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Sample ballots on pages 5, 6, 7, 8 **Governor's race**

crowded this year

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Texas voters will face a choice of six gubernatorial candidates in this year's general election on Nov. 7.

Incumbent Gov. Rick Perry, a Republican, has found himself challenged by a Democrat, a Libertarian, two independents, and a write-in candidate.

Chris Bell, a Democrat, wants to create a bipartisan commission on public education to seek solutions to today's public school problems, according to his Web site. His list of those problems includes ways to raise school funding, retention of certified teachers, and textbook selection.

Bell is against the 2003 deregulation of tuition in higher education, and in More election stories on page 8

bers of the Texas National Guard, and decreased caseloads for Child Protective Services workers.

James Werner, the Libertarian Party's gubernatorial candidate, proposes eliminating all existing business and personal taxes in favor of the Texas Fair Tax, an 8 to 10 percent tax charged at point of final purCooler weather on its way



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

One tree in Evergreen Park sports bright yellow autumn leaves, unlike all its neighbors, which are still green. More seasonal foliage should appear in coming weeks as the year winds down to wintertime.

DC proposes to work with company to create new jobs

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favor of increased funding for colleges and universities, tax-free textbooks for students, expansion of the TEXAS Grant program which provides scholarships to chosen low-income Texans, and support for community college funding.

Bell is also against the Trans Texas Corridor, a toll road plan that he says will use more than 150 square miles of privately owned property, including almost 1.5 million acres of farmland.

He supports deployment of the National Guard to the Texas-Mexico border, stricter hiring laws concerning undocumented workers and greater enforcement of those laws, and immigration reform.

Bell supports also increased funding of the Texas State Parks and Wildlife Department, increased benefits for memchase for all consumer goods and services.

He wants to repeal the state drug laws and devote more of law enforcement's efforts toward violent and white collar crime, according to his Web site. He supports the use of a full-value voucher system so that all children in the state may attend the public or private school of their parents' choice.

Werner supports an open border policy. "My position is that anyone who wishes to come to the United States and work should be allowed to do so -- with the exception of known criminals, or individuals with ties to criminal or terrorist organizations," he said

Carole Keeton Strayhorn, most recently the state's Comptroller of Public Accounts, is one of two inde-

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By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

The Pampa Economic Development Corporation is proposing to work with MXT Corporation to identify and create new jobs in Pampa, according to EDC President Dwight Fiveash.

MXT Corporation, which according to city officials is moving into the old Marie Foundation building on Foster, manufactures packing material, canine treats and insulation from grain sorghum. They were recruited to Pampa by the Pampa Industrial Foundation.

The proposed EDC contract will be forwarded to the Pampa City Commission for their approval, Fiveash said.

City officials said they expect the item to be on the agenda for the commission's Nov. 14 meeting.

In other business at their Tuesday meeting, Pampa Economic Development the Corporation board of directors discussed creating a Web site on the Internet, a new logo and payment of services by the city of

Pampa.

EDC member Shawn Clifton told the board that he had been dealing with CentraMedia concerning the creation of a Web site. He said he expected to have something to show the board by their next meeting on Nov. 9.

EDC Secretary Kathy Cota told the board that she had arranged to present a \$250 scholarship to Pampa High School art student Phillip Rodriquez for his design of a logo for the EDC. That presentation, Cota said, would be at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 2 in teacher Rod Wichert's classroom. Wichert's class will also be recognized with a certificate, Cota said.

The EDC board selected Rodriguez' design from proposals submitted by Wichert's class. The board will make minor changes to the original design, Fiveash said.

Clifton said that he had discussed having the city bill the EDC for administrative and financial services.

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By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

A fund has been established at FirstBank Southwest to help meet expenses of the family of Michael Weston Blaine, 39, who died in an accident Oct. 17 at National Oilwell Varco, west of Pampa on Highway 60.

Blaine, a Pampa resident, was killed when he became caught up in a process involving wire rope spooling and drilling rig machinery, according to Precinct 1 and 3 Justice of the Peace Joe Martinez, who pronounced Blaine dead at the scene at

about 12:45 p.m., 40 minutes after a 911 call was received reporting a "possible fatality" at the plant.

"He was in the process of doing his task there with rig machinery and wire rope spooling procedures," Martinez said. "It went turning and caught him up in it."

Blaine was employed by Stoehr Wire Rope of Odessa, according to Martinez. A search of the company on the Internet shows that Stoehr is a division of CERTEX USA. The CERTEX USA Web site lists Stoehr of Odessa as a branch of its central

division, along with Graham Wire Rope of 100 S. Ryder Road in Pampa. Blaine is listed on the site as branch manager at the Pampa office. No one else was injured or killed

in the incident, Martinez said.

Blaine was born Dec. 5, 1966, in Washington, D.C. He had been a resident of Pampa for the past 14 years. He married Glynis Luker on Jan. 27, 1990, in Davis, Okla. They had one child, Erica, age 14.

Blaine had worked for Graham Wire Rope for more than16 years. Survivors include his wife and mother, father, one sister, one brother, a grandmother, and two grandchildren. Persons wishing to contribute to the fund may make checks payable

sons, both of Amarillo; and his

to FirstBank Southwest or to Glynis Blaine, and note in the memo area of the check that the funds are to be deposited in the Michael Blaine memorial account, said Lynette Dean, personal banker at FBSW.

For more information, call Dean at 665-2341.



Wednesday, October 25, 2006 — The Pampa News

Obituaries

Vada Alice Lunsford, 101

Vada Alice Lunsford, 101, died Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2006, in Pampa.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Lunsford was born on Nov. 30, 1904,

in Indian Territory, Oklahoma, near what is now Purcell, Oklahoma. She James married Cecil Lunsford on Dec. 19, 1923, in Rush Springs, Oklahoma. He preceded her in death on Oct. 2, 1967. She and her



Lunsford

husband came to Pampa in 1926 from Megargel. They owned and operated Lunsford Bit and Machine Shop until his

death. She was a longtime member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Joan Kuhne and husband Dr. Bob Kuhne of Richardson; a son, Gene Lunsford and wife Ruth of Pampa; five grandchildren, Lynn Wright and husband Gene of Austin, Lea Hobbs and husband John and Sundi Halbert and husband Wes, all of Keller, Dr. Chris Kuhne and wife Katie of Plano, and Brad Kuhne and wife Kristin of Richardson; 10 great grandchildren, Christie Wright, Lauren and Jennifer Hobbs, Courtney, Madison, Doak, Rob and Alex Kuhne, and Peyton and Hudson Halbert.

Memorials may be to First Baptist Church, P. O. Box 621, Pampa, TX 79065, Salvation Army, 701 S. Cuyler, Pampa, TX 79065, or a favorite charity.

Sign the online register www.carmichael-whatley.com

Jimmy Lynn 'Papa' Hampton, 60

break, with a low around 38.

Wind chill values between

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with gusts as high as 55

Friday: Sunny, with a high

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and 25 mph, with gusts as

Friday Night: Clear, with

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mph.

Tuesday, October 24, 2006, in Amarillo. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Hampton was born November 17, 1945, in Lubbock. He married Barbara Tugwell on May 14, 1965, in Memphis, Tennessee. He was a cable technician for over 30 years. He was an active member of the First Baptist Church. He was an avid woodworker. He was a member of the VFW Post #1657. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving during the Vietnam War.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Hampton of the home; four sons, Richard Hampton & wife Angie of Mulvane, Kansas, Robert Hampton of Long Beach, California,

Jimmy Lynn "Papa" Hampton, 60, died and Chris Hampton and Mark Hampton & wife Lora, all of Pampa; one daughter, Candy Riley of Pampa; his father, Wendell Hampton & wife Jewell of Naples; 13 grandchildren; one brother, Ronnie Hampton & wife Judy of El Paso; and one sister, Sharon Scott & husband Mike of Canyon. He was preceded in death by his mother, Mildred Hampton on October 17, 1998.

> Memorials may be to BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, Texas 79105.

> The family will receive friends from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, October 27, 2006, at Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Home.~ at

Sign the online register www.carmichael-whatley.com

Gray County Weather

Today: Mostly sunny, with a high near 77. Southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 47. Southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Thursday: A 50 percent chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 56. Windy, with a west northwest wind 10 to 15 mph increasing to between 35 and 40 mph. Winds could gust as high as 55 mph.

Thursday Night: A 20 pera low around 44. Northwest wind between 10 and 15 cent chance of rain before midnight. Cloudy, then gradmph. ual clearing toward day-Saturday: Mostly sunny,

with a high near 72. West northwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south southwest. Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 47. Southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 72. Southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 47.

Pampa students'

Priscilla Ann Rasco, 58

CHOCTAW, Okla. - Priscilla Ann Rasco, 58, passed away October 23, 2006, in Oklahoma City, Okla.

She was born October 20, 1948, to Clifton Travis and Dovie Lou Rasco in Pampa, Texas. She was raised in Pampa, where she also graduated from high school.

Priscilla worked at Liberty Bank in Oklahoma City for 25 years and most recently she was a sand blaster at Tinker Air Force Base. She enjoyed working in her yard, but most of all she cherished her grandkids.

Priscilla was a very devoted mother to her children, Shelley Rasco and Cheryl Spriggs.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Dovie Lou Rasco and one sister, Gloria Beth Norris.

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

at

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

made, resulting in at least two arrests.

received from the 1000 block of Neel Road and the 800 block of South Hobart. Calls concerning animals

were received from the 1600 block of North Somerville and the intersection of Kentucky and Williston

streets Lost property and credit card abuse were reported in the police department lobby. A wallet containing a Visa card, MasterCard and driver's license was lost.

Lost property was reported in the police department lobby.

Welfare check information was received in the police department lobby. A missing person was

reported in the 800 block of North Somerville. One suicide attempt was

reported. Warrant service was

attempted on two occasions. Agency assistance was rendered in the 200 block of

North Russell, where found property consisting of narcotics was discovered.

were received from the 1300 block of Garland and the 1800 block of Holly.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 600 block of Deane Drive.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1000 block of North Christine and the 1100 block of South Christy.

Criminal mischief was reported in the police department lobby.

A narcotics violation was reported in the police department lobby.

Possession of drug paraphernalia, warrant service and failure to change lanes for an emergency vehicle were reported in the 800 block of South Hobart.

Evading arrest/detention with a vehicle was reported during a traffic stop in the 700 block of Lefors. An arrest was made in connection with the incident.

Driving while intoxicated, first offense, and public intoxication were reported during a traffic stop in the 400 block of North Crest. Two arrests were made in connection with the incident.

A terroristic threat was reported in the 300 block of South Starkweather.

Assault was reported in the 2800 block of Perryton 37, of Pampa was arrested in Parkway.

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Fraud was reported in the by PPD for driving while police department lobby and intoxicated and a fugitive the 1400 block of warrant out of Fayetteville, Somerville. Ark. for making a terroristic Theft was reported in threat. Eunice May Lymburner, 1100 block of Neel Road. 31, of Borger was arrested Four center hubcaps valued at \$50 were taken. by DPS for no insurance and Theft was reported in the expired vehicle inspection. 1800 block of North Christy,

She leaves behind to cherish her memories her father, C.T. Rasco of Pampa; two daughters, Shelley Rasco of Moore, Okla., and Cheryl Spriggs of Choctaw; two brothers, Gerald Rasco and wife Joyce of Pampa and Tony Rasco of Choctaw; one sister, Travis Bowman and husband Orlin of Harmon, Okla.; a brother-in-law, Bill Norris of Pampa; brother Carl and wife Judy Rollins of Nicoma Park and brother Lonzo Cody and wife Donna of Allen Okla.; her precious grandkids, Bradley and Brayden Rasco and Collin Spriggs; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, October 27, 2006, at Hibbs Funeral Home with interment following at Jones I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

> where a checkbook valued at \$5 was taken.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 600 block of East Craven. Nothing was taken from the vehicle.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today. Tuesday, Oct. 24

Valerie Nalley, 25, of McLean was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety for theft over \$50.

Peter J. Garcia, 41, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa Police Department on bond surrenders for theft by check and two counts of theft over \$50 and under \$500.

Dan Lynn Terry, 34, of Pampa was arrested in the 1000 block of East Browning by PPD for evading arrest/detention with a vehicle, no insurance, and driving while license is invalid.

Krista Genae Cummings, 29, of Pampa was arrested in the 400 block of North Crest by PPD for public intoxication.

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at Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ Fellowship Hall All concerned citizens are asked to attend.

poetry recognized

Two Pampa Junior High School students have been recognized for their poetic abilities.

Riddhi Jani and Garrett Gordon were winners in the Middle School Unrhymed and Rhymed Category of the 2006 Poem in Your Pocket Contest held by the Hi-Plains Chapter of the Poetry Society of Texas.

Jani's poem was "Summer."

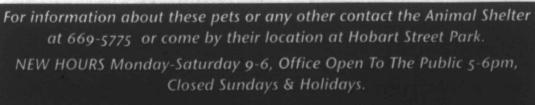
Gordon's poem was "Yellow Snow."

The two were recognized at the poetry society's annual banquet Oct. 21, at the Amarillo Senior Citizens Center.

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Suspicious person calls were received from the 400 block of East Browning and the 2100 block of North Russell.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from Highway

60 East. Calls concerning prowlers

Shingles vaccine advised

ATLANTA (AP) — An influential government advisory panel voted today to therpetic recommend routine vaccines Complications also can include scarring and loss of to protect older adults vision or hearing. against shingles.

The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices only of limited help, and voted to recommend the vaccine for adults 60 and prevent shingles from proover. The committee's recgressing into postherpetic ommendations usually are neuralgia. accepted by federal health until May, when the U.S. officials, and they influence insurance coverage for vac-Food cinations. Zostavax, made by Merck &

Shingles is a painful, blistering skin rash that is most common in people 60 and older. It usually goes away after four weeks, but one in five shingles sufferers devel-

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Bush acknowledges public discontent with war in Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) -In a somber, pre-election review of a long and brutal war, President Bush conceded today that the United States is taking heavy casualties in Iraq and said, "I know many Americans are not satisfied with the situation" there.

"I'm not satisfied either," he said at a speech and question and answer session at the White House 13 days before midterm elections.

Despite conceding painful losses. Bush said victory was essential in Iraq as part of the broader war on terror.

"We're winning and we will win, unless we leave before the job is done," he said.

Bush said that as those fighting American and Iraqi forces change their strategies, the United States is also adjusting its military tactics. "Americans have no

intention of taking sides in a sectarian struggle or standing in the crossfire between rival factions," he said.

Several Democratic critics have said that is precisely what the administration is risking with an open-ended commitment of American forces, at a time that a yearold Iraqi government gropes for a compromise that can satisfy Sunni, Shiite and Kurdish political interests.

Bush spoke as Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki said the U.S. government has a right to revise its policies as it sees fit. At the same time, he said that talk of timetables for troop withdrawals "is not coming from the inner circles in the U.S. government," but the product of the American election campaign. "We are not much

said. At another point, Bush said that "a fixed timetable for withdrawal in my judgment means defeat."

Bush sought a middle ground in terms of pressing the Iraqis to accept more of the responsibility for their own fate.

"We are making it clear that America's patience is not unlimited," he said. "We will not put more pressure on the Iraqi government than it can bear."

Bush spoke as polls showed the public has become strongly opposed to the war, and increasing numbers of Republican candidates have signaled impatience with the president's policies.

As he has repeatedly, predicted Bush that Republicans would hold control of the House and Senate in two weeks' time, despite widespread predictions to the contrary. He jabbed at Democrats who he said are "dancing in the end zone" or measuring the drapes for new offices.

"The American people will decide," who wins, he said.

The president said the world expects Iran and Syria to help quell sectarian violence in Iraq, but he rejected the idea of working directly with Iran while Tehran pursues a nuclear program in defiance of the United Nations.

"If they would verifiably stop their enrichment, the United States would be at the table with them," Bush said. In his opening moments at the podium in the East Room of the White House, Bush departed starkly from a pracconcerned about that," he tice of not talking about spe-IL ALTENVIELL

cific deaths in Iraq.

"There has been heavy fighting, many enemy fighters have been killed or captured and we've suffered casualties of our own," he said. "This month we've lost 93 American service members in Iraq, the most since October of 2005. During roughly the same period, more than 300 Iraqi security personnel have given their lives in battle. Iraqi civilians have suffered unspeakable violence at the hands of the terrorists, insurgents, illegal militias, armed groups and criminals."

He called these events "a serious concern to me, and a serious concern to the American people.

For all his fervor about the importance of the military mission in Iraq, Bush sidestepped when asked whether the Nov. 7 elections should be viewed as a referendum on the war.

"The election is a referendum on which party has a plan to make the economy grow, and which party has a plan to make the American people safe," he said.

"If we succeed in Iraq, the country (the United States) is more secure. If we don't succeed in Iraq, the country is less secure.'

As he has numerous times while campaigning for Republican candidates, Bush said of the Democrats, "I do not question their patriotism. I question whether or not they understand how dangerous the world is.'

Bush doggedly defended the job that defense Secretary Donald Η. Rumsfeld has done. "I'm satisfied at how he's done all his jobs. He's a smart, tough, capable administrator," the president said.

Vote

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pendent candidates for the governor's office. Her plans for public education include teacher pay raises and increased benefits; a vow to veto any bill that provides vouchers for students to attend private schools; state payment of tuition, fees and books for all high school graduates who attend a two-year public community college or technical college; and taxfree college textbooks.

The \$8 billion she plans to use for these goals is to come in part from video lottery terminals at racetracks.

Strayhorn states on her Web site that she is "adamantly opposed" to illegal immigration and will use National Guard troops to secure Texas' border with Mexico. She plans to fight terrorism by putting the

Texas Rangers in charge of the state's anti-terrorism and security activities. "Kinky" Richard

Friedman states on his Web site that he "will work to make sure that teachers are paid what they're worth. Period." Friedman states that the TAKS test was "invented essentially to make legislators look good on education ...'

Friedman is in favor of getting drug addicts out of prison and into treatment, he says, so that there will be more room in Texas prisons for violent and other criminals. He also promotes development of the renewable energy industry in Texas.

No information could be found on write-in candidate James "Patriot" Dillon, who is a carpenter from Liberty Hill.

Perry's campaign Web site indicates that he is relying on his existing acts as governor to earn votes.

Perry's actions to improve public education, including a more rigorous high school required curriculum, personalized TAKS test study guides for students who fail the 11th grade graduation exam, and teacher pay raises and incentives.

Perry's efforts to increase border security include directing the Texas Department of Public Safety to deploy a rapid response team. He directed the Texas Army National Guard to support law enforcement, and ordered the Texas Rangers to investigate alleged incursions by the Mexican military.

Other accomplishments by Perry which are described on his Web site include creation of the sales tax holiday for school clothing and supplies, various tax cuts, increasing the number of jobs across the state, homeowners' insurance reform, and various pro-life legislation.

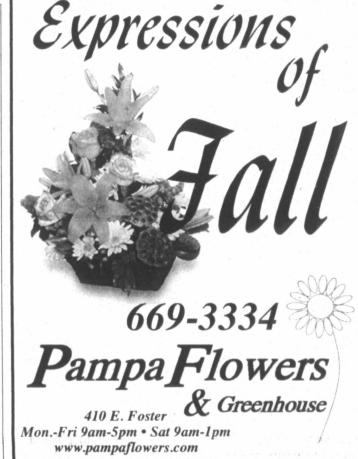
The site enumerates

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When it was first established, the EDC contracted with the city for services, but Pampa Financial Director Robin Bailey said the city had not gotten involved with the EDC activities until they began receiving their monthly sales tax revenues in September. Consequently, she said she had not billed the EDC for any services.

While the former economic development corporation paid the city \$1,200 a month, EDC attorney Vanessa Buzzard said that fee also included rent on office space.

Clifton said he would talk again with Bailey concerning the issue.



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"Trick or Treat, Smell my feet..." Well you know how that rhyme goes.

It's time again for all those ghosts and goblins to go out in search of a bag full of candy. That means it is your time to be reminded of what to expect on or about Tuesday, Oct. 31.

I'm guessing that is when most trick or treaters will be out. Most everyone will be out in costume and that causes some concerns.

It's pretty hard to get around in some of the costumes. The masks make it hard for the kids to see. When you add in the excitement of the day it becomes very important for everyone to be especially watchful, especially while driving.

Those little "Bogey Persons" have one thought on their minds and that ain't pedestrian safety. Please be very careful!

Courtney

COP CORNER

Drive just a little slower in the residential areas to lessen the stopping distance of your car. Don't park in the middle of the street and let your kids out. Pull to the curb.

Park and let them come back to you instead of following them while driving next to the curb. It takes everyone to make a good time happen. Enjoy the day with your kids and don't eat all the candy.

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Viewpoints

There goes the GOP base and probably both houses

The Republican base, that vaunted entity whose every mood swing has controlled the zigs and zags of the Bush administration policy, has moved out, according to the latest Gallup polling. Karl Rove's heroic efforts to preserve its fealty have failed to move Republican base voters. Karl cannot compensate for Bush's failure to project his issues as the midterm disaster for the Republican Party nears.

The Gallup poll earlier this month shows that, in the wake of the Foley scandal, the number of "white frequent churchgoers" who are planning to vote Republican has dropped from 58 percent to 47 percent since last month. The margin of their support for Republicans over Democrats, 26 percentage

points in September, has entirely disappeared and the parties are tied among this core element of the Republican base.

The Gallup poll also reveals that Democrats now win all eight major issues, including terrorism and morality. Asked which party would do more to enhance "moral standards in the country," Democrats now win 47 to 36! And on terrorism, Democrats now have a 47-to-42-percent advantage.

The Foley scandal has wrought extraordinary damage to the Republican Party and appears to have had a particularly negative impact on the base. No amount of blame shifting onto Democrats for breaking the story or for holding it until September is likely to com-

pensate for the evidence that houses of Congress. House Speaker Dennis Hastert (R-III.) did not act tion, Republican Sens. Mike promptly to expose it him- DeWine (Ohio), Conrad

self. According to the latest Dick Fox News Morris poll, 61 percent of vot-Columnist ers believe that Hastert

knew about the Foley affair early on and did nothing to stop it.

Churchgoing whites are the core of the Republican base. The fact that they are now breaking even in the approaching midterm elections foretells total disaster for the GOP. For this group to leave is, quite literally, the political equivalent of the last dog dying! It is now likely that they will lose both

With this kind of defec-

Burns (Mont.), Rick Santorum (Pa.), Jim Talent (Mo.) and Lincoln Chaffee

(R.I.) seem likely to be gone. Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist's (R-Tenn.) seat seems likely to go to Rep. Harold Ford (D-Tenn.). And Sen. George Allen (R-Va.) may also be on his way out. In New Jersey, after trailing Tom Kean Jr. for most of September, Sen. Robert Menendez (D) seems to have moved out to a small lead that will probably grow.

And all of this trend is before the final weeks when downscale Democrats, who have not yet focused on the elections, "come home" and vote their historic party loyalties.

The defection of the Republican base is likely to be felt even more keenly in the House races. The very gerrymandering that GOP leaders had hoped would leave their House margin invulnerable may now backfire as the Republican white churchgoers, whom the district lines had incorporated into swing Republican districts, now defect and vote Democrat or stay home in massive numbers. The gerrymandering designed to keep Democrats out may have the perverse effect of keeping disaffected Republicans in

the swing districts, magnifying their effect on the election.

Can the Republican Party reunite with its base? It's hard to see how they can win it back until the 2008 election. A Hillary Clinton candidacy would obviously help them to regain the fierce loyalty of their base, but she would also bring in millions of single women voters who would support her candidacy by huge margins. The recent census data showing that half of all households are unmarried indicates how extensive a political force single women can become.

In the long term, of course, Democratic policies on same-sex marriage and abortion are likely to bring

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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 25, the 298th day of 2006. There are 67 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 25, 1854, the "Charge of the Light Brigade" took place during the Crimean War as an English brigade of more than 600 men, facing hopeless odds, charged the Russian army during the Battle of Balaclava and suffered heavy losses.

On this date:

In 1400, author Geoffrey Chaucer died in London. In 1760, Britain's King George III succeeded his late grandfather, George II.

'Life is not a spectacle or a feast; it is a predicament.'

Canadian steamship Princess Sophia foundered off the coast of Alaska; some 350 people perished. In 1939, the drama "The Time of Your Life," by William

In 1918,

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- George Santayana

Spanish-born philosopher (1863-1952)

In 1951, peace talks aimed at ending the Korean Conflict resumed in Panmunjom after 63 days.

Saroyan, opened in

New York.

In 1962, U.S. ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson presented photographic evidence of Soviet missile bases in Cuba to the U.N. Security Council.

In 1971, the U.N. General Assembly voted to admit mainland China and expel Taiwan.

In 1983, a U.S.-led force invaded Grenada at the order of President Reagan, who said the action was needed to protect U.S. citizens there.

In 1986, in Game 6 of the World Series, the Boston Red Sox lost to the New York Mets 6-5 on a wild pitch and an error in the tenth inning, forcing a seventh game, which the Mets ended up winning.

In 2002, U.S. Sen. Paul Wellstone, D-Minn., was killed in a plane crash in northern Minnesota 11 days before the election.

Ten years ago: Federal judge Richard Matsch granted Oklahoma City bombing defendants Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols separate trials.

Five years ago: A day after the House signed on, the Senate sent President Bush the USA Patriot Act, a package of anti-terror measures giving police sweeping new powers to search people's homes and business records secretly and to eavesdrop on telephone and computer conversations.



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I don't know if the brakes on the president, even Democrats will gain a if it were for the basest of majority in either the Senate motives.

> I'm one of those people who thinks legislative deadlock is a good thing. Most legislation passed these days is bad legis-

lation. The country Charley would be Reese better off if legislators Columnist didn't pass any laws.

The country would be greatly better off if they devoted a whole session to doing nothing but repealing bad laws.

Many Americans have too much faith in government and in laws. Government is like a retarded giant - very powerful but stupid. Almost nothing government tries to do succeeds. Just looking back at the past few decades, the House, they could put the it has – despite enormous

Texas Thoughts

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is knowable. I hope they do,

because the Republicans

have proven that having con-

trol of the White House, the

Senate and the House pro-

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to do whatever the president

wants them to do, the system

of checks and balances is

destroyed. A president, espe-

cially one who doesn't feel

bound by the Constitution,

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motives, it still acts as a

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Democrats are no prize and

are hardly distinguishable

from the Republicans.

Nevertheless, if they con-

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With today's Republicans

duces bad government.

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

Oct. 16

El Paso Times on soldiers' rights: Persons ready and willing to fight for the United States of America are deserving of citizen status in the United States of America.

It was good to see 40 troops at Fort Bliss receive citizenship papers last week. They came to America from 20 countries and 27 of the soldiers are headed to Iraq this month with the 4-1 Cavalry.

In giving the soldiers their oath of allegiance, U.S. District Judge Philip R. Martinez informed the 40 that there is a rich tradition in America they are

most welcome to follow. Martinez said: "We ask that you bring your traditions and bring your culture so it will continue to enrich us." Indeed.

Not only is this country made up of rich traditions, from Columbus Day (Italians) and St. Patrick's Day (Irish), as two examples, but to Veterans Day, which honors all who served in our military. Many of our veterans came from other cultures, most notably the cultures of Latinos and this area's Hispanics.

El Paso has provided our armed forces with many persons of Hispanic background. And history shows Hispanics take their place high on the list of American war heroes, beginning with World War I to World War II to

expenditures – failed to find a cure for cancer, failed to stop illegal drugs, failed to stop illegal immigrants, failed to protect the American people from terrorists, failed to improve

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public education, failed keep with repairing infrastructure, failed

the deficit, failed to eliminate the trade deficits, failed to curb inflation, etc., etc., and so forth.

because virtually every program started by government has failed in its objectives or s attered along in the most effective and expensive manner.

There is a simple explanation. Men do not become gods when they are elected to public office. To use the vernacular, "there ain't nobody here but us humans." All humans are fallible. They don't change just because their paycheck comes from the government. People on government payrolls are no more or no less honest, smart, stupid, vain, ambitious, etc., than people in the private sector.

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Sample Ballot

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We don't expect either perfection or miracles from the private sector, and we shouldn't expect them from the public sector.

The way to handle a retarded giant is exactly the way our Founding Fathers intended. Keep it simple. Give the government simple tasks, and not many of those. The way to keep it from usurping its legitimate powers is to maintain a divided

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Korea to Vietnam and now in the Gulf and in Afghanistan.

Rep. Silvestre Reyes, D-El Paso, said in an Associated Press story, the political fight over immigration has been a concern for soldiers who recently became citizens, and soldiers who want to become citizens. "They asked me to do everything I can to change the mood in Congress about immigrants. It is a country created with a legacy of immigration, of honoring immigrants and we should remember that," Reyes said.

Our military forces have been spread thin as we continue our operations in the Gulf and in Afghanistan, along with having presence in Korea and in

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I could go on and on,



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ember, State Board of Education,

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Representante Estatal, Distrito Num. 88

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Distrito Núm. 7, Duración Restante del

DAVE HOWARD

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BOB CRAIG

District 15

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1	your choices on the ballot. To vote for your		REP	DON WILLETT	REP
	choice in each contest, completely fill in the box provided to the left of your choice. To		DEM	WILLIAM E. 'BILL'	DEN
ŀ	vote for a write-in candidate, completely fill in		LIB	MOODY	DEN
	the box provided to the left of the words "Write-in" and write in the name of the			WADE WILSON	LIB
	candidate on the line provided.	CAROLE KEETON STRAYHORN	IND		2.0
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	completamente el espacio cuadrado a la			Justice, Supreme Court, Place 6	
	izquierda de las palabras "Voto Escrito" y	Lieutenant Governor		Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm.	6
	escriba el nombre del candidato en la linea provista.	Gobernador Teniente		NATHAN HECHT	REP
ł		DAVID DEWHURST	REP	TODD PHILLIPPI	LIB
	To cast a straight-party vote, choose the option to the left of the name of that	MARIA LUISA	DEM	Justice, Supreme Court, Place 8,	
	party. Selecting a party automatically	ALVARADO		Unexpired Term	
	selects all candidates associated with	JUDY BAKER	LIB	Juez. Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm.	8,
	that party. If you select a candidate	Attorney General		Duración Restante del Cargo	
	associated with a party other than the straight-party selection, your vote for that	Procurador General		PHIL JOHNSON	REF
	candidate will be counted in that	GREG ABBOTT	REP	JAY H. COOKINGHAM	LIB
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1	selecciona un candidato asociado con un partido distinto a su selección de partido	SUSAN COMBS	REP	J.R. MOLINA	DEN
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1	computará en esa carrera.	MIKE BURRIS	LIB	Place 7 Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Crimin	salez
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	Partido Completo	Comisionado de la Oficina General	de	BARBARA PARKER	REF
	Republican Party	Tierras	-	HERVEY	197
	Partido Republicano	JERRY PATTERSON	REP	QUANAH PARKER	LIB
	Democratic Party Partido Demócrata	VALINDA HATHCOX	DEM	Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals.	
	Libertarian Party	MICHAEL A. FRENCH	LIB	Place 8	
	Partido Libertario	Commissioner of Agriculture		Juez. Corte de Apelaciones Crimin	ales.
-1		Comisionado de Agricultura		Lugar Num. 8	

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ELIZABETH AMES

TABITHA SERRANO

Chief Justice, Supreme Court,

Duración Restante del Cargo

TOM OXFORD

Juez Presidente, Corte Suprema,

WALLACE JEFFERSON REP

Railroad Commissioner

JONES

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	your choices on the ballot. To vote for your choice in each contest, completely fill in the		RICK PERRY	REP	DON WILLETT REF
	box provided to the left of your choice. To		CHRIS BELL	DEM	
	vote for a write-in candidate, completely fill in				WILLIAM E. 'BILL' DEI MOODY
	the box provided to the left of the words "Write-in" and write in the name of the		JAMES WERNER	LIB	and the second se
	candidate on the line provided.		CAROLE KEETON	IND	WADE WILSON LIB
	Nota de Instrucción:		STRAYHORN		Justice, Supreme Court, Place 4
2	Favor de usar una pluma de linta negra o azul		RICHARD 'KINKY'	IND	Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 4
3	para marcar su boleta. Para votar por su selección en cada carrera, llene completamente		FRIEDMAN		DAVID M. MEDINA REF
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	option to the left of the name of that		MARIA LUISA	DEM	Justice, Supreme Court, Place 8.
	party. Selecting a party automatically		ALVARADO		Unexpired Term
	selects all candidates associated with that party. If you select a candidate		JUDY BAKER	LIB	Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 8, Duración Restante del Cargo
	associated with a party other than the	Attorn	ey General		
	straight-party selection, your vote for that	Procui	rador General		PHIL JOHNSON REF
	candidate will be counted in that		GREG ABBOTT	REP	JAY H. COOKINGHAM LIB
	particular contest. Para marcar un voto de partido completo,		DAVID VAN OS	DEM	Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal
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2	partido distinto a su selección de partido		SUSAN COMBS	REP	J.R. MOLINA DEN
	completo, su voto por ese candidato se		FRED HEAD	DEM	Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals,
5	computará en esa carrera.		MIKE BURRIS	LIB	Place 7
	Straight Party	Comm	issioner of the General Lan	d Office	Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 7
	Partido Completo		ionado de la Oficina Genera	l de	
	Republican Party	Tierras	5		BARBARA PARKER REP HERVEY
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	Democratic Party		VALINDA HATHCOX	DEM	QUANAH PARKER LIB
	Partido Demócrata		MICHAEL A. FRENCH	LIB	Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals,
	Libertarian Party Partido Libertario	Comm	issioner of Agriculture		Place 8 Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales.
			ionado de Agricultura		Lugar Núm. 8
	United States Senator		TODD STAPLES	050	
	Senador de los Estados Unidos	1		REP	
	KAY BAILEY REP		HANK GILBERT	DEM	DAVE HOWARD LIB
	HUTCHISON		CLAY WOOLAM	LIB	Member, State Board of Education,
	BARBARA ANN DEM	Railroa	ad Commissioner		District 15
	RADNOFSKY	Comis	ionado de Ferrocarriles		Miembro de la Junta Estatal de Educació Pública, Distrito Núm, 15
2	SCOTT LANIER LIB		ELIZABETH AMES	REP	BOB CRAIG REP
	JAMESON		JONES		
	United States Representative, District 13		DALE HENRY	DEM	BRANDON STACKER LIB
			TABITHA SERRANO	LIB	State Representative, District 88
5	Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito Núm. 13				Representante Estatal, Distrito Num. 88
	Distrito Núm. 13	Chief	Justice, Supreme Court		
	Distrito Num. 13 MAC THORNBERRY REP		Justice, Supreme Court, ired Term		WARREN CHISUM REP
	Distrito Num: 13 MAC THORNBERRY REP ROGER J. WAUN DEM	Unexp Juez P	ired Term Presidente, Corte Suprema,		TIMOTHY JUSTICE LIB
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	Distrito Num: 13 MAC THORNBERRY REP ROGER J. WAUN DEM	Unexp Juez P Duracio	ired Term Presidente, Corte Suprema, ón Restante del Cargo WALLACE JEFFERSON	LIB	Chief Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District, Unexpired Term

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	Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District, Place 2 Juez, Corte de Apelaciones, Distrito Núm. 7, Lugar Núm. 2 MACKEY K. HANCOCK REP					
	Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District, Place 3 Juez, Corte de Apelaciones, Distrito Núm. 7, Lugar Núm. 3					
	District Judge, 31st Judicial District Juez del Distrito, Distrito Judicial Núm. 31					
	STEVEN R. EMMERT REP District Judge, 223rd Judicial District Juez del Distrito, Distrito Judicial Núm.					
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	District Attorney, 31st Judicial District, Unexpired Term Procurador del Distrito, Distrito Judicial Núm. 31, Duración Restante del Cargo					
1	LYNN SWITZER REP					
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	County Treasurer Tesorero del Condado					
	SCOTT HAHN REP		1			
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box provided to the left of your choice. To	CHRIS BELL DEM	WILLIAM E. 'BILL' DEM	-	MACKEY K. HANCOCK REP		
vote for a write-in candidate, completely fill in	JAMES WERNER LIB	MOODY		MACKET K. HANCOCK KEP		
the box provided to the left of the words "Write-in" and write in the name of the		WADE WILSON LIB		Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District,		
candidate on the line provided.	CAROLE KEETON IND	WADE WILSON LIB	-	Place 3		
Nota de Instrucción:	STRAYHORN	Justice, Supreme Court, Place 4		Juez, Corte de Apelaciones, Distrito Núm. 7, Lugar Núm. 3		
Favor de usar una pluma de linta negra o azul	RICHARD 'KINKY' IND	Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 4	1		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
para marcar su boleta. Para votar por su	FRIEDMAN	DAVID M. MEDINA REP	001	PAT PIRTLE REP		
selección en cada carrera, llene completamente el espacio cuadrado a la izquierda de su	Write-in Voto-escrito	JERRY ADKINS LIB	10	District Judge, 31st Judicial District		
selección. Para votar por voto escrito, llene			5	Juez del Distrito, Distrito Judicial Núm. 31		
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	DAVID DEWHURST REP	TODD PHILLIPPI LIB	12	Juez del Distrito, Distrito Judicial Núm.		1
To cast a straight-party vote, choose the	MARIA LUISA DEM			223		
option to the left of the name of that	ALVARADO	Justice, Supreme Court, Place 8, Unexpired Term		LEE WATERS DEM		
party. Selecting a party automatically selects all candidates associated with		Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 8.		District Attorney, 31st Judicial District,		
that party. If you select a candidate	JUDY BAKER LIB	Duracion Restante del Cargo		Unexpired Term		
associated with a party other than the	Attorney General	PHIL JOHNSON REP	1	Procurador del Distrito, Distrito Judicial		
straight-party selection, your vote for that	Procurador General			Núm. 31, Duración Restante del Cargo		
candidate will be counted in that	GREG ABBOTT REP	JAY H. COOKINGHAM LIB		LYNN SWITZER REP		
particular contest.	DAVID VAN OS DEM	Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal				
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candidatos asociados con ese partido. Si	Contralor de Cuentas Públicas	SHARON KELLER REP	-	District Clerk		
selecciona un candidato asociado con un	SUSAN COMBS REP	J.R. MOLINA DEM	ample	Secretario del Distrito		
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Republican Party	Tierras	BARBARA PARKER REP		County Treasurer		1.1
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United States Senator	Comisionado de Agricultura	Lugar Núm. 8		Precinto Núm. 4		
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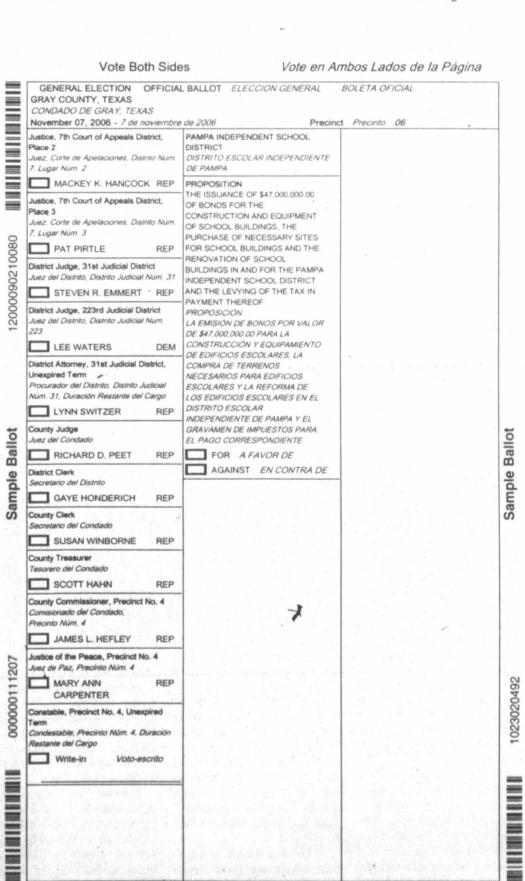
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Incumbents face challenges from newcomer hopefuls

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By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

National, state and area officeholders seeking reelection Nov. 7 are facing a number of challengers.

Incumbent U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, a Republican, faces Democrat Barbara Ann Radnofsky and Libertarian Scott Lanier Jameson.

Hutchison, the first woman to represent Texas in the U.S. Senate, was first elected to the office in 1993. She is a U.S. delegate to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe, also known as the Helsinki Commission. She is chairman of the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee and the Defense Subcommittee renewable energy; and

of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Hutchison helped pass the Intelligence National Reform Act, which includes provisions she authored to ensure greater screening of air cargo and a more comprehensive review of surveillance information, according to her campaign Web site.

She has also played a role in drafting an airline security bill passed by Congress after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, and in the "No Child Left Behind" education reform act.

Radnofsky, an attorney, favors increased benefits for members of the military, military veterans and their families; development of incentives for U.S. business- tinued, and Social Security to set a withdrawal date for Committee and is chairman es to stop shipping jobs overseas. She is opposed to privatization of Social Security and any sort of voucher system for public schools.

Jameson supports vouchers for public, private or religious schools; development of alternative fuels and ethanol; making abortion a state legislative issue; reducing prison sentences for non-violent criminals; eliminating funding for the war on drugs; and the elimination of all federal unemployment and welfare programs.

His campaign Web site states that Jameson believes public prayer is a civil right, federal affirmative action programs should be discon-

should compete with financial markets for retirement accounts.

Rep. Mac U.S. Thornberry, a Republican, also faces a Democrat and a Libertarian in the Nov. 7 election.

Thornberry pledges on his campaign Web site to keep the United States secure, modernize Medicare, reduce America's dependence on foreign oil, keep Social Security secure, make medical research a national priority, revamp the tax code, support agriculture and military members and veterans, and allow education decisions to be made locally.

J. Waun, Roger Thornberry's Democratic opponent, believes it is time the

U.S. troops in Iraq, according to his campaign Web site. He also aims to reduce the federal deficit, promote renewable energy resources, make Social Security solvent, provide universal health care coverage, provide federal professionals to patrol the Texas-Mexico border, and fund stem-cell and biomedical research.

No information was available online concerning Jim Thompson, the Libertarian candidate from Mineral Wells.

State Warren Rep. Chisum, a Republican from Pampa, is being challenged by Libertarian candidate Timothy Justice of Lefors.

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Administrative Procedures. He co-authored a constitutional amendment providing that marriage in Texas will consist only of the union of one man and one woman, along with various bills concerning environmental protection and energy regulation.

Justice has stated on a blog site that he will "run on a platform of restoring rights to families who have been harassed repeatedly by the unconstitutional acts of Child Protective Services. He will further seek ways to establish a low-cost, privately funded public transportation service in the Texas Panhandle."

Constable write-ins battle in only local contested race

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Two write-in candidates are providing the only contested local race in the Nov. 7 general election.

Curtis Broaddus and Don Fletcher are both write-ins for the unexpired term of Precinct 4 constable. Broaddus filed as a write-in after Gray County commissioners declined to hire him to fill the post.

Broaddus first addressed commissioners concerning the constable position at their Feb. 15 meeting. The issue was not on the meeting's agenda, so commissioners addressed Broaddus' request at their March 1 meeting. County Judge

Richard Peet asked three Commissioner times if anyone wished to make a motion to fill the vacant office, but no motion was made.

The office was vacated by Fletcher immediately after he was sworn in on Jan. 1, 2003. Fletcher had promised voters that if elected, he would vacate the office in order to save taxpayers money.

"Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace Mary Ann Carpenter has indicated she really doesn't need a constable," Peet said at the March 1 session.

"I believe we are in a system where we must honor the taxpayers" Precinct 2 the office if elected, in order

Willoughby said. "If there were a need for that office to be filled, we should have an open election."

"The people I talked to said if it was to be filled, it should be by election," said Precinct 4 Commissioner James Hefley.

"I think the last election showed the people's choice," said Precinct 3 Gerald Commissioner Wright.

Fletcher filed as a writein candidate for the unexpired term of Precinct 4 constable after Broaddus did. He has stated he did so in order to once again vacate

county taxpayers.

Scott Hahn, although unopposed for county treasurer in the Nov. 7 election, won the Republican party's nomination in a runoff election against incumbent Lee Cornelison on April 11.

Cornelison, Hahn and Tory Peet were in a threeway race for the Republican nomination in the March 7 election. primary Cornelison received 975

votes, while Hahn garnered 753 and Peet earned 418. Election law states that in

races involving more than two persons, if any one candidate does not receive a total number of votes equal

Gary to continue the savings to to 50 percent of all votes cast plus one vote, a runoff election will be held between the candidates earning the most votes.

Cornelison's primary total represented 45.5 percent of votes cast in the county treasurer's race, while Hahn got 35.1 percent of the votes and Peet garnered 19.5 percent.

Hahn received 631 votes in the runoff election, 38 more than Cornelison's total of 593.

All other local candidates on the Nov. 7 ballot are unopposed incumbents. They are: Lee Waters, Democrat, 223rd District judge; Steven R. Emmert,

Republican, 31st District judge; Gaye Honderich, Republican, district clerk; Lynn Switzer, Republican, 31st District attorney; Richard Peet, Republican, county judge; Susan Winborne, Republican, county clerk; Joe Patrick Martinez, Republican, Precincts 1 and 3 justice of the peace; Kurt Curfman, Republican, Precinct 2 justice of the peace; Mary Ann Carpenter, Republican, Precinct 4 justice of the peace; Gary Willoughby, Precinct 2 county commissioner; and James L. Hefley, Republican, Precinct 4 county commissioner.



From left to right, Fred Mays, PHS Choir Director and Fine Arts Department Head; Rhianna Anglin, Theater Arts teacher; Orville Blades, Bartlett Lumber; June Dirickson, Art teacher; Pat Macumber, PHS Assistant Principal; and Wanetta Hill, Associate Choir Director.

Donations aid PHS Fine Arts

Department recently awarded Bartlett and under. Hardware a certificate of appreciation for their community spirit and support for the arts in public schools.

Bartlett recently donated paint and wood to the Choir, Art, and Theater departments for their upcoming events.

The PHS Theater Arts will present a performance of Roald Dahl's James and the Giant Peach at 3 p.m. Nov. 4. Admission

The Pampa High School Fine Arts will be \$4 for adults and \$2 for children 12

They will also host a Coffee Memorial Center Blood Drive on Nov. 17 in the PHS auditorium from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The PHS Choir will present Disney's Beauty and the Beast Nov. 16 - 19 at M.K. Brown. Tickets will be available at the door and more information will follow.

Bartlett's donations and generosity provided materials for these projects.

Sexual abuse alleged with Foley priest

MIAMI (AP) - Another former altar boy says he was sexually abused in the 1970s by the same retired Catholic priest who acknowledged fondling former Rep. Mark Foley when Foley was a teenager, the man's attorney said Wednesday.

The new allegations against the Rev. Anthony Mercieca were made by a man who lived in North Miami and was an altar boy at St. James Catholic Church, where Mercieca worked, attorney Jeffrey Herman said.

Herman said he planned to file a lawsuit Wednesday against the Archdiocese of Miami. His client, now 40 and identified in the lawsuit only as John Doe No. 26, says Mercieca abused him when he was about 12 years old.

"He had been thinking about it before Foley came forward, and then when Foley came out and the church encouraged other victims to come forward, he decided to come forward," Herman said.

The man said "all of my nightmares came back" when Mercieca's picture appeared on the news last week amid Foley's claims that the priest had molested him. Foley had resigned amid accusations that he sent sexually explicit messages to teenage boys who had worked on Capitol Hill.

Mercieca, 69, now lives on the Maltese island of Gozo in the Mediterranean. No one answered the phone at his home Wednesday. His lawyer, Alfred Grech, did not return calls to his cell phone.

Archdiocese of Miami spokeswoman Mary Ross Agosta, asked about the latest allegations, said: "Any of this type of behavior by Father Mercieca was unknown to the archdiocese and we had absolutely no information to indicate that the father did or would engage in any type of inappropriate or abusive behavior.

The Miami Archdiocese barred Mercieca from all church work as it investigates Foley's claim that the clergyman molested him when Foley was an altar boy

at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Lake Worth in 1967.

Mercieca is now retired and does not serve in any parish, but he regularly celebrates Mass and hears confession in the cathedral on Gozo, according to the Archdiocese of Malta.

In multiple interviews last week, Mercieca denied having sexual intercourse with Foley, but he did acknowledge being nude with him when Foley was a boy.

Mercieca also denied having sex with any underage children.

Herman said his client and Mercieca took a bicycle ride together one day after altar boy practice and then returned to the church where the abuse occurred.

"It was fondling and he performed oral sex on the boy," Herman said. "He attempted on another occasion following altar boy practice, but the boy declined to go on this bike ride and he never went back to the church after that."

Mercieca served as an assistant pastor at the church from 1975 to 1985, according to church records.

Reese

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government.

The only way the people can protect themselves from corruption is to make sure the politicians have nothing to sell. If Congress stuck to its constitutional duties and only to them, there would be no favors it could grant for cash or other goodies. People should read their Constitution. After listing specific the tasks Congress is authorized to do, it does not say "and anything else that might cross your mind."

I don't expect a return of the constitutional republic that Abraham Lincoln destroyed. It would be enough if the

AccuWeather forecaster says feds overplay El Nino effect

STATE COLLEGE, Pa, --AccuWeather.com Chief Long-Range Forecaster Joe Bastardi believes that the current El Niño pattern will be one of the factors that determines the nature of the coming winter, but that the government's weather service is overplaying its effects.

Unlike the National Weather Service forecast, Bastardi does not see this winter being warmer than normal across the vast majority of the country. Overall, the AccuWeather.com Winter 2006-2007 Forecast calls for a cooler-than-normal winter along the East Coast and

rent El Niño will not be only determinant of this year's winter weather," said Bastardi. "This year's winter will hinge on the timing and interaction of complex meteorological factors that would be overridden by a stronger El Niño that others seem to be expecting."

One of these factors that Bastardi and his team expect to shape the upcoming season is the formation of a high pressure area over Greenland or northeastern Canada. This would force Arctic air down into the Northeast. If this occurs as expected, the Northeast could experience severe, prolonged cold -- 10 days or more of temperatures averaging five to 10 degrees below normal — during the middle to late winter, most likely during the month of January. Bastardi sums up his expectations for the upcoming December to February period this way: "the eastern U.S. will experience a colder-than-normal winter overall. The area from the eastern and central Great Lakes to the south-central and southwestern U.S. will experience near-normal winter temperatures. The region that stretches from the western Great Lakes to the Pacific Northwest will likely see above-normal temperatures." Bastardi forecasts a wetter-than-average swath from southern and central California to the southern Plains and Southeast and up the East Coast, because an

expected active subtropical jet stream will send storms on a track across the southern U.S. and likely ensure wet weather in the southern tier of the nation.

How this moisture times itself with the arrival of colder air will determine how much snow the Northeast can expect, but winter is likely to be snowier than normal in the region--a mainstay of all winters since 2002.

Very warm water relative to normal off all coasts provides ample moisture for any storm and, timed with cold air, would lend itself to heavy snowfall in the higher elevations of the Southwest and Southeast, and also the chance for some major coastal storms on the East Coast.



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American people just realized that elected officials are no smarter than they are, and some of them are a whole lot dumber. There are some people in public office who couldn't run a hot-dog cart. In the words of a

Georgia politician, if you expect government to solve your problems, "You done come to the henhouse looking for wool."

—Write to Charley Reese at P.O. Box 2446, Orlando, FL 32802.

Soldiers

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Europe. Through it, the U.S. Army continues to meet its recruiting goals. It has recruited 80,635 soldiers, about 7,000 more

than last year. According to statistics obtained by the AP, some 70,000 were first-time recruits.

It is good to see that persons new to our country are willing to serve our country. It makes them especially deserving of citizen status.

Morris

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the base back to its traditional bearings, but these issues seem to be having little impact on holding the Republican majorities in Congress. Eileen McGann coau-

thored this column.

-Dick Morris was an adviser to Bill Clinton for 20 years. Eileen McGann, an attorney and consultant, is a CEO of and VOTE.com Legislativevote.com.

eastern Gulf Coast, and a warmer-than-normal winter from the western Great Lakes to the Pacific Northwest.

An El Niño--a cyclical occurrence of warmer-thannormal Pacific waters--can have repercussions on worldwide weather patterns, particularly a strong El Niño, which features water temperatures that are significantly warmer over a broad expanse of tropical ocean.

However, Bastardi's research points to an El Niño that will remain at its current weak to moderate level, and may even weaken as the winter progresses. Because of this, a "typical" El Niño winter--such as the one predicted by the National Weather Service. last week-that features warmer-than-

normal temperatures across much of the U.S. is not as likely to occur.

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By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR READERS: Yesterday I printed some of the feedback regarding my answer to "Feeling Guilty, Memphis, Tenn." after I urged her to wait until her serviceman fiance returned from Iraq before breaking their engagement. Today I will share more of them. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I am a psychologist and served in Iraq running a combat stress-control clinic. I couldn't agree more with the answer you gave that young woman, and have wished for a forum in which to provide that exact advice. Many of the soldiers we saw had exactly this problem -- Dear John letters, e-mails or phone conversations. I can't tell you how distracting the information was to them. In addition to placing their own lives in jeopardy, their inattentiveness jeopardized the lives of soldiers around them. Ladies (and gentlemen), listen up! Do not communicate this type of information until the soldier returns. It'll be easier to deal with complaints of deceit than with the guilt of possibly having caused physical harm to someone else. In this particular case, ignorance is bliss. -- TOM ANDERSON, COLUMBIA, S.C.

DEAR ABBY: My husband, and every soldier around who was discussing your column, disagreed with your reply. They all said they would rather be given the bad news while deployed. They said they have lots of people around to support them. This will give the soldier time to heal and close a chapter of his life. If she's worried about his reaction, it might be better to send a letter to someone in his chain of command, ensure he gets any help he might need. She also needs to do the right thing and return any money or gifts he's given her. -- SOL-DIER'S WIFE, PARKERSBURG,

DEAR ABBY: As a retired Air Force director of safety, I can attest that the probability of an accident or possible suicide among young people increases markedly following a traumatic emotional situation such as divorce, breakup (receipt of a Dear John letter), court-martial, etc. If "Feeling Guilty" values her friend's life at all, she should definitely wait until he has returned. Then she would probably be doing him a favor by breaking up, because she's not in love, she's in "lust." - ALFRED J. D'A-MARIO, LT. COL., USAF (RET.)

DEAR ABBY: When I was a company commander in Vietnam, Dear John letters were my biggest personnel problem. Soldiers in harm's way cling desperately to girlfriends and wives. I had one soldier commit suicide over a Dear John letter. We learned to put soldiers under a suicide watch for a few days after such a letter. Family members and friends who write to "tattle" do the soldier no favor. Let the soldier get home with support from family and friends before dropping the news. Letters and e-mails should be overwhelmingly positive. Our military people deserve that much. -- RON K., ROGERSVILLE, TENN.

DEAR ABBY: I cried when I read your response to "Feeling Guilty." I was a Marine serving in Chu Lai, South Vietnam, in 1965, when a close friend got a "Dear John" from his wife. He died that same night as a result of an "accident" involving a hand grenade. I pray she has the heart to wait until her fiance returns to safe soil. --ALWAYS A MARINE IN MY HEART.

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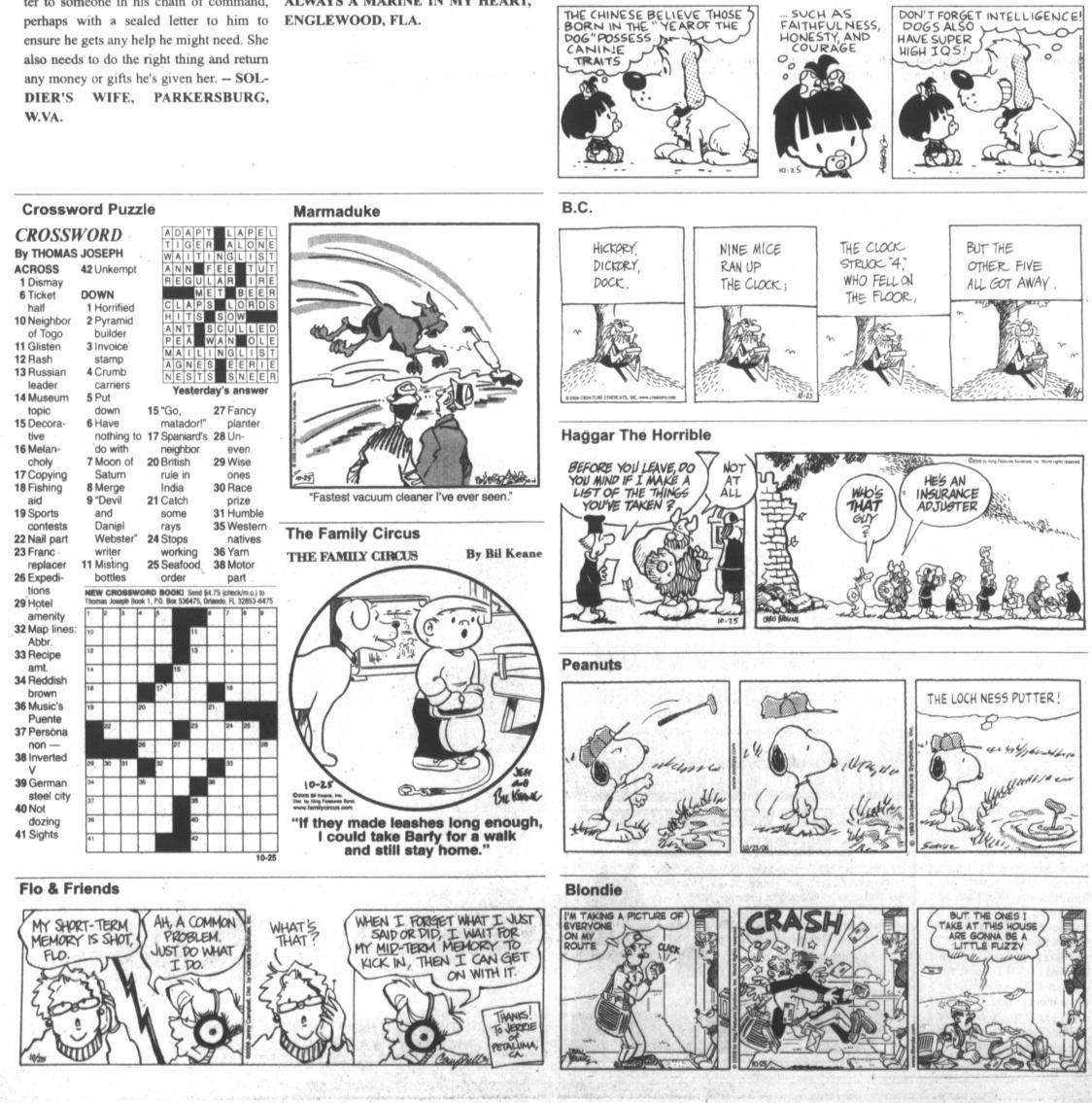


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Sports Day

Pampa's Taylor snags diving gold as Harvester swim and dive team rocks at Big Spring Invitational

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

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The Pampa Swim & Dive team competed in an 11-team invitational meet in Big Spring Friday and Saturday, and according to Pampa coach Greg Miller, if the results are any indication of what is to come in the season ahead, this Pampa squad should be something to watch.

Miller says the boys' team posted the best times he has seen in past four years. Colby Dennis placed 5th in the 1 meter dive Friday. The team (Cole Guyer, Kelly Stofle, Dustin Neef and Dennis) took 3rd in Saturday's medley relay with a time of 1:56.45. The same crew took 2nd in the 400 free relay, posting a time of 3:54.38.

The boys had solid individual performance as well with Neef coming away with 2nd in the 100 breaststroke (1:13.2) and 4th in the 50 freestyle (24.44).

Dennis placed 5th in the 500 freestyle (6:16.15), while Guyer finished 6th in the 100 backstroke and Stofle in 6th in the 200 individual medley.

Jeremy Zellefrow, Chris Hinkle, Caleb West and Zach Robles also contributed to the team's solid performance and 5th place overall finish.

For the girls, Rebecca Taylor brought home the gold Friday with a 1st place finish in diving. Nicki Cole, Abby

West, Amber Bradford and Taylor anchored a 2nd place performance in Saturday's medley relay (2:09.20). The same foursome secured another 2nd in the 200 free relay with a time of 1:55.36.

The only team to finish better in the two events was an alwaystrong 5A squad from Midland High School.

In individual competition, Cole claimed 1st place in the 100 backstroke. West took 3rd in the 100 breaststroke (1:21.69). Bradford finished 4th in the 100 butterfly (1:20.69), while Taylor took 4th in the 50 freestyle.

Ana Saucedo, Abby Hathcoat, Britney Puolin and Tonya Kiper did their part to help Pampa to a 3rd place finish overall.

The impressive showing marks the first time in six years Pampa has been able to finish ahead of rival Pecos at the high school level. The strong outing also makes Pampa one of the top ranked 4A teams in the region.

Coach Miller said after the meet, "The truly amazing fact is that both teams, boys and girls, are made up of freshman and sophomore swimmers and divers. We are looking forward to a very good year."

Pampa takes to the pool again Nov. 11 when the team travels to Pecos.

World Series: Cardinals take 2-1 lead

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Chris Carpenter presented his right hand for inspection. The manager and umpire looked, and everyone was satisfied.

The St. Louis ace had a cramp, that's all, and he stayed on the mound. He'd waited a long time to make this start and clearly nothing was going to blemish this outing.

Carpenter kept the Detroit Tigers in their hitting funk and put the World Series focus back on the field, pitching the Cardinals to a 5-0 victory Tuesday night for a 2-1 edge.

"He's so strong between the ears that nothing fazes him," Cardinals manager Tony La Russa said. "He's got a good head, good heart, good guts."

squabbling, accusations and denials mound and looked at his hand. Kenny Kogers caused with h1s smudged left hand in Game 2. Oh, Rogers heard plenty from the sellout crowd at Busch Stadium during pregame introductions, as chants of "Cheat-er!" echoed throughout the ballpark. But that was about the only noise the Tigers caused in this game.

The Tigers' trio of leadoff man of five in the World Series. Curtis Granderson, ALCS MVP Placido Polanco and postseason veteran Ivan Rodriguez is combined 0-for-34 after three games. Manager Jim Leyland said he's considering lineup changes.

"They'll get going," Tigers teammate Sean Casey said. "I think it takes that one hit to get that confidence and it'll probably snowball from there."

Carpenter showed why he won the NL Cy Young Award last year and is a top contender this season. He struck out six, walked none and permitted only one runner past first base.

Carpenter's lone problem came in the seventh inning. As Polanco led off by lining out to good friend Albert Gone were any reminders of the Pujols, Carpenter hopped off the

La Russa, a trainer and the entire St. Louis infield converged on the mound, studying Carpenter's pitching hand. Plate umpire Wally Bell also went out to check as reliever Josh Kinney began warming up.

It was somewhat of a surprise, too. Carpenter gave up a season-high seven runs at Detroit in June, and the Tigers' starting lineup was hitting .356 against him.

"We faced him before and hit him pretty good, but tonight he pitched great," said Detroit's Carlos Guillen, who was hitting .714 before going 0for-3. "He's a Cy Young winner."

Carpenter had waited a long time for this opportunity. He was injured and missed the entire 2004 postseason, including the Cardinals' matchup with Boston in the World Series, a Red Sox sweep:

Carpenter beat San Diego twice in the first round of this year's playoffs, but struggled twice against the New York Mets in the NLCS at Shea Stadium. Back at Busch, where his ERA is doubly as good as it is on the road, he was in complete control on a chilly evening.

JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL **PJHS teams play tough** against visiting Demons

Junior High Football Tuesday, Oct. 24 Harvester Field, Pampa

7th Grade

Pampa Gold 20, Hereford 0

The Pampa Junior High School 7th grade Gold team hosted Dumas Tuesday afternoon at Harvester Field, defeating the Demons 20-0.

The first score came with 4:08 left in the first quarter when Jesse Cruz rumbled 38 yards for a Pampa touchdown. The extra point run failed, giving Pampa an early 6-0 lead.

The next score came in the second quarter when Ryan Pearson bullied his way into the end zone from the 5-yard line. Trevor Morgan ran extra point in. At the break it was Pampa 14, Dumas 0.

With time running out in the third quarter, Cruz hit pay dirt again with a 6-yard scamper for Pampa's final TD of the game. The extra point run failed, making the final score Pampa 20, Dumas 0.

The 7th grade Gold team will play again Tuesday when the team hosts Perryton. Game time will be 4 p.m.

Pampa Green 14, Dumas 20

In the second game of the afternoon, the PJHS Green team came up short against visiting Dumas, 14-20.

The Demons scored at the buzzer to end the first quarter. In the second period, with 4:09 left, Latigo Collins had a 15-yard touchdown run for Pampa. The extra point, however, run was no good.

Dumas scored again at the end of the second quarter, sending the teams to the locker room with Pampa trailing, 14-6.

Pampa found the end zone again in the fourth quarter when Reid Miller hit Trevor Smith for 55-yard pass which gave the Gold team the ball at the Hereford 1-yard line. Shane Smith took it in from there with 38 seconds left in the game. Reid Miller took care of the extra point run, making the final Pampa 14, Dumas 20.

The next game for the Gold team will be Tuesday when the team hosts Perryton at 5:30 p.m.

8th Grade

In the face of a growing list of injuries, the 8th grade Green and Gold teams continue to battle through a lessthan-perfect season. Though both teams fell to Dumas Tuesday, neither did so without a fight. Expect nothing less from these tough players Tuesday when they face Perryton.

Time change

Staring at catcher Yadier Molina's mitt, Carpenter's concentration was unshakable.

"Go one pitch at a time," Carpenter said. "All that stuff around you that's going on doesn't get in your head, so you're not even thinking about it."

Carpenter threw big curves to spin three-hit ball for eight innings. Jim Edmonds delivered a two-run double and St. Louis took advantage of sloppy play to score its three other runs.

Pitching usually rules the postseason, and that's been the case so far. The Cardinals hope to present even more in Game 4 Wednesday night when NL championship series MVP Jeff Suppan starts against Jeremy Bonderman.

That is, if the heavy rain in the forecast holds off. The weather is supposed to turn bad for a couple of days, in fact.

Surely, the Cardinals would like to keep playing. They're ready while the Tigers look rusty — remember, they had a week off after winning the ALCS.

The problem: Jammed when he batted in the fourth inning, his hand was a bit balky.

"It felt kind of funny from that point on," Carpenter said.

"They think I might have just bruised it in there or something like that," he said. "We'll deal with it tonight, but I think it will be fine."

He certainly drew a lot more attention than Rogers attracted after a yellowish-brown mark was spotted on his hand — he said it was a mix of dirt, spit and resin, while others claimed it was illegal pine tar.

Carpenter drew his biggest roar when he got a standing ovation as he came to bat in the eighth. The bottom of the eighth took a while, though, and Braden Looper relieved in the ninth and finished the combined three-hitter.

"We need to swing the bats better, obviously," Leyland said.

The Tigers had homered in all 10 postseason games before Carpenter stopped them. A Detroit team that averaged 5 1/2 runs per game throughout the AL playoffs has scored a total the back in foul territory.

Edmonds hit his go-ahead double in the fourth. A throwing error by Tigers reliever Joel Zumaya gave St. Louis two runs in the seventh and a wild pitch by Zach Miner let another run score in the eighth.

Working on 13 days' rest, Tigers lefty Nate Robertson opened with three hitless innings. That's about normal for the Cardinals — they were a weak 23-34 against left-handed starters this season.

Yet it was the lefty-swinging Edmonds who got the key hit against Robertson, who was pulled after five innings. After that, Robertson bided his time on the bench talking to Rogers, perhaps picking up some secrets about pitching in cold weather.

"It's almost like what Kenny did in Game 2, Chris Carpenter did tonight," Casey said. "He was pretty much lights out."

Notes: Molina had an adventuresome at-bat his first time up. He flipped his bat and headed to first on a 3-1 pitch, only to have Bell call it a strike. Then, he hooked a line drive that hit left-field ump Randy Marsh in

Cowher says Steelers having a 'challenging' season

Tuesday to criticize the officials for several calls that went against the Pittsburgh Steelers in a 41-38 overtime loss in Atlanta that left them with a 2-4 record.

After a fourth loss in five games, Cowher had reason enough to fault his own players as they continued a seasonlong pattern: Namely, play well in the first half and then self-destruct in the second.

All but three of the Steelers' 14 turnovers have come in the second half, a key reason why the Super Bowl champions trail Baltimore (4-2) and Cincinnati (4-2) by two games in the AFC North.

"Those are very hard to overcome," Cowher said. "There's a lot of things that lead to that; it's the attention to detail and being able to close a close game out."

The mistakes, penalties and misplays have repeated themselves, something that rarely occurred with Cowher's better teams. For example, he promised after his team was flagged for an excessive celebration penalty Sept. 24 against Cincinnati that it wouldn't happen again, only to have it occur again Sunday.

"I guess you should never say never," Cowher said.

The Steelers already have four losses - or only two, fewer than they had in 2005 (11-5) and 2004 (15-1) com-

PITTSBURGH (AP) - Coach Bill Cowher declined , bined. And after going 4-0 away from Pittsburgh in the postseason while winning the Super Bowl, they are 0-3 on the road this season.

> Still, Cowher wouldn't label the season as frustrating. "Frustration is an emotion you can control," he said. "This is challenging."

> Cowher can't do anything about the injuries, such as quarterback Ben Roethlisberger's concussion that forced him out of the Atlanta game. Cowher is certain something can be done about the wave of errors, including the three lost fumbles and 65 penalty yards on Sunday.

> "As we sit here at 2-4, obviously it's not where we wanted to be or envisioned ourselves being," Cowher said. "It's important that we do a better job of coaches as stressing the detail and the little things, and do a better job of players sustaining that focus throughout the game."

> Some other mistakes seemed to mystify Cowher - a fumbled center exchange between Roethlisberger and Jeff Hartings, a missed block on a Willie Parker fumble that led to right guard Kendall Simmons being benched for secondyear lineman Chris Kemoeatu.

> "We're just doing things where we're having to overcome ourselves," Cowher said. "It's hard enough to beat teams that are good football teams."

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

Those planning to travel to Canyon Thursday for the junior varsity football game between Randall and Pampa should note that game is now scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. and not 7 p.m. as listed on most PHS schedules.

The freshman game is still set to begin at 5 p.m. and will be played at Harvester Field.

Wednesday's Sports Brief

BASEBALL

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Baseball players and owners proclaimed an unprecedented era of labor peace, finalizing a new five-year collective bargaining agreement before Game 3 of the World Series.

Lawyers struck the deal last weekend during negotiations in New York, then worked on putting it in writing. The agreement, which runs through the 2011 season, is subject to ratification by both sides.

The deal makes relatively minor changes to the previous agreement, and doesn't alter baseball's drug rules.

WASHINGTON (AP) -Joe Girardi told the Washington Nationals he doesn't want to be their new manager.

PRO FOOTBALL

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - The NFL will play as many as two regular-season games per year outside the United States starting in 2007, with Mexico, England and Canada, Germany as possible sites for starters.

The plan, first announced last month, was approved at the recommendation of new commissioner Roger Goodell, who said the benefits of reaching an international audience outweighed the loss of some teams' home games.

Mark Waller, senior vice president of NFL

International, said the league expected to schedule only one overseas game in 2007.

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Ben Roethlisberger's second concussion in slightly more than four months may not keep him out of the Pittsburgh Steelers' lineup Sunday or prevent him from practicing this week.

The Super Bowl-winning quarterback is questionable for Sunday's game in Oakland, but Bill Cowher sounded very much like a coach who expects to have his starting quarterback ready to go this week.

Roethlisberger was briefly knocked unconscious during a helmet-tohelmet hit with the Falcons' Chauncey Davis midway through the third quarter of Pittsburgh's 41-38 overtime loss in Atlanta.

BRISTOL, Conn. (AP) - ESPN's telecast of the New York Giants' 36-22 win over the Dallas Cowboys on Monday night was viewed by the largest audience in cable history.

The network announced that the game, featuring two of the NFL's biggest rivals, was seen in an average of 11,807,000 homes, based on a 12.8 rating. That translates to 16,028,000 viewers.

The previous record for cable television was the debate over NAFTA in November 1993, between then-vice president Al Gore and Ross Perot.

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Cincinnati	4	2	0	.667	128	113
Pittsburgh	2	4	0	.333	144	125
Cleveland West	1	5	0	.167	88	126
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San Diego	4	2	0	.667	178	85
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Minnesota	4	2	0	.667	120	95
Green Bay	2	4	0	.333	121	162
Detroit	1	6	0	.143	132	189
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NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

LSU strength coach arrested

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) - An assistant strength coach for LSU was arrested and accused of violating state law by inviting student athletes to his home to meet a sports agent and suggesting the agent should represent the athletes, LSU police said Tuesday.

Travelle Ernest Gaines, 26, of Port Allen, surrendered to university police and was booked into East Baton Rouge Parish prison, the university said in a statement.

It was the second arrest in two weeks connected to the school about violations of the law regulating sports agents in Louisiana, the university said. Gaines had been employed with the athletic department since July.

LSU said the student athletes invited to Gaines' home didn't realize an agent would be there, and the university said there was no evidence that the student athletes violated the law.

University police arrested sports agent Charles Taplin, of Houston, earlier this month for attempting to contact student athletes.

LSU said interviews with several student athletes after Taplin's arrest led them to Gaines, but university spokeswoman Kristine Calongne said there was no direct link between the two cases.

Owners approve international games during regular season beginning 200

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - The NFL will play as many as two regular-season games per year outside the United States starting in 2007, with Mexico, Canada, England and Germany as possible sites for starters.

The plan, first announced last month, was approved Tuesday at the recommendation of new commissioner Roger Goodell, who said the benefits of reaching an international audience outweighed the loss of some teams' home games.

We are talking about a limited number of games that we think will have a tremendous impact," Goodell said. "It's in response to the growing fan interest in our game overseas. There are more and more fans on a global basis." Mark Waller, senior vice president of NFL International,

said the league expected to schedule only one overseas game in 2007.

No specific sites were given for the games. However, Waller said the league hoped to announce the first site by this coming Super Bowl, while the teams would be selected later.

"Germany has a large number of sites as it's just done the World Cup. UK has a significant number of

great sites," Waller said. "We know the sites in Mexico and Canada, so there's no

shortage of venues that are interested in these games." The plan would be set up so that teams would rotate over a 16-year period, with each team playing outside the country twice over that span, once as a visitor, the other as

Britain.

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right now. But a year ago, before Katrina,

we weren't quite sure and look what we've

done. There's no telling what could

happen."

The owners also voted to take the league's Web site, NFL.com, in-house after allowing CBS SportsLine to operate it for the past five years. The league plans to relaunch the site next spring with the help of other league-owned media such as NFL Films and the NFL Network.

The visit to New Orleans was a short one as most owners arrived either Monday night or Tuesday morning and

left Tuesday evening. Former NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue, before he officially left the job over the summer, had called for the regularly scheduled October meetings to be held in New Orleans as part of the league's show of support for the city as it rebuilds from Hurricane Katrina.

Owners and the commissioner said they have marveled at the repairs made to the Louisiana Superdome in less than a year and praised area fans for selling out the Saints' home stadium for the whole season.

However, Saints owner Tom Benson, while pleased with the progress, said the Saints still have nearly 30 of 137 suites in the Superdome unsold and added that his team lagged behind others in

"Our hospitality industry especially needs to come for-ward," he said. "I don't want to finger-point or anything, but we have to work together in order to make this thing

successful. "The long-term market, nobody can tell right now," 3 Pe *AD py be succe ed fa by. E 816-1 5 Sp ADV al t Pam place pa N 13 B Sn Mus 14d (Carp place siding olas (

- Tom Benson **Owner**, New Orleans Saints

NBA Preseason Standings

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	W	L	Pct	GB	
Toronto	5	0	1.000		
New York	4	1	.800	1	
Boston	3	4	.429	3	
New Jersey	2	4	.333	3 1/2	
Philadelphia	1	3	.250	3 1/2	
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Orlando	5	2	.714		
Atlanta	4	3	.571	1	
Washington	4	4	.500	1 1/2	
Miami	2	4	.333	2 1/2	
Charlotte	1	5	.167	3 1/2	
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Minnesota	3	3	.500		
Utah	3	4	.429	1/2	
Denver	2	3	.400	1/2	
Portland	2	4	.333	1	
Seattle	2	4	.333	1	
Pacific Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Golden State	5	0	1.000		
L.A. Clippers	3	1	.750	1 1/2	
Sacramento	4	2	.667	1 1/2	
L.A. Lakers	4	3	.571	2	
Phoenix	2	4	.333	3 1/2	

Wednesday's Games

All times EDT Memphis at Detroit, 7 p.m. New Jersey at Philadelphia, 7 p.m. Dallas vs. Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m. Toronto at Boston, 7:30 p.m. Houston at Miami, 8 p.m. Chicago at Minnesota, 8 p.m. Sacramento at Seattle, 10 p.m. Portland at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m. **Thursday's Games** Houston at Orlando, 7 p.m. Charlotte vs. Milwaukee at Green Bay, Wis., 8 p.m. Indiana at Utah, 9 p.m. Denver vs. L.A. Lakers at Anaheim, Calif., 10 p.m. Golden State vs. Seattle at Spokane, Wash., 10 p.m. a home team. That means a team would lose one home team during that span.

"Obviously the league's going to work out the economics and if we lose a home game, we'll get compensated," said Pat Bowlen, owner of the Denver Broncos. "We're comfortable with it. Obviously we'd like to play in Mexico or Canada and not have to travel to Europe and that's probably the way it would be set up because of our location. But as far as the league's concerned, I think it's a great idea.

In 2005, the NFL staged its first regular-season game outside the United States when the Arizona Cardinals hosted the San Francisco 49ers in Mexico City. A crowd of 103,467 flocked to Azteca Stadium, the largest crowd for a regular-season game in NFL history.

The league also has played numerous exhibition games overseas for the past two decades. The New England Patriots and Seattle Seahawks will play a preseason game next August in Beijing.

Waller said the international popularity of certain teams would not necessarily determine who goes abroad. He said people in foreign markets were more concerned with simply hosting a regular season game, rather than exhibitions in which the best players tend see little action.

"The overwhelming preference is the game itself," Waller said.

NFL games regularly have been televised live in Mexico and Canada and more recently in Europe, notably Benson continued. "But a year ago, before Katrina, we weren't quite sure and look what we've done. There's no telling what could happen.

As for when New Orleans, which has hosted nine Super Bowls, might get its first since 2002, team owners were optimistic but noncommittal.

"I don't know about the next Super Bowl in line, but obviously New Orleans has always been a great place to host Super Bowls," Denver Broncos owner Pat Bowlen

said. "I'd expect you'd see more." Goodell said the bidding process for the 2011 Super Bowl will begin soon with a decision hopefully made by the next owners' meeting, slated for March in Scottsdale, Ariz

The Saints' lease in the Superdome ends that same season. So without an extension, the league would risk the awkward situation of placing a Super Bowl in a city that is in the process of losing its NFL franchise.

Proposals for a stadium in Los Angeles, often cited as a possible future home for the Saints or another small-market team, was discussed, but there was no substantial progress made.

One increasing concern is projected construction costs now escalating in the range of \$1 billion. That makes the project less attractive to the league unless public funding or a possible outside investor materializes, owners said.

"At this meeting, I don't think (NFL owners) were prepared to pay that for Los Angeles' stadium," Benson said.

Parcells ponders: Bledsoe or Romo?

Bledsoe doesn't carry a clipboard, and he's not into playing big brother.

He's either a starter or one unhappy veteran

That's just part of the dilemma Bill Parcells faces this week while deciding whether Bledsoe or Tony Romo should be the quarterback of the Dallas Cowboys.

Bledsoe lost his grip on the job after throwing an interception shortly before halftime Monday night. With the Cowboys in position to score a goahead touchdown, Bledsoe instead made one of the bad decisions Parcells had warned could get him yanked.

So Bledsoe spent the second half seething, watching his backup not do much better.

In the first meaningful action of his four-year career, Romo was intercepted on his first play and twice more, including one returned 96 yards for a touchdown. Dallas (3-3) went from being down by five points when Romo took over to losing 36-22.

But Romo also showed he could be effective. He scrambled and completed 14 of 25 passes for 227 yards and

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Drew two touchdowns, and flashed more Dallas? footwork running for a 2-point conversion. Fans certainly rallied behind him and teammates such as Terrell Owens seemed more energized, too. That leaves Parcells mulling these

options:

Does he go with Bledsoe, who needs more time than his offensive line often can provide and tends to make bad decisions, but knows what he's doing after 194 career starts?

Or does he go with Romo, who'd thrown only two passes until Monday night and immediately reminded everyone that he's going to have some growing pains?

Actually, it's not even that simple. Parcells also has to weigh the upcoming schedule (beginning Sunday night in Carolina against NFL sack leader Julius Peppers, then two more road games), the team's playoff hopes and the long-term impact of either move.

Stick with Romo and Bledsoe could become a burden, or go with Bledsoe and he'd waste a chance to see whether Romo is the quarterback of the future. And what might the decision mean to Parcells' future in

No wonder team owner Jerry Jones was happy to be in New Orleans on Tuesday, attending an owners meeting instead of dwelling over it all. Still, the quarterback question was fresh on his mind.

"I thought the best chance for us to be where we wanted to be, which was continuing in the playoffs, was to go with an experienced quarterback in Drew and I don't know that I've changed my mind," Jones said. "But we've got to win games.

"There's no question Romo's got ability and he can mitigate some of the problems we have with Drew's mobility. It'll be a tough decision."

Romo and Bledsoe both believe they deserve the same job, which already is generating friction.

Wearing a visor and a scowl, Bledsoe stood on the sideline the entire second half. He constantly tugged the collar of his jersey, almost as if he was ready to rip off his uniform, and didn't offer Romo a single word of advice.

"He's a competitor," Parcells said. "He doesn't want to come out."

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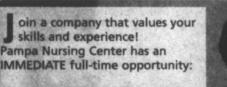
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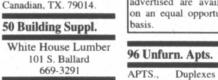
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discover that others are judgmental. If you are attached, your relationship will open up if you are more willing to let go. SAGITTARIUS reads you cold.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

**** Take an overview rather than get caught up in a bleak situation. You might need to find an expert or two. By taking the necessary steps, you can reverse a difficult issue or gain a better rapport with someone who counts. Tonight: In the limelight. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** Individuals prove to be more helpful than groups, meetings or any other action. Yes, you might be overwhelmed and not see an immediate solution. Some people change their tune, making resolution far more easy. Tonight: Happy as a cat.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Others can be abrupt or

changeable. You can be too if you are honest with yourself. Listen well to someone you care about. He or she could

**** Take your time, even if an idea might be too good to wait on. You might want to fine-tune or handle a situation differently once you hear more or let time pass. A romance or child puts a smile on your face --- enjoy. Tonight: As you wish. Feelings are in abundance. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** Know what your expectations and goals are. You might not feel comfortable. Listen to what is being said and evaluate. Your creativity will surge forward if you hang back and just mull over a situation. Tonight: You act like the weekend is here.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Discuss a goal and get others' ideas. Though you might not like what you hear, in some sense you are mobilizing others' energy and support. Still, you will need to follow through and make strong decisions later on. Tonight: Time to find your favorite spot.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) *** Rein in your spending, and you will ultimately be a happier Scorpion. Impulse control might be difficult to

come by, but most worthwhile. Don't sell yourself short. Aim for what you want from someone you care about. You are lucky. Tonight: Meet a friend for

decide what would be best. Take time to network and catch up on other people's news. Tonight: Where the gang is. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). **** Aim for results, even if some-

one puts down your ideas or makes you feel a touch uncomfortable. You will understand what makes others smile. Aim to please rather than cause a problem, especially with a boss. Tonight: Follow the crowd.

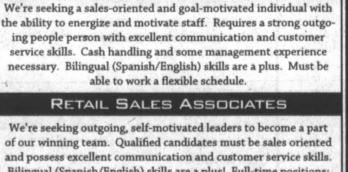
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Others take charge and make a difference. You are overwhelmed and tired. No matter which direction you turn, you find that others want your attention. You might be pushed beyond your limits. Tonight: Get plenty of R and

BORN TODAY

Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton (1947), actress Jaclyn Smith (1947), former French president Francois Mitterand (1916)

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Class members included, from left, Teri Williams, and Barbara Burns; middle row Alecia Ingersol, Linda Lantz and Lisa Sealman-Holman; back row, Matt Gill and Mike Kirkpatrick.

Shepard's Crook holds class on coding, adverse events

Shepard's Crook Nursing recently held a and branch agencies, consulting with agen-Coding and Adverse Advents Outcome class. Lisa Sealman-Holman, JD, BSN, RN,

HCS-D, COS-C CO; conducted the class. Lisa is a 20-year veteran of home care as an RN. She has experience as a field nurse, director and executive with home and hospice agencies, both large and small.

Soon after graduating from University of Houston with her law degree she took a position as the Director of Regulatory Affairs for the Texas Association for Home Care where she advocated for home care agencies and acted as a regulatory resource.

She participated in the writing of the home care regulations in Texas as well as the Nursing Delegation rules and rules regarding Nursing Peer Review in Texas. Lisa's most recent position was the Vice President of Legal Affairs for a management company providing a full array of services to agencies throughout Texas.

She has been involved in accreditation surveys, acquisitions and many regulatory crises with state survey agencies and the intermediary, including termination proceedings and investigations. Part of her responsibilities included legal and risk management, acting as Compliance Officer, development of policies and forms, survey compliance, appeals of Medicare denials, writing Corrective Action Plans, start-ups of parent

cies on a variety of subjects and education of staff.

Lisa established her own home care and hospice consulting company, Selman-Holman & Associates, LLC, in 2004.

Lisa is certified as a Homecare Coding Specialist-Diagnosis (HCS-D) and is certified in OASIS competency, COS-C. She is the consulting editor to Eli Research's Home Health ICD-9 Alert and is the technical editor to Decision Health's Diagnosis Coding Pro for Home Health.

She is a frequent contributor to other home care periodicals. She is a member of the Board of Advanced Medical Coding (BAMC) specialty advisory board on home health coding and is a BAMC approved instructor for the HCS-D exam.

She participates on the OASIS Certificate and Competency Board on the Exam Review Task Force. She is an active member of the Texas Association for Home Care and frequently serves on regulatory task forces.

She also is participating with the Texas Medical Foundation's Quality Improvement Organization State Home Health Coalition for OBOL

Although Lisa is well known for her education on coding, she has wide expertise in home care and hospice issues.

GM reports smaller 3Q loss; starts to reap benefits of plan

DETROIT (AP) -General Motors Corp. posted a smaller \$115 million loss for the third quarter today as it began to reap the benefits of its turnaround plan.

world's biggest The automaker said that excluding special charges, it would have earned \$529 million in the period.

Its sales rose nearly 4 percent and it said the losses in both its global and North American automotive operations shrank as its efforts to cut costs have begun to show results.

GM's loss amounted to 20 cents per share for the July-September period and was far better than its loss of \$1.7 billion, or \$2.94 per share, a year earlier.

The company said that excluding charges associated with the reorganization at Delphi Corp., its former parts division, and its lowered assessment of the value of its finance arm, it earned 93 cents per share in the latest quarter.

That beat Wall Street expectations. Analysts polled by Thomson Financial predicted the company to earn 49 cents per share excluding special charges.

Still, GM stock dropped \$1.28, or 3.5 percent, to \$34.92 in early trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

The company also said its third-quarter revenue totaled \$48.8 billion, up from \$47.1 billion during the same period last year.

"This quarter's results reflect the work we've been doing, particularly on cost reduction, really beginning to take hold. This is the third quarter in a row where

we've showed improvements of over a billion in our North American operations. ... Obviously not what we'd like but certainly with a billion-six improvement over last year, we're moving in the right direction," GM Chief and Chairman Executive Rick Wagoner said Wednesday morning on the CNBC cable network.

GM attributed much of the improvement to its global automotive operations, where the company still lost \$116 million, but that was an improvement of \$1.5 billion over last year's third quarter.

In North America, GM lost \$374 million, but that was an improvement of \$1.3 billion over last year, the company said.

Chief Financial Officer Fritz Henderson said the company is benefiting from significant cost reductions

from its turnaround plan. The company is on target to reach \$9 billion in structural cost reductions this year, he said.

Still, GM is losing money and is not satisfied with its cuts or improved revenue, Henderson said.

GM's report comes only days after Ford Motor Co. reported a loss of \$5.8 billion for the quarter on slumping North American sales and massive restructuring costs.

DaimlerChrysler AG today also posted a 37 percent drop in its third-quarter profit amid a slowdown in sales at its American arm. Chrysler Group. The German-American company earned 541 million euros (\$686 million) in the July-September period, compared with a profit of 855 million euros a year earlier as sales fell 8 percent.

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Drug bust Home sales drop reveals WASHINGTON (AP)- decades. Sales of existing homes fell documents for a sixth straight month in September and the median

housing market.

2004.

of Realtors reported that

sales of previously owned

homes fell by 1.9 percent in

September to a seasonally

adjusted sales pace of 6.18

million units, the slowest

sales rate since January

The median price of a sin-

gle-family home fell to

\$219,800 last month, a drop

of 2.5 percent from the price

in September 2005. That

was the biggest year-over-

year price decline in records

going back nearly four

WASHINGTON (AP) -A drug bust at a trailer park in New Mexico turned up what appeared to be classified documents taken from the Los Alamos nuclear weapons laboratory, authorities said Tuesday.

Local police found the documents while arresting a man suspected of domestic violence and dealing methamphetamine from his mobile home, said Sgt. Chuck Ney of the Los Alamos, N.M., Municipal Police Department. The documents were discovered during a search of the man's records for evidence of his drug business, Ney said.

Police alerted the FBI to the secret documents, which agents traced back to a woman linked to the drug dealer, officials said.' The woman is a contract employee at Los Alamos National Laboratory, according to an FBI official who spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitive nature of the case.

The official would not describe the documents except to say that they appeared to contain classified material and were stored on a computer file.

FBI special agent Bill Elwell in Albuquerque, N.M., confirmed that a search warrant was executed on Friday night in connection with the classified documents, but he refused to discuss details.

"We do have an investigation with regard to the matter, but our standard is we do not discuss pending investigations," Elwell said.

Housing, which had set sales records for both new and existing homes for five sales price dropped on an consecutive years, has been annual basis by the largest rapidly loosing altitude this amount on record, further year, as consumers were batdocumenting a lukewarm tered by rising mortgage rates, soaring energy prices The National Association and a slowing economy.

> However, economists with the Realtors said they believed the housing decline could be hitting bottom.

> "The worst is behind us as far as a market correction ---this is likely the trough for sales," said David Lereah, the Realtors' chief economist. "When consumers recognize that home sales are stabilizing, we'll see the buyers who've been on the sidelines get back into the market."

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