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Museum sets festival, seeks volunteer chefs

Chefs are being sought for the March 24 "Around the World in 80 Bites" food festival at the Heritage Museum.

The event offers participants a bite-size taste of foods from different regions, countries and cultures. Chefs are asked to prepare about 300 tastes of their dish and serve it during the festival from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

About 50 cooks are needed for the event. All proceeds benefit the museum; its fund-raising goal is \$2,500.

For more information, call the museum at 267-8255.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

Senior circle, 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. People 50 and better are invited to participate.

Texas Tech Exes meeting, 6 p.m., Sparenberg Building.

Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Janis Dean.

Gospel singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn. Guest singers from Stanton, Midland, and Colorado City.

Big Spring Chapter and Council, RAM meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Building, 221 1/2 Main.

TUESDAY

Intermediate Line dance classes, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center.

Coahoma Senior Citizens luncheon, 11 a.m., Coahoma Community Center.

Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

VFW Post No. 2013, VFW Hall, 7 p.m., 500 Driver Road.

Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Order of the Eastern Star, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Lodge, 219 Main.

WEDNESDAY

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus room.

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HC officials urging students to file financial aid forms

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

Marie Hall Scholarship applications are now available at local colleges and Howard College officials urge students to complete and return their financial aid forms quickly.

"We encourage students to turn in their financial aid forms as soon as possible because the financial aid process does take some time to complete," said Ann Duncan, director of enrollment management at

Howard College.

According to Duncan, the earlier a student turns in the financial aid form, the better chance they have to qualify for grants and scholarships before that aid is completely distributed.

The Permian Basin Area Foundation has announced that Marie Hall Scholarship applications are now available for students.

Marie Hall Scholarships are for students who either graduate from high school or maintained a permanent residence for the last five

years in one of the following counties: Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Ector, Gains, Garza, Glasscock, Howard, Kent, Loving, Lynn, Martin, Midland, Mitchell, Scurry, Sterling, Ward or Winkler.

Scholarship awards, ranging generally from \$250 to \$1,500 per semester, are available to students of any academic pursuit.

"We average two to three students who receive a Marie Hall Scholarship a year," Duncan said. Recipients of the scholar-

ship must attend one of the following colleges or universities:

Howard College, Big Spring; Angelo State University, San Angelo; Midland College, Midland; Odessa College, Odessa; Sul Ross University, Alpine; Texas Tech University, Lubbock; Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Midland, Odessa or Lubbock; and the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, Odessa.

Interest students may request an application by

contacting the financial aid office of one of the above listed educational institutions.

Duncan said students need to have filled out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASA) for 2001-2002 when they turn in the Marie Hall application.

"We need to complete the section listed for family contribution for the scholarship forms," she added.

To pick up financial aid forms or to receive help,

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Rotary team headed to Taiwan

By **DEBBIE L. JENSEN**
Features Editor

On Saturday, five women from West Texas will tackle Taiwan.

The group is a Rotary International Group Study Exchange who will represent District 3490 while making friends, learning about business and experiencing the culture of the country. They will spend one month in Taiwan, living with host families and visiting tourist sites, along with hospitals, schools, parks, farms and temples.

"This is a way of learning about different countries and cultures," said Kathy Lusk, Big Spring Mall manager and team leader. She said the exchange is made "in a spirit of fellowship, cooperation and respect."

Lusk and fellow Big Spring resident Patricia Flores, assistant registrar at Howard College, will be joined by three other women from the district. They are Kali Smith of Dumas, Leslie Dutton and Amy Forister, both of Lubbock.

The groups are chosen in advance each year, and spend months planning and preparing for their stay.

"We prepare for an exchange for about a year," said Lusk, "starting by fig-



From left, Amy Forister, Kali Smith, Kathy Lusk, Patty Flores and Leslie Dutton are a Rotary International Group Study Exchange team that will leave Saturday for Taiwan. They will spend a month in the country, living with host families and learning about the culture.

uring out where we are going to go." People in the Rotary district apply to be part of the team, which is always led by a Rotarian, she added. Their applications are screened and they are interviewed, with a final selection made four or more months in advance.

Lusk said a month is a long time to spend away from family members and a job, but the experience can't be matched.

"I will miss my husband," she said. "My boss was excited about the idea; he thought it was fantastic."

As the representative of Rotary on the trip, it will be up to Lusk to make sure

things run smoothly. At 42, she is also the oldest of the group by nine years.

Lusk said the selection of five women was somewhat unusual.

"That just happened that way," she said. "I think it's very unusual. But it is a great group. We're going to have a great time."

Ann Landers, new crossword debut today

By **JOHN A. MOSELEY**
Managing Editor

Two new features — Ann Landers' advice column and the Newsday Crossword puzzle — will make their debut in today's edition of the Big Spring Herald.

The most widely syndicated columnist in the world, Landers has an estimated readership of 90 million and appears in more than 1,200 newspapers. Her column will replace Dear Abby.

Born Esther Pauline Friedman on July 4, 1918, in Sioux City, Iowa, Ann Landers attended Morningside College. She began writing her column on Oct. 16, 1955, and has since written five books and countless public service booklets on every conceivable topic.

She has received honorary degrees from 32 universities, as well as numerous awards from public and private organizations in recognition of the impact her writings have had. In fact, a World Almanac Poll asserted that she was the most influential woman in the United States.

In 1980, President Jimmy Carter appointed Landers to serve on the board of the National Cancer Institute for a six-year term, and in 1981, President Ronald Reagan appointed her to the

board of the President's Commission on Drunk Driving. She also served on the advisory committee to the director of the National Institutes of Health and, in 1985, was asked by the United States department of Justice and Health and Human Services to serve on the Advisory Council on Violence Against Women.

She became the first journalist to receive the Albert Lasker Public Service Award in 1985 for her efforts in pressuring Congress to approve millions of dollars for cancer research.

Her eloquent plea to the American people in 1985, directing her readers to write their senators and urge support of the National Cancer Act generated an unprecedented number of letters to Congress — more

than it had received in its history, more even than on the subject of Vietnam.

Landers' column has become a popular arena for the exchange of ideas, opinions and factual information on virtually every topic.

The Newsday Crossword puzzle is edited by Stanley Newman, who in the early 1980s, held a lucrative job as a Wall Street analyst for such firms as Salomon Brothers, E.F. Hutton and Merrill Lynch.

Those jobs paid the bills, but his real love was rapidly becoming crossword puzzles. He worked thousands of the, competed in crossword tournaments and won the first U.S. championship in 1982.

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Howard House's fall set to start

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**
News Editor

The good news is that the Howard House is scheduled for demolition beginning Tuesday. The aging structure which has served only as shelter for transients the past decade or two will be leveled.

The bad news is that businesses and motorists in that area will be inconvenienced for a while.

"We realize it will be an inconvenience for some people. We've had our code enforcement people go around and talk to business owners in the area and explain just what will be happening," said City Manager Gary Fuqua.

By 7 a.m. Tuesday, barricades and signs will be up, closing Third Street from Johnson to Main. Traffic will be detoured by way of Johnson Street to either Second Street or Fifth Street. Rannels Street will also be closed from Second to Fourth Street.

Sidewalks will be blocked off on the north and south side of Third Street.

"While this will no doubt be a problem for some, we think that people will be pleased once the work is completed. This building has been an eyesore in our community for some time, and it will be good to have it removed," Fuqua said.

Mid West Wrecking of Fort Worth — the same company that leveled the Permian Building last year — will perform the demolition at a cost of \$25,000. The city will provide trucks and personnel to remove the debris and deposit it in the landfill. The entire project is expected to take about 30

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Stanton ISD trustees combine principal jobs

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

STANTON Stanton Independent School District (SISD) trustees have decided to combine the duties of the elementary and junior high principals for a temporary time.

The SISD board held a special meeting to discuss the elementary principal position currently held by Lance Morton, who resigned on Feb. 12.

Morton, who has been with the SISD for about 10 years, currently plans to finish the year, White said. "We will expand the duties of Cindy Riney, (the Junior High School princi-

pal) to include kindergarten through eighth grade," said Jim White, superintendent for SISD. "We will hire an assistant for her."

"We would like to have her work with the assistant for two years with the idea of the assistant moving into the elementary principal position," White continued.

According to White, the combination of the two jobs will be doubling the work load of Riney who will receive a raise for the added responsibilities.

Riney has been working for the SISD for almost 10 years, beginning as a English teacher at Stanton High School. She has been

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Max Webb (left), executive director of the North Side Community Center, receives a \$100 check from Gollad Cavaliers sponsor Patsy Sanchez surrounded by members of the Cavaliers on Friday. The Cavaliers raised the money to donate to the center's Emergency Energas Crisis fund.

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COLLEGE

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Duncan urges students to come by and visit her at the counseling center located in the administration building of Howard College.

"Come by anytime and visit us," she said. "We are open from 8 p.m. until 6 Monday through Thursday, and we close at 3 p.m. on Friday."

Completed applications are to be returned to the financial aid offices by May 31, 2001, and then will be forwarded to the Permian Basin Area Foundation.

DEMOLITION

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days.

The property is owned by Big Spring Main Street Inc., a non-profit corporation created to enhance the downtown area. Funding for the demolition comes from three entities: Cornell Corrections, which donated \$12,500; Moore Development for Big Spring, which provided \$7,500; and Main Street, which contributed \$5,000.

Officials had originally targeted demolition for January. The project was delayed, however, to enlarge a special area in the landfill for the debris — which is expected to contain asbestos. That has been accomplished and the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission has been notified, officials said.

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In 1983, Newman founded the American Crossword Federation, an organization dedicated to the modernization of crossword puzzles.

A leader of the "contemporary" crossword school, Newman's goal is to make crosswords fun and accessible for today's audience.

In 1988, after five years of research and correspondence with crossword fans, he began the Newsday Crossword puzzle, emphasizing general knowledge and clever solutions.

The Newsday puzzle has gained a wide following and become a favorite of both experts and amateurs alike.

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the junior high principal for almost seven years.

According to White, the SISD is accepting applications for the assistant principal position from within and outside of the district until March 16.

"We have two excellent candidates out of our system and both will be finalist

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Joe Frank Horton, 69,
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be 10:00 AM, Tuesday, at
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for the positions," White said. The SISD will begin interviewing candidates following the week of March 16, he said.

Baylor student
wins \$10,000
in Internet
contest

WACO (AP) — Baylor sophomore Stephen Klein wasn't expecting a package from Federal Express.

And he was unaware that surfing the Internet would be so profitable.

When he opened the package Friday, Klein, a 20-year-old finance major, learned that he had won \$10,000 in a drawing by iWon.com, an Internet company that offers a site people can use to search the World Wide Web.

"I was pretty shocked," he said. "You enter those things, but you never expect something to come of it. I've never won anything close to this. I think I won a camera once."

Samantha Better, public relations coordinator for iWon.com, said Klein won in a daily drawing for the \$10,000 the company offers to individuals who register and use the site. When people use the site they are given points, which are then used in the drawing.

"Basically, each point is like an individual raffle ticket," she said. "They are randomly selected by a computer, and that person gets the \$10,000."

Klein, who has been told he'll receive the money in about 30 days, said he plans to put most of the money toward his tuition, but he will also set some aside for a vacation this summer.

"My dad and I have been talking, and I think we are going to take a trip to the Grand Canyon, and then up to Yellowstone," he said. I have been wanting to do that."

Pediatricians
say they
can't afford
to treat poor
children

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Children newly enrolled in Texas' health plans for the poor are being turned away by a third of the pediatricians in this West Texas city.

The doctors say they are paid too little to see the overwhelming numbers who need their help. Other pediatricians are warning they will follow suit, threatening access to health care for some of El Paso's most vulnerable children, the El Paso Times reported in Sunday's editions.

Seven doctors at El Paso Pediatric Associates no longer take new patients enrolled in Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program. Some doctors have left El Paso in recent months for jobs in other cities because of the low reimbursements.

"Taking care of them is strictly a break-even proposition," said Dr. Stuart Kahn, one of the seven doctors. "They utilize services more, and they're sicker than our other patients."

In the past several months, El Paso pediatricians have seen a dramatic increase in the number of poor patients in their practices, driven by successful community efforts to enroll children in Medicaid — the health insurance program for the poor — and in CHIP, a federally funded health insurance plan for the working poor, the doctors say.

But doctors are paid far less to treat those children than they would receive under commercial insurance plans — in many cases, half as much.

For example, El Paso pediatricians make about \$100 for a well-baby check-up covered by commercial insurance plans. But CHIP pays doctors \$62 for the same service, and Medicaid pays \$50.

"Our rates are cut and cut, and we have to

work more and more to break even," Central El Paso pediatrician Dr. Arturo Casillas said. He has closed his practice to new CHIP clients and is considering telling his current CHIP patients to go elsewhere.

A medical practice that carries more than 50 percent Medicaid or CHIP patients will go bankrupt, according to the Texas Medical Association.

In some cases, El Paso physicians are paid less for services than are physicians in other parts of Texas.

"It's hypocritical for the state to say it cares about kids when the rates are so low," said Dr. Gilbert Handal, regional chairman of pediatrics for Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in El Paso.

Two years ago, state legislators boosted the Medicaid reimbursement rate by 2.7 percent — the first increase in eight years.

Bush
returns to
Middle
America to
plug budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — They're not America's glamour spots, and that's the point: President Bush is returning to the nation's heartland this week to promote his spending and tax-cut proposals.

Bush was focusing on his Medicare plan in Washington on Monday and watching the swearing-in of disaster-management chief Joe Allbaugh. Then he was returning to his 2001 campaign trail — a zigzagging path that took him to five states last week, and will hit four this week.

The president has shunned places like New York and Hollywood, gravitating instead to the Midwest and South — regions that generally supported him on Election Day. This week follows the pattern, as he heads to Illinois, North Dakota, South Dakota and Louisiana. He plans to spend next weekend at his Texas ranch.

Rather than visit Wall Street, Bush will go Tuesday to the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, where international currencies, stock indexes and beef and pork futures are traded.

BRIEFS

55 ALIVE MATURE DRIVING Course will be offered Wednesday and Thursday, March 14-15, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Participants must attend both days, but those who complete the course usually qualify for a 10 percent reduction in insurance rates.

Cost of the class is \$10. Call 267-1628 for more information.

RAPE CRISIS/VICTIM SERVICES is planning a program, "April Awareness: Everyone Has a Role," for April 4 on the Howard County Courthouse lawn. They are asking people who have been victims of violent crime to contact the office if they would be interested in taking part in the event. Among observations planned are a parade with law enforcement.

Call the RC/VIS office at 263-3312 for information.

TO ORGANIZE A TEAM for Relay for Life, the community-wide campout that is a fund-raising event for the American Cancer Society, call Linda

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Billington at 399-4408, or Gloria McDonald at 263-1234. Relay is planned May 11-12 at Blankenship Field and 65 teams are expected to participate.

THE UNITED GIRLS SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION, will hold sign-ups from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, March 3rd, 10th and 17th at the Big Spring Mall.

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) volunteers have been trained by the Internal Revenue Service and will be preparing 2000 Income Tax Returns for individuals beginning Monday, Feb. 5, and each Monday until April 9, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Senior Citizens Center, 1901 Simler Drive.

This is for all citizens, and there is no charge. Please bring your tax booklet received from the IRS, all W-2s, 1099s and other documents received showing 2000 income as well as your 1999 Income Tax Return. If you cannot come at that time or need further assistance, please call Dorothy Kennemur at 398-5522, or the senior center at 267-1628.

THE BIG SPRING EVENING LIONS CLUB, will have free eyeglasses for all adults Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club bingo building, 1607 East Third.

All adults needing eyeglasses who don't have the income to purchase the exam or glasses are welcome. The recycled eyeglasses are donated by the community as a service project of the Lions.

The Lions group offers the eyeglasses the second Saturday of the month. For more information call Donna Groenke at 393-5298.

SUPPORT GROUPS

TODAY
•TOPS Club (take off pounds sensibly), weigh-in 5 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., College Heights Christian Church, 21st and Goliad.
•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

•Encourager's support group (all widows and widowers are invited) will meet today at 6 p.m. at the Santa Fe Sandwich Shop. For more information call 398-5522.

TUESDAY
•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

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THURSDAY
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.
•Al-Anon support group, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

FRIDAY
•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

•AA, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. Big Book Study.

•NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

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

SATURDAY
•Family support group for current and former patients and their families, 1 p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon, 8 p.m., 10 p.m. open meetings, 615 Settles.

•West Texans Living with Chronic Fatigue/Fibromyalgia Syndrome, 1 p.m., on the second Saturday of each month, HealthSouth facility at Hwy. 191 and Loop 250, Midland. Contact Linda Hagler at (915) 520-3500.

•NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

SUNDAY
•AA, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.
•NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT GROUP LISTING, PLEASE SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.

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Cornell	7.75 nc
Dell	23.13/16+1
Du Pont	45.66 +.94
Exxon Mobil	84.1 +.89
Halliburton	42.34 +1.02
IFCO Systems	3, nc
IBM	103.50 +1.19
Intel Corp	30 +.5
NUV	9.24 +.05
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Phillips Petro	55.49 +.53
SBC Comms	45.35 -1.22
Sears Roebuck	39.9 +.63
Texaco Inc	67.76 +.92
Texas Instrument	35.67 +.61
TXU	40.95 +.14
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Unocal Corp	37.01 +.53
Wal-Mart	49.27 +.33
Wal-Mart/Mexico	23 1/2 -23 1/2
AMCAP	17.25 nc
Europacific	30.02 -.16
Prime Rate	8.5 %
Gold	260.66-263.45
Silver	4.37-4.43

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The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities from noon Saturday until 8 a.m.

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today:
•JOHNNY LEE JOHNSON, 28, no address given, was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence.
•JOSE ARENIVAZ, 34, no address given, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

GUADALUPE MORENO, 33, no address given, was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence.

•MICHAEL FULBRIGHT, 37, no address given, was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence.

•WILLIAM GRAVES, 60, no address given, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

•JOE ENRIQUEZ, 24, no address given, was arrested for local warrants.

•SCOTT BAILEY, 27, no address given, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated, driving while license invalid, and revocation of parole.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 900 block of Lancaster, the 1800 block of Donley, the 2300 block of F.M. 700, the 1300 block of Park, the 400 block of Owens, the 1300 of Park, the 700 block of Creighton, the 2500 block of Oasis Road, the 900 block of Runnels, the 600 block of Abrams and the 1000 block of N. Main.

•DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 4100 block of Dixon and in the area of Wasson and Belvedere.

•INTOXICATED SUBJECT/DRIVER was reported in the 2000 block of Runnels and the 2600 block of Gregg.

FIRE/EMS

The following is a summary of the Big Spring Fire Department and EMS:

8:47 a.m. — 3300 block of West Highway 80, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

2:35 p.m. — 1000 block of Johnson, trauma call, one patient transported to SMCC.

6:50 p.m. — Suburban East Trailer Park, medical call, one patient transported to SMCC.

11:20 p.m. — 1300 block of Park, medical call, one patient transported to SMCC.

11:34 p.m. — 500 block of West 17th, medical call, one patient transported to SMCC.

10:31 p.m. — 2700 block of Oasis, residence, false call.

RECORDS

Sunday's high 62
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NEWPORT (AP) — Former Nancy Reagan nuclear-powered carrier in the husband on the ding anniversary

But it was Bush no President Reagan stood at Mrs. R Sunday as she emonial bottle of sparkling wine ship's bow.

The former who turned 90 has Alzheimer and was California reco a broken hip he a fall in Januar

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Countdown begins for first crew-swapping mission for station

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA began the countdown today for the first crew-swapping mission at the international space station.

Space shuttle Discovery is scheduled to blast off at sunrise Thursday with a crew of seven, three of whom will remain at the space station until at least July.

The shuttle is in excellent shape, but the cold could interfere.

Shuttle weather officer Ed Priselac said there is a 30 percent chance that temperatures in the low to mid-40s could delay the flight. The concern is that ice buildup on the external fuel tank could break off during launch and strike the shuttle.

Launch-time temperatures should reach

the low 60s by Friday, Priselac said.

The chill did not affect the mood of the space station's next residents, Russian cosmonaut Yuri Usachev and American astronauts Jim Voss and Susan Helms. They will replace the three men who moved into space station Alpha in early November.

"We're ready to go up to the international space station, get firsthand information from the Expedition One crew, take over and stay there for 4 or five months," Voss said upon arriving at Kennedy Space Center late Sunday night.

Helms already is bracing for the possibility of a longer mission.

"We'll be up there a long time, several months. We won't see you until the landing,

probably this fall," she said.

Besides the so-called Expedition Two crew, Discovery will carry up a module filled with supplies, equipment and a few science experiments for the space station.

This reusable, cylindrical moving van, built in Italy and named Leonardo, will be attached to the space station. Once its contents are unloaded, the van will be returned to Discovery's cargo bay for the trip back to Earth.

Space shuttle Atlantis returned to Kennedy Space Center on Monday, almost two weeks after landing at Edwards Air Force Base in California. Atlantis was diverted to California because of bad weather in Cape Canaveral, after successfully

delivering the U.S. Destiny laboratory to the space station. The shuttle made the cross-country trip bolted to the top of a jumbo jet.

NASA test director Jeff Spaulding acknowledged that the shuttle launch pace has been quick, especially in the past month. But he added: "I think it's a good pace."

Helms called out a special hello to her 7-year-old nephew, Bryant West, who traveled to the launch site from Wichita, Kan. He had to keep a safe distance from the crew to prevent the spread of germs.

"Bryant, I won't see you for about six months," Helms said. "But please be there to greet me on landing."

Former first lady, President Bush christen carrier

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. (AP) — Former first lady Nancy Reagan christened a nuclear-powered aircraft carrier in the name of her husband on their 49th wedding anniversary.

But it was President Bush — not former President Reagan — who stood at Mrs. Reagan's side Sunday as she broke a ceremonial bottle of American sparkling wine against the ship's bow.

The former president, who turned 90 on Feb. 6, has Alzheimer's disease and was home in California recovering from a broken hip he suffered in a fall in January.

"I want to thank the Navy for giving us such a wonderful present, such a little thing," Mrs. Reagan said of the massive, \$4 billion ship — the first carrier to be christened in the name of a living former president.

"I wish Ronnie were here," she said as the crowd cheered. "But somehow, I think he is."

Bush, the principal

speaker at the event, hailed Reagan as a great leader and an advocate of naval power. By the time Reagan left office in 1989, the Navy had 15 carriers and nearly 600 ships. Today, it has 12 carriers and about half as many ships.

"Upon this ship we have put the finest of American names," Bush said.

He promised to build military strength in keeping with Reagan's "vision of optimism, modesty and resolve."

"When we send her off to sea, it is certain the Ronald Reagan will meet with rough waters as well as smooth," the president said. "But she will sail tall and strong like the man we have known. ... All of us here wish the ship Ronald Reagan Godspeed. And we wish Ronald Reagan God's blessings."

Bush also asked blessings on the families of the 21 servicemen, most from Virginia, killed in the crash of a National Guard transport plane Saturday in Georgia.

Navy prepares for court of inquiry into collision

HONOLULU (AP) — One mother sobbed, clutching a handkerchief as a ukulele player strummed a melody written in remembrance of the nine men and boys lost at sea. Other relatives cried and clasped leis.

The oceanside memorial Sunday for those missing from a Japanese fishing boat that was sunk by a U.S. submarine came as the Navy prepared to convene a court of inquiry into the fatal collision.

The formal investigative hearing, which begins Monday, seeks to explain why the USS Greenville

rammed the Ehime Maru on Feb. 9.

"We really need to be told what happened in the submarine," said Hirohisa Ishibashi, mayor of Uwajima, the boat's hometown. "We have to do everything we can to prevent anything like this from happening again."

Greenville Cmdr. Scott Waddle is prepared to accept responsibility for the accident, his civilian attorney, Charles Gittins, told ABC's "This Week" on Sunday.

"I am sure that the evidence is going to show that

there was a chain of mistakes, and, quite possibly, Cmdr. Waddle did not see this vessel," Gittins said. "That doesn't mean that those people who made those honest mistakes should ultimately be prosecuted criminally."

The Ehime Maru, carrying 35 people, was on an expedition to teach teenagers how to become commercial fishermen when the Greenville plowed through its hull. Four high school students, two teachers and three crewmen never were found.

At the time of the acci-

dent, the Greenville was demonstrating an emergency surfacing drill for 16 civilian guests.

The Navy's hearing will examine the actions of Waddle, his second-in-command, Lt. Cmdr. Gerald Pfeifer, and the officer of the deck, Lt. j.g. Michael Coen.

Ishibashi, along with relatives of five of the missing, traveled to Hawaii to attend the hearing.

Three Navy admirals will preside over the court and recommend whether the officers should face disciplinary action.

Muddy conditions hamper recovery of crash victims

UNADILLA, Ga. (AP) — Military crews pulled the data and voice recorders from the wreckage of a National Guard cargo plane but slick, muddy conditions hampered the recovery of the 21 victims' remains.

Rescue teams have waded through 3 feet of slippery mud caused by a 4-inch deluge of rain Saturday, when the C-23 Sherpa crashed in a field in south-central Georgia, killing everyone on board.

"It's a quagmire," said Lt. Col. Deborah Bertrand, a spokeswoman at Robins Air Force Base in Warner

Robins that had tracked the plane. "Recovery operations are going to be difficult and protracted."

Defense officials have sent about 150 soldiers and Air Force personnel to the site to provide security, remove the bodies of the 21 National Guard members and search for a cause.

Although the storm had abated Sunday evening, strong wind hindered crews at the crash site. Rescue efforts were to continue Monday, as was an investigation into why the twin-engine plane crashed while returning from two weeks of

training in Florida.

Maj. Randy Noller, a spokesman for the National Guard Bureau in Washington, said aviation investigators "will require a significant amount of time" to sift through the charred wreckage and determine a cause.

"Obviously, there was bad weather when the crash happened, but at this point we don't know if that was a factor," Noller said.

Investigators did not know Sunday whether the in-flight data and voice recorders were working, said Col. Dan Woodward,

the Air Force commander at the crash site.

The passengers included 18 Virginia Air Guard members. The plane's pilot and two other crew members were from the Florida Army National Guard's 171st Aviation Battalion.

The C-23 Sherpa was assigned to the Florida battalion, based at Lakeland, Fla. It took off at 9:57 a.m. Saturday from Hurlburt Field near Fort Walton Beach and was headed to Oceana Naval Air Station, Va. No trouble was reported at takeoff, Air Force officials said.

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, March 6, 2001:

Push hard to achieve what you want this year, both personally and professionally. You're unusually successful with relating. Think through investments. Opportunities come in many different forms. Your domestic life and home expand, making you unusually successful. If you are single, your love life grows in late 2001. This new person could be very special. If you are attached, you add to your home life with a purchase, a new addition or perhaps a new home. You both become a lot happier with your relationship. LEO understands you.

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) ***** Your mind doesn't understand limits. Dig into your imagination for answers to a confusing situation. Why can't you have what you want? Your strong sense of direction allows you to see a different perspective. Make calls and seek out others. Tonight: Be a wild thing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ***** Review a situation that involves your professional status and well-being. Make money by using your strong sense of direction. Investments, especially in real estate, are starred. You offer much more than you realize. Tonight: Home is your castle.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** Your optimism becomes the focal point of a discussion. Express more of your feelings so that others can understand where you are coming from. You might miss an important message. Do not stand on ceremony; reach out for others. Popularity soars. Tonight: Accept another's invitation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ***** Listen to a financial counselor or know-it-all. You find his message con-

fusing, but it's good advice. Ask questions until you come up with a comfortable answer. Review a decision that involves a child or loved one. You might not be sure of another's intentions. Observe and ask. Tonight: Pay bills.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ***** Whatever you do, wherever you are, you add that touch of magic. Your fun personality adds to the moment. Gather friends in the near future. You change a meeting into an event. Others appreciate your efforts toward them, but a close associate or loved one could be jealous. Tonight: Tread with care.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** Use care when expressing yourself. Your words confuse others. Take charge and express your need for leadership. You gain support from a family member when you least expect it. Reveal more of your inner thoughts to a loyal friend who understands you. Feedback proves to be important. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** You might not exactly be sure about what to do with someone who often confuses or challenges you. Your general MO is to look at your needs and objectives. Be creative. Walk in

another's shoes, and you'll gain a far deeper understanding. Tonight: Join a friend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** Take charge and assume responsibility. Someone might not understand what you are doing, and he might opt to question you. Don't take umbrage at this action; understand that he needs more clarity. An open discussion about motivations and ideas takes you to a new level. Tonight: Work as late as necessary.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** Seek out different points of view. You might need to be more expansive with a work project than you realize. Others come forward with suggestions and ideas. Be careful if you're confused. Stop and clarify. A mistake made at this point could have a lot of ramifications. Double-check paperwork. Tonight: Take in a movie.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Deal with a partner or financial associate. You really do not see money matters as this person does. Ask all the questions you feel are necessary. You need to honor your sixth sense and follow through.

You could be surprised by what you hear. Tonight: Togetherness works.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** You might not intend to be nebulous or vague, but you and someone close to you do not think alike. Go step by step through his thought process. A meeting develops into networking. Make the most of the opportunity. A friendship could grow into a lot more. Tonight: Someone makes

quite an offer.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** Your instincts only confuse a situation more than necessary. Keep asking questions if you feel unsure. Someone you respect makes tremendous demands. Make special time for a family member or a property matter. Tonight: Clear your desk.

BORN TODAY Artist Michelangelo (1475), basketball player Shaquille

O'Neal (1972), dramatist Savinien Cyrano de Bergerac (1619)

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EDITORIAL

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OUR VIEWS

Service road changes are anticipated

You've no doubt heard by now about the FM 700 project, the planned changes along the services roads and U.S. Highway 87 overpass it around Wal-

Mart. Basically, they entail making the north service road one-way going west and the south service road one-way going east. An exception is the southwest quadrant, that section from U.S. 87 west to Wasson Road. That stretch will remain two-way, to allow traffic easier access to the Coronado subdivision.

There are two other major parts to the plan. One is to construct a U-turn on the east side of the U.S. 87 overpass, to allow traffic heading west to curve back around to the east without having to go through stop lights. The third part is moving the FM 700 exit just east of U.S. 87 farther east by about 1,000 feet.

There are other changes, primarily pertaining to traffic signal lights, all designed to move traffic project through the area more easily.

And that's the purpose of the entire scheme — to get traffic through the signals at U.S. 87 and Goliad more quickly, and in a safe manner.

It will be a while before anything takes place. The Texas Department of Transportation project won't go out for bid until late this year and construction isn't expected to start until early in 2002. And perhaps that's good, because we think one road construction project at a time in our city is enough.

But we should point out that one plus during construction of the FM 700 project is it will not cause the traffic tie-up, and delays that have occurred with the U.S. 87 renovation between Fourth Street and Interstate 20. That's because most of the work involved with the FM 700 project will be additions. Roads won't be torn up in the process.

Yes, there maybe some construction to maneuver around when the U-turn is being built and the exit ramp on the north side is put in. But these will be minimal inconveniences.

Overall, the FM 700 project is one designed to improve safety and traffic flow. It's a while off yet, but we're already looking forward to the finished product.

OTHER VIEWS

Napster may be on its way out, but America's music industry still has to contend with the unregulated swapping of copyrighted songs on the Internet.

As officials with the Freedom Forum noted, the First Amendment guarantees freedom of music, not free music.

Napster had appealed on the basis that sharing music over the Internet was no different from taping a TV show to watch later or giving a friend a tape of favorite tunes.

determined that taping a TV show on a VCR or recording a compact disc on a tape to play in the car is limited in scope.

Numerous other sites exist on the Internet to exchange music.

Enforcing any ban on music-swapping will be difficult.

The music industry must adapt and learn to use the new technology to its advantage. That means coming up with a way to distribute music online.

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HERALD

Compassionate conservatism goes so far

Gosh, already the Shrub administration is letting the good times roll.

The funsters at the Census Bureau have decided not to count several million citizens.

Not only does every vote not count, but some people don't count. Since these disposable citizens tend to be poor, black, brown or children, you might think that they stand in particular need of the \$185 billion worth of federal aid that is at stake in whether they are counted. But you would be wrong.

Compassionate conservatism goes only so far, and it stops well short of the happy political implications of being able to draw redistricting maps without the bother of counting more than 3 million people who pretty much tend to be Democrats. Compassion is all very well in its place, but God forbid that it should interfere with political advantage for the Republicans.

And how pleased we are to see that the House has already passed the "bankruptcy reform" act, which may well become the first big bill to be signed by President Bush. This bill is the thanks of a grateful political class to those generous campaign contributors, the banking and credit-card industries. The bankers and credit-card companies want to make it harder for citizens to declare bankruptcy; they're going to get themselves the same footing with wives and children in seeking the assets of bankrupt fathers. MasterCard, your wife and your children, in that order.

Of course, the reason that credit-card companies are having increasing difficulty collecting debts is because they have been pursuing a policy of pushing credit cards on those with marginal credit. So we need to bail the companies out by making life harder for every worker who loses a job.

As though this were not festive enough, we also have Shrub Gits Tuff on Foreign Policy. I am deeply indebted to Charles Krauthammer of Time magazine for elucidating "the Bush Doctrine." He is particularly pleased that States is to build a national missile defense whether the Russians like it or not because he is sick and tired

of the Clinton policy of showing "exquisite sensitivity" to Russia and constantly nurturing the old bear with lavish loans and so forth.

Hear him, hear him:

"In the liberal internationalist view of the world, the U.S. is merely one among many — a stronger country, yes, but one that has to adapt itself to the will and needs of 'the international community.' That is why the Clinton administration was almost manic in pursuit of multilateral treaties — on chemical weapons, biological weapons, nuclear testing, proliferation. No matter that they could not be enforced. Our very signing would show us to be a good international citizen.

"This is folly. America is no mere international citizen. It is the most dominant power in the world, more dominant than any since Rome. Accordingly, America is in a position to re-shape norms, alter expectations and create new realities. How? By unapologetic and implacable demonstrations of will."

This is great. The G. Gordon Liddy School of Foreign Policy. Let's call the North Vietnamese and ask them if they want to go mano-a-mano for another 10 years. The world is simple. Everybody should be like us, and we should tell them

all what to do. I predict it will work like a charm.

Krauthammer, the Boy Bismarck, has found the answer. We're looking at a horribly destabilized nuclear power with 5,000 warheads lying around. Let's kick it in the ribs a few times and see how it likes that. How many times was Rome invaded by barbarians?

Meanwhile, here I am in New York City, where Mayor Rudy Giuliani is having a cow because some museum put up a picture of a naked lady in the Last Supper place of Jesus. The mayor is so upset that he wants to yank public funding for the museum and set up a League of Decency to decide whether or not naked ladies are art.

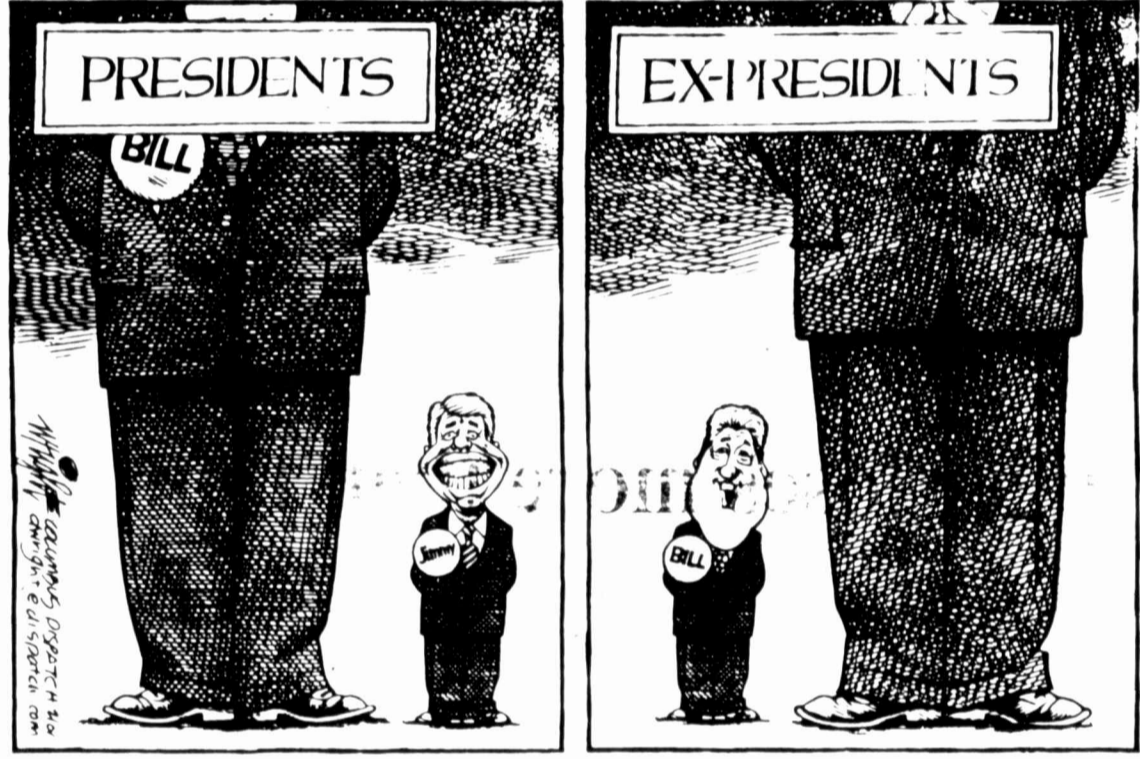
This is clearly a good idea. The mayor, who is in the middle of a messy divorce, should appoint both his wife and his girlfriend to the League of Decency to help make these decisions.

Why does this remind me of the Republicans investigating Bill Clinton to see if campaign contributions influenced his decisions?

Meanwhile, everybody in town is going to see the naked lady because this is New York and they're all art critics. Is this a great country or what?



MOLLY IVINS



Sensible proposals confusing to Washington

I was watching some Washington pundits discuss President George W. Bush's defense plans recently, and two out of the three were convinced that it was entirely politics.

That's the trouble with Washington journalism. People become so consumed with politics that they treat every subject as if it were politics. They ignore the substance.

In fact, the president's common-sense proposal that strategy must determine the budget and not the other way around is one of the things that first attracted me to his campaign. He laid out that position long before he received the Republican nomination. It's just common sense.

You wouldn't go out and buy two dump trucks, a milling machine and a race

car and then try to decide what you were going to do with them. You first would determine what you wanted to do, and then you buy only the stuff you needed to accomplish that goal.

That's all Bush is proposing. Let's review our military; let's determine the most likely threats, let's decide what our strategy is going to be and then tailor the force and the equipment to accomplish our goals. It makes perfect sense, which is probably exactly why it seems so weird to Washington pundits.

They are not used to sensible proposals.

The kind of force structure you need to guard America's interests and deter aggression is quite different from the force structure you need to fight a major land war in Europe or Asia. It will be interesting to see what these studies come up with.

In the meantime, Bush is going ahead to increase pay and benefits for the troops. That raise is necessary no matter how you structure the force or equip it. I've

never believed in an all-volunteer force, but if you're going to go that route, then you have to pay the price. You can't treat volunteers like conscripts and expect them to stay.

No doubt a lot of work is needed on the part of the military that is invisible to most civilians. I mean the logistical tail. It doesn't do any good to have 1,000 tanks parked in Texas if you have no way to get them to the war. A large fleet won't be effective if you lack the means to refuel and resupply the ships at sea. Transport ships and transport aircraft are probably way short of our needs.

In the past eight years, some of the defense budget has been diverted to social spending. Hopefully, the Bush team will eliminate this.

I would prefer it if we would go back to the old name, War Department, to remind people that every penny spent should be devoted to preparing for war — not accomplishing some civilian social schemes.

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The two teams play Friday afternoon forced until Saturday.

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Losses to Abilene

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The Bulldozer ferred a 3-0 loss in their first tournament.

The rebound win over Snyder win over Abilene before dumping.

But a 6-1 loss in their next game the Bulldozer the tournament.

The Bulldozer take on Fort Prowlows tonight playing at Ode Field.

Coahoma UG registering

Registration Coahoma UGS begin at 6-8 p.m. at the community and through month of March following dates 20, 22, 24, 31.

Any sign-ups 24 will be considered sign ups and draw rather draft.

Jackalopes community

The Howard Community scheduled for Saturday.

The Jackalops honor Big S Carroll Jenn evening when on the San Outlaws.

Tickets are at the Big Spring YMCA.

For more information contact Ray Fiedler 683-4251.

Coahoma baseball signups scheduled

Coahoma's sign-ups for minors beginning p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday at League baseball.

Men's industrial league meeting

Those interested in helping start industrial software are asked to meeting set Thursday on floor at John W.

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IN BRIEF

Lady Hawks split games with Midland

Howard College's Lady Hawks split two games with Midland College's Lady Chaparrals Friday and Saturday in the opening round of Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJAC) play.

The two teams started play Friday afternoon, but rains forced postponement until Saturday.

Midland took a 7-1 win in the opening game, but the Lady Hawks rallied to take 2-1 win in the nightcap.

Losses to Abilene stymie Bulldogettes

Coahoma's Bulldogettes just couldn't get past Abilene's Lady Eagles Saturday in tournament play at Abilene.

The Bulldogettes suffered a 3-0 loss to Abilene in their first game of the tournament.

The rebounded for a 2-0 win over Snyder and a 1-0 win over Abilene Cooper before dumping Eula 7-3.

But a 6-1 loss to Abilene in their next game ended the Bulldogettes stay in the tournament.

The Bulldogettes will take on Fort Stockton's Prowlers tonight at 6:30, playing at Odessa's Ratliff Field.

Coahoma UGSA now registering players

Registration for the Coahoma UGSA are set to begin at 6-8 p.m. Thursday at the community center and throughout the month of March on the following dates: March 19, 20, 22, 24, 31.

Any sign ups after March 24 will be considered late sign ups and go in the draw rather than the draft.

Jackalopes present community night

The Howard County Community Night is scheduled for Saturday.

The Jackalopes will honor Big Spring fan Carroll Jennings that evening when they take on the San Angelo Outlaws.

Tickets are available at the Big Spring Family YMCA.

For more information contact Ray Fieldhouse at 683-4251.

Coahoma baseball signups scheduled

Coahoma's baseball sign-ups for majors and minors beginning with a 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. session on Friday at the Little League baseball park.

Men's industrial league meeting

Those interested in helping start a men's industrial softball league are asked to attend a meeting set for 7 p.m. Thursday on the second floor at John Wesley's.

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TODAY

H.S. SOFTBALL

6:30 p.m.

Coahoma Bulldogettes vs. Fort Stockton Prowlers at Radliff Stadium, Odessa.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men

6 p.m. — Metro Atlantic Conference championship, ESPN, Ch. 30.

8 p.m. — Missouri Valley Conference championship, ESPN, Ch. 30.

11 p.m. — West Coast Conference championship, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Women

6:30 p.m. — Atlantic Coast Conference championship, FXS, Ch. 30.

Stanford still unanimous No. 1 pick in AP men's poll

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

For the second straight week and third time this season, Stanford was a unanimous No. 1 in The Associated Press college basketball poll.

The Cardinal (27-1), who avenged their only loss of the season last weekend with a victory at UCLA, received all 70 first-place votes and 1,750 points from the national media panel Monday.

This is the third consecutive week Stanford has been atop the rankings and the seventh time this season. Its first appearance at No. 1 this season, on Jan. 8, was a unanimous selection.

Stanford, the only Division I team with less than three losses, clinched at least a share of the Pac-10 title with the 85-79 win over UCLA. The Cardinal close their regular season this week with home games against Arizona and Arizona State.

Michigan State (24-3) moved up one place to second in the next-to-last poll of the season after beating Wisconsin and Michigan last week to earn a share of the Big Ten regular-season title.

Duke (26-4), which beat North Carolina on Sunday to share the Atlantic Coast Conference regular-season title, dropped from second to third. The Blue Devils lost to Maryland earlier in the week.

Illinois, the co-champion of the Big Ten with Michigan State after beating Minnesota on Sunday, moved from fifth to fourth. Florida, which beat Kentucky on Sunday to earn a share of the Southeastern Conference regular-season championship, also moved up one place and was fifth.

North Carolina dropped two spots to sixth and was followed in the Top Ten by Iowa State, Arizona, Kansas and Boston College.

Maryland, which followed its 91-80 win over Duke with a 102-67 victory over then-No. 7 Virginia, made the week's biggest jump, from 16th to No. 11. Virginia dropped five spots to 12th and was followed in the

Second Ten by UCLA, Mississippi, Kentucky, Oklahoma, Syracuse, Georgetown, Notre Dame and Texas.

The last five ranked teams were St. Joseph's, Wake Forest, Wisconsin, Ohio State and Fresno State.

The appearance is the first of the season for Ohio State (20-9), which has won seven of eight, including a victory over Illinois.

Fresno State (24-5) returned to the Top 25 after being out the last two weeks. The Bulldogs, who won the Western Athletic Conference regular-season title, have won four straight after losing consecutive road games to TCU and UTEP.



Howard third baseman Adrian Ballesteros fields a ground ball to start a double play in the second inning of the Hawks sweep of Midland College on Saturday. Hawks pitcher Steve Gooch (12) looks on. The Hawks split another twinbill with the Chaparrals on Sunday, suffering a 6-5 loss in the opener before rebounding for an 8-3 win. The split improved the Hawks' record to 3-1 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play.

Duke creates ACC history with victory

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Missing their inside presence, the Duke Blue Devils stayed outside and made ACC history.

With Jason Williams scoring 33 points and Shane Battier getting 25 points, 11 rebounds and five blocks, the third-ranked Blue Devils went 14-for-38 from 3-point range Sunday in a 95-81 victory over No. 6 North Carolina.

Duke (26-4, 13-3), playing without injured starting center Carlos Boozer, moved into a tie for first place with the Tar Heels (23-5, 13-3), setting an Atlantic Coast Conference record by winning or tying for its fifth straight league title.

"This is the result of coming to work every single day with the dedication needed to be a champion," Battier said. "Not once, but five times. That will be something to look back on."

While it seemed everyone else was worried about how Duke could make up for the loss of Boozer, who broke a bone in his right foot, the Blue Devils concentrated on other things.

"We came into this game not worrying about Xs and Os," said freshman Chris Duhon, who had 15 points and four assists in his first career start. "This game was more about heart and desire and a will to win. We knew we were outsized, we knew we were going against the world, but we had a bigger heart, a bigger will to come out and quiet all the critics."

Williams was 7-for-13 from 3-point range, while Battier was 4-for-10 as the Blue Devils won in Chapel Hill for the third straight year. The 38 3-point attempts tied a school record set earlier this season against North Carolina A&T.

"The way they played broke our rhythm," UNC coach Matt Doherty said. "I don't think we were real sharp handling the basketball. You've got to give them a lot of credit because they came into a tough situation being a man down."

In other games involving

ranked teams on Sunday, it was No. 4 Illinois 67, Minnesota 59, No. 5 Florida 94, No. 15 Kentucky 86, No. 9 Kansas 75, Missouri 59, No. 17 Syracuse 93, St. John's 91 in double overtime, No. 18 Georgetown 79, No. 19 Notre Dame 72, No. 22 Wake Forest 76, North Carolina State 58, and Dayton 65, Xavier 62.

Joseph Forte, the ACC's leading scorer, led the Tar Heels with 21 points.

Duke led by two at half-time, but gradually pulled away midway through the second half. The Blue Devils went up 72-57 with 11:55 left on a layup by Mike Dunleavy.

The Tar Heels were shooting for their first outright ACC regular-season title in eight seasons, but the Smith Center crowd instead exited early on Senior Day as Duke improved to 19-0 this season when scoring 90 or more points.

"They took something away from us — definitely," North Carolina's Jason Capel said.

The victory also gave Duke an ACC record 124 wins in a four-year period, breaking the mark of the Duke teams from 1989-92.

No. 4 Illinois 67, Minnesota 59

Frank Williams scored 15 points to lead the visiting Illini (23-6, 13-3) to a share of their second Big Ten Conference title in four seasons. Bill Self became the first coach in 22 years to win a title in his first season in the Big Ten. Because of their win over co-champion Michigan State in their only meeting, the Illini will be the top seed in this week's conference tournament.

Terrance Simmons had 19 points to lead the Gophers (17-12, 5-11).

No. 5 Florida 94, No. 15 Kentucky 86

Teddy Dupay matched his career high with 28 points, and the Gators (22-5, 12-4) earned a share of the Southeastern Conference title with the win over the other co-champion.

Tiger loses more than tourney in hitting water on final hole

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Tiger Woods lost more than a tournament in the Dubai Desert Classic. He lost some of the fear factor, too.

To the chagrin of thousands of fans lining the 18th fairway Sunday waiting for Woods to win, he blew it when he hit into the water hazard for a double-bogey 7. That allowed Thomas Bjorn of Denmark to get the winner's trophy with a simple par.

"The intimidation is disappearing," Bjorn said. "People are now starting to realize you can't get intimidated by him. You have to beat him."

"A lot of people are talking about Tiger being in a slump. That's way out of proportion. The guy is playing fantastic golf. He just hasn't won in the last couple of weeks."

The disappointed fans included Dubai's Crown Prince Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, the world's richest thoroughbred owner who named a promising 2-year-old colt "Dubai Tiger" and gave Woods about \$2 million in appearance money.

Woods has lost before. This time, he seemed to crack.

Bjorn, Woods' playing partner for four straight days, parred the 547-yard hole for a 3-under 69 and a composite 22-under 266 — two better than Woods (72) and Padraig Harrington (69).

Ian Woosnam (69) and Mathias Gronberg (68) were 4 shots back, with Indian Jeev Milkha Singh (71) and England's Brian Davis (70) another shot behind.

Dead even after the Dane birdied the 17th from 8 feet and Woods missed his from 10 feet, the American made three mistakes on his next three shots.

Woods pushed his tee shot amid clumps of brush and low-hanging tree branches. He escaped with an 8-iron, but the shot went long across the fairway into thick rough.

Next, he drew on a 9-iron from 150 yards, but his touch was too soft, and the ball dropped inches short into a pond guarding the green.

"From the rough, I actually hit a pretty good shot, but I was protecting against the

fier," said Woods, who rushed to a waiting plane with few comments after his round.

His trip to the Middle East took 25 hours. The return must have seemed longer.

"Hats off to Thomas, he played well all week and he deserves the title," Woods said. "I didn't really feel as comfortable as I needed to feel on the final day with my golf swing and putting stroke."

Bjorn joined a short but growing list of players who've beaten Woods down the stretch. The American is still ranked as the world's best, but he's not as intimidating.

"This is the best performance of my life by far," the 30-year-old Dane said. "I've won plenty of golf tournaments. I played in the Ryder Cup and came back from 4 down after four, but this is the performance of my life."

"The world's greatest player was here and I took him on head to head."

Woods' last U.S. Tour victory came in September in the Canadian Open, although he's won three non-tour events since then.

Questions remain after Ruiz gets decision over Holyfield

LAS VEGAS (AP) — In the days before he fought Evander Holyfield, John Ruiz wondered what the boxing world would think if he beat him.

Did he beat a great champion who never gives up? Or did he beat an aging fighter who doesn't know when to give up?

It might end up being a bit of both. But for now, Ruiz knows one thing for sure — he beat a heavyweight champion.

"It can only get easier now because he's one tough guy," Ruiz said. "I hope he retires because I don't want to see him again."

Ruiz almost couldn't see Holyfield in the late rounds of Saturday night's fight. Both of his eyes were swelling shut, and blood was flowing from three cuts on his face.

Ruiz went down in the 10th round on a low blow, and Holyfield seemed to be rallying, just as he did the first

time the two met. But then a crashing right hand to the head of Holyfield early in the 11th round put the champion on the canvas and Ruiz back on top.

Two rounds later, Ruiz had a unanimous decision that made him the first Hispanic to win a piece of the heavyweight title.

"It's a joy and an honor," Ruiz said. "I feel speechless."

True, the fight was for the WBA portion of the title that a judge ordered stripped from Lennox Lewis. True, most of the world considers Lewis the real heavyweight champion.

And, yes, Holyfield appeared to be a shell at the age of 38 that he was of the fighter who beat Mike Tyson.

But the improbable rise of Ruiz to the position where he can call himself a champion is still quite remarkable indeed, considering this was the same heavyweight who was

knocked out in 19 seconds by David Tua five years ago.

"John Ruiz is everything that is good about boxing," said his manager, Norman Stone. "We made it to the top on credit cards. Everybody knocked John Ruiz."

It was an ugly fight filled with fouls and clinches, and Ruiz's bloodied and puffy face looked even worse. But he triumphed in a war against the fighter who calls himself a warrior.

"This proves John Ruiz is a good fighter," Holyfield said. "I thought I was winning the fight. Unfortunately, he hit me with an overhand right to the temple."

Exposed once again Saturday night as an aging fighter, Holyfield must now answer the questions about why he continues to fight. And continue he will, vowed Holyfield, on his way to a fifth world title.

"It's not over with me," Holyfield said. "There's nothing to think about. I will go out on top and I will go out as a champion."

Ruiz, nothing more than a journeyman before dropping a close decision to Holyfield when they met last August, evened things in the rematch when he took control of a close fight with a huge right hand early in the 11th round that put Holyfield down for one of the few times in his career.

Holyfield got up, but desperately hung on to Ruiz the rest of the round, at one point grabbing him around the waist and stumbling all the way across the ring hanging on so he wouldn't fall down.

There was no question about the unanimous decision, but there were some about the legitimacy of the title in a division where Lewis is considered by almost all to be the true champion.

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Mom hopes letter will make ex-hubby see light

Dear Ann Landers: I know I can't be the only single mother with this problem, so I hope you will allow me to use your column to write a letter to my ex-husband. Maybe it will help him see the light.

Dear Ex: I know the children haven't spoken to you for several months. They are old enough now to call and visit you on their own if they wish. I asked them to call you today because I think it is important they stay in touch with you. I didn't do it for your sake. I did it for theirs.

You have been telling people I "turned the children against you." I didn't have to do that. You did it all by yourself. You criticized and yelled at them during court-ordered visitations. When you refused to pay child support, I had to get your wages garnished - twice. Then you lied about your income, putting some of your money in your new wife's name. You should be ashamed. You profess to love your children, but you don't want to support or care for them.

You might want to know how your children are doing, but you never bother to call. Your oldest is in medical school. The middle child is studying pre-law in college. The youngest is on the honor roll in high school. You haven't sent them a birthday card, graduation card or holiday gift in years. These are not stupid kids. They know you just bought a big house with a swimming pool. When you refused to help pay their college tuition, they figured out where that money went.

I hope someday soon you will wake up and smell the coffee. Get to know these three great kids while they are still willing. It's becoming harder every day to get

them to make the effort to call you. One of these days, it will be too late. - Your Ex-Wife in the Midwest

Dear Midwest Wife: Give up, already. Your ex-husband may never appreciate his wonderful children, and if you keep harboring a grudge, it will look as if the person with the problem is you.

Granted, you deserve high marks for raising such successful children on your own, but two are adults now, and the third is well on his way. So, put away the crying towel and the hatchet, and enjoy the fruits of your labors. Forget about the no-goodnik. Apparently, his children already have.

Dear Ann Landers: I am 27 years old, and my sweetheart, "Beatrice," is 22. We have been going together for almost a year, and we get along great. We are honest with each other and care deeply for one another.

I am in college and work two jobs. I also do a lot of work around my apartment. Beatrice graduated from high school four years ago and has neither applied to college, nor has she found a job. She lives with her parents, and they support her. Whenever I bring up the subject of college or work and try to give her some guidance, she pretends to listen to my advice, but nothing changes.

Beatrice is intelligent and perfectly capable of handling college and/or a job. Why won't she do something with her life? Please help me understand and tell me what I can do to help. - Jerry in Iowa

Dear Jerry: I see several things at work here - a lack of confidence, clinical depression, and the possibility that Beatrice is a free-loader. Four years is a long time to be sitting around doing nothing. It doesn't help that her parents are supporting her and expect zilch in return. Beatrice needs professional help to get out of this rut. Please see that she gets it as soon as possible. Time is of the essence.

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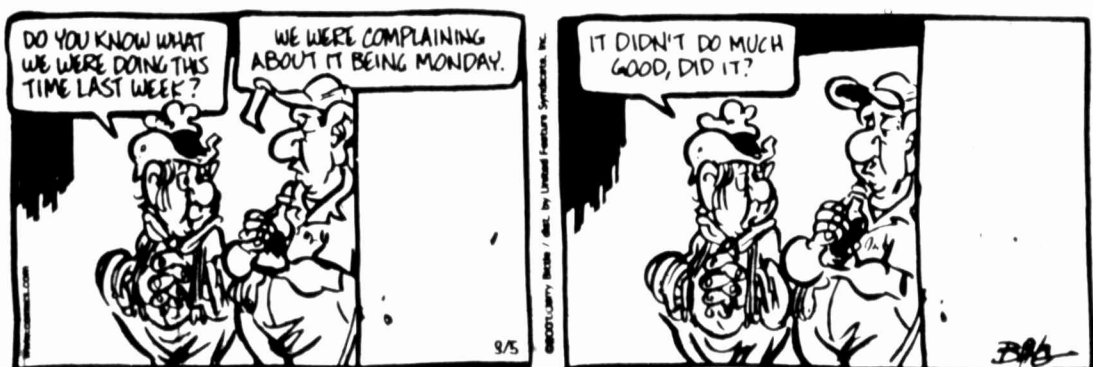
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Today is Monday, March 5, the 64th day of 2001. There are 301 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 5, 1770, the Boston Massacre took place as British soldiers who'd been taunted by a crowd of colonists opened fire, killing five people.

On this date:

In 1849, Zachary Taylor took the oath of office at his presidential inauguration.

In 1868, the Senate was organized into a Court of Impeachment to decide charges against President Andrew Johnson.

In 1933, in German parliamentary elections, the Nazi Party won 44 percent of the vote, enabling it to join with the Nationalists to gain a slender majority in the Reichstag.

In 1946, Winston

Churchill delivered his famous "Iron Curtain" speech at Westminster College in Fulton, Mo.

In 1953, Soviet dictator Josef Stalin died at age 73 after 29 years in power.

In 1963, a private plane crash near Camden, Tenn., claimed the lives of country music performers Patsy Cline, "Cowboy" Copas and "Hawkshaw" Hawkins.

In 1970, a nuclear nonproliferation treaty went into effect after 43 nations ratified it.

In 1976, the British pound fell below the equivalent of two dollars for the first time.

In 1982, comedian John Belushi was found dead of a drug overdose in a rented bungalow in Hollywood. He was 33.

In 1986, in Lebanon, Islamic Jihad issued a statement saying it had "executed" French hostage Michel Seurat, who had been abducted almost a year earlier.

Ten years ago, Iraq

repealed its annexation of Kuwait. The Iraqis turned over 35 prisoners of war, including 15 Americans, to the Red Cross. An anti-Saddam Hussein uprising was reported sweeping city after city in Iraq.

Today's Birthdays: Actor James Noble is 79. Actor James B. Sikking is 67. Actor Dean Stockwell is 65. Actor Fred Williamson is 63. Actor Michael Warren is 55. Actor Eddie Hodges is 54. Singer Eddy Grant is 53. Violinist Eugene Fodor is 51. Rock musician Alan Clark (Dire Straits) is 49. Actress-comedian Marsha Warfield is 47. Magician Penn Jillette is 46.

Sunday's Puzzle Solved

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS
- 1 Talented one, slangily
- 5 List ending abbr.
- 8 Map book
- 13 Role model
- 14 Duet complement
- 15 "Be kind to your web-friends..."
- 17 Like Pavarotti's voice
- 19 Apartment dweller, perhaps
- 20 Talk too much
- 22 Vegas
- 23 Negative votes
- 24 -fi (genre for 36 Across)
- 26 Harmonica
- 33 Traveler's document
- 36 Captain Nemo's creator
- 37 Most agile
- 38 Invented word
- 40 Toward the back
- 41 Loaded down
- 42 Unable to speak
- 45 Thirsty
- 46 Neither fish nor fowl
- 47 Bard's verb
- 49 With all one's energy
- 56 In full flower
- 57 Tactful person
- 61 Little laugh
- 62 Indivisible
- 63 Hindu discipline
- 16 Members of the AMA: Abbr.
- 18 DDE's opponent in '52 and '56
- 21 "___ on your life!"
- 22 Pay attention
- 24 Chair back
- 25 Egypt's capital
- 26 Yr. divisions
- 27 Food morsel
- 28 Roman poet
- 29 Belgian painter
- 30 Rio ___
- 31 Really rile up
- 32 Impoverished
- 34 Salon cut
- 35 Lama land
- 38 Billiards stick
- 39 Fort __, CA
- 41 Type of retriever
- 43 Tooth covering
- 44 Freight weight
- 47 Lubricate
- 48 Schemes
- 49 "You're it!" game
- 50 Theater award
- 51 Gymnast
- 52 Jeans and jerseys
- 53 Golfer's goal
- 54 Columbus' ship
- 55 Sarzan's neighbors
- 58 Trm the grass
- 59 Turkish title
- 60 Turkish spigot

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