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By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

PINEVILLE, Mo. -- The Thursday hearing for a man accused of murdering two people in this Southwest Missouri community and suspected of killing a family south of Pampa has been postponed until next week.

Levi King, 24, is charged with murdering Orlie McCool, 70, and his daughter-in-law, Dawn Burr case to Tuesday. McCool, 47, on Sept. 29, 2005.

Gray County grand jury in the predawn shooting deaths of Brian Conrad, 31; his pregnant wife,

Michell Conrad, 35; and her son, Zach Doan, 14, on Sept. 30, at their home between Pampa and Interstate 40. Michell Conrad was six months pregnant at the time of her death.

King had been scheduled to appear in court Thursday, but a change in the McDonald County Prosecuting Attorney's office on election day last November has resulted in the pushing back of the

Janice Lynn Durbin defeated King has also been indicted by a incumbent Steve Geeding for the prosecutor's job. Durbin took office this week.

Tim Finnical, who had been appointed special prosecutor, will continue to lead the prosecution in the double murder case here.

At his Tuesday appearance, King is expected to waive his preliminary hearing in Division II court (similar to a Justice of the Peace Court in Texas) and be bound over for trial in the Division I Court (similar to a state district court in Texas) of Judge John LePage. King is expected to plead not guilty to the Missouri murder charges against him. King is also expected to have his request for a change of venue granted.

At his initial arraignment here in March, King pleaded guilty to the murder charges against him with regard to the McCools' deaths. The charges at that time did not include special circumstances that would have allowed the prosecutors to seek the death penalty. Finnical said that the prosecution had until the trial date to file the special circumstances.

In Missouri, as in Texas, there have to be special or aggravating circumstances, such as killing while committing another crime or com-See KING, Page 3



Teacher salaries see growth spurt

By KERRI SMITH Staff Writer

saw the largest growth in six years, according to a report released by the Texas Association of School Boards and Texas Association of School Administrators. A survey salary for a new teacher in

school districts and 744 dis-

tricts responded, which rep-

resents 72 percent of the

The weighted average

teacher salary in responding

total districts in the state.

by at least \$2,500.

Region XI, Fort Worth, Teacher salaries in Texas has the highest weighted average salary of \$46,933. Region VIII, Mount Pleasant, has the lowest average weighted \$39,423.

The average starting was sent out to 1,031 Texas Texas is \$32,266, which is

18 percent higher than the

state minimum of \$27,320.

The pay for new teachers in

Pampa for 2006-2007 is

\$33,500, which is \$2,500

more than last year's rate of

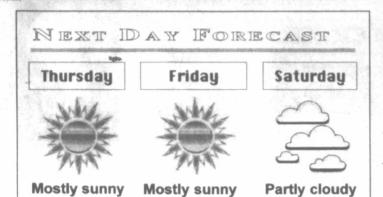
districts is \$44,615 for 2006-\$31,000. 2007, which is up 6.9 per-Some school districts pay cent from the 2005-2006 stipends (fixed payment for average salary of \$41,743. services) for certain types of This increase is significant specialties that teachers offer. Pampa pays teachers since the past six consecutive years showed a growth with a master's degree a Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS of 2 percent or less. Part of stipend of \$750 extra a year this increase is due to the over those with a bachelor's passage of House Bill 1 in degree. They also pay a 2006 of the 79th Legislature, stipend to teachers who are which required districts to See SALARIES, Page 3 increase salaries for teachers Just ducky Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

The lake at Recreation Park shows effects of recent precipitation as water covers the walking surface of the dock next to the boat ramp, leaving only the top

rails and upper end of the vertical posts visible. Water has also crossed the spillway at the opposite end of the lake and filled in an area stretching back to the National Guard Armory. The automated weather station near Recreation Park recorded 2.03 inches of rainfall on Dec. 29, and a total of 3.16 inches for the month of December.

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Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 54. Wind chill values between 24 and 29 early.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 34. South-southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 55. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

Friday Night: A slight chance of rain before 10 p.m., then a slight chance of snow. Partly cloudy, with a low around 24. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 46. Northnorthwest wind between 5 and 15 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 27. South-southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.



Woman at center of state futile-care debate dies

HOUSTON (AP) — A 29year-old woman whose case became the focus of a debate over Texas' futile care law has died

Kalilah Roberson-Reese was transferred to a Lubbock nursing home after doctors at Memorial Houston's Hermann Hospital wanted to remove her from life support in July. The hospital backed off the plan when a lawyer chattenged the decision in Harris County probate court.

Roberson-Reese died of heart failure Dec. 25 at a Lubbock hospital, her family

said. "I'm having a hard time

find another facility to take the patient, has met with opposition in the past two years as a result of different cases around the state.

Roberson-Reese became ill last spring while she was pregnant with her first child. Doctors found blood clots in her leg, and performed a Caesarean section in an unsuccessful attempt to save her fetus.

After she suffered a potentially fatal amniotic fluid embolism, doctors inserted a tracheal tube. More than a month later, the tube became dislodged, interrupting her oxygen intake. By the time a nurse noticed, Roberson-Reese was unresponsive and her brain was damaged. Jerri Ward, the Austin challenged who lawver Memorial Hermann's decision to remove life support, argued that the futile-care law might be being "used to bury mistakes."

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

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

Four traffic stops were made including one in the 1100 block of Varnon Drive which involved possession of one or more but less than four grams of a controlled substance. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 2100 block of North Hobart and the 1600 block of North Hobart.

Calls concerning animals were received from the 1800 block of North Nelson, the 1300 block of Charles, and on four occasions from an unreported location.

Found property was reported in the police department lobby.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 1400 block of West Somerville.

A civil matter was reported in the police department lobby.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from the 600 block of East Craven.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1000 block of Christine.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 300 block of Miami.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1900 block of North Zimmers and the 1900 block of North Dwight. Harassment was reported in the

800 block of East Francis.

Domestic disturbances were reported in the 1100 block of Darby and the 1100 block of South Nelson. Assault was reported in the 1100

block of East Kingsmill.

One open door was checked. Theft was reported in the 2200 block of Williston. An MP3 player valued at \$150 was taken.

Theft was reported in the 2200 block of North Christy. An MP3 player valued at \$179 was taken.

Theft was reported in the 1300 block of Terrace. An iPod and a handbag were taken. Estimated value of loss is \$245.

Theft was reported in the 1400 block of North Hobart.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported at Elite Auto Sales, 866 W. Foster. The incident involves a vehicle valued at \$2,500. Burglary was reported in the 2100 block of Dogwood.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today. Tuesday, Jan. 2

Maria Azucena Martinez, 33, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for assault causing bodily injury and a 223rd District Court grand jury indictment for possession of a controlled substance.

Justin Wayne Womack, 22, of Shamrock was arrested by GCSO for five counts of issuing a bad check and a motion to revoke probation for theft by check.

Quinn Andrew Evans, 18, of Pampa was arrested in the 1100 block of Varnon Drive by Pampa Police Department for possession of one or more grams but less than four grams of a controlled substance.

Brandi Ann Dominguez, 24, of White Deer was arrested by GCSO for theft by check, failure to stop for a railroad crossing, and failure to appear.

Fire

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls between 7 a.m. Monday and 7 a.m. today.

Monday, Jan. 1

11:01 a.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 2200 block of Charles on a medical assist. 12:52 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to One Medical Plaza on a LifeStar standby.

Tuesday, Jan. 2

6:48 a.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 900 block of Somerville on a lifting assist.

7:22 a.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 1800 block of Coffee on a good intent call.

12:50 p.m. - One unit and four personnel responded to the 900 block of Somerville on a lifting assist.

2:59 p.m. - One unit and two personnel responded to Price Road and Highway 60 on a good intent call.

4:30 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 1000 block of West Harvester on a first responder medical assist.

Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during between 7 a.m. Monday and 7 a.m. today.

Monday, Jan. 1

11 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2200 block of North Charles and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

12:56 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of Anne and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

8:46 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1800 block of North Wells and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

10:02 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Neel Road and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Tuesday, Jan. 2

7:24 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1100 block of Christine and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

9:15 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of 25th and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

12:14 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1400 block of Somerville and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

12:17 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 600 block of North Nelson and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

3:22 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 900 block of Somerville and transferred a patient(s) to BSA Hospital in Amarillo.

4:32 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1000 block of Harvester and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Wednesday, Jan. 3

2:35 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 500 block of Yeager and transported a patient to PRMC.

6:03 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1500 block of North Sumner and transported a patient to PRMC.

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accepting it," said her mother, Cynthia Deason. "I expended so much time and energy finding the right care for Kalilah that it's taking awhile to realize I don't have her anymore."

Doctors at Memorial Hermann invoked the state's futile care law after coming to the conclusion that she was in a vegetative state. The law allows hospitals to remove life support in cases deemed medically futile.

The law, which requires that a hospital committee review the decision and give the family 10 days notice to

"At the very least, there is an appearance of a conflict of interest that should preclude a futility review committee from making a life-or-death decision before an independent investigation is made," Ward said at the time.

Fexas Today ...

Victims' relatives seek answers as retrial continues today

HOUSTON (AP) Refugia Gonzales Navarette wants to know why the truck driver convicted in the nation's deadliest human smuggling attempt didn't free the immigrants that were trapped in his sweltering tractor-trailer.

"He had no compassion. He should have left them behind. He should pay for what he did," she testified Tuesday at the start of the punishment phase of the retrial of Tyrone Williams.

Elisendo Her son, Cabanas-Gonzalez, from Mexico, was one of 19 immigrants who died in May 2003 on the trip that was to take them from South Texas to Houston.

Jurors convicted Williams last month on all 58 counts

Richards, a longtime champion of women and minorities in government, died in September at 73 after a battle with esophageal cancer. Richards' daughter, Cecile, served as Pelosi's deputy chief of staff in 2002 and 2003.

of conspiracy, harboring and transporting he faced. Now they have to decide whether

We Have A

Nancy Pelosi, who will be sworn in this week as the first woman to serve as U.S. House speaker, is dedicating an event on the eve of her inauguration to the

late Texas Gov. Ann Richards.

A tea being held today to honor Pelosi also will pay tribute to Richards, a legend

Richards, a longtime champion of women and minorities in government, died in September at 73 after a battle with esophageal can-Richards' daughter, Cecile, served as Pelosi's deputy chief of staff in 2002

term as Texas governor and was defeated in 1994 by George W. Bush, now presi-

Fire in mulch pile vexing **Helotes** area

HELOTES, Texas (AP) ---A giant mulch pile smoldering near Helotes would burn for at least a year if left alone, while dousing it would require as much as 100 million gallons of water over a week's time, according to a contractor's assessment.

Zumwalt Construction Inc., which owns the land where the fire has been burning since Dec. 25, said the company is doing all it can to stop the fire by pulling the mulch

But Helotes Mayor Jon Allan said the efforts are inadequate and he has met with various government agencies to find a solution. He said he's worried about the health effects for his town, which is located in Bexar County about 15 miles northwest of San Antonio.

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Richards served a single

to sentence him to death or up to life in prison.

Pelosi swearing-in events

include Richards tribute WASHINGTON (AP) - Grass in ice



Pampa News photo by DAVID BOWSER

Tufts of grass stick through the ice on a pond Tuesday off the Bowers City Highway.

Democrats launch political Web site

capitalize on recent electoral gains and provide a forum for progressive ideas in Texas, several Democratic party activists have

DENTON - In order to announced the launch of candidate Curtis Clinesmith, TheTexasBlue.com, a political Web site designed to promote an exchange of ideas in bining their political and Texas politics.

Former Congressional benefit Texas Democrats.

King

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mitting multiple murders, in order for the prosecution to seek the death penalty.

When King pleaded uilty, Judge Timothy guilty, Judge Perigo allowed prosecutors to redraw the charges against King to include the death penalty, and King was allowed to withdraw his plea.

Eventually, the prosecutors dropped and then refilled the charges against King, noting the special cir-

System, argued that the state should not have been allowed to seek the death penalty and that because King initially pleaded guilty to the murders without spe-

cial circumstances the most King could be sentenced to was life in prison without parole.

The Missouri Supreme Court ended the summer of legal wrangling and said the charges would stand and the case could go forward. King was arrested Oct. 3,

2005, by U.S. Border Patrol agents as he tried to cross the border from Mexico back into the United States

weapons in the truck along with an identification card belonging to Conrad.

Karl Lynch, Josh Berthume,

and George Nassar are com-

technological know-how to

King reportedly told law enforcement officers that he had crossed into Mexico, but became frightened and was trying to return to the United States when he was arrested on a murder warrant out of Missouri.

Officials said bullets found at the Conrad home matched one of the weapons found in the truck that King was driving.

King is being held without bond by the Missouri Department of Corrections. He was transferred to a state prison after an alleged He was driving Orlie escape attempt from the McDonald County Jail earlier this year.

White Deer Lands from the

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New Yorkers promote bull riding event

week, New Yorkers can take a taxi by the horns

Five normally yellow cabs, covered in fake brown and white cowhide and decorated with bull's horns on the roof, lined up outside Madison Square Garden on Tuesday, part of a promotion for a two-day Invitational Bull Riders event on Jan. 6-7.

"It's hard to get noticed in New York," said Gavin Harvey, a cable TV executive

Salaries

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certified to teach bilingual education. In Pampa, those who teach Spanish classes or ELL, English Language Learners, get an extra \$3,000 for their first year of teaching and an additional \$1,500 each year after that. Other districts also pay stipends for math, science and special education teachers.

Pampa follows the majority of school districts in

NEW YORK (AP) - For the rest of this backing the event. Through Sunday, fares will be free for anyone willing to hail a cab that looks like a cow on wheels.

It will be Gotham's first experience with professional bull-riding, which is one of the fastest growing sports in the United States, according to Harvey, president of Versus, a cable channel that features various rugged sports including professional hockey and boxing.

regard to stipends. Of those districts that responded to the survey, 53 percent pay stipends in at least one critical shortage area and 61 percent pay teachers with master's degrees more.

Pampa also follows the majority of districts when it comes to hiring bonuses, longevity pay and performance incentive plans. Very few districts pay teachers extra for these areas. Only 11 percent pay hiring bonuses, 14 percent offer longevity pay for service and 12 percent have some type of performance incentive plan.

A teacher in the Pampa district receives a pay raise with each year of experience. According to the pay scale for 2006-2007, after 10 years of experience, a teacher will get paid \$38,132. After 20 years, the pay goes up to \$45,222. A teacher who has taught for 40 years can expect a salary of \$49,407.

Using these figures, a teacher in Pampa will average a \$400 a year raise each year. After 40 years of experience, a teacher makes \$16,000 more a year than a new teacher.

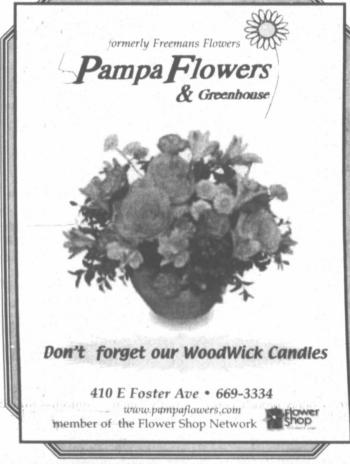
With unexpected Democratic victories, close election results in hundreds of races across the state this November, and recent polling suggesting advances for Democrats, many have recognized the face of politics is changing in Texas.

"Texas Democrats need an innovative forum where they can share ideas and build unity for the 2008 election cycle and beyond," Clinesmith said. "I am excited to do my part in adding to the debate.

"The Texas Blue will serve as an online think tank for Democratic politics," Berthume said.

For more information, contact Josh Berthume at (940) 382-1591 or at josh@thetexasblue.com.

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cumstances.

King's attorney, Charles Moreland of the Missouri State Public Defender

at El Paso. McCool's red 2005 Dodge Dakota pickup. Authorities said they found a number of

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Francis - George Tyng's youngest son.

Gray - a prominent Texas lawyer and member of the first Texas legislature, Peter W. Gray.

Gwendolyn - M.K. Brown's sister. Hobart - "Father of

Pampa" and manager of

New York and Texas Land 1924, Timothy Dwight Co. Lea, Lynn - granddaugh-Schneider - founder of Schneider Hotel, currently ters of former superintend-

Schneider House apartments, Alex Schneider. Sloan - owner of first

Purviance - one of the two-story house in Pampa, C.P. Sloan. senior doctors in town, Dr.

Tyng - First manager of White Deer Lands 1888-Russell - Judge Russell 1903 George Tyng, who is credited with naming the town after the "pampas of the Argentine."

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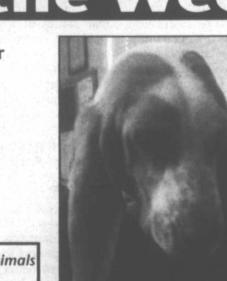
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Viewpoints

The making of the family history book

My son has entered the family history book.

2006 will always be known in Bowser family lore as the Christmas that Brad fried the turkey.

It was the first Christmas that my son and his wife hosted the family Christmas gathering.

After driving to Lubbock Christmas Eve, I arrived at their home, all decked out for the holidays, to be greeted at the front door with the news, "Dad, we're going to have fried turkey."

Christmas dinner had been a topic of concern for some weeks before. Brad did not want to have the traditional roast turkey. He doesn't, as it turns out, like turkey.

grill in the backyard and wife is a nurse. They have does an admiral job with steaks, burgers and even lobster, but I for one had misgivings about deep-frying a Christmas turkey.

Brad said he and Dana, my wonderful daughter-inlaw, had been to a friend's house a few weeks before and had had their first taste for fried turkey. Indeed, 0 Brad had borrowed his friend's propane tank, burner and fry pot, along with handwritten and somewhat vague instructions about how to deep-fry a turkey.

"It was really good," said my enthusiastic scion.

He also allowed how he had a ham in case the fried turkey didn't work out.

I need to mention here that He likes to cook out on his my son is a paramedic. His

even stranger hours than newspaper reporters. Both worked Christmas Eve while I minded my grand dogs, a pair of Chocolate Labs, Sage and Ginger.

With both kids having gotten in during the wee hours

David Bowser Christmas morning, Staff Writer things moved slowly. In

fact, it was near the crack of noon before the house started stirring.

The presents were under the tree. A fire was roaring in the fireplace. Like a couple of kids, the dogs were running in and out and investithe tree.

Then it happened.

Sage stepped on a present with her name on it. There. was a squeak. Both dogs went en pointe.

"Sage," Brad screamed, and the dogs

> back ran outside. My son followed with 40 pounds of peanut oil and headed

for the frying apparatus. "How much do I put in?" he asked as he hoisted the plastic bottle.

I looked around to see to whom he was speaking. After filling the bucket

about half full, we examined

gating the packages under the oil level carefully, and then looked at each other. Then he poured a little more just to be on the safe side, before lighting the burner.

"How long will it take to get up to 325 degrees?" he asked as he immediately checked the thermometer.

Again, I looked around to see to whom he was talking.

Forty-five minutes later with the thermometer reading 150 degrees, we went back inside to finish preparing the turkey.

My son pulled the thawed bird from the refrigerator as he began explaining to me how he had injected it with some sort of Creole marinade.

One should never watch the preparation of food by two medical professionals.

There was a discussion of the proper gauge of needle needed to inject marinades and also a quick lesson in turkey anatomy as Brad rubbed down the turkey with mustard and spices and placed the bird on the spindle that would be used to hold it as he lowered it into the boiling peanut oil.

"Look at how that tendon works," my son said to his wife, as he worked the bird's wing back and forth.

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The turkey sat upright impaled on the spindle, its wings being manipulated by the master of the house. Its drumsticks splayed ingloriously.

Then came the moment of truth -- almost.

When the friend dropped See BOWSER, Page 5

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 3, the third day of 2007. There are 362 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 3, 1777, Gen. George Washington's army routed the British in the Battle of Princeton, N.J.

On this date:

In 1521, Martin Luther was excommunicated from the Roman Catholic Church by Pope Leo X.

In 1833, Britain seized control of the Falkland Islands in the South Atlantic. (Almost 150 years later, Argentina seized the islands from the British, but Britain took them back after a 74-day war.)

'I can forgive, but I cannot forget, ' is only another way of saying, 'I will not forgive. Forgiveness ought to be like a canceled note torn in two, and burned up, so that it never can

In 1868, the Meiji Restoration re-established the authority of Japan's emperor and heralded the fall of the military rulers known as shoguns. In 1938, the "March of Dimes" campaign to fight polio was organized. In 1947, congres-

sional proceedings were televised for the



be shown against one.

— Henry Ward Beecher American clergyman (1813-1887)

first time as viewers Washington, in Philadelphia and New York got to see some of the opening ceremonies of the 80th Congress. In 1959, President

Eisenhower signed a proclamation admitting Alaska to the Union as the 49th state.

In 1961, the United States severed diplomatic relations with Cuba.

In 1967, Jack Ruby, the man who shot accused presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, died in a Dallas hospital.

In 1990, ousted Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega surrendered to U.S. forces, ten days after taking refuge in the Vatican's diplomatic mission.

In 1993, President George H.W. Bush and Russian President Boris Yeltsin signed a historic nuclear missilereduction treaty in Moscow.

Ten years ago: President Clinton declared northern Nevada a major disaster area following days of rain that sent rivers over their banks in the Reno and Carson City area. Bryant Gumbel signed off for the last time as host of NBC's "Today" show.

Five years ago: A three-year federal investigation into the political and personal finances of Sen. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., ended with no criminal charges.



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"THEY STARTED HANGING OUT AFTER THE POLE MELTED"

A disciple of the pleasure-pain principle

I don't think it is a good idea to climb mountains in the winter. I don't think it is a good idea to climb mountains at any season. I've never been remotely attracted to the allure of climbing a mountain.

thoughts are These prompted by the deaths of three young men on Mount Hood in Oregon. One can presume they were doing something that gave them pleasure, and that they accepted the risks of their avocation. People die all the time, and, in fact, eventually we all will die from one cause or another.

I am not averse to taking risks; it's that the alleged benefit of mountain climbing has never seemed worth it. It is a physically grueling task, often painful, and risky. So you get to the top, you take a look around, and then you start back down. I just

Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

Dec. 23

Austin American-Statesman on preserving 'affordable' housing:

There is usually great care given to the backdrop for presidential news conferences, but whoever worries about that kind of thing must have been on Christmas vacation last week. How else would you explain using the Indian Treaty Room to talk about immigration? The other topic discussed at the same news conference was the war. As a friend of ours so sarcastically noted, "Nobody has ever lied in the Indian Treaty room."

Who's happy now? It will be little

can't see the point of it. You could say you've accomplished something most people in the world never will, but most people in the world would reply, "You're darn right we never w i 1 1 .

because we have better Charley sense.' Reese Who wants endure Columnist cold, lack of oxygen, exhaustion

and danger just to say he made his body suffer? It sounds masochistic to me. I'm a great believer in the

pleasure-pain principle. Seek what gives you pleasure and avoid what gives you pain. Of course, we can't always do that. Sometimes circumstances force us to endure hardship, pain and suffering, but those are generally circumstances

not happy."

we can't avoid. I argued in fists. Besides, it's been my vain when I was in the Army that I didn't need to practice being cold and wet, that I could endure it just as well the first time as the 50th, but the Army thought that prac-

fect stoic. Another reason I've never been drawn mountain

to

that I've always been lazy. I'm sure my choice of career was influenced by the fact that sitting at a typewriter was much easier than putting on a new roof, hauling in a heavy net of fish, digging a ditch or laying brick.

My early attraction to firearms stems from the same factor. It's much easier to pull a trigger than to beat a man to death with your

comfort to anyone who has ever under-

gone the torture of a building project to

know that bigger doesn't mean better

or easier. U.S. District Judge Lee

Yeakel is learning a lot about govern-

ment construction projects as he helps

oversee the construction of the pro-

posed federal courthouse. The project

is to be on the site of the ill-fated Intel

Building at Fifth and San Antonio

streets. He notes with a chuckle that he

was advised that the U.S. General

Services Administration the agency in

charge of getting the project built has a

motto: "We're not happy until you're

there are no marketing niches left for

beer, but Anheuser-Busch spotted one

and has sprung to arms. You could even

To your health. You might think

experience that when most people look down the barrel of a gun, they suddenly decide they aren't as mad as they had originally thought. Discretion is not only the better part of valor; it's a heck of a lot better than being dead. Finally, mountain climb-

ing often involves a human vanity we ought to rid ourselves of. People will often think, if not say, "I conquered Mount Sowhat." No, they didn't. All they did was climb to the top. Goats do that all the time. The mountain was there long before they were and will be there long after they are gone. Humans can't conquer nature. That is a delusion that causes a lot of harm.

We can despoil it with our garbage and cause tempo-

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call it a public health service.

On Wednesday, the company announced a new beer made from sorghum called Redbridge, which will be sold by restaurants and stores that carry organic products.

If you have a relative with celiac disease, you know the significance of this announcement. "Celiacs" about 3 million Americans have to avoid a protein called gluten because it eats away at the lining of the small intestine. Untreated, celiac disease can seriously damage a person's health and even threaten life.

Celiacs do fine if they avoid anything with gluten in it. The problem is that gluten is found in wheat, barley and oats and that includes breads, rolls,

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off the frying apparatus, he included the propane tank, the burner and stand, the connecting hose, the pot and the spindle upon which the turkey was now ensconced. He did not include the hook by which one lowers the turkey into the boiling oil.

We fashioned a coat hanger into an appropriate hook.

"I hope this works," Brad said, beginning to sound worried.

"It will be delicious," his wife reassured him, and then quietly added as the door slammed behind my son, "I hope."

I pulled the lid off the pot of boiling oil. Brad began lowing the turkey into the hot, smoking liquid as it sputtered and popped.

With the turkey half way in, he yelled, "It's going to over flow. We put too much oil in there.'

He hesitated. The turkey was half in and half out of the fiery liquid.

"Put it in there," I ordered in an authoritative voice.

The hot bubbling oil rose to within an inch of the rim of the pot. I clapped the lid back on.

As we walked into the kitchen, Dana was on the phone.

She hung up and said, "Mom says you need to fill the pot with water, put the turkey in it and then mark the level so you'll know how much oil to put in."

Brad and I looked back out at the pot busily frying the Christmas turkey.

When I left the next day, Sage and Ginger were fighting over Reggie Hedgehog, the squeaky toy that had been left beneath the tree for Sage by Santa. Phil Pheasant, the squeaky toy left for Ginger, lay ignored in a corner of the living room. The squeaking mechanisms in each died before dark Christmas Day.

Christmas 2006 was indeed a wonderful one. It was filled with family and friends and loved ones and stories that will be passed down to future generations in Christmases to come. It was filled with love and loved ones. I shall always cherish it. The ham was great.

Housing **Continued from Page 4**

biscuits, pies, cakes, cookies and an amazing array of other products with even trace amounts of wheat. And,

tragically, beer, which has a lot more than a trace.

Sorghum has no gluten in it. Anheuser-Busch said it consulted the National Foundation for Celiac Awareness to develop its new glutenfree beer. At least three other glutenfree beers are made in the United States, but none by brewers of the size of Anheuser-Busch.

We haven't had a chance yet to taste Redbridge, which will be brewed in New Hampshire. The company describes it as a "hearty, full-bodied lager brewed using imported Hallertau and domestic Cascade hops. It is brewed with sorghum and has a well-balanced, moderately hopped taste." Cheers!

Reese

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rary damage with bad practices, but in the long run, nature will prevail. The planet was here before we came along, and it will be here after we have disposed of ourselves. We need the planet; it doesn't need us. For those energetic people who

still feel the call to climb the highest mountain, we ground-huggers wish you well and pray for your safety. We

just hope you will respect the mountain and leave it as you find it. Bring down whatever you take up, most assuredly including yourself.

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

Authorities arrest man accused of recording execution

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — never showed Saddam's recorded Saddam Hussein's execution on a cell phone arrested camera was Wednesday, an adviser to Iraq's prime minister said.

The adviser to Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, speaking on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to talk to the media, did not identify the person. But he said it was "an official who supervised

The person believed to have actual death. But the leaked cell phone video showed the deposed leader being taunted in his final moments, with witnesses shouting "Go to hell!" before he dropped through the gallows floor and died.

The unruly scene was broadcast on Al-Jazeera television and was posted on the Internet, prompting a worldwide outcry and big protests among Iraq's minority

who was also present at the execution denied a report that he had accused National Security Adviser Mowaffak al-Rubaie of possible responsibility for the leaked video.

"I am not accusing Mowaffak al-Rubaie, and I did not see him taking pictures," Mungith al-Faroon, a prosecutor in the case that sent Saddam to the gallows, told The Associated Press.

"But I saw two of the gov-

telephone interview.

The prosecutor said the two officials were openly taking video pictures, which are believed to be those which appeared on Al-Jazeera satellite and a Web within hours site of Saddam's execution.

Kenya sends troops to Somalia's border to isolate militants

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — Kenya sent extra troops to its border with Somalia on Wednesday to keep Islamic militants from entering the country after Ethiopian helicopters attacked a Kenyan border post by mistake while pursuing suspected fighters.

Meanwhile, Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni flew to the Ethiopian capital, Addis Ababa, to meet with Prime Minister Meles Zenawi to discuss the framework of a regional peacekeeping mission to Somalia, said Okello Oryem, the Ugandan minister of state of foreign affairs.

European backers of the Somali government were also meeting in Belgium to discuss how the European Union can support a possible peacekeeping mission for Somalia.

Somalia's government forces, backed by Ethiopian troops, have been pursuing the remnants of the Islamic militia that until two weeks ago controlled most of southern Somalia and the capital, Mogadishu.

Four Ethiopian helicopters apparently mistook a Kenyan border post at Harehare for the Somali town of Dhobley on Tuesday and fired rockets at several small buildings, a security officer said on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak to the media. There were no reports of casualties, but Kenyan tanks were sent to the area early Wednesday, the officer added.

Residents in Dhobley said they witnessed Ethiopian military aircraft bombing the area.

"Four military helicopters flew over our town several times and bombarded somewhere on the Kenyan side of border," resident the Mohamud Ilmi Osman said.

In the Kenyan port of Mombasa, Somalia's President Abdullahi Yusuf met with his Kenyan counterpart,

'Four military helicopters flew over our town several times and bombarded somewhere on the Kenyan side of the border.'

— Mohamud Ilmi Osman Private resident

Mwai Kibaki. Kibaki said Kenya would not be used as a refuge for people seeking to destabilize governments in the region — clearly referring to foreign fighters for the Somali Council of Islamic Courts who may be sought for terrorism and other crimes.

Kenya has deployed troops, armored vehicles and trucks with light weapons along the 400-mile border with Somalia. A U.S. counterterrorism task force has trained new coast guards and recently gave Kenya three patrol boats.



the execution" and who is "now under investigation."

"In the past few hours, the government has arrested the person who made the video of Saddam's execution," the adviser said.

Iraqi state television broadcast an official video of Saturday's hanging, which had no audio and

Events calendar

Sunnis, who lost their preferential status when Saddam was ousted in the U.S.-led invasion of March 2003. Al-Maliki on Tuesday

ordered his Interior Ministry to investigate the video ---who made it and how it reached television and Web sites for public viewing.

ernment officials who were ... present during the execution taking all the video of the execution, using the lights that were there for the official taping of the execution. They used mobile phone cameras. I do not know their names, but I would remember their Today, an Iraqi prosecutor faces," al-Faroon said in a

ing a series of eight classes for hearing infants and their families. "Baby Sing & Sign" is divided into eight-week ses-sions. The enrollment fee is \$100. Sessions begin Jan. 10 (10 a.m.); Jan. 9 (6:30 p.m.); March 21 (10 a.m.); and March 20 (6:30 p.m.). To register or to find out more, call 665-7474 or e-mail cmoore@createabeat.org.

 Back in Control parent training will be offered from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday at 1500 S. Taylor in Amarillo and Jan. 20 at Opportunity Program in Wellington. Registration for both classes will be at 8:45 a.m. Each class is being offered through Texas Panhandle Mental Health Mental Retardation's STAR program. For more information, call (806) 359-2005

 CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of the High Plains will hold an informational meeting at 6:30 p.m. Monday at the Brown Alliance for Children, 315 N. Ballard, in Pampa. CASA volunteers serve as special advocates in court cases involving neglected or abused children. The volunteers help ensure that such children find safe, permanent homes, assisting the courts and the often overburdened child welfare system so that no child falls through the cracks.

 The next monthly Cowboy Poetry Breakfast will be at 8 a.m. Jan. 13 at the Big Texan in Amarillo. Marianne Logan be the facilitator. The guest perwill former will be Don DeHay of Amarillo.

· The Texas Department of State Health Services will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and

 CREATE-a-Beat! of Pampa is offer- chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinic(s) will be offered: 9:30-11:45 a.m. and 1-3:30 p.m., Jan. 17, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa.

 The 19th annual Texas High Plains Grain Elevator Workshop is planned Jan. 18 at the Amarillo Civic Center in Amarillo. The program has been approved by the state ag department for 5.25 CEUs. Registration is \$35. To register or for more information, contact Gray County Extension Office at 669-8033.

 The Comprehensive Breast Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinic: Jan. 23, Shepard's Crook Nursing Center, 916 N. Crest, in Pampa. Participants will receive a low-cost selfexam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast selfexamination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

Pampa Community Concert Association Presents "Live On Stage" has released its current concert schedule. The schedule is as follows: "Puttin' on the Hitz, A Salute to Irving Berlin," 7:30 p.m., Feb. 15, Borger High School Auditorium; Bronn and Katherine Journey, harpist and vocalist, 7:30 p.m., March 19, M.K. Brown Auditorium. Membership fees are \$30 for adults, \$70 for families: and \$15 for students. For more information, call 665-0343 or 665-2631.

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Sports Day

Saban leaves Dolphins for Alabama, following weeks of speculation

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) - Nick Saban is 'Bama bound.

Saban accepted the Alabama coaching job and abandoned his bid to rebuild the Miami Dolphins after only two seasons.

He informed Miami owner Wayne Huizenga of the decision Wednesday. Huizenga announced the departure at a news conferwithout Saban. ence, Huizenga said he met with the coach at Saban's house this morning.

"It is what it is," Huizenga said.

The Crimson Tide first approached Saban shortly after they fired Mike Shula in late November. Huizenga said he received repeated assurances from Saban that he would return in 2007, and the coach issued frequent, angry public denials of interest in moving to Tuscaloosa. On Dec. 21, for example, he said: "I'm not going to be the Alabama coach.'

But when the Dolphins' 6-10 season ended Sunday, Alabama sweetened an offer that reportedly would make him the highest-paid coach in college football. He has three years remaining on his Miami contract at \$4.5 million a year.

A preference for the college game may have also swayed Saban. He won a national championship at Louisiana State and is 15-17 with the Dolphins. This was his first losing season in 13 years as a head coach.

In the past, Huizenga has been persuasive when dealing with coaches. He talked Don Shula into retirement in 1996, talked Jimmy Johnson out of retiring three years later — Johnson lasted one more season — and was able to lure Saban to the pros in 2004 after other NFL teams had failed.

But this time, Huizenga

failed to change Saban's mind.

After Saban turned down the Tide in early December, they offered the job to Rich Rodriguez, but he decided to stay at West Virginia. Alabama lost last week to Oklahoma State in the Independence Bowl to finish 6-7.

Possible candidates to replace Saban include Chicago Bears defensive coordinator Ron Rivera, former Green Bay head coach Mike Sherman, San Diego Chargers offensive coordina-Cam Cameron, tor Indianapolis assistant head

coach Jim Tennessee Titans offensive coordinator Norm Chow and Pittsburgh Steelers assistants Russ Grimm and Ken Whisenhut.

The Arizona Cardinals and Atlanta Falcons are also seeking a new coach.

The Dolphins' next coach will be their fourth in nine seasons, a big change for a franchise that had the same coach — Shula — for 26 years. Miami has failed to make the playoffs the past five years, a franchise record.

The Dolphins are coming off their third losing season

Caldwell, since 1969 and face a likely roster overhaul. With Daunte Culpepper still struggling to recover from reconstructive knee surgery in 2005, Miami remains unsettled at quarterback, a troublesome position since Dan Marino retired seven years ago. The team needs upgrades in almost every other area for a feeble offense and aging defense.

> Saban leaves behind the NFL's largest staff of assistants and general manager Randy Mueller, who might be given more responsibility under a new coaching regime.

James Coffee nominated as Red Zone Player of the Year

By Jordan Reagan Sports Editor

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James Coffee of Pampa High School has been nominated as Old Spice Red Zone Player of the Year.

Sponsored by the makers of Old Spice Deodorant, nominees for Red Zone Player of the Year are first selected by high school football coaches across the nation.

The program honors athletes who exemplify perseverance and dedication, and perform to their best ability

under pressure. Selected nominees are those who embody leadership, performance and desire, and serve as examples to their teammates on and off the field.

As a nominee, Coffee is among a select group of players who are eligible to be selected as a national Red Zone Player of the Year and be honored in a full-page feature in USA Today in February.

Having been selected by high school coaches, Coffee will also receive a certificate

to acknowledge his accomplishment.

He is also eligible to be named one of 50 national Players of the Year. The top 50 players nationwide will be named Red Zone Players of the Year and will receive a plaque among other awards.

The Red Zone Player of the Year program is nationally sponsored by Procter & Gamble. The program is created and managed by 360 Youth, LLC, an Alloy company.

Boise State leaves us wanting more By ANDREW BAGNATO

AP Sports Writer SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Say what you will about the BCS, and many have said plenty.

But if it wasn't for the BCS, most fans wouldn't know Boise State from Boys Town.

The ninth-ranked Broncos would never have been given a crack at No. 7 Oklahoma on a stage as grand as the Fiesta Bowl. They'd have run all those gadget plays against Memphis, or someone like it, in the YourNameHere Bowl in Shreveport.

Ian Johnson would still be a 5-foot-11 tailback nobody wanted. Well, nobody except a certain cheerleading captain.

Instead, he's the giddy kid who proposed to his girlfriend on national television moments after scoring the game-winning points.

On WFAN radio in New York Tuesday morning, they interrupted their regularly scheduled rants on pro sports to rave about ... Boise State?

them another reason to do everything they can to prevent a playoff.

In a playoff, the power conferences would have to deal with Boise State every year - or Utah, Fresno State and Brigham Young.

And the more exposure and money those programs

> We just go and play who they tell us to play. We're just happy to control what we can control."

- Chris Petersen Boise State Head Coach

receive, the bigger and badder they'll become.

Once upon a time, there was a women's college in Tallahassee, Fla. It decided to admit men and fielded its first football team in 1947, losing all five of its games.

That team eventually became the fearsome Florida

The BCS doesn't want to

see Boise State every year.

But it can put up with the

occasional upset, if that's

what Boise State's victory

was. Think about this: the

Broncos beat five bowl-

bound teams during the reg-

ular season. Those teams

went 4-1 in the postseason.

The Sooners beat six bowl-

bound teams. They went 2-4.

into full self-congratulation

mode Tuesday for showing

the foresight to invite the

Broncos. Don't be fooled.

Boise State and its ilk gained

admission only under threat

But it was nice of the

The BCS honchos went

Broncos not to embarrass themselves when they showed up. They used the right fork at team dinners and accepted the Fiesta Bowl's lavish hospitality with grace.

Then they smoked the Sooners to the delight of millions.

Now the Broncos have returned to the land of potatoes, but they've left a lot of us wanting more.

More trickery. More undersized and unrecruited players. More of rookie coach Chris Petersen, looking like a man who had a peek at the cards after the dealer shuffled.

Petersen was caught smiling on the sideline Monday night. Doesn't he realize how serious this is supposed to be?

Bless him if he doesn't.

Petersen wouldn't bite when reporters asked if he planned to declare his team the uncrowned national champions.

"Hey, we don't worry about that," Petersen said. "We just go and play who

Arrest made in stabbing death of 2 inside restaurant owned by hockey star

DETROIT (AP) - A 17-year-old for- because he travels so much," said Lisa owned by the Detroit Red Wings' Chris with her years ago. Chelios was arrested in the stabbing cook.

The bodies of Cheli's Chili Bar manag-

mer employee of a downtown sports bar Septer, a relative of Soroka who worked

Barnard's mother, Gwen Sharpe, said deaths of the restaurant's manager and a her son recently told her about problems with an employee.

"I never dreamed it would be carried

er Megan Soroka, 49, of Dearborn, and cook Mark Barnard, 52, of Detroit were found Tuesday morning at the hockey star's eatery.

"We believe, just based upon the information right now, that it is a former disgruntled employee that may be responsible for these two murders," Police Chief Ella Bully-Cummings told reporters for the Detroit Free Press and The Detroit News.

The suspect had been fired by the bar about a month ago, said police spokesman James Tate. He could be arraigned on murder charges Wednesday morning.

Soroka and Barnard were found on the restaurant's second floor and were believed to have been killed just before 9 a.m., said police spokeswoman Yvette Walker.

Friends and family say Soroka was an important part in Chelios opening his downtown sports bar. Dedicated and trustworthy, she helped make the bar an instant fan favorite, they said.

Chelios "counted on her for everything

out like it was on Mark and that poor woman," said Sharpe, 71.

Police questioned other employees who were inside the restaurant at the time of the slayings. The three-story building, which is next to Comerica Park - home of the Detroit Tigers - was cordoned off, and police were scouring the roof.

"We are deeply saddened by the tragedy that occurred at our establishment this morning," Chelios said in a statement. "Our hearts go out to the families of the victims — they were wonderful employees and were part of our family.

"We are cooperating fully with the Detroit Police Department in their investigation and are hopeful the perpetrator will be brought to justice in quick order. We appreciate the community's support at this difficult time."

Chelios, who did not play in Detroit's 2-1 win against Anaheim on Tuesday night, will not travel with the team on Wednesday so he can deal with matters at his bar, coach Mike Babcock said. The Red Wings play in San Jose on Thursday.

That's the power of the BCS. It creates storylines even if it sometimes leaves out the happy ending.

But the BCS also did what no one else could this year: it stopped the Broncos cold.

The BCS gave the Broncos their moment on the national stage and then quickly ushered them out the side door.

It was more than a little symbolic that the Broncos had to check out of their resort hotel here Tuesday to make room for the Florida Gators, who arrived to begin preparations for their title game showdown with Ohio State.

Thanks for coming, Broncs. Have a safe trip home!

The Broncos' performof federal legislation and ance made the BCS folk look lawsuits. like geniuses. It also gave

State Seminoles.

won the Fiesta Bowl.

they tell us to play. The pollsters vote how they want to Boise State started playing Division I-A football in vote. We're just happy to control what we can con-1996. Eleven years later, it trol."

> It wouldn't take an NFLstyle playoff to squeeze one last bit of fun out of Boise State.

If there were a "plus-one" championship game after the bowls, as has long been discussed, the Broncos might be in line for a shot at the Ohio State-Florida winner.

Maybe that would be a bad idea. The Broncos might overmatched. Jim be Tressel's well-drilled Buckeyes wouldn't fall for that amazing Statue of Liberty play, would they?

Thanks to the BCS, we'll never know.

This is as good as it gets for Boise State — for now, and maybe forever.

Tiger expecting a cub; Will Mickelson loan him a pager?

By JIM LITKE AP Sports Columnist

Even fatherhood is going to change Tiger Woods only so much.

So stop reading, Phil Mickelson, and you, too, Ernie Els, Vijay Singh and Retief Goosen and do something more productive with your time, like practice. You won't find much farther down the page to be encouraged about, anyway.

Bookies in Vegas are already laying 2-to-1 odds that his kid will be beating yours 20 years from now, whether it's on a course or a court, inside a diamond or a boardroom.

Those changes, though, will be more interesting to the rest of us, if only because they'll make Woods that little bit easier to relate to. Not just because he'll be advertising minivans soon instead of luxe sedans, or because he'll rush to the first tee

some days with milk stains smeared across one shoulder of his impeccably tailored polo.

Like lots of other people, a baby at home will translate into more distractions, more demands on his time and tugging at his heartstrings. And there's little reason to think Woods plans to stop at one. In December, 2004, soon after marrying former model and nanny Elin Nordegren, he was asked about starting a family.

"It will be a life change, there's no doubt about that," Woods replied. "For me it will be bigger than it will for Elin, just because she's had siblings. I've never had siblings before. I've been an only child, so for me to grow up with someone else, it will be different, because I've never had that.

"When we have, obviously, hopefully, more than one, then it will be really difficult,

because I've never dealt with that," he added. "I've only dealt with just myself."

Yet, consider this: Of all Tiger's considerable gifts and acquired skills, the most otherworldly is his ability to focus the second he slips a few golf tees in his pocket. And that is not about to change, ever.

'When we have, obviously, hopefully, more than one, then it will be really difficult because I've never dealt with that'

— Tiger Woods

The first clue Woods could wrap himself in an impenetrable cocoon came on the final Sunday of the 1997 Masters, when he walked out the backdoor of Augusta's clubhouse staring at the first tee and didn't even blink, let alone nod, in the direction of a petite woman in a fire-engine red dress who screamed "Go Tiger!" in his ear. And she was his mom, Kultida.

The latest clue came at the end of last summer's British Anybody who Open. watched the tears literally pour out of Woods after he tapped in the winning putt had to marvel at how he carried himself the previous four hours.

Woods never displayed so much as a flicker of emotion when Chris DiMarco closed to within one shot with five holes left, nor when he responded with three straight birdies to beat DiMarco back, a stretch of golf Woods knew would have thrilled the father he'd buried not quite three months earlier. Somehow, Tiger kept both the gathering sadness and satisfaction at arm's length until the task was completed.

That was another thing that Earl Woods would have loved. He spent 20 years in the military, did two tours of Vietnam, trained with the Green Berets and waged psychological warfare on young Tiger nearly every time the two ventured out on the golf course. Earl jangled coins during his son's backswing or rolled golf balls across his line just as Tiger was about to putt. And those were some of the gentler tactics.

"I wanted to make sure," Earl once said about the unorthodox golf lessons, "that he'd never run into anybody who was tougher mentally than he was."

So it will be interesting, too, to see how Tiger raises his own cub. Does he or she

play golf?

"I'll certainly introduce it to him," Woods said during that same 2004 interview. "Hopefully it will take."

How well it takes remains to be seen. There's a long history of sons following their fathers into the game but only Young Tom Morris, who won four majors between 1868 and 1872, was an unqualified success. Julius Boros, Dave Stockton and Al Geiberger are among those whose sons won a PGA Tour event, The sons of greats Jack Nicklaus and Johnny Miller, on the other hand, couldn't hold onto their tour cards long enough to make a name for themselves.

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76ers win first meeting against Iverson

By The Associated Press

The Philadelphia 76ers responded to Allen Iverson's verbal shots by beating their former superstar on the court.

Iverson scored 30 points in his first game against the 76ers, but Kyle Korver had 26 and former Denver star Andre Miller had 17 to lead Philadelphia to a 108-97 victory over the Nuggets on Tuesday night.

After the morning shootaround, Iverson again ripped the team that traded him to Denver on Dec. 19, repeating his contention that he should have had more say in the Sixers' style.

However, Iverson credited the Sixers after the game for how they defended him.

"I couldn't get a rhythm in the beginning of the game. When I found it and got into a little groove, it was too late," he said. "If anybody knows what I can do, they know, and they ran some people at me. They used the zone, and it was effective."

'When you're losing basketball games, you should listen to somebody because something obviously isn't working'

Allen Iverson Denver Nuggets

In other NBA games Tuesday night, it was: Orlando 91, L.A. Clippers 86; Cleveland 82, San Antonio 78; Golden State 97, New Orleans 89; Phoenix scored 100 points for the

97, Chicago 96; Dallas 112, first time in 16 games to Seattle 88; and Sacramento 112, New York 100.

Iverson was slow to get going, hitting just two of nine shots and committing three of his game-high seven turnovers in the first quarter. He finished 10-of-24 from the floor.

"I thought he was a little excited with the turnovers early in the first half and then not being able to make shots, not only he but everybody," said Denver coach George Karl, whose Nuggets are without NBA scoring leader Carmelo Anthony and J.R. Smith, the league's top scoring tandem before their suspensions last month for slugging it out with the New York Knicks.

The Sixers had lost 14 of 16 road games and 19 of their last 23 overall, but improve to 4-4 since the trade that sent Joe Smith and Miller to Philadelphia.

Miller also had 10 assists against his former team and Smith scored 12 points. "This was all business,"

Smith said. Ditto for Miller.

"I got a lump in my throat when the crowd reacted" with applause during introductions, Miller said. "Other than that, it was all business for me."

Iverson also had a parting shot for official Steve Javie, who ejected him for his second technical with 1:44 remaining.

"I thought I got fouled ... and I said I thought that he was calling the game personal, and he threw me out," Iverson said. "His fuse is real short anyway, and I should have known that I couldn't

say anything anyway. It's been something personal with me and him since I got in the league. This was just the perfect game for him to try and make me look bad."

Tuesday morning, Iverson had said he felt a player of his stature and tenure should have been listened to when he criticized the Sixers' style of play last month, a condemnation that led to his departure from Philadelphia after 10 tumultuous seasons.

"When you're losing basketball games, 12 of 14, 18 of 20 basketball games, you should listen to somebody because something obviously isn't working," he said.

Iverson said he hadn't forgotten the way Sixers coach Maurice Cheeks and team owner Billy King handled the complaints that led to his departure from Philadelphia.

LeBron James leads Cavaliers to defeat Spurs **By The Associated** Press

The Cleveland Cavaliers defeated San Antonio 82-78 Tuesday.

LeBron James scored 19 points, Larry Hughes added 13 of his 18 in the fourth lead host quarter to Cleveland.

Damon Jones scored eight points in the final 1:35 to help the Cavaliers improve to 14-3 at home and beat the Spurs for the second time this season. Cleveland also held San Antonio, the NBA's second-most accurate shooting team, to just 38 percent from the field and only 10 points in the third quarter.

Tony Parker led San Antonio with 26 points ----14 in the fourth — and Tim Duncan had 18 points and 15 rebounds.

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Broncos players, coaches grieve for slain teammate

DENVER (AP) — It was supposed to be a day of checking in equipment and meeting with coaches for performance evaluations.

Instead, the Denver Broncos players showed up to their training facility to lean on each other Tuesday as the team grieved for cornerback Darrent Williams, who was killed in a drive-by shooting early Monday hours after the Broncos were eliminated from playoff contention.

Broncos coach Mike Shanahan was on the verge of tears as he talked about Williams.

"He's a good man and he's up in heaven right now," Shanahan said.

Police spokesman Sonny Jackson said the police were pursuing tips but had not identified any suspects and were unsure of the nature of the taunts that they believe

sparked an altercation at a night club before the shooting that also wounded two other people.

"It's a situation where anyone who knows what happened or has any information, we'd love to hear," Jackson said.

Police were searching for a white Suburban or Tahoe with dark-tinted windows.

Williams sustained a single gunshot wound to the neck, according to Robert Whitmore, chief medical examiner in the county coroner's office.

The Broncos planned to hold a private memorial Wednesday at team headquarters so that Williams' teammates can tell his family what he meant to them. The Broncos will also fly together to Fort Worth, Texas, for Williams' funeral on Saturday. "I don't think he had a guy

that wasn't his best friend," Shanahan said. "He always had a smile on his face. You never know why God takes somebody, but I know He got somebody pretty special with Darrent.'

It wasn't a day to talk about football at Dove Valley.

"Today wasn't about football or the offseason or the future," safety Nick Ferguson said. "Today was to grieve and remember the good things about him."

Receiver Javon Walker was with Williams in the limousine when he was killed and was one of several players who met with professional counselors the team brought in.

"He just went through a experience," tragic Shanahan said. "A lot of times when somebody has. that happen to them, they wonder why it (wasn't

them). That's just human nature and obviously the counselors are talking with him about that. It's a process. It takes some time." Shanahan didn't need

much time — just one conversation - to realize Williams was worth drafting in the second round in 2005.

"There were some question marks about Darrent," Shanahan said. "So I brought him in here and asked him about some of those questions, and I felt so good about him when he left I said, 'Hey, I am just hoping he is here with our first pick in the second round because he is a first-round guy.' ... I just hope that we get lucky, and we did get lucky.

And while the Oklahoma State product was drafted primarily to return punts, he earned the starting cornerposition opposite back Champ Bailey in his rookie

season. "The players knew right

away way that we had a football player," Shanahan said. "He impressed our veterans as much as he did the coaches, especially the coaches that had some reservations early.'

'Today wasn't about football or the offseason or the future. Today was to grieve and remember the good things about him'

> Nick Ferguson Denver Broncos safety

Although only 5-foot-8, Williams was full of confidence. He had 88 tackles and four interceptions in 2006. "He said, 'Coach, you can

built a makeshift memorial of flowers, photos, teddy bears and footballs outside

tough."

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team headquarters, one of three such displays around the city. There were also memorials at the scene of the shooting and at Invesco

Rudy Leyva of Laredo, Texas, was given a trip to the Broncos' season finale against San Francisco as a Christmas present from his girlfriend, Jessica Cerda. While at the game he caught a giveaway T-shirt in the stands and had Williams to sign it following the Broncos' loss.

Leyva put flowers around the memorial and left his

Underdog Wake Forest taken over

lead Mays to 11th straight victory

Nowitzki, Howard

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Mavericks came out of the halftime break determined to get some easier shots on offense and to play better defense on Seattle guard Ray Allen.

They accomplished both objectives to stretch their winning streak to 11 games.

Dirk Nowitzki had 31 points and a season-high 15 rebounds, and Josh Howard added 21 points and nine rebounds in the Mavericks' 112-88 victory against the SuperSonics on Tuesday night.

Jason Terry added 18 points and Devin Harris scored 16 for the Mavericks, whose season-best winning streak is 12 games from Nov. 9-Dec. 1.

Tied at halftime, the Mavericks took a 66-57 lead by opening the third quarter on an 11-2 run, with Harris accounting for the last six points of the spurt on drives. and free throws.

"We didn't want to settle for jumpers," Harris said. "We wanted to attack the rim and get some easy baskets.'

Dallas held a 58-30 rebounding edge, 21-8 on the offensive boards, and scored 34 second-chance points to nine for Seattle.

"Guys just came out and hit the glass hard on both ends of the court," Howard said.

Harris and teammate Greg Buckner were assigned to improve the second-half defense on Allen, who had 19 of his 27 points in the first half, 18 in the second quarter.

Allen went 3-for-9 in the second half.

"We wanted to mix it up against him," Harris said. "We know where he likes to shoot and we wanted to make it tougher on him."

Nowitzki, back in the lineup after sitting out the previous game due to a high fever from a sinus infection, had his first 30-point game since scoring 31 in a win over San Antonio on Nov. 24.

On Monday, Nowitzki got plenty of rest and spent time with his parents, visiting from their native Germany.

by fifth-ranked Louisville Cardinals

MIAMI (AP) — For much of the Orange Bowl, the high-powered Louisville Cardinals were stalled in neutral.

They blew a field goal, lost two fumbles and dropped a potential touchdown pass. But despite the rash of mistakes, there was no stopping the Cardinals from their first major-bowl victory in 15 years.

Anthony Allen scored two touchdowns, one on a trick play, and Brian Brohm threw for 311 yards to lead Louisville past Wake Forest 24-13 Tuesday night.

The Cardinals averaged 39 points and ranked second in the nation in total offense this season, but fell behind 13-10 in the final period before their offense went into high gear. Touchdown drives of 81 and 71 yards on consecutive possessions sealed their first win in a major bowl since the 1991 Fiesta Bowl.

No. 5 Louisville finished 12-1 to ensure the highest final ranking in school history.

"This is a big win for our program," said Harry Douglas, who made 10 catches for 165 yards. "We're becoming a national power. It had to start with this game."

The No. 15 Demon Deacons slipped to 11-3, still their best season.

"Looking back on our season, you definitely have to be happy with what we did," linebacker Jon Abbate said.

"We turned the corner for Wake Forest football."

For three quarters, squandered opportunities plagued the Cardinals. They lost two fumbles in Wake Forest territory, Mario Urrutia dropped a potential 62-yard touchdown pass, and Art Carmody - the Lou Groza Award winner — was wide right on a 32-yard field goal attempt, only his fourth miss this season.

"We weren't holding onto the ball," center Eric Wood said. "We weren't helping ourselves out."

Alphonso Smith nearly blocked Carmody's errant kick and also harried Louisville's punter into a 14-yard boot that set up a 44-yard field goal by Sam Swank of Wake Forest.

Like Louisville, the Demon Deacons failed to convert several scoring chances. They committed three turnovers in Cardinal territory, and after moving 36 yards in the final minute of the first half, Swank missed a 47-yard field goal.

But Swank made a 36-yarder to cap a 61-yard drive and put the Demon Deacons ahead 13-10 early in the fourth quarter.

The Cardinals responded with an eight-play drive capped by Allen's 1yard plunge for a 17-13 lead with 12:31 to go. They quickly forced a punt, and mounted a 10-play drive that ended with Brock Bolen's 18yard scoring run.

Brohm finished 24-for-34 and was chosen the game's most valuable player. He said he's leaning toward returning for next fall.

"It looks very appealing right now," Brohm said. "We've got a great team coming back and it'd be hard to pass up."

Wake Forest's Riley Skinner went 21-for-33 for 271 yards with one touchdown and one interception. "It never helps to lose in the fourth quarter," he said. "That kind of leaves a thorn in your side."

The Demon Deacons trailed 10-3 at halftime but scored on their first possession of the third period when Nate Morton slipped behind the Louisville secondary to catch a 30-yard TD pass from Skinner.

The Cardinals sputtered early but pulled out a trick play to score their first touchdown.

Brohm threw a lateral to receiver Patrick Carter, who stopped and threw across the field deep to Allen for the score. The 21-yard pass was the first this season by Carter, a quarterback at Georgia Tech before he transferred.

Trick plays backfired early on for the Demon Deacons, who twice tried reverses in the first quarter. The first lost 17 yards and the second lost 10.

The Cardinals converted a fourthand-9 during a 61-yard drive that led to a 41-yard field goal by Carmody.

Seahawks turn to a hunter and loan officer for defensive help

KIRKLAND, Wash. (AP) --- Not long ago, Pete Hunter was working in Dallas-area John mortgage office. Howell was guiding hunts for elk and other game in the Great Plains. Rich Gardner was working out four times a week at a gym in Nashville.

Then the phone rang for each of them.

Now Hunter, Howell and Gardner will suit up for Seattle in Saturday's NFC wild card playoff game between the Seahawks and Dallas Cowboys.

All three signed with the Seahawks in the last week, since starting cornerbacks Marcus Trufant (high ankle sprain) and Kelly Herndon (broken ankle) both got hurt. Then Tuesday, backup defensive back Jimmy Williams joined Herndon on the injured reserve list with a knee injury sustained in Sunday's win at Tampa Bay in the regular season finale.

Just more problems for a Seattle pass defense that has given up big plays throughout this season.

"It's really a tough situation," Seahawks defensive coordinator John Marshall said. "We're going to have to come with a decision on who's going to be where."

Marshall said that decision is changing each day, as the coaches assess how well Hunter, Gardner and Howell are learning the defense's

calls.

"Hey, that's what we get paid the big bucks for. Yeah, right," Marshall said, smil-

"Yeah, they are going to - you would assume they are going to - test the secondary and see what they can do with it," Marshall said.

One of the few healthy defensive backs, Michael Boulware, had been benched for two months for giving up

big plays. Now he's playing where Jordan Babineaux used to be, at safety. Babineaux is starting at cornerback, for Herndon.

Now this: Pulling in a hunter, mortgage broker and gym rat. All had been out of football for this entire season. They're back --- just in time for Dallas receivers Terrell Owens and Terry Glenn and the Cowboys' Pro Bowl quarterback, Tony Romo.

Gardner is the new guy Dallas is likely to see most.

The former Tennessee Titan, signed Dec. 27, last played in a game on Dec. 24, 2005. Tennessee released him in September. The 2004 third-round pick from Penn State said he wasn't falling back on his economics degree from Penn State while waiting for four months for an NFL team to sign him.

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Mourners in Michigan pay respects to their president ahead of final day of mourning

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) -Tens of thousands of mourners with their winter caps in their hands and bundled-up children in tow snapped photos, quietly prayed and offered military salutes today as they filed past the casket of their state's only president, Gerald R. Ford, on the final official day of national mourning.

Following an afternoon church service, the late president was to be interred in a private ceremony just a few steps from the lines of mourners stood, on the grounds of his presidential museum.

Grand Rapids was Ford's boyhood home, and he played football for the University of Michigan's national champion teams in 1932 and 1933.

Many people in the crowds that lined up through the chilly night and into today to say a final goodbye paid tribute to his state ties by wearing Michigan sweat shirts. Officials estimated that some 60,000 people would pass through during the 17-hour Michigan viewing.

Julie Setlock adjusted a football with the words "A true American and hometown hero" at a makeshift memorial outside the museum.

The 37-year-old from nearby Rockford had arrived Tuesday night with her three children to view the late president's casket, but the lines were so long, she decided to try again Wednesday morning. Even at 7 a.m., she faced a 30-minute wait.

"It's not very often you have an opportunity to pay respect to a presi-dent, so I couldn't pass it up," said Bill Kleinhans, a Grand Rapids busi-

You were a paradoxical gift of remarkable intellect and achievement wrapped in a plain brown wrapper. Welcome home to the people that you reflected so well when you were in Washington.

> - Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm

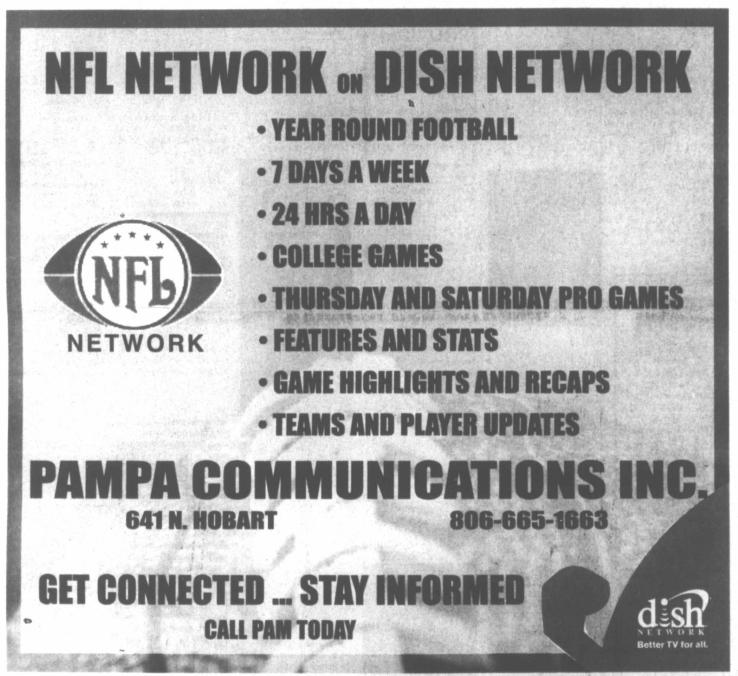
ness owner who was also in line early Wednesday7

Donald Rumsfeld, who served in Ford's cabinet as his chief of staff and as his defense secretary, was to deliver a eulogy during the afternoon service at Grace Episcopal Church. Former President Jimmy Carter, who defeated Ford in 1976 but later became a close friend of his former opponent, and Richard Norton Smith, who used to be the director of the Ford museum and presidential library, also were scheduled to speak.

Ford, who became the nation's 38th president after Richard Nixon resigned, died Dec. 26 at his home in Rancho Mirage, Calif. He was 93.

On Tuesday, people jammed streets and waved as Ford's casket was carried from the Grand Rapids airport, where it arrived following services at Washington National Cathedral.

"You were a paradoxical gift of remarkable intellect and achievement wrapped in a plain brown wrapper," Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm said of Ford. "Welcome home to the people that you reflected so well when you were in Washington."



Only six U.S. cities win highest scores for emergency communications

WASHINGTON (AP) -On Sept. 11, 2001, New York fire battalion chief Dennis Devlin issued an urgent plea: His men were in "a state of confusion" and needed more working radios immediately.

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Yet, more than five years members of the city's fire department perished at the World Trade Center, the government says only six U.S. cities have fully answered the late fire chief's call by adopting advanced emergency communications systems.

New York is not one of the six, according to the scorecard by the Homeland Security Department that was to be released Wednesday.

A draft portion of the report obtained Tuesday by The Associated Press

gives the best ratings to the to gaps in interoperable Washington, D.C., area; San communications," - the Minneapolis-St. Diego; Paul; Columbus, Ohio; Sioux Falls, S.D.; and Laramie County, Wyo.

The lowest scores go to Chicago; Cleveland; Baton Rouge, La.; Mandan, N.D.; and American Samoa. The report includes large and small cities and their suburbs, along with U.S. territories.

In an overview, the report says all 75 areas surveyed have policies in place for helping their emergency workers communicate. But it also finds that "formalized governance (leadership and planning) across regions has lagged." Homeland Security spokesman Russ Knocke would not comment on the report, saying only that in releasing it Wednesday, Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff will "talk about nationwide assessments for interoperable communications." The study is likely to add fuel to what looms as a battle in Congress this year. Democrats who take over the majority this week have

promised to try fixing the problem emergency agencies have communicating with each other but have not said specifically what they will do, how much it will cost or how they will pay for

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> term used for emergency agencies' abilities to talk to each other, said Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y. "If it didn't have such potentially devastating consequences, it would be laughable."

The attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, revealed major problems in how well emergency agencies were able to talk to each other during a catastrophe.

Many firefighters climbing the World Trade Center towers died when they were unable to hear police radio

warnings to leave the crum-

bling buildings. The report says first responders in New York now have well-established systems to communicate with each other — but not the best, most advanced possi-

ble. Thirteen U.S. cities score better than New York.

Since the Sept. 11 attacks, \$2.9 billion in federal grant money has been distributed to state and local first responders for the improvement of their emergency communications systems.

Baby dispute: Judge sets deadline for test

LOS ANGELES (AP) -A judge in the Anna Nicole Smith baby dispute has given the former Playboy Playmate until Jan. 23 to have her daughter undergo paternity testing sought by a former boyfriend, the man's attorney said.

Superior Court Judge Robert Schnider ruled in favor of the 39-year-old Smith's ex-boyfriend Larry Birkhead last month. Birkhead claims he's the father of Dannielynn Hope Marshall Stern, who was born Sept. 7 in the Bahamas. It wasn't known when

Smith's daughter might have the DNA test.

"We can't make it any easier for her," Birkhead's attorney, Debra Opri, said Tuesday.

An after-hours phone message left Tuesday for Smith's lawyer, Ronald A. Rale, wasn't immediately returned. He had previously declined to discuss the judge's ruling. Paternity cases are typically confidential.

Birkhead, 34, sued in October to get a paternity test.

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