Wednesday night.

"That's the 10th game out of 12 losses that we were ahead in the fourth quarter," Tomjanovich said. "It's sad because there's so much positive."

Barkley, called for a foul while rebounding a missed free throw by teammate Kelvin Cato with 3.5 seconds left in the first overtime, placed all the blame on Mathis, one of seven officials reinstated by the NBA after they resigned last year following charges of tax violations.

"We lost the game because of one reason — Mike Mathis," Barkley said. "I

ain't going to say nothing else. He's a bad official. He's been bad the whole time I've been in the league. He cost us the game, and I hate that he's back in the league."

The Suns' Rodney Rogers was ejected with 44.4 seconds left in regulation on a play that tied the game for Houston, and Francis left the game with an injured left ankle 24 seconds later.

"There were a lot of controversial calls in different directions at the end," Phoenix coach Danny Ainge said. "I'm sure they're not happy with some, but we weren't happy with some either."

In other NBA games, it was the Lakers 93, Golden State 75; Miami 90, Philadelphia 83; Denver 100, Detroit 96; Portland 94, Charlotte 90; Indiana 96, Vancouver 89; and Cleveland 111, Washington 108.

Cliff Robinson scored a season-high 25 points for the Suns, including 4-of-5 on 3-pointers. Penny Hardaway had 21 points, eight assists and eight rebounds. Jason

Kidd, despite a 5-for-19 shooting night, had 17 points, 10 assists, eight rebounds and four steals.

Tom Gugliotta scored four of his 19 points in the second overtime for Phoenix. Gugliotta scored inside and Hardaway sank a 3-pointer to start the second overtime, and the Rockets never caught up again.

Lakers 93, Warriors 75

Shaquille O'Neal had 28 points and 23 rebounds, and Kobe Bryant scored 19 points in his first game of the season for host Los Angeles.

Bryant also had six rebounds and three assists in 30 minutes as the Lakers won their fourth straight.

Chris Carr and Mookie Blaylock led the Warriors with 13 points each.

Heat 90, 76ers 83

Alonzo Mourning had 28 points, 15 rebounds and seven blocked shots as host Miami won its fourth straight game

without starting point guard Tim Hardaway.

Rookie Anthony Carter had seven points and eight assists in Hardaway's absence, including several key plays down the stretch.

Aaron McKie had 20 points and nine assists for Philadelphia, which had won three straight without injured NBA scoring leader Allen Iverson.

Nuggets 100, Pistons 96

Antonio McDyess had 24 points and 11 rebounds and Raef LaFrentz added 19 points and a key blocked shot in the final seconds for Denver.

Ron Mercer also had 23 points for the Nuggets, who played nearly the entire second half without coach Dan Issel and Nick Van Exel, who were ejected in the third quarter.

Grant Hill had 39 points for visiting Detroit, which lost its third straight.

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SPORTS EXTRA

SCHOOLBOY FOOTBALL

CLASS 5A

Quarterfinals

Region I
Midland Lee (130) vs. Mesquite (9-4), 4 p.m. Saturday, Ratliff Stadium, Odessa.

Region II
Aldine Eisenhower (121) vs. Edinburg (10-3), 5 p.m. Saturday, Harlandale Memorial Stadium, San Antonio.

Region III
Piano East (11-2) vs. Garland (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Texas Stadium, Irving.

Region IV
Katy (12-1) vs. Galveston Ball (12-1), 11 a.m. Saturday, Astrodome, Houston.

Region V
SA Marshall (10-5) vs. SA Holmes (12-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Gustafson Stadium, San Antonio.

CLASS 4A

Quarterfinals

Region I
Hereford (12-1) vs. Waco Midway (11-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Showell Stadium, Abilene.

Region II
Texas City (12-0) vs. Alice (11-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome, Houston.

Region III
Canyon (11-2) vs. Stephenville (13-0), 7 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving.

Region IV
Greenview (11-2) vs. Ennis (12-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving.

Region V
La Marque (11-1) vs. Port Neches-Groves, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Astrodome, Houston.

Region VI
Schertz Clemons (13-0) vs. San Marcos (11-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Converse Judo.

CLASS 3A

Quarterfinals

Region I
Lamesa (11-2) vs. Texarkana Liberty Eylau (12-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Brville ISD Stadium.

Region II
Gatesville (11-2) vs. Mathis (11-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Bobcat Stadium, San Marcos.

Region III
Childress (12-1) vs. Crane (13-0), 6 p.m. Saturday, Lowery Field, Lubbock.

Region IV
Amarillo (11-2) vs. Commerce (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Rockwall.

Region V
Marlin (12-1) vs. Robinson (10-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Floyd Casey Stadium, Waco.

Region VI
Seely (12-0) vs. Hondo (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Victoria.

CLASS 2A

Quarterfinals

Region I
Boyd (13-0) vs. Canadian, 7 p.m. Saturday, Vernon.

Region II
Mart (13-0) vs. Comfort (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Plufluevener Connally.

Region III
Stratford (11-2) vs. Sonora (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Plainview.

Region IV
Celina (13-0) vs. Gunter (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Denton ISD Field.

Region V
Elysian Fields (12-1) vs. Alto (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Homer (12-1) vs. Shalton, 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

Region VI
Refugio (12-1) vs. Mazon (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Southwest High School, San Antonio.

CLASS 1A

Quarterfinals

Region I
Wheeler (12-0) vs. Rankin (9-2), 1 p.m. Saturday, Lowery Field, Lubbock.

Region II
Agament (12-1) vs. Paducah (10-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lowery Field, Lubbock.

Region III
Celeste (9-3) vs. Detroit (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Pennington Field, Bedford.

Region IV
Charlotte (10-2) vs. Bartlett (12-1), 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome, Houston.

SIX MAN

Semifinals

Groom (12-1) vs. Rule (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Floyd.

Richland Springs (10-3) vs. Gordon (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Glen Rose.

NFL STANDINGS

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THURSDAY'S GAMES

Detroit 21, Chicago 17

Dallas 20, Miami 0

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Arizona 34, New York Giants 24

Cincinnati 27, Pittsburgh 20

Jacksonville 30, Baltimore 23

Buffalo 17, New England 7

St. Louis 43, New Orleans 12

Washington 20, Philadelphia 17

Minnesota 35, San Diego 27

Tennessee 33, Cleveland 21

Indianapolis 13, New York Jets 6

Tampa Bay 16, Seattle 3

Kansas City 37, Oakland 34

Carolina 34, Atlanta 28

OPEN: Denver

Monday's Game

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St. Louis at Carolina, Noon

Tennessee at Baltimore, Noon

Washington at Detroit, Noon

Philadelphia at Arizona, 3:05 p.m.

Cleveland at San Diego, 3:15 p.m.

Kansas City at Denver, 3:15 p.m.

Seattle at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.

Dallas at New England, 7:20 p.m.

OPEN: Buffalo

Monday's Game

Green Bay at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.

BASEBALL

American League

CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Named Nick Leyva manager for Charlotte of the International League.

CLEVELAND INDIANS—Named Grady Little bench coach. Re-signed Dan Williams, working coach.

MINNESOTA TWINS—Agreed to terms with OF Mike Cuddihy on a one-year contract.

NEW YORK YANKEES—Placed DH Chili Davis on waivers for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

CHICAGO CUBS—Agreed to terms with SS Manny Alexander on a one-year contract.

CINCINNATI REDS—Named Cotton Hume and Mark Corey area scouts.

FLORIDA MARLINS—Named Pat Hearn ticket and public relations manager for the team's Brevard County operations.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Agreed to terms with RHP Mike Jackson on a one-year contract.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS—Signed G Chris Carr.

LOS ANGELES LAKERS—Activated G Kobe Bryant from the injured list. Placed G F. DeVeon George on the injured list.

MIAMI HEAT—Placed G Tim Hardaway on the injured list. Activated F Harold Jamison from the injured list.

PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS—Placed F C. Jermaine O'Neal on the injured list. Activated C Joe Kleine from the injured list.

VANCOUVER GRIZZLIES—Activated G Dennis Scott from the injured list.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

GREEN BAY PACKERS—Signed WR Tyrone Goodson from the practice squad. Signed LB Deon Humphrey to the practice squad.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Placed WR Brett Bech on injured reserve. Signed DT Robert Newkirk.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANERS—Signed QB Scott Kilenow to a one-year contract. Waived WR Yo Murphy. Released DT DeMarcus Curry from the practice squad.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

BOSTON BRUINS—Recalled LW Jay Henderson from Providence of the AHL.

DETROIT RED WINGS—Recalled G Aren Miller from Cincinnati of the AHL.

EDMONTON OILERS—Assigned C

Rob Murray to Hamilton of the AHL.

NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Placed F Mark Lawrence and D Rich Pilon on waivers.

NEW YORK RANGERS—Claimed D Rich Pilon off waivers from the New York Islanders.

PHOENIX COYOTES—Traded C Rob Murray to the Edmonton Oilers for C Enc Houde. Assigned Houde and RW Tavis Hansen to Springfield of the AHL.

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FISHING REPORT

Here is this week's fishing report from the Texas Department of Parks & Wildlife:

CENTRAL
BROWNWOOD: Water clear; 62 degrees; Black bass are good on 7' black Power Worms and white spinnerbaits fished around the bank. Crappie are good on jigs fished around the docks at night under lights and during the day over brush piles. Hybrid strippers are good on Rat-L-Trap and slab spoons fished in the evening in 20 to 30 feet (look for the birds). Catfish are good on cut baits fished in the river.

BUCHANAN: Water clear; 67 degrees; 1008.22'; Black bass are fair on 1/4oz. Blue Shad Terminator spinnerbaits. Creme Screener worms and Carolina-rigged watermelon seed Ring-Frys fished on points in 4 to 12 feet. Crappie are slow on minnows. White bass are slow vertically jigging Horizon Perk minnows in 30 feet along bluffs. Striped bass are slow and small drifting live bait and trolling bucktail jigs. Channel and blue catfish are excellent on minnows and jigs fished at the dam (get an early start to secure your position). Hybrid strippers are fair on jigs fished in 15 feet by the dam. Catfish are slow.

PROCTOR: Water clear; 62 degrees; Black bass are good on 7' black Power worms fished around the drop-offs of the banks and the big island in the center of the lake. Crappie are excellent on minnows and jigs fished at the dam (get an early start to secure your position). Hybrid strippers are fair on jigs fished in 15 feet by the dam. Catfish are slow.

SOUTH
AMSTAD: Water murky; 60 degrees; Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White and striped bass are good on slabs. Channel and blue catfish are good on cut and prepared baits fished in 60 feet. Yellow catfish are fair on slabs.

WEST
ALAN HENRY: Water clear; 67 degrees; No fishing report available.

ARROWHEAD: Water clear; 67 degrees; 10' low; Black bass are fair on freetiger crankbaits fished on the west end of the dam and on points and creek channels in the state park. Crappie are good on small minnows and white jigs fished in 12 to 14 feet near the docks and docks in the state park. White bass are poor on minnows and jigs. Channel and bluecatfish are good on jugs and jugs fished with perch and nightcrawlers. Yellowcatfish are good on trotlines and jugs fished with gold fish and perch on the south end of the lake. The only accessible boat ramp is in the state park.

BRADY: Water stained; 66 degrees; 17' low; Black bass are good on small chartreuse crankbaits fished on shallow flats near the edge of the river channel. Crappie are fair on minnows fished at night under lights around the marina in 10 to 12 feet. White bass are good on small shad patterned crankbaits fished on shallow flats near the edge of the river channel. Blue and channel catfish are excellent on cut shad fished on the channel drop in 8 to 10 feet. Yellow catfish are good on trotlines baited with cut shad.

COLORADO CITY: Water slightly stained; 68 degrees; 13.5' low; No fishing report available.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water stained; 68 degrees; 16.5' low; Black bass are fair on white spinnerbaits and minnows fished in 4 to 5 feet near shore. Crappie are good on small minnows and white jigs fished in 10 feet on the east side of the dam. Sand bass are good on minnows and chartreuse jigs fished in 7 to 10 feet. Hybrid strippers are good on shad, perch and chicken liver fished in 3 to 6 feet. Blue catfish are fair on shad and perch fished in 3 to 5 feet. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with perch, carp and shad.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water stained; 68 degrees; 8.75' low; Black bass are good on Carolina-rigged french fries and wiggly warts fished on rocky points in 6 to 8 feet. Crappie are good on small minnows and jigs fished around brush piles in the creek channel. White bass are good on small chrome crankbaits and minnows. No reports on hybrid strippers. Channel catfish are good fished up Lost creek on cut shad and dead minnows. No report on yellow catfish.

KEMP: Water slightly stained; 68 degrees; 9.5' low; No fishing report available.

NASWORTHY: Water stained; 65 degrees; Black bass are fair on white and chartreuse spinnerbaits and white crankbaits fished around structure. Crappie are fair on jigs and minnows fished from crappie houses at night under lights. White bass are fair on small chrome and blue Rat-L-Trap fished on windy points and under lights at night. No report on redfish or hybrid strippers. Channel and blue catfish are fair on chicken livers in the hot water slow fished at night. Yellow catfish are fair on droplines baited with perch.

NOCONA: Water stained; 70 degrees; 6' low; No fishing report available.

OAK CREEK: Water clear; 60 degrees; 15' low; Black bass are good on minnows, spinnerbaits and jerk baits fished 3 to 15 feet. White bass are fair on minnows and jigs fished in 3 to 7 feet. Crappie are poor on minnows and jigs fished in 3 to 5 feet. Blue and channel catfish are fair on stink bait, gold fish, liver and shad fished in 5 to 12 feet. Yellow catfish are good on goldfish, liver, stink bait and shrimp fished in 7 to 14 feet.

O.H. IVE: Water clear; 62 degrees; 13.5' low; Black bass are poor on Rat-L-Trap fished around the grass in 3 to 5 feet. Crappie are poor on minnows and slabs fished at night under lights along the river channel.

25 feet. White bass are fair on minnows and slabs at night under lights fished along river channels in 25 to 30 feet. Catfish are fair on stink bait and worms fished in 10 to 20 feet on points.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water stained; 64 degrees; 7.6' low; Black bass are fair on spinners and Pop R's early and on Power worms fished in 5 to 10 feet later in the day. White bass are poor on minnows fished in 10 to 25 feet. Striped bass in 18 pounds are excellent on live shad fished in 20 to 40 feet. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished in 5 to 20 feet. Blue catfish are good on cut shad fished in 10 to 30 feet. Yellow catfish are poor on perch fished in 20 to 30 feet.

SPENCE: Water slightly stained; 68 degrees; Black bass are good on minnows, minnows and crankbaits fished on flats near structure. White bass are good on small crankbaits and minnows fished on sand bars. Crappie are good on minnows and white jigs fished near rock bluffs and rock points with trees. Striped bass to 22 pounds are good on cut shad fished in 20 to 22 feet near the gravel pit. Channel and blue catfish are good on shrimp and liver fished in Cedar cove in 10 feet. No report on yellow catfish.

STAMFORD: Water slightly stained; 69 degrees; 13' low; Black bass are good on minnows fished shallow. Crappie are poor on minnows and jigs fishing the shoreline near structure in 4 to 8 feet. No report on white bass. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with perch, minnows and shad. Channel catfish are good on punch bait and cheese bait fished in 5 to 6 feet. Blue catfish are good on trotlines baited with cut shad fished in 3 to 4 feet.

SWEETWATER: Water slightly stained; 68 degrees; 11' low; Black bass to 8 pounds are good on Rat-L-Trap and jigs fished in 3 to 5 feet. No report on crappie. White bass are fair on Little Georges trolling in 20 feet. Blue and channel catfish to 15 pounds are excellent on minnows and worms fished in 5 to 6 feet. No reports of yellow catfish.

The Mini Page

Especially for kids and their families

By BETTY DEBNAM

Harry Potter Enchants Millions

Meet J.K. Rowling

Now even Muggles* know there is magic in the world. J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter books are enchanting readers throughout the world. They've been translated into 130 languages. More than 7 million have been sold.

*people with no magical powers

The books are about the adventures of a group of friends at the Hogwarts School for Witchcraft and Wizardry.

J.K. Rowling has plotted out seven books, one for each year Harry is at Hogwarts. (Three are in the bookstores now.) She has even written the last line of the last book, although not everything in between.



Joanne (J.K.) Rowling (pronounced "rolling") knew she wanted to be an author ever since she wrote her first story, called "Rabbit." She was 6. Rowling, now 34, has also written two unpublished adult novels.

Writing Harry Potter

J.K. Rowling plotted out most of the Harry Potter books nine years ago when she was stuck on a train.

She moved to Portugal to teach English, and wrote the first chapters. She married, had a baby and divorced. She moved to Scotland to be near her sister, and had to get help from welfare for about half a year. Finally she got a job teaching French.

J.K. Rowling went to cafes to write so she could be someplace warm. She wrote while her baby napped beside her. She did not even have enough money to photocopy her manuscript. She had to type it twice.

Three publishers turned it down before it sold. Now it has set record sales. The movie will be out in 2001.

"The Harry Potter books are incredibly exciting. You can't put them down. They're well written, and there are going to be a bunch of them, so if you want to, you can read them all."

Nathan LaPorte, 12, eighth grade boy

Personal:

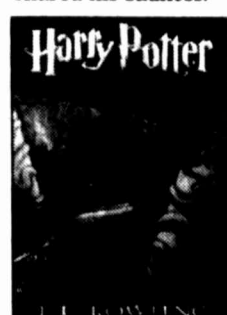
Pets: a black rabbit

Daughter: Jessica, 6

Dad: retired aircraft factory manager

Mom: Her mother, a lab technician, died at age 45.

Her mom's death changed how J.K. Rowling wrote. Afterward, she rewrote what she'd already written about Harry missing his parents, because now she shared his sadness.



"They're fascinating but fantasy. There is always something exciting, adventurous, scary and shocking."

Everett Uhl, 8, third-grade girl

"They are very funny, interesting and exciting. Every time you read them you figure out something new."

Ari LaPorte, 11, sixth-grade girl

"I have been shocked by how much action, humor, horror, excitement and suspense that Ms. Rowling can cram into a 200-400 page book. My opinion can fit into one tiny sentence: J.K. Rowling can write dang good books!"

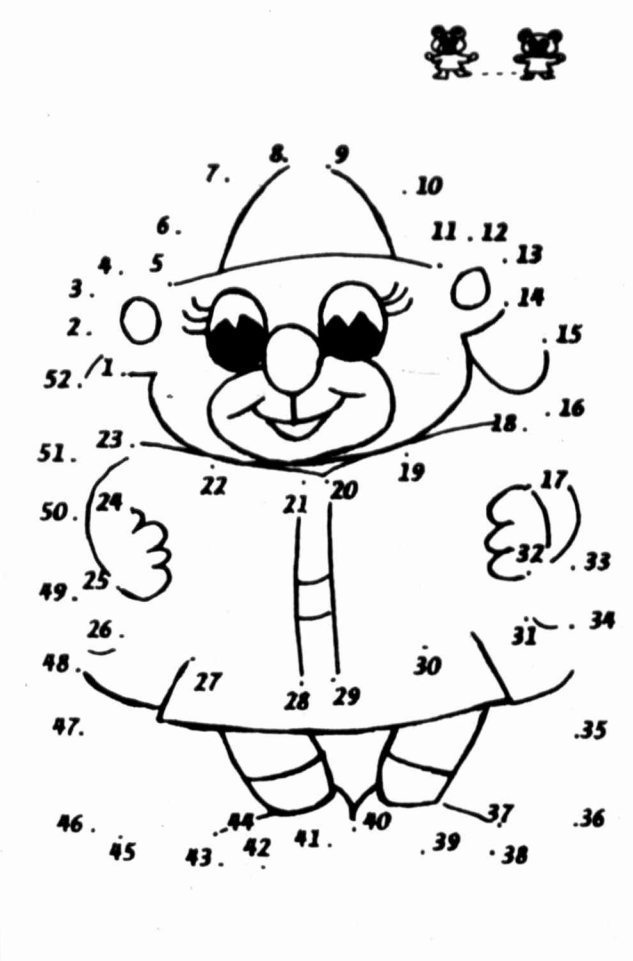
Hart Uhl, 11, sixth-grade boy

"They are some of the freshest books I've read. I loved them. I have really enjoyed each and every one."

"They are fun, fresh, and well-paced with likable characters. Kids read for plot, and boy, those books keep the pages turning. They also have a lot of humor."

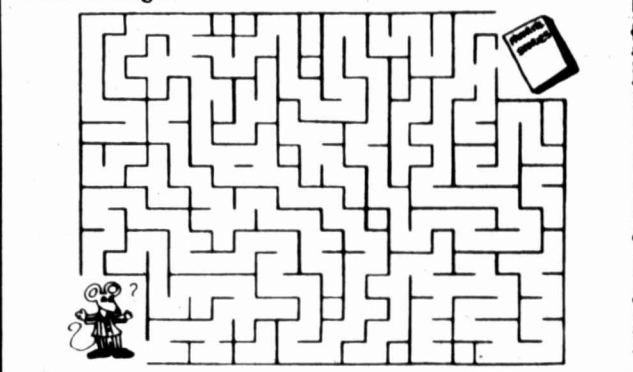
Maria Salvadore, coordinator of children's services, Washington, D.C., Public Libraries

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MAZE

Help Alpha Mouse find his library book. He can't wait to start reading it!

Rookie Cookie's Recipe
Book Week Broccoli Casserole

You'll need:

- 2 (10-ounce) boxes chopped broccoli, cooked and drained
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 1 cup low-fat sour cream
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1 (8-ounce) package stuffing mix
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine, melted

What to do:

1. Combine first four ingredients in a large bowl. Mix well.
2. In another large bowl, combine stuffing mix and butter or margarine. Mix well.
3. Place one-half of the stuffing mix in a greased casserole.
4. Top with broccoli mixture.
5. Top with remaining stuffing mix.
6. Bake in a preheated 350-degree oven for 30 minutes. Serves 6.

Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy is reading a bedtime story to her little brother. See if you can find:



- pencil
- Easter egg
- olive
- ladder
- two number 8's
- letter E
- carrot
- ruler
- lips
- kite
- exclamation mark
- pea pod
- toothbrush
- lima bean

BASSETT BROWN

THE NEWS HOUND'S BOOKS TRY 'N FIND

Types of books to read are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: BIOGRAPHY, HISTORY, NATURE, SCIENCE, FICTION, POETRY, ADVENTURE, MYSTERY, SPORTS, ANIMALS, FANTASY, PUZZLES, COOKBOOK, ATLAS, BIBLE.

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1999 Award Winners

"Plant a Seed ... Read" is the theme of this year's Children's Book Week, Nov. 15-21. Get ready for the future and read some of these award-winning books.

The John Newbery Medal is awarded each year to the author of the most outstanding children's book. This year, there was one runner-up, or Honor Book.

The Newbery Medal went to Louis Sachar for "Holes." The story is about a boy named Stanley, who is accused of a crime he didn't commit. He is sent to a scary detention camp where he joins the other prisoners in digging a deep hole every day in the hot sun. In this funny and exciting book, Stanley digs up some unexpected discoveries.

Newbery Honor Book winner Richard Peck taught English before he began writing.

He has written more than 20 books. Two of them, "Father Figure" and "The Ghost Belonged to Me," have been made into movies.

In "A Long Way From Chicago," two kids leave the city each summer to visit their grandmother in a small town. She turns their visits into funny, exciting adventures.

The Randolph Caldecott Medal is awarded each year to the illustrator of the most outstanding children's picture book. Four Honor Book awards were also given.

Caldecott Medal winner Mary Azarian creates new art with an old way of printing, woodcuts.

"Snowflake Bentley" by Jacqueline Briggs Martin is the true story of the man who invented a way to photograph snowflakes. He showed the world that no two snowflakes are alike.

This is the second Caldecott Honor Book award for Brian Pinkney. His wife, Andrea, a writer, works with him on many books. His father, Jerry Pinkney, is also an award-winning children's book artist. His mother is a writer.

"Duke Ellington" by Andrea Davis Pinkney tells the story of one of the most important composers of the 20th century.

"Tibet, Through the Red Box" tells of a son finding out about his dad's adventures in Tibet.

This is Peter Sis' second Honor Book. He has also made movies. He grew up in Czechoslovakia.

David Shannon first wrote and illustrated "No, David!" when he was 5 years old. On every page he drew a picture of himself doing things he wasn't supposed to do. When he grew up, he rewrote this book. He has written and illustrated several books, and done the art for others.

Although David keeps getting in trouble, his mother still says, "Yes, David, I love you!"

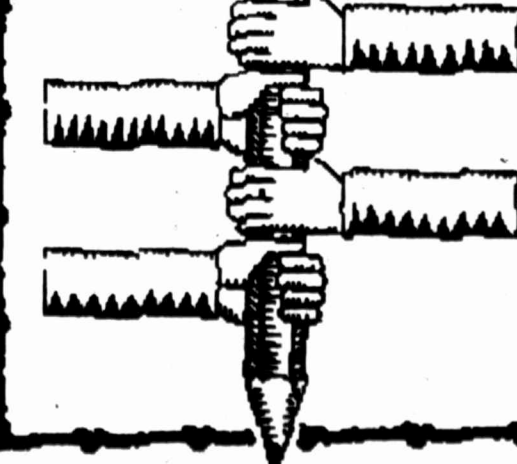
When he was 4, Uri Shulevitz and his family fled Poland to escape the Nazis. He now lives in New York. This is his second Honor Book. He won the Caldecott Medal for "The Fool of the World and the Flying Ship."

In "Snow," one snowflake falls, then more, until the city is wonderfully changed.

Look through your newspaper for inspiring stories.

Next week, The Mini Page celebrates Thanksgiving with a story about the history of food, and a special look at how the Pilgrims got their food.

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LIB RA helps you get what you want.

The Stars Show the Kind of
Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-
Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-
Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
***You might be over-
whelmed by what is going on
with a partner or loved one.
Allow your energy to help part
the waters for others.

Sometimes you can accomplish
things that others can't. Your
efforts will be appreciated.
Relish the good will and the
moment. Tonight: Let another
express his affection.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

TOO LATES

GREATER
OPPORTUNITIES OF
THE PERMAN BASIN,
INC. Project Head Start
has the following position
available:

Teacher Aide: Must be 18
years of age and have a
High School Diploma or
GED. Must be able to
attend training and
participate in child
development classes and
occasionally attend
out-of-town training.

Apply in person at
Lakewood Head Start, 1107
NW 7th st. between 8 & 5.
Job closes at 5:00PM
Monday, Dec. 6th.

All applicants must:
Have documented
proof of High School
Diploma or GED.
Pass a
pre-employment drug
screen.

Post-employment
Criminal History check
must be

Clear of felony
convictions to continue
employment.

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Agency offers OJT,
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full and part-time
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Garage Sale: 2100
Edgemore Rd. Sat. 8-7 off
of 24th st. in Kentwood. 2
recliners, furn., clothes &
misc.

For Sale: W-W Brand 2
horse trailer. Tandem
axle, tan in color, front
storage, excellent tires, 2'
ball hitch. \$1,200.
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Garage Sale, 1007
Sycamore, Fri. & Sat. 9-7.
Christmas decor, heaters,
doors, clothing, lots of
misc.

Garage Sale 628 State,
Fri. & Sat. Tools, old
coins, old Avon bottles &
cars, good clothes, lots of
new misc.

Yard Sale: 5714 Ranch
Rd. (Garden City Hwy.)
Sat. & sun. 9-7. Baby crib
exc. condition. Lots of
miscellaneous.

For Sale: 2 horse trailer.
Bumper pull, tandem axle,
removable dividers, front
compartments. \$700 firm.
(915) 378-2527

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HOROSCOPE

*** You have abundant energy,
but what your imagination
might trigger could startle you.
You'll feel much better. A co-
worker has strong feelings
about you, but be sure you
want to invite this interest.
Think about mixing work and
play first. Tonight: Pa rtake in
some eggnog and early holiday
cheer.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
****Your creativity, wit and
caring make an unbeatable
combination. Know what you
want, and others will respond.
Recognize how much a key
group of friends means to you.
Put forth that extra effort to
keep communication flowing.
Tonight: Make it an early
night.

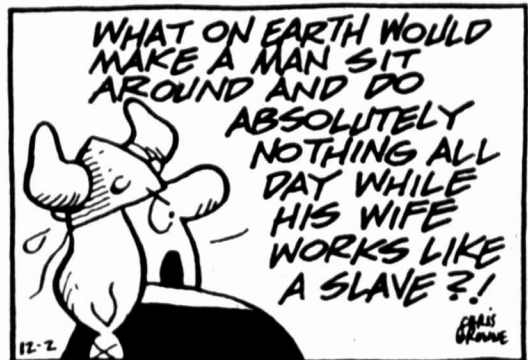
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
*** Handle personal matters
quickly so that you can clear
out an overwhelming amount
of work. Express your artistic
side through your holiday
choices. Others appreciate your
creativity, mixed with caring,
in your work or personal life.
Tonight: Nap, then decide.

THURSDAY

DEC. 2

	KMID (2)	KPEJ (3)	KERA (5)	FAM (6)	KOSA (7)	WFAA (8)	KWES (9)	WTBS (11)	UNI (13)	DISN (14)	NASH (15)	TMC (16)	SHOW (20)	HBO (22)	KMLM (24)	A&E (25)	DISC (26)	TNT (28)	USA (38)	SCIFI (39)	LIFE (40)	TLC (41)
6 PM	News (CC)	Home Imp. Judge Judy	News-Lahrer	Gold Drummer Boy	News (CC)	News (CC)	News (CC)	Fresh Prince	Sonadoras	Movie: Flash	Waltone (CC)	(10) Movie: True Believ	Her Sisters	(CC)	News John Hagee	Law & Order (CC)	Wild Discovery	ER (CC)	JAG (CC)	Movie: Star Trek IV: The	Intimate Portrait (CC)	Turning Point
7 PM	Whose Line? Whose Line?	Greed: Challenge	Great Performances (CC)	Santa Is Coming to Town	Without Santa	Whose Line? Whose Line?	Friends (CC)	(05) WCW Thunder	Tres Mujeres	(40) Movie: The Gathering	(CC)	Movie: The Gathering	Justice (CC)	Movie: Kiss the Girls (CC)	Light of the Southwest	Biography (CC)	On the Inside	Movie: Grease	Figure Skating	Voyage Home (CC)	Chicago Hope (CC)	Killer Storms
8 PM	Totally Out of Control	Action (CC)	ances (CC)	Jack Frost	Sports Illustrated	Totally Out of Control	Fraser (CC)	(05) WCW Thunder	(CC)	Horse Sense (CC)	Christmas Time	(CC)	Movie: Kiss of a Stranger	Real Sex 19	News Life in Word	Investigative Reports	Science Mysteries	(35) Movie: Beyond Bizarre	Improvisation	Movie: Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered	The Nancy Conn Story	Lost Continent
9 PM	20/20 Down-town (CC)	Mad Abt. You Nanny (CC)	Vienna	Great Magic of Las Vegas	Sports Awards	20/20 Down-town (CC)	News (CC)	(05) Movie: The Spy Who Loved Me	P. Impavido	Britney Spears	Dallas (CC)	Blackheart	(CC)	Real Sex 19	News Life in Word	Biography (CC)	On the Inside	Look Who's Talking Too	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)	Country (CC)	Golden Girls	Killer Storms
10 PM	News (CC)	Jerry Springer (CC)	Suze Orman: The Courage	700 Club (CC)	News (CC)	Ent. Tonight	Politically Inc. (CC)	(37) Late	Viviana a la Medianoche	Zorro (CC)	Dukes of Hazzard (CC)	(15) Movie: Snow White	(05) Movie: First of Justice	Inside the NFL	Faith Pleases God	Biography (CC)	Science Mysteries	(20) Movie: Silk Stalkings (CC)	Trak IV: The Voyage	Designing Unwashed	Bermuda Triangle	Lost Continent
11 PM	Politically Inc. Cheers	Newsradio Unhappily	To Be Rich (CC)	Who's Boss? Random Acts	Show (CC)	Ent. Tonight	Politically Inc. (CC)	(37) Late	Gordy y Flaca El Blablazo	Walt Disney Presents	Movie: The Gathering	A Tale of Terror	(45) Movie: American Hollow (CC)	Light of the Southwest	Investigative Reports (CC)	Beyond Bizarre	Look Who's Talking Too	New York Undercover	Home (CC)	Mysteries Commish		
12 AM	(12:06) Gunsmoke	Cops (CC)	Hollywood	Paid Program	Show (CC)	(12:06) Oprah Winfrey (CC)	Night (CC)	Fraser	(11:55) WCW Thunder													

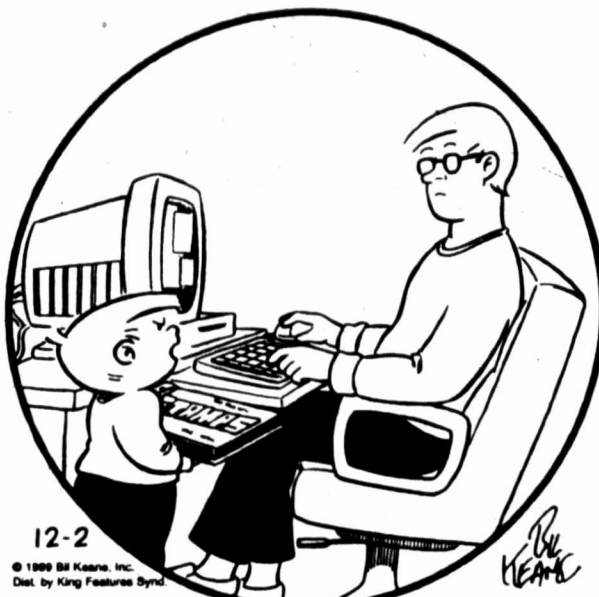
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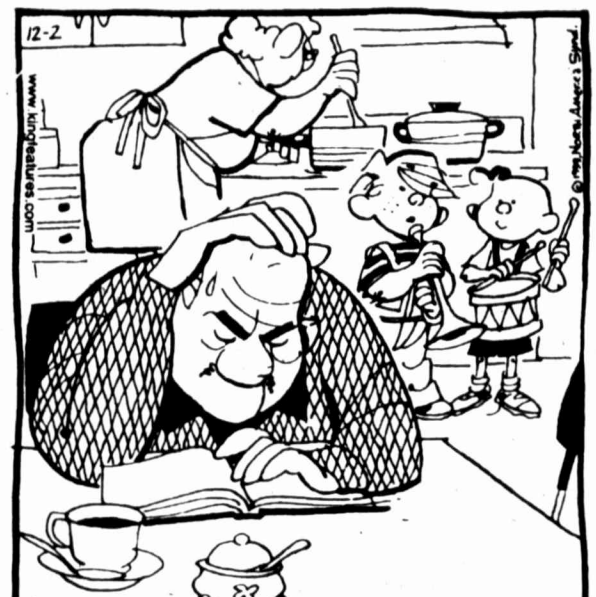
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THIS DATE
IN HISTORY

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Today is Thursday, Dec. 2, the 336th day of 1999. There are 29 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 2, 1859, militant abolitionist John Brown was hanged for his raid on Harper's Ferry the previous October.

On this date:

In 1804, Napoleon was crowned emperor of France.
In 1816, the first savings bank

in the United States, the Philadelphia Savings Fund Society, opened for business.

In 1823, President Monroe outlined his doctrine opposing European expansion in the Western Hemisphere.

In 1939, New York's La Guardia Airport began operations as an airliner from Chicago landed at 12:01 a.m.

In 1942, a self-sustaining nuclear chain reaction was demonstrated for the first time at the University of Chicago.

In 1954, the Senate voted to condemn Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, R-Wis., for "conduct that tends to bring the Senate into dishonor and disrepute."

In 1961, Cuban leader Fidel Castro declared himself a Marxist-Leninist who would lead Cuba to Communism.

In 1969, the Boeing 747 jumbo jet made its debut as 191 people, most of them reporters and photographers, flew from Seattle to New York City.

In 1970, the Environmental Protection Agency began operating under director William Ruckelshaus.

In 1993, Colombian drug lord Pablo Escobar was shot to death by security forces in Medellin.

Ten years ago: President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev held the first talks of their wind-tossed Malta summit aboard the Soviet cruise ship "Maxim Gorky." V.P. Singh was sworn in as prime minister of India.

Five years ago: The government agreed not to seek a recall of allegedly fire-prone General Motors pickup trucks; in return, GM agreed to spend more than \$51 million on safety and research. Reputed "Hollywood Madam" Heidi Fleiss was convicted in Los Angeles of three counts of pandering.

One year ago: Former Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy was acquitted of all counts in a corruption case for accepting sports tickets and travel from companies doing business with his department.

Today's Birthdays: Actor-playwright Adolph Green is 84. Actor Leo Gordon is 77. Former Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig is 75. Actress Julie Harris is 74. Former Attorney General Edwin Meese the Third is 68. Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., is 60. Country singer John Wesley Ryles is 49. Rock singer Michael McDonald is 47. Actor Keith Szarabajka is 47. Actor Dan Butler is 45. NBC news broadcaster Stone Phillips is 45. Actor Steven Bauer is 43. Rock musician Rick Savage (Def Leppard) is 39. Tennis Hall of Famer Tracy Austin is 37. Rock musician Nate Mendel (Foo Fighters) is 31.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS

- 1 Come up short
- 5 Stirling citizens
- 10 Nor'easter, e.g.
- 14 "Rule Britannia" composer
- 15 Diagram, as a sentence
- 16 River to the Caspian
- 17 Hit on the head
- 18 At right angles to the keel
- 19 Sicilian volcano
- 20 Cloud City proprietor
- 23 Language suffix
- 24 Comic/director Brooks
- 25 Nasdaq's milieu
- 26 Money roll
- 27 Hidden traps
- 32 Claw
- 35 Aoki of the links
- 36 Be in the red
- 37 Boy in "Star Wars": Episode One

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- 41 Manx male
- 42 Corrida cheers
- 43 Ganders
- 44 Lively
- 45 Dress
- 46 Silent assent
- 47 Atmosphere
- 48 Caesar's egg
- 53 Peter Cushing in "Star Wars"
- 59 Actress Moreno
- 60 Time for a shower?
- 61 Bridge position
- 62 Served perfectly
- 63 Steel plow pioneer
- 64 Edgeless sword
- 65 Roses' places
- 66 Brought to closure
- 67 Buss
- 68 Ready alternative?
- 69 Flock females
- 70 Withered
- 71 See-ya!
- 72 Soon
- 73 Composed of bonded layers
- 74 Wight or Man
- 75 Secret plotters
- 76 Pitcher
- 77 Hersher
- 78 Russian sovereign
- 79 Partial prefix
- 80 Invitees
- 81 Plant with a heart?
- 82 Cantrell or Turner
- 83 Distinctive flair
- 84 Man from Muscat
- 85 Old French coin
- 86 Chinese pan
- 87 Popped the question
- 88 Hall-of-Famer Willie
- 89 Acknowledge applause
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DOWN

- 1 Aesop's tale
- 2 Zones
- 3 Puerile
- 4 Allow to use
- 5 Disunited

38 Ready alternative?

- 39 Spartan market
- 40 Part of a tour
- 41 Single-celled microorganisms
- 42 Say further
- 43 Dubbed
- 44 Blazing

50 Giraffe's cousin

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