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WEATHER

Tonight:



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BRIEFLY

Coahoma pep rally

Coahoma High School will hold a community pep rally this evening at 7 in front of the High School. Those planning to attend are encouraged to bring signs and noisemakers for the event, which is expected to last 30 to 45 minutes. Coahoma will square off against Post in bi-district playoff action Friday at 7 p.m., at the Mustang Bowl in Sweetwater.

United Way dining

Both local Sonic Drive-Ins, located on Gregg Street and E. FM 700, are participating this Friday as the restaurant of the week for Dine Out Day for United Way. Both Sonics are open early and close late. A percentage of Friday's sales will go to help 14 local agencies. Next Friday's participating restaurant is Spanish Inn with the final restaurant being Domino's Pizza on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

COMING SUNDAY



Sometimes an old standby breakfast can be given a new twist to produce a unique recipe to tickle the morning palate.

Hometown Hero: Paul Drumm and his son run a 300-year-old grist mill in Usquepaugh, RI, grinding corn for Johnnycakes.

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Community Network slates free Internet classes

Workshops planned tonight at Howard College and Crossroads Housing Corp.

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Area residents will get the chance to learn more about the Internet and Web-design this week, as the Howard County Community Network (HCCN) hosts several classes today.

Thanks to a \$250,000 grant from the Texas Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Board, Summa Associates President and

CEO Michael Bates says these classes and several upcoming events in Big Spring should help educate local individuals and groups on the uses of the Web.

"We were very fortunate to receive this grant," said Bates. "Unfortunately the Texas Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Board is no longer around, but we're making use of the funds."

"I think people will find these classes very helpful. They're going to go over some of the Internet and computer basics so everyone can get a feel for it. The main goal is to get these people to a point where they will be able to design a Web site for their group or organization to be a part of the Big Spring Web Portal."

Bates said the Web-design

process will be simple, utilizing an online building system that was designed in Austin. "It's very simple and takes very little training to do," he said. "It will give people access to things like a community calendar, discussion forums, and online polls and surveys."

The classes are being held at

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HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

Big Spring Water Department employees Micky Lopez, left, and Alvin Crawford work to close a main water valve following several breaks in the city's water lines. According to city officials, seven breaks were reported to main transmission lines Wednesday.

Water main breaks cause havoc as crews scramble to make repairs

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

When it rains, it pours... Or in the case of the city water lines, when it breaks, it gushes.

Big Spring public works employees were scrambling to contain a series of main water-line breaks that occurred Wednesday afternoon following a strange chain of events.

"As of right now we have six main breaks that we're working on repairing," said Rick Boiles, the city's water distribution and collection superintendent, shortly after the onslaught began.

According to Boiles, problems began Wednesday morning while testing a shutoff valve necessary to fix a slower moving leak.

"We were testing a shutoff valve on Marcy, near the VA Medical Center, when we got the call at about 9:30 a.m. that a contractor had drilled into a main transmission line on Westover



HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

Big Spring Water Department employee Kevin Barker works on a main-break that occurred on Westover Road, near Barcelona Apartment. According to city officials, the break occurred when a contractor drilled into a 20 inch transmission line on Wednesday.

Road, near Barcelona Apartments," he explained. "Once that was called in, we began shutting down the valves

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Chamber still taking applications for man and woman of year

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is still accepting nominations for the 2003 Man and Woman of the Year.

"These are people who show us about community pride," said chamber Executive Director Debbye ValVerde. "They go above and beyond to make our country a better place and they take pride in what they do. It's not their job or a part of their job, it's their passion to make a difference in their community."

Nomination forms are available at the chamber, 215 W. Third St., and can be submitted through Dec. 5.

The selection of the Man and Woman of the Year will be considered on the overall contributions the recipients have made to the community and not just on one single act of merit.

Nominees should have a continuous track

record of accomplishments although a single contribution is not ruled out if it is of sufficient importance.

Only chamber members are eligible to nominate a person for the award, but nominees do not have to be members. Those currently holding a political office are not eligible for nomination.

The chamber will announce the recipient of the honors during its annual banquet on Feb. 10.

For more information about the Man and Woman of Year, call the chamber at 263-7641.

THE WALL

Historic replica will return here in March 2004

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

After more than 16 years, the Vietnam Memorial Moving Wall will once again roll into Big Spring in March of 2004.

"The reaction from everyone is very much unanimous. Everyone thinks it's great the wall is coming back," said

Vicki Osburn, treasurer for the Vietnam Memorial Committee of Big Spring. "The last time the wall was in Big Spring was 1987, and out of that visit the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial was born."

According to Osburn, after the wall was moved to its next location following the local exhibit in 1987, the group that would later become the Vietnam Memorial Committee of Big Spring Inc., decided to commemorate the event by planting a tree where the wall had been displayed.

"Of course that tree's no longer there," explained Osburn. "Now we have the plaza and the obelisk in that spot. The memorial has certainly come a long way since then."

"We've been trying to get the wall back to Big Spring since 1999. We had hoped to have it here by 2001, but the demand for the moving wall is tremendous. Everyone was behind us though, especially the veterans, to get it back here again, and just recently they called and said they can be here in March."

The wall is scheduled to be in Big Spring March 27 through April 2, at the Vietnam Memorial, the very site the where the monument was "consecrated" more than 16 years ago.

According to the Moving Wall Web site (www.themovingwall.org), the wall was born out of the emotion of one man's visit to the actual memorial in Washington, D.C.

"The Moving Wall is a half-size replica of the Washington, D.C., Vietnam Veterans Memorial and has been touring the country for almost 20 years," according to information on the Web site.

"When John Devitt attended the 1982 dedication in Washington,

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"We've been trying to get the wall back to Big Spring since 1999."

Vicki Osburn,
VMC treasurer

Obituaries

B.H. Duffie

B.H. Duffie of Big Spring died Monday, Nov. 10, 2003. Funeral services have been scheduled for 3 p.m. today, Thursday, Nov. 13, 2003, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2101 Tarleton, in Midland. Interment will be at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Mr. Duffie was born Dec. 8, 1925, to Louis and Mary Duffie in Amarillo. He was reared and educated there. He is survived by his sister, Josie Mathis of Florida. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home, 801 Andrews Highway, Midland.

Take note

□ **A FUND HAS BEEN** set at State National Bank to help defray medical costs for Elsie Hinojosa of Stanton, a cancer patient. She is a relative of Patsy Padilla of Big Spring.

□ **THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM**, which delivers to the elderly and homebound, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, you are needed.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected.

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

Support groups

THURSDAY

□ Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 12 noon to 1 p.m.; Women's meeting; 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Non-Smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

□ Fibromyalgia/Chronic Fatigue Support Group meets at noon at the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center.

□ Alzheimers Support Group meets at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at The Texas State Veterans Home, 1809 North Highway 87. For more information call Orand Carroll 268-8387.

FRIDAY

□ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Noon Open Big Book Study Meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

□ Open Discussion Meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open Podium/Speakers Meeting 615 Settles 8 to 9 p.m. Open Birthday Night, No Smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

□ Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 to 6 p.m.

□ Surviving Pregnancy Loss meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library Committee Room. Call 631-4430 for more information.

TUESDAY

□ Area Agency on Aging of the Permian Basin will hold a self-help support group for care givers in Howard County on Tuesday.

The meeting will be held at Canterbury Retirement Homes Inc., 1700 Lancaster, from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. For more information, call Raynetta Williams, caregiver coordinator, at (432) 563-1061 or (800) 491-4636 or locally call Debbie Read at Home Hospice at (432) 264-7599.

This group is open to the public and funded by the Texas Department on Aging.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Wednesday until 8 a.m. today:

- **DONALD MITCHELL**, 64, of 911 Scurry, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **GUILLERMO GALVAN**, 32, of Mission, was arrested Wednesday on two DPS warrants.
- **JESSIE NINO III**, 42, of Mission, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while license suspended.
- **ASSAULT** was reported:
 - in the 1100 block of College.
 - in the 1900 block of US Highway 87.
- **CRIMINAL TRESPASS** was reported in the 2000 block of Gregg.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported:
 - in the 700 block of 11th Place.
 - in the 1800 block of Mittel.
- **THEFT** was reported:
 - in the 300 block of Owens.
 - in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.
 - in the 1700 block of FM 700.

Sheriff's report

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

- **DONALD DARIL WOOTEN JR.**, 35, was taken to the HC Jail Wednesday after being arrested by the BSPD on a charge of resisting arrest, search or transport.
- **VINCENT MARTINEZ JR.**, 32, was taken to the HC Jail Wednesday after being arrested by the BSPD on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle.
- **DANIEL RIOS**, 17, was taken to the HC Jail Wednesday after being arrested by the BSPD on a charge of assault.
- **DAVID VIASANA**, 29, was taken to the HC Jail Wednesday after being arrested by the BSPD on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle.
- **JACKIE LLOYD MURPHREE**, 36, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a charge of assault with intent to cause bodily injury to a family member, enhanced.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 5700 block of the Interstate Highway 20 N. Service Road. Deputies were advised of the theft of a wallet. Report taken.
- **EMS CALL/CRIMINAL TRESPASS** was reported at Outback Adventure Park near Stanton. Deputies were advised of an accident involving off-road vehicles on private property. Subject was taken to the emergency room. Deputy was dispatched to ER in reference to a criminal trespass involving same subject. Report to follow.
- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 300 block of E. Eighth Street. Deputy was dispatched, report to follow.

Weather

Tonight...Cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain. Lows in the mid 40s. Southeast winds 5 to 15 mph.

Friday...Cloudy with a 30 percent chance of rain. Highs in the lower 60s. South winds 10 to 15 mph. Friday night...Cloudy with a 30 percent chance of rain. Lows in the mid 50s.

Saturday...Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s.

Sunday...Mostly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms. Lows around 50. Highs in the upper 60s.

Monday...Mostly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms early...then clearing. Lows in the upper 40s. Highs in the upper 60s.

Tuesday...Clear. Lows in the lower 40s. Highs in the lower 70s.

Wednesday...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 40s. Highs in the lower 70s.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 19-22-23-28-37.
Number matching five of five: 1.
Prize per winner: \$41,281.
Winning tickets sold in: Waco, Matching four of five: 131. Prize: \$142.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday night.

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The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 7-9-5

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Bulletin board

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TODAY

Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060, 7 a.m. Herman's Restaurant, 1601 Gregg.

Coffee Club, 10 a.m., Gales Sweet Shoppe, 1712 E FM 700.

Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane, 267-6479.

Friends of the Library, noon, Howard Country Library, 500 S. Main.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring Country Club, Driver Road.

American Legion Auxillary, 6 p.m., 3203 W. Highway 80.

Arts, Craft and Quilting club, 6 p.m., Howard Country Library, 500 S. Main.

Neighbors and Newcomers. For more information, call 268-9335.

Masonic Lodge 598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

FRIDAY

Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281.

Greater Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

AMBUCS, noon, La Posada, 206 NW Fourth St.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring Country Club, Driver Road.

Spring City Senior Citizens Center Country & Western Dance, 7:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m., 1901 Simler. All area seniors or invited.

SATURDAY

Hangar 25 Air Museum, McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historical home, 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

Fall Bazaar, St. Paul Lutheran Church in the fellowship hall, 9th and Gregg, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Food, crafts, candy, a silent auction and white elephant sale.

SUNDAY

Hangar 25 Air Museum, McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, 1:30 p.m.-4 p.m.

MONDAY

Senior Circle Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics, 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 W. 11th Place. People age 50 and older are invited to participate, 268-4721.

Coahoma's Lions club, 6 p.m., Coahoma Community Center on North Avenue.

Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., La Posada, 206 NW Fourth Street.

Big Spring Band Boosters, 5:30 p.m., Big Spring High School band hall, 707 11th Place.

Archeology Society for Howard and Borden counties, 7 p.m., Howard Country Library, 500 S. Main.

Big Spring Commandery No. 31, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 219 Main, 6:30 p.m. for dinner.

Big Spring Assembly No. 211, Social Order of Beauceant, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 219 Main; 6:30 p.m. for diner.

TUESDAY

Intermediate Line Dance classes, 9 a.m., Spring City Senior Center, 1901 Simler, 267-1628.

Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

American Cancer Society Volunteer Luncheon, First United Methodist Church's Garrett Hall. Noon. The meal is potluck.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Prescription drug benefits mulled

WASHINGTON (AP) — As congressional negotiators neared a compromise agreement on creating a prescription drug benefit for older Americans, supporters urged colleagues to focus on the big picture, not objectionable details.

"Everybody will have something in it they do not like, myself included," Sen. John Breaux, D-La., said.

Breaux was the first Democrat to get behind a proposal crafted by Republican leaders of the House and Senate to scale back their demand for competition between traditional Medicare and private insurance plans. Breaux called it "a middle-of-the-road deal."

The bill would provide prescription drug coverage for the elderly and carve out a vast new role for private insurance companies in the government-run Medicare program.

GOP congressional officials said the administration was ready to embrace the agreement, and President Bush was scheduled to discuss Medicare at an appearance in Florida on Thursday. GOP leaders said they also expected the backing of the politically influential AARP, with 35 million members age 50 and over.

Florida man a threat, FBI says

MIAMI (AP) — A Florida man was on the brink of carrying out plans to bomb abortion clinics after casing targets, studying bomb-making and buying material that could be used in an attack, according to the FBI and court documents.

Stephen John Jordi, 35, made his first appearance in federal court Wednesday. FBI agents lured him to a meeting aboard a boat late Tuesday; he jumped overboard and was arrested when pulled from Biscayne Bay with the help of the Coast Guard a half-hour later, FBI officials said.

Jordi was in the final stages of plans for imminent attacks, U.S. Attorney Marcos Jimenez said. A criminal complaint filed Wednesday said Jordi cased several South Florida clinics and discussed bombing one in Macon, Ga.

On Tuesday, Jordi and an FBI source bought gasoline cans, flares, starter fluid and propane tanks — including a large one filled with propane gas, the affidavit said. The source also provided Jordi a .45-caliber pistol, silencer and empty magazines in exchange for \$200, the affidavit says. Jordi was arrested later that day.

Jordi was charged with solicitation to commit a crime of violence; distribution of information relating to making and using explosives for arson; and possession of an unregistered firearm or destructive device.

First sniper trial set for jury

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (AP) — Jurors have listened to three weeks' worth of evidence against sniper suspect John Allen Muhammad, while his defense team has demanded their attention for all of two hours.

It appeared as though that's all the jury would have to consider, as closing arguments were expected to begin in the 42-year-old's trial Thursday, with the jury possibly getting the case later in the day.

Meanwhile, about 20 miles to the east in Chesapeake, opening arguments were expected to get under way in the trial of his alleged accomplice, 18-year-old Lee Boyd Malvo.

Muhammad's attorneys say Prince William County prosecutors have not proven that their client was the triggerman in the killing of Dean Harold Meyers at a Manassas area gas station on Oct. 9, 2002. Short of that, they say, jurors cannot sentence him to death under Virginia law.

Prosecutors have said it doesn't matter who fired the shot that killed Meyers because Muhammad used his paternal influence over Malvo to create a killer willing to follow his orders.

Ban on travel to Cuba upheld

WASHINGTON (AP) — House-Senate bargainers bowed to a White House veto threat on Wednesday and upheld the four-decade old ban on most travel to Cuba.

Though the Republican-run House and Senate had separately approved provisions earlier this year lifting the ban, negotiators dropped the language from a compromise bill.

Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., an advocate of lifting the ban, tried persuading lawmakers to settle for a narrower provision allowing travel to the Communist-run country by farm groups promoting sales of agricultural products. But it died when House bargainers refused to accept it on a voice vote.

The travel provision was dropped as bargainers from the two chambers agreed to a compromise \$88.9 billion

the two chambers agreed to a compromise \$88.9 billion measure financing the Transportation and Treasury departments and several smaller agencies for the federal budget year that began Oct. 1.

That measure also contains \$1.22 billion for Amtrak, close to what railroad officials say they need to keep trains running. It also clears the way for members of Congress to receive their latest annual pay raise.

Gunman, two others die in Dallas standoff

DALLAS (AP) — A shotgun-wielding suspect barricaded in an apartment has died in a gunbattle that ended his second standoff with police in less than three months. Before it was over, law officers say Francisco Fuentes killed two men, wounded four police officers and held his ex-wife and three daughters hostage for hours.

The standoff began early Wednesday in southwest Dallas when police responding to reports

of gunshots found a body on the living room floor and four children nearby. Three officers were wounded by a shotgun blast moments later when they tried to enter a bedroom where they heard a "gurgling or choking" sound. They fired no shots and fled with the four children.

Nine hours later, after Fuentes' ex-wife and his daughters had been freed unharmed, SWAT team officers entered the apartment. Sgt. Gil

Cerda said Fuentes, 32, opened fire, injuring a fourth officer. Fuentes was killed by the officers.

Police identified the men killed in the apartment as Mario Rios, 30, and John Watson, 31. Rios was shot once in the chest with a shotgun, according to a police report. The police report says Fuentes, who had broken into the apartment, went into the bedroom where his ex-wife and Watson had been sleeping and shot Watson in the head.

CLASSES

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the Howard College Continuing Education Building, and the Crossroads Housing Corp. training room, in four time slots today — 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Shirley Lee, Howard College director of information and marketing, said the program, which will also establish public Internet access points throughout the city, should have a dramatic impact on the area.

"It's designed to provide Big Spring area residents with public access to the Internet and community based Web services," she explained. "When the project is completed, there will be eight sites in the area where the public will be able to access information."

The sites are the Crossroads Housing Corp., Lakeview Headstart, Howard County Library, Howard College Library, RSVP, Big Spring Housing Authority, Texas Workforce Commission and the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

"It allows the public to come into these places and have high-speed

access to the Internet. They can also build their own Web site, and that's what these classes are designed for... to help teach people how to develop their own Web site to be a part of the upcoming network," she added.

A special launch presentation for the program will be held at Howard College at 11 a.m. on Saturday Nov. 22.

For more information, contact the Howard College Continuing Education Department at 261-5131.

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WALL

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he felt the positive power of the wall, and he vowed to share that experience with those who did not have the opportunity to go to Washington.

"Devitt, Norris Shears,

Gerry Haver and other Vietnam veteran volunteers built The Moving Wall, and it went on display for the first time in Tyler, in October of 1984."

For more information on the Vietnam Memorial Committee of Big Spring Inc., visit online at www.bigspringvietnam

memorial.org.

For more information on the names and information listed on the actual Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C., Internet users can also log on to www.virtual-wall.org. The Virtual

Wall Vietnam Veterans Memorial contains per-

sonal remembrances in the form of letters, photographs, poetry and citations honoring the men and women named on the Vietnam Memorial.

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BREAKS

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of the other breaks began occurring."

Boiles said breaks were called in at 538 Westover Road (Barcelona Apartments), NW Fifth Street and Aylesford, 24th Street and Johnson, 14th Street and Donley, 13th Street and Gregg and Marcy Drive (FM 700) near the VA Medical Center.

"Once we got the water shut off on the Westover Road break, the water plant reported a spike in pressure," said Boiles. "That's when the majority of the leaks began."

Boiles reported this morning that work crews managed to complete all of the repairs.

"We completed the last main repair at approximately 2 a.m.," he said. "We actually completed seven repairs in all. There was another leak that popped up while we were working with the original six."

"Unfortunately, the slow leak near the VA still hasn't been repaired, but we're looking at it right now. We want to make sure we go after this in the right way, but in the meantime it's a slow leak and it's not leaving anyone without service."

Public Works Director Todd Darden said the

order in which the breaks were repaired was prioritized by the number of customers without water services.

"We attack these breaks based on priority," said Darden. "The main transmission line are always on the top of the list because that's how we get the water out to the cus-

tomers to begin with. After that we base project order on which break is leaving the most customers without service, and go from there."

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OUR VIEWS

Let's support our
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gridiron squads

It's nothing short of a tradition in the Crossroads. While the many begin to focus on the start of basketball season, it seems there are always a couple of area football teams that earn the right to stay on the practice field when everyone else is shooting hoops.

This year is no exception, as Coahoma's Bulldogs and Grady's Wildcats prepare for bi-district playoff games on Friday night.

And one would be hard pressed to decide which community is experiencing more excitement.

In Coahoma, where the Bulldogs are making their third playoff appearance in five years, the players, coaches and fans are celebrating having claimed a share of the District 3-2A championship with tri-champs Colorado City and Crane.

It's the Bulldogs' second league title in the last 31 years and came after Coahoma issued Crane its first regular season loss since the Golden Cranes dropped to the Class 2A ranks in 2002.

The Bulldogs will take their 8-2 mark and share of the 3-2A title into a 7:30 p.m. Friday showdown against Post's Antelopes (6-4), the District 4-2A runners-up, at the Mustang Bowl in Sweetwater.

In Lenorah, Grady Wildcats and their fans are just as excited, having returned to the playoffs for the first time since 1996.

The Wildcats, who fashioned a 7-3 record during the regular season, will square off against Fort Davis' 9-1 Indians in McCamey.

That bi-district showdown is set for 7:30 p.m. Friday, as well.

As both the Bulldogs and Wildcats head into the postseason, they not only enjoy the backing of almost legendary fan followings from their respective communities, but the best wishes of the entire Crossroads area.

We here at the Herald join our neighbors in congratulating both teams, their fans and their respective school districts on having earned the distinction as champions and playoff qualifiers.

And we look forward to chronicling the Bulldogs' and Wildcats' marches through the playoffs and wish both the best of luck.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

*May we live our lives as if you see us every moment,
Lord, for you do.*

Amen

San Francisco is worse than a laughing stock

It's funny how many San Franciscans opposed the gubernatorial recall election because, they argued, it made California a national laughing-stock.

I guess they haven't noticed: San Francisco is worse than a laughingstock; it is the stuff of tourists' homeless horror stories, a city where residents equate Market Street with squalor.

In Tuesday's mayoral election, city voters will have a chance to vote for change, but will they? Reports suggest a majority of voters may vote for one of the so-called progressive candidates — Supervisors Tom Ammiano and Matt Gonzalez, attorney Angela Alioto and City Treasurer Susan Leal — whose political positions have helped make the Special City a haven for vagrants.

Even if the only candidate who offers any hope of staunching the city's steady decline wins the most votes — I refer to Supervisor Gavin Newsom — there will be a runoff race in December if he draws fewer than 50 percent. And if Newsom does not win with a resounding majority in December, he will have no mandate for change.

What gives with San Francisco voters? Time and again, they vote in favor of measures to remedy the city's super-sized homelessness — and then vote for politicians who undermine them.

Last year, a whopping 60 percent of voters went for the Newsom's "Care Not Cash" measure, which would cut the amount of cash the city gives to homeless welfare

recipients (up to \$410) so that more cash would go to provide the homeless with housing and services.

When a court decision overturned Proposition N, the supervisors failed to pass a law upholding the voters' will. Why? Because, it was clear, City Hall's so-called progressives feared the wrath of homeless advocates far more than the wrath of taxpayers and voters.

"I actually think the city is incredibly divided on homeless people," explained pollster David Binder, who conducted polls for Proposition N. San Franciscans "continue to vote on homeless measures, yet people react negatively to anything they see as too law-enforcement oriented."

Let me stipulate: The city should provide more care for the mentally ill living on the street, as well as services to help those battling addiction. There's nothing humane about letting mentally ill people deteriorate on city sidewalks.

But all the services in the world won't help people who are "homeless by choice." I am talking about people who have no desire to kick their habits and prefer to sleep on the street or doorsteps than stay in a shelter.

According to city welfare chief Trent Rhorer, city outreach statistics show that for every 100 contacts with the city's homeless, 95 percent refuse services. Which is why voters approved "Care Not Cash."

When voters support "Care Not Cash" obstructionists — Alioto, Ammiano, Gonzalez and Leal — they lead City Hall politicians to believe the electorate is not serious.

Binder has a nicer way of looking at what I see as schizoid voting. "Sometimes we overlook the

pragmatic center of San Francisco," Binder noted, referring to less ideological voters "who generally have the votes to swing the balance of power from one side to another. They just want a city that works, and they want to be proud of their city."

Fine, but if the voters are angry at the advance of squalor downtown and in the neighborhoods, and if they want action, they won't get what they want by sending mixed messages that tell "progressives" they can keep stonewalling.

In politics, only strong numbers talk. Look at what happened after Arnold Schwarzenegger's solid victory at the polls. When it looked as if he might just squeak into office, Sacramento Democrats were ready to pounce on the new governor. Then, when the numbers proved to be so great that savvy partisans were forced to admit that voters were rejecting politics as usual, they began tripping over each other in their eagerness to show they got the message.

San Francisco is a beautiful city. There is no excuse for the rancid smells. There's no excuse for letting sick people degrade themselves and the streets they inhabit.

Yet there would be no need for excuses if voters didn't repeatedly vote against their own wishes. So, if San Franciscans don't strongly back Gavin Newsom, the man with the plan, maybe they're not serious about cleaning up their city.

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Can Schwarzenegger save California?

California Republican politicians, who had signed a political blank check to back Arnold

Schwarzenegger's improbable campaign, spent an uneasy three weeks after his landslide election. They feared the governor-elect would bring to Sacramento a motley collection of his pals from Hollywood and buddies of his Kennedy in-laws. But last week Republicans were breathing sighs of relief over his key appointments. So were many other Californians.

Gov.-elect Schwarzenegger's most important selection was to fill the key post of finance director (the job held by Caspar Weinberger under Gov. Ronald Reagan). He picked Donna Arduin, who has earned a national reputation as a budget-cutter and tax-cutter during five years as Florida Gov. Jeb Bush's budget director. The appointments that followed for the most part confirmed that the former Mr. Universe's administration marks a sharp departure from the feckless rule of Democrats. Although picking ex-Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan as Secretary of Education did not please diehard conservatives, it pleased the California Teachers Association even less.

What happens next will be the nation's most compelling political story. The state's Republicans, at death's door prior to the recall election, now envision Schwarzenegger as their savior. More important is whether the Austrian immigrant can save the Golden State. Once the land of opportunity for dispirited

Americans throughout the continent, it has become burdened with profound pessimism. One prominent Republican activist told me he pities Schwarzenegger for having to face a government-created malaise transcending a mere budget crisis.

The brilliant November weather masked the harsh reality of life here. The latest nonsensical labor strike has shut down the bus system. Los Angeles County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, a doughty liberal on the Democratic front line for the past two decades, finds himself frustrated by intransigent union leaders. Low-income workers cannot get to their jobs. Additional motor vehicles turn the freeways into parking lots, extending bumper-to-bumper rush hours past 8 p.m.

That is the end product of political domination by the Democratic Party, in alliance with unions and trial lawyers. Public distaste for this state of affairs explains the emphatic rejection of Davis and support for the politically inexperienced but untainted Hollywood actor.

Democratic ranks have been decimated by the recall election. In addition to the forced retirement of Davis, Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante has been marginalized by his miserable campaign. State Atty. Gen. William Lockyer, once considered the front-runner to succeed Davis in the 2008 election, may have committed political suicide among Democrats by admitting he voted for Schwarzenegger on Oct. 7. State Treasurer Phil Angelides is now the early Democratic favorite for governor in the next election, but he is hardly a compelling figure.

The state's most influential Democrat, appropriately enough, becomes the embodiment of 1960s-

style radical liberalism: State Senate President John Burton. Facing forced retirement by term limits after more than 30 years as a happy but uncompromising warrior of the Left, Burton sought as a personal epitaph a state mandate to require employers to pay for their employees' health insurance. Gov. Davis, typically detached, signed the bill into law the night before the recall. The mandate is seen by many businessmen as typifying the political mindset that is driving them out of the state even as California's population rises.

Schwarzenegger is advised that there is no real chance to beat down Burton and his colleagues by repealing the employer mandate. But there are more vulnerable targets of opportunity: the increase in the hated car tax and authorization of driver's licenses for illegal aliens. The Democratic controlled Assembly is ready to repeal them, and it is unlikely that Burton and the Senate will put up much of a fight.

That is only the beginning. Burton has privately told one prominent Republican that he resents Schwarzenegger interposing himself between the people and their legislators. But that is precisely what the governor can do and intends to do. Assuming that the Legislature will resist, he plans to go to the electorate in the March primary election with a spending cap and a bond issue. The fact that a world-famous celebrity is taking on the liberal establishment ensures the attention of California and the entire nation.

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All in the family

Brian France is ready to follow in the footsteps of his father and grandfather in taking NASCAR to new heights

By CAMMY CLARK
Knight Ridder Newspapers

The Winston Cup garage at Phoenix International Raceway was packed with people. Crews worked under car hoods. Fans jockeyed for glimpses of Dale Earnhardt Jr. Sponsors hobbled with team owners. And reporters scurried for interviews.

In the midst of the organized chaos a few weeks ago, Brian France began walking to the officials' hauler. He took only a few steps before sensing trouble. Roaring at him was the No. 7 light blue car driven by Jimmy Spencer.

The 6-foot-2-inch France deftly sidestepped the Dodge just in time to avoid the headline: "Veteran Driver Runs Over NASCAR's New Chairman of the Board."

France chuckled. Nah, it wasn't a real brush with death — just another unexpected moment in running the multibillion-dollar empire his grandfather William H.G. France started with a grand vision in 1947, and one his father, Bill France Jr., brought kicking and screaming into the 21st century.

Now it's Brian's turn to be in the driver's seat. On Sept. 13, Bill Jr. handed him the keys to NASCAR.

Brian does not plan to let the empire idle on its merits as the No. 2 most-watched American sport behind the NFL. He hopes to steer the empire to greater heights, which include broadening the fan base at home (most notably among Hispanics and African-Americans) and around the world.



Brian France

He recently went to London to discuss international strategy. Before that, he went to Mexico City to explore the possibilities. He said he certainly noticed the attendance figures — some 300,000 — at CART's recent Mexico race.

"Everybody knows my motto is 'We're going to make progress,' because I love this sport," Brian France said. "I'm not here just because of my last name."

"But I know I have job security, and I'm going to use it to be aggressive, but smart. I don't want to get out on the diving board too far."

In the next breath, the only son of Bill Jr. added, "But Bill (Brian calls his father by his first name) did say, 'You'll have to get results, or we'll make a change.'"

Bet on it. Said longtime NASCAR troubleshooter Jim Hunter: "Brian has probably been fired more than any other NASCAR employee in history. That's the truth."

Like the time Brian thought his father had left NASCAR headquarters in Daytona Beach, Fla. It was about 3 p.m. and Brian got on the public-address system. Imitating his father's gruff voice, he told the employees they had done a good job and could go home early.

Only Bill Jr. had not left.

"Over the years, Brian's skin has gotten



PHOTOS COURTESY OF NASCAR

Just as Bill France passed on stewardship of NASCAR to his son Bill Jr. in 1971, left, Brian France will take over from his father Bill Jr., above, with Brian in his childhood days.

All Brian has done is spearhead a record \$2.6 billion TV deal and the record \$700 million new title sponsorship with Nextel, help start the NASCAR Truck Series, help create the \$10 million Research and Development Center and bring the marketing and licensing arms of NASCAR into the big time.

"I'm not sure if this is a perfect analogy, but in kids baseball, it seems like most of the time the coach's kid is always the one who pitches or hits the home run," driver Steve Grissom said.

The same thing with this deal with Brian taking over. He may not be as old. But look how much experience he's got. He's always grown up around racetracks. He's heard what his father has said and his granddad. He's picked up on that, and I think NASCAR is in pretty good hands."

Brian shares his father's passion for the sport. Often he rides his scooter throughout the motor home sections of the track, talking with fans.

"Sports is emotional — about moments that people remember," Brian said. "That's why all of us work for NASCAR. That's why we're in sports. People really look forward to the weekend to watch the races. And I do, too."

Over the years, Brian also has learned a lot from the man who took over NASCAR in 1972, when it was still primarily a Southern sport and only a year into a new title sponsorship with R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.

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THIS WEEK'S RACE

FORD 400

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Busch

Also this week: The season finales at Homestead for the NASCAR Grand National and Trucks series will determine those circuits' champions this weekend. Brendan Gaughan holds a 26-point lead over Ted Musgrave in Trucks entering Friday's Ford 200. Travis Kvapil is third, 34 points back. Brian Vickers has a 22-point advantage over David Green in the Grand National series. Ron Hornaday is third, 39 back entering Saturday's Ford 300.

POLL POSITION

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

OK, it's officially time to look ahead. Who'll win the 2004 Daytona 500?

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LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Mark Martin's No. 6 Roush team and Ricky Rudd's No. 21 Wood Brothers bunch are swapping crew chiefs. Who benefits most?

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Response	percent
Neither. They'll both struggle for a top-15 finish.	46.1%
Both teams will improve.	33.2%
Ricky Rudd's team.	11.3%
Mark Martin's team.	8.4%

BY THE NUMBERS

WINSTON CUP POINTS LEADERS

The top-40 drivers as of Nov. 9:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. M. Kenseth (17)	4988	21. W. Burton (22)	3483
2. J. Johnson (48)	4762	22. R. Rudd (21)	3451
3. D. Earnhardt Jr. (8)	4762	23. E. Sadler (38)	3425
4. R. Newman (12)	4659	24. J. Nemecek (25)	3314
5. J. Gordon (24)	4625	25. J. Benson (10)	3283
6. K. Harvick (29)	4595	26. D. Jarrett (38)	3273
7. T. Stewart (20)	4359	27. R. Craven (32)	3258
8. B. Labonte (18)	4197	28. D. Elanay (77)	3115
9. B. Elliott (9)	4151	29. J. Spencer (7)	3054
10. K. Busch (97)	4095	30. K. Wallace (23)	2964
11. T. Labonte (5)	4039	31. T. Bodine (54)	2846
12. J. Burton (99)	3986	32. S. Park (30)	2817
13. M. Waltrip (15)	3984	33. T. Raines (74)	2648
14. R. Wallace (2)	3851	34. J. Green (43)	2613
15. J. McMurray (42)	3827	35. C. Mears (41)	2556
16. R. Gordon (31)	3783	36. K. Schrader (49)	2451
17. M. Martin (6)	3705	37. K. Petty (45)	2414
18. G. Biffle (16)	3638	38. J. Annett (1)	2342
19. S. Martin (40)	3611	39. M. Skinner (01)	1914
20. J. Mayfield (19)	3581	40. J. Sprague (0)	1284

GRAND NATIONAL POINTS LEADERS

The top-20 drivers as of Nov. 8:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. B. Vickers	4507	11. M. Bliss	3786
2. D. Green	4485	12. A. Lewis	3646
3. R. Hornaday	4468	13. M. Wallace	3395
4. J. Keller	4437	14. S. Hmiel	3160
5. S. Riggs	4422	15. C. Gibbs	3143
6. B. Hamilton Jr.	4418	16. K. Harvick	2927
7. S. Wimmer	4013	17. T. Bodine	2763
8. J. Sauter	3971	18. M. Waltrip	2503
9. K. Kahne	3924	19. K. Grubb	2498
10. S. Compton	3793	20. J. McMurray	2365

NEXT RACE: Saturday, Ford 300, Homestead, Fla.

TRUCK SERIES POINTS LEADERS

The top-10 drivers as of Oct. 31:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. B. Gaughan	3721	6. B. Hamilton	3442
2. T. Musgrave	3695	7. R. Crawford	3403
3. T. Kvapil	3687	8. C. Edwards	3329
4. D. Setzer	3682	9. T. Cook	3082
5. J. Wood	3512	10. C. Chaffin	3009

NEXT RACE: Friday, Ford 200, Homestead, Fla.

RANKINGS

THAT'S RACIN'S TOP PICKS

1. **Matt Kenseth (car No. 17):** Yes, he has just one win — the championship. Nobody else will have any in that category. Last week: 1.

2. **Ryan Newman (car No. 12):** Homestead track's redesign was done on a computer. That sounds right up

this team's alley. Last week: 2.

3. **Jimmie Johnson (car No. 48):** Hasn't won in his past eight races, but hasn't finished worse than third in the past five. Last week: 3.

4. **Dale Earnhardt Jr. (car No. 8):** Night and day difference at Rockingham from February, but cautions kept catching him. Last week: 4.

5. **Bill Elliott (car No. 9):** Kenseth's title-clinching day stole Rockingham thunder, but his victory

was a sweet one. Last week: 9.

6. **Tony Stewart (car No. 20):** Won first Cup races at "old" Homestead. Will the new layout be good to him, too? Last week: 7.

7. **Jeff Gordon (car No. 24):** He'll try to fend off Kevin Harvick in the season finale to secure a top-five points finish. Last week: 5.

8. **Kevin Harvick (car No. 29):** Remember, just a few weeks ago he thought there was still a race for the

championship. Last week: 6.

9. **Kurt Busch (car No. 97):** Had a sizzling second half last season, but was much better in the first half this year. Last week: 8.

10. **Bobby Labonte (car No. 18):** Another team that just couldn't keep up the pace it set for itself in the first half of the year. Last week: 12.

For the rest of the top-40 rankings, go online and visit www.thatsracin.com.

Kenseth's Winston Cup championship isn't bittersweet for Martin

It was a day Mark Martin had undoubtedly been dreaming about for his entire racing career. Finally, after so many heartbreaking disappointments, Roush Racing had won a Winston Cup championship.

It was happening at North Carolina Speedway, the track where in 1989 Martin had earned his first Winston Cup victory as a driver and Jack Roush's first Cup victory as a car owner. What could be more fitting?

Yet something was out of kilter. Martin was there, all right, but somebody else was holding up the oversized trophy and accepting the congratulations.

Matt Kenseth was the star of this show. The 31-year-old driver who Martin had recruited and urged Roush to hire had wrapped up the 2003 title with a fourth-place finish in the Pop Secret 400.

Martin, meanwhile, had lost an engine after running only 239 laps. Despite the fact that Martin is listed as a co-owner of Kenseth's team, nobody could have blamed him if he had gone on up the highway and left the celebrating to Kenseth, crew chief Robbie Reiser.

Roush and the rest of the newly crowned championship team. But that's not Mark Martin. He changed into his street clothes and came over to Kenseth's pit to stand and watch the final laps. He posed for pictures with Kenseth, Roush and the trophy and came to the press box for the interviews that followed.

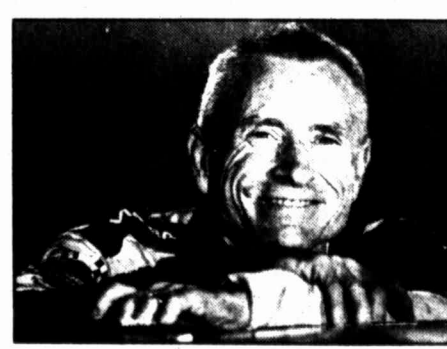
Through it all, Martin must have felt like an actor watching someone win an Academy Award for a film about that actor playing his most memorable role. Or something like that.

"I don't know how I feel," said Martin, who finished just 38 points behind Tony Stewart in last year's final standings, the fourth time in his career he's been the runner-up in the title chase without winning.

"I don't really have a feeling because I don't feel like I deserve to be a part of this thing," Martin said. "The only reason I am a partner in the 17 car is because it was a gift to me from Jack Roush. Matt Kenseth and Robbie Reiser have earned this, and even though I cared an awful lot and tried to help as much as I could, my contribution to this team doesn't add up to anything in the opinion."

Kenseth begged to differ. The Wisconsin native met Martin at a drivers' meeting before a Grand National series race at Talladega in 1997. Kenseth's second race as a driver for Reiser's team. That turned out to be a momentous encounter for Kenseth's career.

"I guess he heard of me from racing



Championship or no, Mark Martin is proud of his racing career.

in Wisconsin," Kenseth said. "We drove for the same owners at different times and at a lot of the same race tracks."

He called me the next week and said he wanted to help me. He didn't know how he was going to do it, but he wanted to get me hooked up with Jack."

Even before Kenseth got his first Grand National series win at Rockingham in early 1998, he had a

contract with Roush. He did some test driving and accompanied Martin to tests where he didn't even drive.

"I just tagged along a lot and tried to absorb and learn as much as I could," Kenseth said.

Martin will turn 45 in January. Bobby Allison won a championship at that same age in 1983, becoming the oldest driver to win the title. He's 17th in the current standings, though, which means he'll most likely have his worst finish in the standings during his tenure with Roush — he was 15th in that first year in 1988.

"I am not bitter about the things I haven't accomplished in my life or in my career," Martin said.

There's no bittersweet here. "What I've done and accomplished, I'm proud of. What Matt has done and accomplished, I'm very proud of as well. But I'm not more proud of Matt today than I was a year ago. The actions make the man, the trophy doesn't."

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Barraza, Jansa look for big finish at state meet

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

Some things really do change. The last time Stephen Barraza walked to the start of the state cross country meet, he was a freshman on a talent-laden Sands team and not a lot was expected from him. The exact opposite was true for Allison Jansa of Garden City. There was no team to help ... and a ton of expectations.

Each will find themselves in a bit of a different mix Saturday morning in Round Rock when they step to the line for the start of the Class 1A cross country state finals. Barraza won't have a team, and Jansa will have at least one teammate cheering her on. Both, however, will shoulder the Crossroads' small-school hopes on their feet.

Barraza, en route to stretching Sands High School streak of

sending runners to the state finals to six straight years, will highlight the Class A boys race. A senior, he is expected to compete for one of the top spots.

"I think I have a pretty good shot if I run well," said Barraza. "To medal will be tough, but I think I can do it because I can run with more confidence than the last time I was there."

Four years ago, Barraza legged out a spot in the top 75 positions at the race.

"I don't think it will be as big a shock to me as it was before because I've been there and know what to expect."

Sands head cross country coach Rocky Clindaniel agreed.



BARRAZA



JANSA

"After what he did last year in track, I think he has a real good chance. He's run pretty well all year so we're expecting him to have a chance."

"We've seen several of the

ones expected to finish near the top this year and feel if he has a good day, he could do really well against them," Clindaniel added.

Barraza, who finished third at last weekend's Region II-1A meet in Arlington with a time of 16 minutes, 51 seconds — which was almost 30 seconds slower than the mark he posted at Big Lake earlier this fall.

Barraza won two meets this year, including runs at Aspermont and Water Valley.

Jansa will need no introduction

when she steps to the starting line at 10 a.m. at Old Settler's Park. She will be making her fourth straight appearance at the meet.

The Garden City senior will also be trying to crack the Top 10 for the first time. She placed 11th last fall with a time of 12:41.2.

"I'm excited about going again," she said. "It's my last year so I want to do the best I can."

"My goal is to medal," she added. "I've improved every year so I think my chances are pretty good. I'm going to have to attack the hills and use the downsides to my advantage. I'm probably going to have to kick a little earlier so I can run some people down."

She was 26th overall as a sophomore and 36th in her first try as a freshman in 2001.

Garden City's Shawn Maxie will be running in the boys' race.

IN BRIEF

BSHS swimmers to compete in Pecos

The Big Spring High School swim team will return to action Friday when they compete in the Pecos Invitational.

The Steers will close out November the following week in Monahans.

Baseball boosters to meet this evening

The Big Spring High School Baseball Booster Club will hold a meeting today at the BSHS Athletic Training Complex.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m.

For more information contact John Sparks at 263-8527.

New classes now forming at YMCA

Registration for classes in gymnastics, swimming, martial arts and women's weights is now being held at the Big Spring Family YMCA.

Gymnastics classes include Kidnastics for preschoolers, ages 5 and younger, and regular gymnastics and tumbling classes for boys and girls 6 and older.

For more information contact the YMCA at 267-8234.

Basketball officials needed for season

Basketball officials are needed for the upcoming season.

Persons interested in officiating local games this fall should contact Adam Rodriguez at 263-8731 (home) or 517-0300 (cell).

Crossroads league to hold board elections

The Crossroads Little Football League will hold elections to fill three positions on its board of directors at the championship games on Nov. 22.

Persons interested in becoming a candidate for any one of the three vacant positions can sign up at the CLFL concession stand, located at the American League baseball field.

7-on-7 tournament set for weekend

A 7-on-7 football tournament will be held at Howard College Saturday and Sunday.

For more information contact Clay Vickers at 267-2271.

Lady Steers to face Permian in tuneup

The Big Spring Lady Steers will get their 2003 basketball season started Saturday morning when they face the Odessa Permian Lady Panthers in a scrimmage. The two teams will begin at 10 a.m. in the Steer Gym.

The Lady Steers' season-opener is scheduled for here on Nov. 17 against Permian.

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Cowboys vs. Patriots, 7 p.m.	95.7	

Nets still unable to solve Duncan

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Much like the NBA Finals, the New Jersey Nets had no answer for Tim Duncan even with Jason Kidd producing a triple-double.

Duncan had a season-high 31 points and 12 rebounds and the defending champion San Antonio Spurs defeated the Nets 85-71 Wednesday night in the first meeting between the teams since the championship round.

Tony Parker added 17 points in just his second game of the season and Manu Ginobili had 12 points and eight rebounds as the Spurs won their second straight game since Duncan and Parker returned to the lineup.

Kidd, who spurned a free agent offer from the Spurs in the offseason, had 14 points, 13 assists and 12 rebounds for his second triple-double of the season and the 52nd of his career.

Kenyon Martin added 14 points and 10 rebounds in his first game since spraining his left ankle Oct. 31.

The Nets also couldn't overcome long stretches of cold shooting, another reminder of what happened in the finals when New Jersey allowed San Antonio to go on a series-deciding 19-0 run in Game 6.

A 3-for-14 slump at the end of the second quarter came during a 21-5 spurt that gave the Spurs a 49-33 halftime lead.

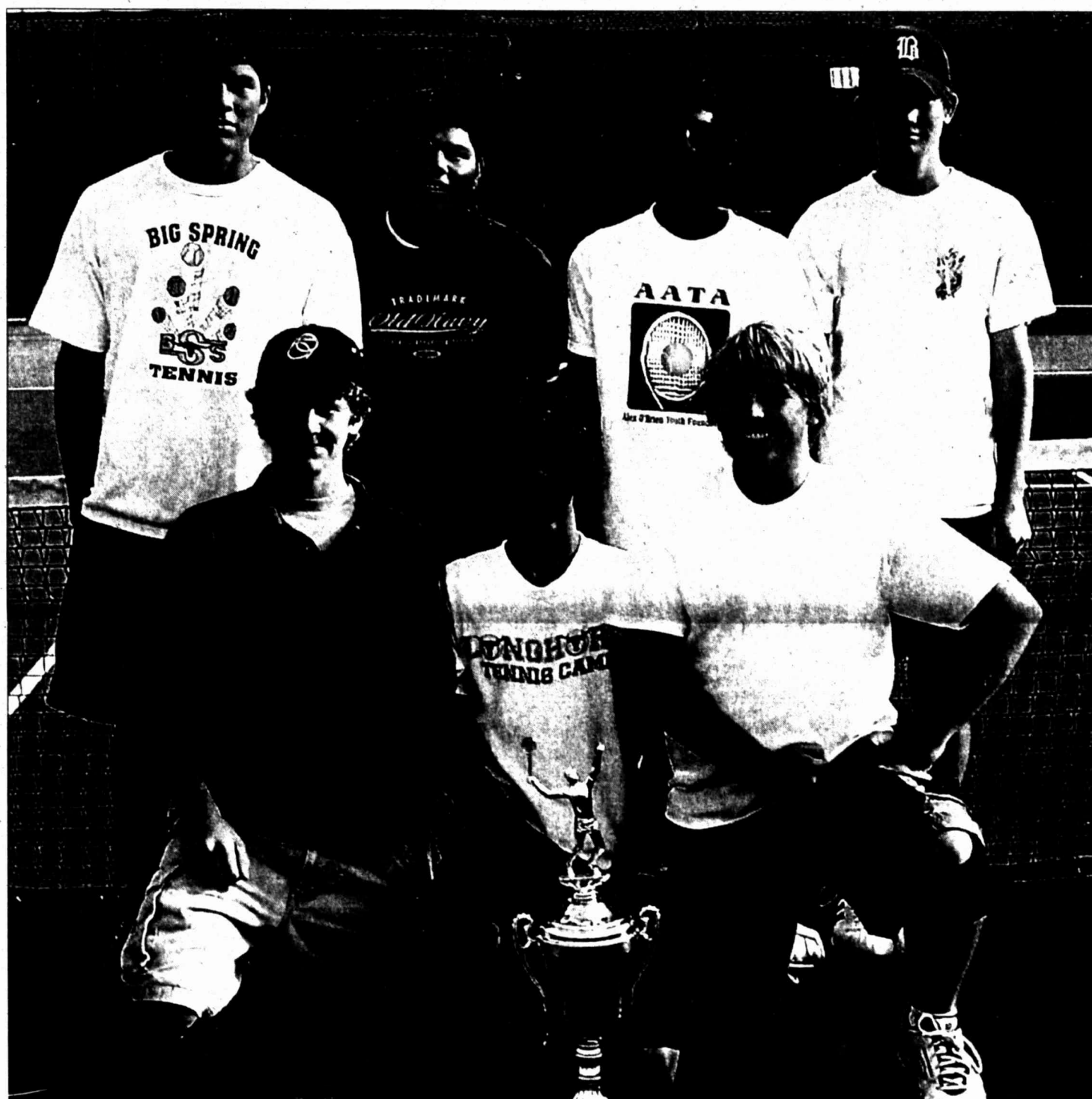
McKeon, Pena net top honors

NEW YORK (AP) — Jack McKeon was voted NL Manager of the Year after turning around Florida's season, and Tony Pena won the AL honor for keeping Kansas City in contention until the final week.

McKeon received 19 of 32 first-place votes and 116 points in balloting released Wednesday by the Baseball Writers' Association of America, becoming the first manager to win the award after taking over a team during the season.

Before this year, McKeon had never taken a team to the playoffs.

Dusty Baker, a three-time winner of the award, finished second with 62 points.



The Big Spring High School boys captured top honors among the male squads in District 4-4A action this past season. The BSHS team helped carry the Steers team tennis squad to a third consecutive berth in the Region I-4A team tennis tournament.

Big Spring netters dominate 4-4A all-district awards lists

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

As is becoming a custom at Big Spring High School, the question isn't made garnered all-district honors for the Steers' 2003 team tennis squad, but who didn't.

The answer is simple: No one.

True to tradition, the Big Spring team tennis squad dominated the 2003 4-4A all-district rosters. All 16 BSHS players on the BSHS roster finished either first, second or honorable mention.

"I was proud of each and every one of them," said Big Spring head coach Sarah Corse, whose team just missed nailing down their third consecutive district crown this fall. "The team did great. They worked hard every day."

The Steers' quest for a 3-peat came to an abrupt end last month as Andrews managed to eke out a narrow win in the final match of the season. Big Spring did, however, advance to the Region I-4A Tournament for a third straight year.

As a team, the BSHS boys' earned the 4-4A team title. The BSHS girls finished second to



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Andrews, which won the overall district crown.

Big Spring's Vishal Shroff and Jason Vela both walked away with first-team all-district accolades in boys' singles play. Shroff posted a perfect 5-0 record in district play and easily edged out Levelland's Andy Cariens for the honors.

Andrews and Big Spring tied for the most first-team all-district singles picks with two apiece. Making the squad for Andrews were Angel Granados and Tyler Guthrie.

Vela went 3-0 in district play to share first-team honors with Andrews.

The BSHS boys team racked up three second-team all-district

spots in singles play. Making the second-team all-district list were Jake Smiley, Justin Ferrell and Roshan Shroff.

Nick Paradez was an honorable mention pick in singles. Ferrell and Roshan Shroff garnered first-team honors in doubles No. 3 team action.

Andrews led all 4-4A teams with four first-team selections.

The Lady Steers almost made a complete sweep of the district's second-team all-district squad. Veronica Villarreal, Heather Parnell, Jessica Rodriguez, Alex Gariepy and Amanda Farmer all picked up second-team accolades. Lauren Chesworth was an honorable mention selection.

In girls' doubles, Villarreal and Chesworth were second-team picks among the district's No. 1 squads. Parnell and Rodriguez tied for second-team honors in the No. 2 division.

Gariepy and Natasha Neighbors collected honorable mention honors as the Steers' No. 3 doubles squad.

Big Spring's Kyle Conley and Jamie Jordan were second-team all-district selections in mixed doubles play.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON

A lucky aspect forms as Mars and Saturn do their flirty dance — your ambitions are your best teachers, and you needn't look far to get the very lesson that, once learned, is your success secret.

Utilize the Scorpio sun's power to be shrewd, honest and lean in your approach to learning. Defensiveness has no part in a triumphant equation.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Sentimental moments get you more emotional than usual. Your heightened sensitivity becomes comfortable. Friends are there for you in laughter and in tears, a testament to what a terrific friend you are.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Hold off on getting a definitive answer. Life's mysteries are good for the soul. At work, the victories of the past don't necessarily have bearing on present competitions. Hone your skills, and there's no way you can be beat.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You break from routine and don't feel one ounce of guilt about it. In matters of love, you're rebounding from a stint of over-commitment. It's right and necessary to revamp your relationship if you feel constrained.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You have a knack for finding rare treasures. People line up to buy your one-of-a-kind items. The games you play don't often involve brute strength but rather your agile mind. Libra and Scorpio put you to the test.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your brain is going a million miles a minute today. You're hungry for information, endlessly reading and thinking. Your best answers come from people close to you, specifically Cancer and

Pisces. Support groups boost you up.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're fed up with depriving yourself of simple pleasures. Buy, make or otherwise acquire exactly what you want. At work, telephone conversations could eat up your precious time. Screen calls.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Peace, love and understanding? You've got all three. Love relationships are happily drama free, and you come to a peaceful understanding with those affiliated (in laws, siblings and exes).

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Self-discipline forces you to pass up smaller opportunities in lieu of grander goals. But are you letting too many minor joys fall by the way-side while you're looking for lasting happiness? Let little delights guide you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It's time to start over and be totally self-reliant. Eliminate connections to outdated traditions, and take yourself exactly where you want to be. Friends come off as harsh even though they are just trying to be helpful.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Life is hectic — relax your tight grip on precise schedules. Spontaneity revitalizes you. You meet an associate who shares similar financial needs. It turns out there are more people around you looking for the same thing.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You feel like righting some wrongs. Rather than trying to change the whole world, change your world instead. Send thank you notes, clean your oven, or make cookies for a friend.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). This is a stay-at-home, play-at-home day. A break from social life builds up your inner reserves. Don't feel guilty telling people you're busy — you're busy resting. This evening, you're on the phone last when important news breaks.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS



Joyce Jillson

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie I would like to comment on the letter from "Not Tall in Danbury, Conn.," who said it was hard to date women because he was only 5 feet 4 inches tall.

I am a recently divorced father of two who has hit the dating scene for the first time in 16 years. I am attractive, physically fit and have a high paying executive job. I'm outgoing with a great sense of humor, and am a gentleman in every aspect. However, I am only 5 feet 2 inches tall.

I get rejected in every way possible. I recently put an ad in the personals of a local paper, in which my description included my height. I did not receive a single response. I placed the same ad three weeks later, except I indicated my height at 6 feet. Lo and behold, 22 responses! This has me completely depressed, as there is no "diet" for me to go on to alter my height. Aren't there any women who wouldn't mind dating a shorter man?

— Also Short in Connecticut

Dear Also Short: We heard from a great many short men and the women who love them. Read on for some words of encouragement.

From Missouri: I had the same problem in college. Like him, even short girls seemed to prefer taller men. Fortunately, by my late 20s, I had little problem getting women to notice me. As you pointed out, as women get older, appearance becomes less important. I now have a beautiful girlfriend (5 feet 2), with whom I have been happy for over a year.

Torrance, Calif.: My husband and I just celebrated our ninth anniversary. He is sweet, attractive, physically fit and, oh, yes, he stands 5 feet 5 inches tall. I am 5 feet 8 and have never had an issue about his height. My husband is a confident person with a lot of charisma. There are high-quality, attractive women who know a good thing when they see it.

Ohio: We have been married 24 years now, and I always say the smartest thing I ever did was to marry him. "In short," he is everything I could have wanted in a husband. Tell that young man to quit focusing on his height and work on his other qualities.



ANNIE'S MAILBOX

Someday, a smart woman will come along and recognize what a gem he is.

Hawaii: There are definitely women who like shorter men, and I am one of them. I married a wonderful man who is 5 feet 4. Women who refuse to date someone short are missing out. It's great dancing with your head on his shoulder instead of his stomach. Imagine not standing on tippy-toes to kiss your man. Girls, I'm telling you, short guys are where it's at!

West Virginia: My heart broke reading that letter. As a tall woman (5 feet 10), I have heard more than once from male friends who confessed that they never asked me out because they believed, wrongly, that I would turn them down. I've heard the same story from other tall women. Believe it or not, there are many women who are interested in dating men simply because they like them.

Massachusetts: I am barely 5 feet tall and have been married for 15 years to a wonderful man who is 6 feet 2. When we dance together, I long to rest my head on his shoulder instead of his belly, to gaze into his eyes instead of his chest and to chat comfortably while we dance. It is such an unpleasant activity that we hardly ever do it. I wouldn't trade my husband for anyone, but if he were 8 inches shorter, I wouldn't be less attracted to him. I suggest that "Not Tall" take dancing lessons, and then find as many opportunities as possible to dance eye to eye and cheek to cheek with women close to his height. I bet he'll sweep them off their feet.

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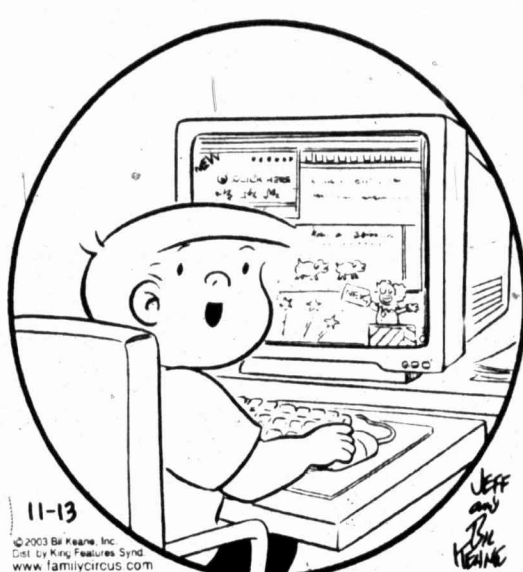
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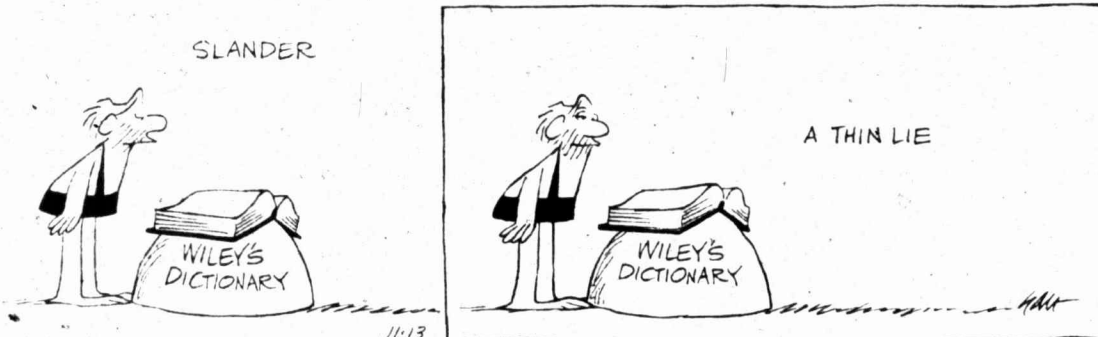
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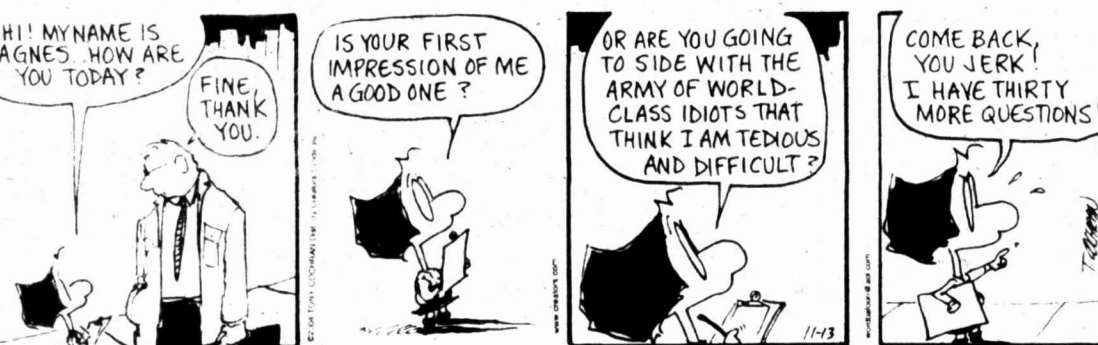
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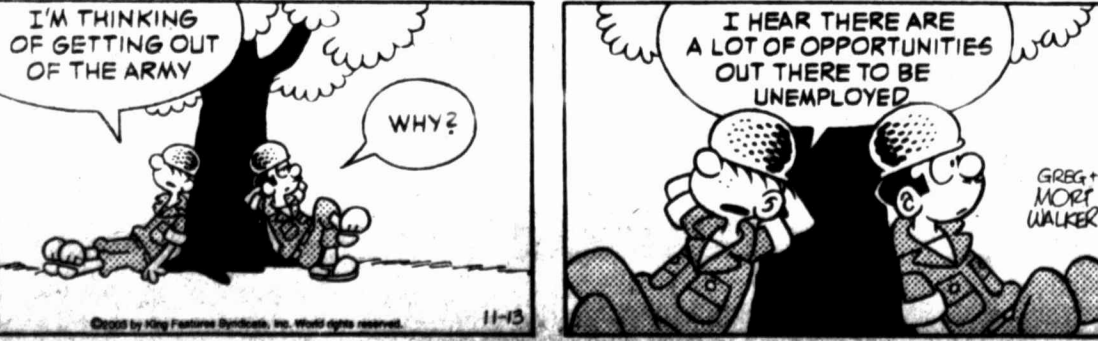
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Nov. 13, the 317th day of 2003. There are 48 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 13, 1789, Benjamin Franklin wrote in a letter to a friend, "In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes."

On this date:
In 1775, during the American Revolution, U.S. forces captured Montreal.
In 1927, the Holland Tunnel opened to the public, providing access between New York City and New Jersey beneath the Hudson River.

In 1940, the Walt Disney animated movie "Fantasia" had its world premiere in New York.

In 1942, the minimum draft age was lowered from 21 to 18.

In 1956, the Supreme Court struck down laws calling for racial segregation on public buses.

In 1971, the U.S. space probe Mariner 9 went into orbit around Mars.

In 1974, Karen Silkwood, a technician and union activist at the Kerr-McGee Cimarron plutonium plant near Crescent, Okla., died in a car crash.

In 1977, the comic strip "Li'l Abner" by Al Capp appeared in newspapers for the last time.

In 1982, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was dedicated in Washington.

In 1985, some 23,000 residents of Armero, Colombia, died when a gigantic mudslide buried the city.

Ten years ago: President Clinton used his weekly radio address to make yet another pitch for the North American Free Trade Agreement, then flew to Memphis, Tenn., where he delivered an anti-crime speech to black ministers.

Five years ago: President Clinton agreed to pay Paula Jones \$850,000 to drop her sexual harassment lawsuit with no apology or admission of guilt, ending the four-year legal battle that spurred the impeachment proceedings against him.

Today's Birthdays:
Actress Madeleine Sherwood is 81. Producer-director Garry Marshall is 69. Country singer-songwriter Ray Wylie Hubbard is 57. Actor Joe Mantegna is 56. Actress Sheila Frazier is 55. Actress Frances Conroy ("Six Feet Under") is 50. Actress-comedian Whoopi Goldberg is 48. Actress Caroline Goodall is 44.

Answer to previous puzzle

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6 Current fashion
10 100 dinars
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16 Crazy about
17 Baker's purchase
18 Pigeon shelter
19 Winery fixtures
20 City apartment
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26 Knighted Guinness
27 Odyssey menace
29 Unbridled fury
30 Ankle bones
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