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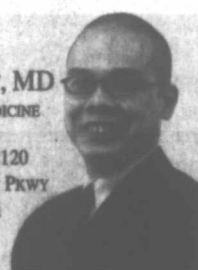
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School board told PHS renovations on schedule

By **KERRI SMITH**
Staff Writer

Renovations at the high school, tree removal by the PHS tennis courts and board and district goals for 2007-2008 were the main topics at a special school board meeting held for Pampa Independent School District Thursday.

Mike Baker, from Parkhill, Smith and Cooper, gave a report on the status of the renovations at Pampa High School. He said the work seems to be on schedule with no known delays.

"The plumbing line has been set and a slab poured in the MPAC building," Baker said. "Demolition has begun to extend the restrooms and the workers should start setting

the block for a partition in the next few days. Randy (Stevenson) and Stewart (Smith) have color selections for the paint."

Baker said the asbestos abatement in the library and science wing is winding up and work could start possibly next week on the actual renovations. A packet containing schematic designs of how the high school will look after construction was given to board members.

A new addition to the east side of the school will be built to accommodate a common area, dressing rooms and restrooms for tennis players. It will be on the first floor and an area possibly for computers will be on the second floor.

"The track project is about a week behind currently, but the contractors feel they can still meet the deadline of having the work complete before school starts this fall," Baker said. "We've been pleased with the quality of work they've been doing. They've even dug down deeper than originally intended so the track should be very stable."

Randy Stevenson, the previous junior high school principal who is now overseeing construction, asked for input from board members on a plan to remove 10 trees from around the tennis courts at the high school.

"These are old elm trees that are in bad condition, so we thought during all of these renovations we could

have those removed," Stevenson said. "Some other trees have been removed due to the renovations and these are in better shape, so we could put these in the place of the old elms that are removed."

The board agreed to accept bids on this work and discuss this again when those bids are in.

Board members discussed what type of goals should be set for the school district and also for the board specifically for the 2007-2008 school year.

Derrel DeLoach, vice president of the board, said the ultimate goal should be to reach exemplary status

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Pampa News Photos by **KERRI SMITH**

Members of Calvary Baptist Church recently donated baby quilts to residents of Hope House, a home for young mothers to live while getting back on their feet and learning parenting and life skills. Jennifer Gray, bottom left, and Latashia Wallace and 3-month old daughter QuanBraj, left, were the lucky recipients of two of the quilts. Above, from left, Barbara Parry, Monica Galloway (house parent), Pastor Richard Bartel, Gail Tuttle and Darla White.

Hope House benefits from quilts made by church group

By **KERRI SMITH**
Staff Writer

Women from Calvary Baptist Church have been making baby quilts for "Operation Snuggle," and have already finished and donated about 20 quilts to mothers at the church and also to residents of Hope House, a home for young mothers trying to get on their feet and become self sufficient.

Monica Galloway, director of the Pregnancy Support Center and house parent for Hope House, really appreciates the quilt donations and encouragement from the community.

"Each young woman who comes to Hope House has a different set of circumstances that bring them here," Galloway said. "We teach these women parenting skills, as well as how to cook and clean and basically just be the mothers who God intended them to be."

Latashia Wallace, 16, and her 3-month-old daughter QuanBraj, have been learning a lot of skills while living in the house.

"I love being around Monica because she's just like a mother," Wallace said. "She's so loving and caring and just a lot of fun to be around. I've learned a lot while living here, such as how to be a great mom and also how to budget money and take care of a house. I've also been going to church and like being around the other young people in the church and youth group."

Wallace said she moved out of her mom's home because her mother was having a hard enough time making a living and providing for herself, so she thought it would be better to live on her own and learn the skills needed to have a good life for her and her daughter. She will go back to high school in the fall, while her daughter goes to Bright Beginnings day care center, to finish up her education and get her diploma.

Jennifer Gray, 25, is expecting a baby in early September and also feels blessed to be living at Hope House.

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Obituaries

Services tomorrow

LEFTWICH, Charles Arthur — 2 p.m., Rose Chapel Funeral Service, Sayre, Okla.

The Hon. Judge Don Ezell Cain, Sr., 85

The Honorable Judge Don Ezell Cain, Sr., 85, of Pampa, Texas, died July 3, 2007, at Pampa.

Memorial services are scheduled at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 8, 2007, at the First Baptist Church with Dr. Johnny Funderburg, pastor, officiating.

A private family burial was to be held earlier at Fairview Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Judge Cain was born Oct. 8, 1921, in San Marcos to E. M. and Betty Howell Cain. He graduated from Sunset High School in Dallas and North Texas Agricultural College in Arlington where he was elected Colonel of the 1941 graduating class. He enrolled at the University of Texas in 1941 and graduated in 1944.

He served in the U.S.

Navy during World War II from 1943-1946 and then earned a law degree from the University of Texas. Working as an attorney in Fort Worth, Cain decided to re-enlist and served during the Korean Conflict.

He moved to Pampa and was in private practice. He married Betty Anne Culberson on June 14, 1952. Cain served as Gray County attorney from 1955-1968 and County judge from 1971-1977. He was appointed district judge of the 223rd Judicial District from 1977-1991. He was a retired state judicial judge.

Throughout the years, Cain was involved in many civic organizations. He was president of the Adobe Walls Council of the Boy Scouts

from 1957-1959, earning the Silver Beaver Award in 1958; the Board of Directors of the Pampa United Fund from 1956-1960; member of the American Bar Association, Texas Bar Association and Gray County Bar Association (president in 1968); Pampa Chamber of Commerce 1959-1960; Phi Alpha Delta; Masons; and Pampa Rotary Club (president 1958-1959).

He was a member of the First Baptist Church from 1951 until 2007.

Survivors include his wife, Betty, of the home; four children, David Cain and wife Sally of Dallas, Carolyn Dale Husen of Lubbock, Don E. Cain, Jr. and wife Kathy of Oklahoma

City, Okla., and Randy Cain and wife Kathy of Austin; 10 grandchildren, David Cain II., Jennifer Cain, Michael Cain, Doug Husen, Zachary Husen, Corrie Zaballa, Kayla Cain, Abigail Cain, Roger Cain and Eliza Cain; four great-grandchildren, Hayden Husen, Alexandria Husen, Madeline Zaballa and Ansley Husen; and one brother, Dan Cain and wife Marion of Dallas.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Pat Cain; and two sisters, Nona Smith and Frances Cravens.

The family suggests memorials to the Pampa Senior Citizens, 500 W. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065, or the White Deer Land Museum, P.O. Box 1556, Pampa, TX 79066-1556.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Phyllis Cunningham, 80

Phyllis Cunningham, 80, of Pampa, died July 5, 2007, at Pampa. No services are scheduled at the current time. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Cunningham was born April 30, 1927, at Somerville, Mass., and mar-

ried Robert L. Cunningham on March 5, 1949, at Manchester, N.H. In 1950, she became a registered nurse and retired from the medical field after 35 years of service.

Mrs. Cunningham had been a Pampa resident since 2005, moving from Midwest City, Okla.

Survivors include her husband, Robert, of the home; two daughters, Patricia McCracken of Pampa and Cynthia McPherson of Rose Hill, Va.; two sons, Robert Cunningham of New Castle, Okla., and James Cunningham of Shawnee, Tenn.; a brother, Fred Swensen of Thonotosassa,

Fla.; a sister, Mildred Reed of San Antonio; eight grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

MEMORIALS: BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Charles Arthur Leftwich, 69

SAYRE, Okla. — Charles Arthur Leftwich, 69, died July 4, 2007, at Sayre. Services are scheduled at 2 p.m. Saturday at Rose Chapel Funeral Service with Jimmy Dean officiating. Burial will be in Sayre-Doxey Cemetery under the direction of Rose Chapel Funeral Service of Sayre.

Born Oct. 29, 1937, at Yellowjacket, Colo., to Iva Mae and Jack Dixon Leftwich, Mr. Leftwich grew up in Elk City, Okla., and was a horse trainer. He and wife, Linda Darlene (Woodward), worked in the race horse industry. He moved to Langtry for a number of years prior to relocat-

ing to Sayre. Mr. Leftwich was a veteran of the U.S. Marines.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and two sisters, Ruthie and Jane.

Survivors include his wife, Darlene of Pampa; a daughter, Sandy Galaviz of Pampa; three brothers, Harold Leftwich of Dallas,

Leroy Leftwich of Elk City and Tommy McIntosh of Oregon; three sisters, Vivian Tabor, Sammi Lou Johnson, both of Clinton, Okla., and Billie Jean of Andrews; and three grandchildren.

Online condolences can be made at www.whineryfs.com.

Clyde Mickey White, 80

Clyde Mickey White, 80, of Pampa, Texas, died July 5, 2007, at Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. White was born Oct. 22, 1926, in Mangum, Okla. He moved to Pampa at a young age and attended Pampa schools. He married Vivian Gray on May 6, 1949, in Pampa. He worked for the U. S. Postal Service, retiring after 35 years of service.

He was a member of the

Calvary Baptist Church where he was a former deacon, a Sunday School teacher, and R.A. leader. He was a boxing coach and an honorary lifetime member with the Pampa Optimist Club.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving as a corpsman during World War II. He loved to fish, golf and garden. He loved the Lord and his family.

Survivors include his

wife, Vivian White, of the home; two daughters, Jane Bjork and husband Don of Amarillo, and Brenda Kelley and husband Buster of Pampa; one son, Jim White and wife Carol of Amarillo; three sisters, Patsy Gates and husband Eddie of Borger, Kitty Arnold of Fort Worth and Oleta Williams and husband Herschel of Midland; two brothers, Wayne White and wife Winnie of Abilene and Otis White and wife

Betty of Pampa; 10 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

MEMORIALS: Pampa Optimist Youth Club, P.O. Box 802, Pampa, TX 79066-0802, or Calvary Baptist Church, 900 E. 23rd, Pampa, TX 79065.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Bonnie Ruth Wood, 72

Bonnie Ruth Wood, 72, of Pampa, died July 5, 2007, at Amarillo. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

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Emergency Services

Pampa PD

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

Six traffic stops were made.

Traffic complaints were made in the 2200 block of North Beech, the 400 block of East Frederic and the 2800 block of North Charles.

Accidents were reported in the 1100 block of East Francis, the 1400 block of North Hobart and the 2800 block of North Charles.

Criminal mischief complaints were reported in the 900 block of North Hobart, where terrorist threats were made and a large window valued at \$2,000 was broken; the 1800 block of North Banks, where two tires valued at \$30 were damaged; the 1000 block of North Somerville; and the 700 block of North Wells.

A curfew violation was reported in the police department lobby.

Public intoxication was reported in the 1000 block of North Wilks.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 400 block of West Foster, the 400 block of North Magnolia, the 2700 block of North Aspen, the 1100 block of West Crane, the 400 block of East Albert, the 1100 block of Crane, an undisclosed location, the 2100 block of North Hobart, the 1100 block of East Harvester, the 2200 block of North Coffee, the 1000

block of Neel, the intersection of Beryl and Henry, and the 1600 block of East Highway 60.

Police officers made stops concerning animals in the 1900 block of North Banks and the 500 block of East Kingsmill.

Escort service was provided in the 1800 block of West Harvester.

Thefts were reported in the 1900 block of North Hobart, the 2500 block of North Perryton Parkway, the 400 block of West Foster, the 1400 block of North Hobart, the 1100 block of North Hobart and the 2600 block of Navajo.

Identity theft was reported in the 500 block of South Reid.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

A gasoline drive off was reported in the 200 block of West 28th.

Fraud was reported in the 400 block of Hughes.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1800 block of North Lea.

Harassment was reported in the police department lobby and the 1600 block of North Hobart.

A civil matter was reported in the 1900 block of North Sumner.

Violations of city ordinances were reported at the intersection of Dogwood and 14th, and the 800 block of North Duncan.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 300 block of South Tignor.

Suspicious persons were reported in

the 1000 block of West Wilks, the 1200 block of South Wilcox and the 600 block of East Craven.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1600 block of East Highway 60.

An open door was reported in the 200 block of North Naida.

A welfare check was made in the 800 block of Deane.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today:

Thursday, July 5
 Jose Palaciso, 29, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for theft more than \$1,500 and less than \$20,000.

Randal Williams, 51, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa Police Department for public intoxication.

Janet Williams, 53, of Pampa was arrested by PPD for public intoxication.

Crystal Mercer, 33, of Pampa was arrested on capias pro fines for no driver's license, no operator license, no insurance, speeding, inhumane treatment of animals, no restraint and disorderly conduct-language.

Dante A. Wilbon, 17, of Lefors was arrested by the Lefors marshal for burglary of a motor vehicle.

Jonathan Carpenter, 42, was arrested by PPD for public intoxication.

What do you think?

Many believe that Saturday is lucky because the date is 7-7-07.
What will you be doing on that day?



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"I don't believe in luck. I just believe in blessings."



Marilyn Shelton
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Steven Kephart
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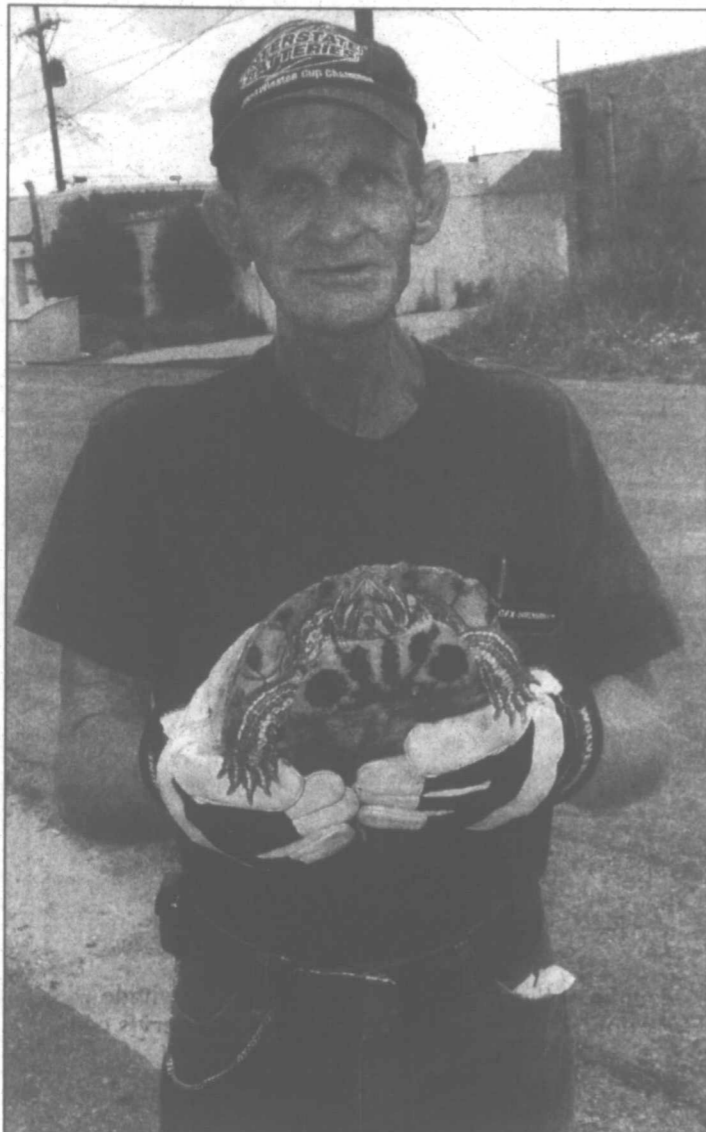
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"I can't tell you anything about Saturday until Saturday gets here."

Independence



Pampa News photo by DENNIS SPIES

Doyle Harvill was watching fireworks Wednesday night at his home in the 100 block of Wells when he found this snapping turtle in his yard. He named it Independence and took it to a city park Thursday and let it go.

Domestic spying lawsuit dismissed

CINCINNATI (AP) — A federal appeals court ordered the dismissal today of a lawsuit challenging President Bush's domestic spying program, saying the plaintiffs had no standing to sue.

The 2-1 ruling by the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals panel vacated a 2006 order by a federal judge in Detroit, who found that the post-Sept. 11 warrantless surveillance aimed at uncovering terrorist activity violated constitutional rights to privacy and free speech and

the separation of powers.

U.S. Circuit Judge Julia Smith Gibbons, one of the two Republican appointees who ruled against the plaintiffs, said they failed to show they were subject to the surveillance.

The dissenting judge, Democratic appointee Ronald Lee Gilman, believed the plaintiffs were within their rights to sue and that it was clear to him the program violated the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978.

Although the Bush administration

said in January the program is now overseen by a special federal intelligence court, opponents said that without a court order, the president could resume the spying outside judicial authority at any time. The Justice Department has said the case is moot.

The American Civil Liberties Union led the lawsuit on behalf of other groups including lawyers, journalists and scholars it says have been handicapped in doing their jobs by the government monitoring.

Casino gunman wounds 3

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A man on a walkway over the New York-New York casino floor opened fire on the gamblers below early today, wounding three people before he was tackled by a group of off-duty police officers and military personnel, police said.

Police revised their initial report that four people were wounded in the 12:45 a.m. shooting, and they credited bystanders with subduing the gunman before police arrived.

"These are the real heroes. They saw him shooting and tackled him and held him," police Lt. Randy Sutton said. He said the bystanders included three off-duty out-of-town police officers and two military personnel. He did not know their names.

"Amazingly, few people were hurt," Sutton said.

The gunman is believed to be in his early 50s and a Las Vegas resident who was not a hotel employee or guest, said Officer Ramon Denby. He said the man entered the casino from the walkway connecting the New York-New York to the MGM Grand and randomly fired several times at people on the casino floor below.

"It seems like some local guy who snapped and went to the hotel to do it," Denby said.

The casino remained opened, and Denby said investigators were interviewing witnesses.

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Fire

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, July 5

12:27 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1300 block of West Kentucky on a call for medical assistance.

11 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to a controlled burn at Gray 9 and Browning.

Friday, July 6

12:48 a.m. — Two units and six personnel responded to the 400 block of North West on a smoke odor investigation.

Hope

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"I have made some bad decisions and choices in my life and lost my other three children," Gray said. "I was in Amarillo basically living on the streets when Jesus led me to Hope House where I am changing and becoming a better person. I hope to get custody of my other kids soon after I learn the parenting skills necessary and just start living a better life spiritually."

Hope House was started

by a trust fund and is funded mostly by monthly donations from area churches. The community also helps by sending donations. The Pregnancy Support Center and Hope House also have two fundraisers each year, the Walk for Life and a banquet.

"We are a non-profit organization so we really depend on the community and churches for support," Galloway said.

For more information, contact Galloway at the Pregnancy Support Center/Hope House, 110 E. Francis, 669-2229 or send donations to P.O. Box 2097, Pampa, Texas 79066.

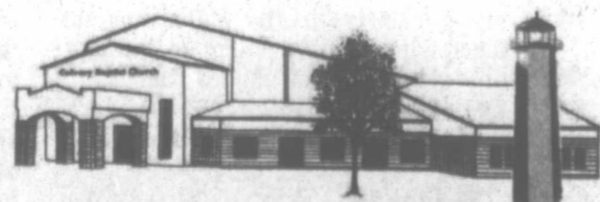
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Schools

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for all schools on the TAKS test. They should define the areas that are preventing this from happening.

"We need to decide which goals work toward our beliefs," Board President Charles Smith said. "And we need to be specific on how those goals can be achieved."

Board members will each come up with specific goals and bring them back to the next board meeting.

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Investigators with the Office of the Attorney General have discovered that many credit insurance companies are not complying with the Texas Insurance Code, which requires these

insurers to refund these unearned premiums. As a result, we have charged eight credit insurance companies with failing to refund certain premiums.

In May, Enterprise Life Insurance Company agreed to reimburse nearly \$5 million to affected consumers. Enterprise, the first of the eight companies to settle with the State, sold credit insurance to consumers through Texas auto dealerships. Their policies, which provided coverage for the duration of vehicle loans, were sold as single-premium policies. Purchasers paid a single lump sum; that is, the entire cost of the credit insurance policy was bundled into the buyer's total loan. Some affected vehicle loans lasted up to six years. Consumers who cancelled

their policies or paid off their loans ahead of schedule were promised refunds for their unearned insurance premiums. Investigators found, however, that Enterprise and others our office has investigated retained the unearned premiums.

Under the State's agreement with Enterprise, more than 21,000 Texas vehicle owners may be entitled to refunds on unearned premiums. Consumers who have not received a check but believe they are owed a refund should contact the Office of Attorney General toll-free at (800) 252-8011

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Greg Abbott
Texas AG

When buying a car, consumers should review contracts and invoices carefully to make sure they are not buying an unwanted credit insurance policy. Some policies add as much as \$500 to \$1000 to the price of a vehicle.

Consumers should also check the "truth in lending" statement on their loan agreement to see whether insurance is required. Buyers always should be cautious of high-pressure sales pitches for unnecessary goods or services, including add-ons like cred-

it insurance.

Consumers who decide to buy credit insurance policies should be aware that the premium is added to the vehicle loan so they will have to pay interest on it. Consumers are entitled to a refund of the unearned premium if the loan balance is paid off before the end of the finance period or if they cancel the policy within 15 days of purchase.

Consumers can inquire about a credit insurer or file a complaint by calling the Texas Department of Insurance at (800) 252-3439.

POINTS TO REMEMBER: Credit Insurance Policies

- Review contracts carefully to avoid purchasing an unwanted insurance

- Check the "Truth in Lending" statement in loan agreements to determine whether an insurance policy is required.

- Remember that Texas law entitles credit insurance purchasers to unearned premium refunds if the purchaser cancels the policy or pays off the loan early.

To ask about a particular credit insurer or file a complaint, contact: Texas Department of Insurance at 1-800-252-3439.

For more information on this and other consumer topics, visit the Office of the Attorney General online at www.oag.state.tx.us.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, July 6, the 187th day of 2007. There are 178 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Fifty years ago, on July 6, 1957, Althea Gibson became the first black tennis player to win a Wimbledon singles title, defeating fellow American Darlene Hard 6-3, 6-2.

On this date:

In 1535, Sir Thomas More was executed in England for treason.

In 1777, during the American Revolution, British forces captured Fort Mifflin.

In 1907, 100 years ago, artist Frida Kahlo was born in Coyoacan, Mexico.

'Freedom is always and exclusively freedom for the one who thinks differently.'

— Rosa Luxemburg
Polish-German revolutionary (1871-1919)

In 1923, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics came into existence as its constitution took effect.

In 1944, 168 people died in a fire that broke out in the main tent of the Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus in Hartford, Conn.

In 1945, President Truman signed an executive order establishing the Medal of Freedom.

In 1967, war erupted as Nigeria sent troops into the secessionist state of Biafra. (The Biafran War, which lasted 2 1/2 years and resulted in a Nigerian victory, claimed hundreds of thousands of lives.)

In 1989, the U.S. Army destroyed its last Pershing I-A missiles at an ammunition plant in Karnack, Texas, under terms of the 1987 Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty.

In 1996, a Delta MD88 jetliner's left engine blew apart during an aborted takeoff from Pensacola, Fla., sending metal pieces ripping into the cabin, killing a mother and her son.

Ten years ago: The rover Sojourner rolled down a ramp from the Mars Pathfinder lander onto the Martian landscape to begin inspecting the soil and rocks of the Red Planet. Cuauhtemoc Cardenas captured Mexico City's mayoral race while Mexico's ruling party suffered devastating losses in congressional elections. Pete Sampras won his fourth Wimbledon title as he defeated Cedric Pioline of France 6-4, 6-2, 6-4.

Five years ago: Gunmen assassinated Afghan Vice President Abdul Qadir, who was considered key to U.S.-backed efforts to stabilize the war-fractured nation.

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Op-Eds from around the nation

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas and the nation:

■ **June 23**

San Antonio Express-News on Farmers Branch's illegal immigration ordinances:

When Farmers Branch approved an ordinance barring apartment rentals to most undocumented immigrants, voters turned landlords into de facto immigration officers.

If a broken immigration system cannot stem the tide of undocumented workers, landlords should not be expected to shoulder a burden that rests with the federal government.

A federal judge agreed recently, issuing a preliminary injunction after determining that the city would violate the Constitution by attempting to enforce the ban.

"All in all, the court concludes that only the federal government may determine whether an individual is legally in the United States," U.S. District Judge Sam Lindsay wrote, according to the Dallas Morning News.

The judge said the injunction would remain in place until the case was either settled out of court or through a trial, although no trial date has been set.

When the ordinance went to voters last spring, critics saw it as divisive. It appears to be foolish as well. The city

may waste a lot of taxpayer money trying to do the federal government's job.

■ **July 2**

The (Cleveland) Plain Dealer, on poison ivy and global warming:

Got an itch to do something about global warming? You may soon.

Recent studies suggest that rising carbon dioxide levels in the atmosphere are promoting leafier, more prolific, faster-growing — and itchier — poison ivy than ever before. And that could be killing off more trees in the forest, and causing more itches for more of us, than ever before. ...

Last year, a six-year experiment at Duke University that involved piping CO2 levels predicted for the middle of this century into a forest test bed yielded 149 percent faster-growing poison ivy. The leafy toxin grew four times faster than trees exposed to the higher carbon dioxide level — so fast that scientists think the woody vine could alter the composition of forests around the globe by choking off trees. Worst of all, this poison ivy of the future was suffused with far more potent urushiol, the oily substance that makes four out of five of us itch.

Now, there's a rash of bad news.

■ **June 29**

(Warren, Ohio) Tribune-Chronicle, on civil rights-era cold cases:

Among the most disturbing chapters in American history is that involving racist violence, primarily in southern states. But that chapter is not closed — because some of the perpetrators of that violence never were punished.

Two weeks ago the House of Representatives approved a bill that would establish a new task force of federal prosecutors and investigators to look into unsolved murders from the civil rights era. In addition, the bill includes \$2 million a year in grants for local law enforcement agencies to do the same work.

From time to time, law enforcement officials do crack old murder cases involving racists and their organizations. There is little doubt, however, that more resources devoted to the work would help the justice system catch up to even more of those responsible for such killings.

At least 300 cases will be reviewed under the new program, according to the government. That may mean justice for scores of people who were slaughtered simply because of the color of their skin — or because they enlisted in the fight against racism.

Members of the Senate should approve their version of the House bill as soon as possible. For too many, justice has been delayed. It should not be disregarded.

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Great Bible Reef



COURTESY PHOTOS

The music ministries of Calvary Baptist Church and Cornerstone Baptist Church recently presented the patriotic program "Sweet Freedom's Song." The program featured both adult choirs and several costumed characters including Abe Lincoln (played by Richard Bartel), top, and Uncle Sam (played by Bill Roy), bottom.



COURTESY PHOTO

Dan Long cranks up his bass guitar while practicing the music for this year's "Great Bible Reef" Vacation Bible School recently. The event is scheduled from 6-9 p.m. Aug. 6-10 at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. The Bible school is a cooperative effort of St. Matthew's, First Presbyterian Church, First Christian Church and Hi-Land Christian Church.

Church brief

Vacation Bible school at Cornerstone Baptist Church this year is set to begin at 6 p.m. Sunday at Watertower Park in the Northcrest Addition. The kick-off will include bounce houses, hot dogs, sno cones and more. "Game Day Central" vacation Bible school will continue from 6-9 p.m. July 9-13

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MINISTER'S MUSINGS

The greatest book ever written ...

How can human emotions so blind a person that the "overwhelming facts" of a matter just disappear? You and I may not be able to explain it, but we know that it happens all of the time. Here are a couple of examples — one minor and one major.

Minor Example: I recently listened to a group of sports reporters and experts debate who the greatest athlete of all time was. One athlete mentioned at the top by a few and near the top by most was Lance Armstrong. Now, I love Armstrong and admire his accomplishments (especially in light of his cancer), but he isn't even listed in the top 10 of the greatest cyclists who ever lived. (Actually he is No. 15.) Now a person might be able to say that he is the greatest Tour de France cyclist who ever lived, but professional cycling has four "majors" each year, not counting the Olympics — Tour de France, Giro d'Italia, Vuelta a España and the World Championship.

Armstrong did win the Tour de France seven times and the World Championship once back in

1993, but neither of the other two "majors" and never the gold medal in the Olympics.

So what if Tiger won the Masters 10 years in a row, but never another tournament? Would that make him the greatest golfer of all time? No! Maybe the greatest Masters golfer of all time, but that would be it. And if that didn't even make him the greatest golfer of all time, could it possibly make him the greatest athlete of all time? Of course not!

The same is true with Armstrong. But you should have heard the "experts" passionately defend that Lance Armstrong was the greatest athlete of all time, completely blind to the "overwhelming facts" of the matter.

Major Example: How about we consider the question, What is the greatest book ever written? Now you would think that all we would need to do is simply look at the New York Best Sellers List and that that

would settle it. However, such is NOT the case.

The Bible has been the top selling book every year that records have been kept. Therefore, it isn't even listed on the NYBSL anymore. Now how is that for prejudice? In the top selling 100 books of all time, the Bible has sold more copies than the other 99 combined. It has sold 30 times more copies than the Koran of the Muslims. So who could possibly question the Bible as the greatest book of all time? Only and idiot!

How about the Bible compared to other ancient books? It amazes me to hear supposed intellectual experts attack the authenticity and legitimacy of the Bible. They would never think of attacking the writings of Julius Caesar, Plato or Aristotle. But do you know how many manuscripts and fragments we have to support the authenticity of the writings of Julius Caesar? Ten. Plato? Seven. Aristotle? A whop-

ping 37.

Now how about the Bible? The New Testament by itself has over 25,000 fragments and manuscripts to support its authenticity. So how hard is that comparison to see? Only and IDIOT would throw rocks at 25,000 and accept without question 10 and seven and 37. That is absolute intellectual dishonesty. The Bible is "hands down" the greatest book ever written.

Now that that matter has been settled, how much time do you spend with your Bible? Surely you wouldn't devote a significant amount of your time to some book that wouldn't even make it to the top 10,000 list of most important books, when you have the No. 1, most important book of all time sitting unread right there in your home? That should be enough said.

Point: GET BUSY READING YOUR BIBLE. Don't try to convince anyone of how much you love God, when you don't spend much time with the one and only book that He ever wrote. That would be intellectual dishonesty, better known as a lie! God bless.

Mike Sublett
Hi-Land Christian



"The Washington Post March"

In 1889, the owners of *The Washington Post* newspaper requested the current leader of the United States Marine Corps Band to compose a march for the newspaper's essay contest awards ceremony. John Philip Sousa obliged, and the march was first performed on June 15, 1889 at the ceremony, and it was an instant hit. This march undoubtedly brought the once-average newspaper instant fame and attention. It led a British journalist to dub Sousa as the "March King." The correct name of the piece is, in fact, "The Washington Post." Sousa and his publishers obviously thought that "March" was simply a description.

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Sports Day

Small-Fry Fishing Tournament Association to hold meeting this weekend

FRITCH— A working session of the Small-Fry Fishing Tournament Association will be held this Sunday, July 8 at 3:00 pm at Lake Meredith NRA headquarters, 419 E. Broadway, Fritch. Committees are being formed to help with various aspects of the tournament, which will be held Saturday, September 22, 2007 at the Stilling Basin in Spring Canyon.

Volunteers are needed to help stuff gift bags for participants, and for day-of-tournament activities such as registration, cooking, and assisting youngsters who have never fished. All interested parties are invited to attend Sunday's meeting.

The Small-Fry Fishing Tournament is an annual event which promotes the sport of fishing while encouraging good clean family fun. There is no entrance fee, and youth of all income levels are invited to participate.

Age groups will be from 6 years through 14 years, with prizes awarded in three age categories. Several hundred youth are expected to participate.

For more information, contact Win Bishop at 806-857-2541.



Pictured here are the judges and award winners in the 4th Annual Skate Fest: (L-R) Mikey Waldrip, Chris Grey, Gavin Ward, Zack Ward, Colton Collins, Skyler Mundell, Dakota Turlington, Dylan Ellis and Alex Ramero.

Local boarders compete in 4th Annual Skate Fest

Local skateboarders met for the 4th Annual Skate Fest competition held at Central Park on June 21.

Participants were split into three age groups: grade school or 10 and under, junior high or 11-14, and open-high school and up or 15 and up.

Judged by Chris Grey and Skyler Mundell, 1st and 2nd place awards were given out for each age group.

At the grade school level, Colton Collins won 1st place, followed by Gavin Ward in 2nd place.

Ward also won the ugly skateboard contest.

Alex Romero was recognized as the 1st place winner at the junior high level, and Dakota Turlington won 2nd place.

Zach Ward won 1st place at the open level, and Mikey Waldrip won 2nd place.

John Roth and Bronnie Vaughn provided hot dogs for the event, which was co-sponsored by Hall's Auto Sound, Easy's Pop Shop, Holmes Gift Shop and the City of Pampa.

Nadal wins again, reaches semifinals at Wimbledon

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Rafael Nadal was back to his best Friday, playing at Wimbledon for the fifth consecutive day and reaching the semifinals by beating Tomas Berdych 7-6 (1), 6-4, 6-2.

Nadal, last year's runner-up, was broken once early in the first set, but never faced any serious challenges after that. He broke the Czech in the opening games of the second and third sets.

Nadal had his first match point on Berdych's serve at 5-1 in the third set, but the Czech erased it with an ace. Nadal wasted another in the next game, but won when Berdych sent a forehand into the net.

"I had to concentrate with the movement because the ball was very difficult to touch," Nadal said. "Today was very tough with the wind, but anyway I played very good."

The second-seeded Spaniard was stretched to five sets in the previous two rounds, with the former being played over a span of three days at the All England Club. If he wins Saturday's semifinal against Novak Djokovic or Marcos Baghdatis, then Sunday's final would mark Nadal's seventh consecutive day on court.

"Two very, very tough games, tough matches against (Robin) Soderling and (Mikhail) Youzhny," Nadal said. "The most important thing is the victory."

Later Friday, four-time defending champion Roger Federer resumed his quarterfinal match against No. 20 Juan Carlos Ferrero. The two played for 37 minutes Thursday before rain suspended play at deuce at 5-5 in the first set.

No. 3 Andy Roddick was

also scheduled to play No. 12 Richard Gasquet, and No. 4 Djokovic was facing No. 10 Baghdatis.

In the women's semifinals, No. 1 Justine Henin was scheduled to take on No. 18 Marion Bartoli, and No. 6 Ana Ivanovic was to play No. 23 Venus Williams. Nadal, who lost to Federer in last year's final, is trying to become the first man to win the French Open and Wimbledon in the same year since Bjorn Borg in 1980. The Spaniard has won the last three titles at Roland Garros.

Berdych was playing in the quarterfinals at a Grand Slam for the first time. He won the grass-court warm-up tournament in Halle, Germany, in the absence of Federer, but struggled Friday with several bad hops. In the final game, a serve from Nadal took another awkward bounce

that went toward his body. "He's not making a lot of mistakes," Berdych said of Nadal. "He's trying to play similar game like on the clay."

Rain on nine of the first 10 days of the tournament created a huge backlog in the schedule, forcing many of the remaining men and women to play on consecutive days.

Federer avoided the worst of the rain early this week, wrapping up his third-round match on Friday and skipping the fourth round because Tommy Haas withdrew with an injury.

Williams again played outstanding tennis Thursday to reach the women's semifinals, beating No. 5 Svetlana Kuznetsova 6-3, 6-4. Williams, a three-time champion at the All England Club, has been dominating on her serve in the last two rounds.

Escobar picks up 10th win in Angels' revenge over Rangers

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Kelvim Escobar took another All-Star snub in stride.

The Los Angeles Angels right-hander won his 10th game, striking out eight while allowing one run and three hits over seven innings in a 5-2 victory over the Texas Rangers on Thursday night.

The win came only hours after Escobar found out he missed another chance to make the American League team for next week's All-Star game.

After helping the Angels avoid a three-game sweep, Escobar (10-3) insisted that he wasn't trying to prove anything after being denied his first All-Star appearance.

"No, I never worry about things out of my hands," Escobar said. "I went out there and pitched good because we needed this game."

The AL West-leading Angels had lost six of eight games.

Michael Young had an RBI single in the first to tie the game at 1, but the

Rangers had only one more hit and got only one more runner past first base against Escobar, who is 4-0 in six starts since the start of June.

"Outside of a couple of pitches, he pitched a terrific ball game and shut down a lineup that has been scoring a lot of runs," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "He's an All-Star no doubt about it."

But Escobar was left off the initial AL roster released Sunday. He had another chance to make the team, but Red Sox reliever Hideki Okajima beat out Escobar and three others in Internet voting that ended Thursday to determine the final player.

Escobar plans to spend the All-Star break in Cancun with his family, and said that he won't go to San Francisco now if asked to be a last-minute replacement for some reason.

"I have plans. They call me to go, I'm not going, they will have to find somebody else," he said. "No offense. I made a good case, but I'm not disap-


pointed."

The Angels have three players going to the All-Star game: right fielder Vladimir Guerrero, who will make his fifth start, closer Francisco Rodriguez and right-hander John Lackey (11-5).

Maicer Izturis had a two-run triple and scored after a double for the Angels. Guerrero extended his season-best hitting streak to nine games with an RBI single in the first.

The Rangers are in last place, 16 games behind Los Angeles, but are 5-0-1 their last six series. They took two of three from Los Angeles after splitting a four-game set last weekend at Boston, which has the best record in the majors.

"If we can just keep winning series, hopefully we'll get to the point where we can run off four or five (wins) in a row," Rangers rookie manager Ron Washington said. "We're very happy with that we've done, but now we've got another series to get ready for."



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Reds' Arroyo shuts down Bonds

By The Associated Press

Bronson Arroyo kept Barry Bonds four home runs shy of Hank Aaron's record, and Arroyo moved within 752 himself.

The Cincinnati Reds right-hander allowed three runs and seven hits — none a home run by Bonds — in 6 2-3 innings and went deep for the third time in his career in a 6-3 victory over the San Francisco Giants on Thursday night.

"I'll be surprised with every home run I hit, if I hit anymore," Arroyo said.

Bonds stayed at 751 homers. He went 1-for-3 with a single against Arroyo (3-9).

"It was fun," Arroyo said. "I don't think I want to see him up there five or six times a game, but under the circumstances — having a lead, really not being in a super pressure situation — it was fun."

The crowd of 30,080 gave rookie reliever Jon Coutlangus a standing ovation after he got Bonds on a called third strike to end the eighth inning.

"Actually, I wasn't thinking anything," Coutlangus said. "I appreciated the cheers. I was trying not to smile and show too much emotion."

In other NL games on Thursday, it was: Pittsburgh 6, Milwaukee 3; Florida 3,

San Diego 2; Chicago 4, Washington 2; St. Louis 3, Arizona 2; New York 6, Houston 2; and Atlanta 8, Los Angeles 6.

Arroyo hit his third homer off Matt Morris (7-5) in the second inning, a solo shot with two outs that helped him end the longest pitching slump of his career. The right-hander hadn't won since May 6, going 0-7 in his last 10 tries.

"You take your chances there," said Morris, who gave up six runs in six innings. "You don't want to be too careful. He's not the best hitter on that team, but he was able to catch one that was right there for him."

Arroyo has now homered

off two pitchers, connecting twice last season off Glendon Rusch of the Cubs. Bonds holds the major league record, having homered off 442 pitchers.

Ken Griffey Jr. doubled home two runs, and Josh Hamilton also homered for the Reds, who took two of three for their first winning series in nearly a month.

"We have to build some momentum and get that winning feeling," said interim manager Pete Mackanin, who took over before the series. "There's a lot of talent on this team. What I need to introduce to this team is a new personality — something to get us going."

Mets redeem Rockies' sweep with victory over Astros

HOUSTON (AP) — The New York Mets needed one inning to purge the memories of their nightmare series in Colorado.

John Maine set a career high with nine strikeouts in 7 2-3 innings and Ramon Castro hit a two-run double filling in for suspended Paul Lo Duca, as the Mets beat the Houston Astros 6-2 on Thursday night.

The Mets started the week by getting outscored 34-12 in a three-game sweep by the Rockies in Denver. They were a different team in the opener of this series, with Maine dominating and the Mets pounding Houston starter Jason Jennings with extra-base hits in each of the first three innings.

Jose Reyes tripled on Jennings' second pitch of the game and scored on Ricky Ledee's infield single that bounced off first base. Ledee later scored on Carlos Delgado's two-out single to make it 2-0.

Maine then struck out the side in the bottom of the

first, a sign of the night ahead for both teams.

"We really needed it," said Delgado, who went 4-for-4. "We needed a guy to stop the bleeding. He came out today and really set the tone. He was aggressive throwing strikes."

Maine (10-4) won his fourth straight start, allowing six hits with two walks. Carlos Lee had an RBI double off Maine in the eighth, the only inning he looked vulnerable.

"He was pumping the ball good all night," Mets manager Willie Randolph said. "The ball was coming out of his hand really sharp and strong. You can tell early in the game, when most guys have their stuff, and he did."

Houston had averaged six runs and 11 hits in its previous 21 games. Maine tried to use the Astros' aggressive approaches at the plate against them.

"The first time through the lineup, I just wanted to show them I was throwing strikes," Maine said, "and

then get them to chase some things after that."

Maine had struck out eight in two games this season. His slider was the key to reaching a new career high.

"I'm getting more comfortable with my slider on both sides of the plate," Maine said. "When you throw enough of them, and throw strikes with them, you can kind of second-guess them."

Ledee had another RBI single in the sixth as the Mets improved to 20-9 in series openers. Former Astro Carlos Beltran struck out three times, then hit a solo homer in the ninth off Astros reliever Dave Borkowski. It was his 15th of the season.

Billy Wagner, another former Astro, shut out Houston in the ninth. He struck out Craig Biggio to end the game.

"It's not fun pitching against those guys," Wagner said. "You have a relationship with those guys. You went to battle and competed and achieved a lot of things

here. It's tough."

The Mets, meanwhile, had an easy time handling Jennings (1-4), who dropped his third straight decision.

Delgado doubled off the center-field wall in the third, a 400-plus foot drive. Jose Valentin walked and one out later, Castro doubled off the left-field scoreboard to put the Mets up 4-0. Castro was playing for Lo Duca, who began serving a two-game suspension for a June 23 tirade against an umpire.

"I'm here to pick him up," Castro said, "and I'm going to try to do my best."

Castro led off the sixth with a single to left, advanced on Maine's bunt and scored on Ledee's two-out single to right to put New York up 5-0.

"He didn't make good pitches," Houston manager Phil Garner said of Jennings. "He just didn't make the pitches he wanted to make."

Biggio and Hunter Pence opened the sixth with singles.

Bush attends Cubs-Nationals game in early birthday outing

WASHINGTON (AP) — First fan George W. Bush turned out Thursday night to catch the last-place Washington Nationals play the Chicago Cubs.

It was an early birthday outing for Bush, who turns 61 on Friday. He arrived at RFK Stadium in the bottom of the first inning and left after the seventh-inning stretch with the Cubs leading

4-2. As it happened, that was the final score.

Most fans probably did not know Bush was present. There was no advance word of his visit and no announcement over the stadium's public-address system.

At the top of the ninth, when the scoreboard lit up with "Hail to the Chief," it wasn't a reference to Bush but to Nationals relief pitcher

Chad Cordero, whose nickname is "Chief." He had just come into the game.

The president sat in a team box above the field on the third base side, where he was joined by Mark Lerner, whose family owns the Nats, along with Stan Kasten, the team president, and Jim Bowden, the vice president and general manager.

Bush's blue dress shirt

was unbuttoned at the collar, and he was seen smiling as he sat between the two executives.

Bush, a former part-owner of the Texas Rangers, has attended three other Nationals games at RFK since major league baseball returned to Washington in 2005.

He threw out the ceremonial first pitch amid much

fanfare at the 2005 home opener, the stadium's first game since 1971, and attended a game later that season.

Vice President Dick Cheney threw out the first pitch at the 2006 home opener and was greeted with what seemed to be more boos than cheers as he walked on the field.

Bush's last game at the park was July 8, 2006, when

the Nationals played San Diego.

Washington entered the game against the Cubs with a 34-50 record heading into the last weekend before the All-Star game. The Nationals are now 13 1/2 games behind the East Division leading New York Mets, who beat the Houston Astros 6-2 Thursday night.

Olympic vote proves to be a boost for Russia, Putin

SOCHI, Russia (AP) — A single road snakes past shabby houses and dismal small farms, marking the way from Sochi's seashore into the mountains. Soon, this same route will be transformed, with a gleaming high-tech train line and smooth, swift new roads to carry travelers to the 2014 Winter Olympics.

Seven years is a short timetable for such an ambitious project, but the International Olympic Committee believes Russia can do it, as well as build the gleaming ice arenas, giant sporting venues and everything else needed for the games.

Vladimir Putin, too, is confident. After all, the Russian president's determined pitch for Sochi included a pledge: "No traffic jams, I promise."

For many Russians, the IOC vote awarding Sochi the games was proof of the country's resurgence. It also was a major victory for Putin, who threw his full weight behind the campaign, at a time of growing criticism of his government's democracy and human-rights record.

Putin, who frequently skis in Sochi, said being awarded the Olympics was a recognition of Russia's sports tradition and its growing economic and cultural clout in the world.

"This is support from one of the most authoritative and independent international organizations — the International Olympic Committee," he said in televised comments upon returning from Guatemala City, where the decision was announced.

Footage broadcast over and over showed exuberant Russian officials and athletes dancing and singing and celebrating in Guatemala and Sochi. Moscow hosted the 1980 Olympics, but Russia has never held the Winter Games.

But everyone is convinced that the Sochi games will be an unquestionable boon.

The project still must address protests by environmental watchdogs and local residents who say it will destroy the region's fragile ecosystem. And building the Olympic facilities essentially from scratch under the tight deadline won't be easy.

Dynamo maintain flawless defense in win over Red Bulls

HOUSTON (AP) — Joseph Ngwenya scored twice to lead the Houston Dynamo to a 4-0 victory over the New York Red Bulls on Thursday night.

Houston (8-5-2) is unbeaten in seven games since a 2-1 loss at D.C. United on May 26. The Dynamo haven't allowed a goal in four straight games, including a scoreless tie at Dallas last week.

New York (6-5-3) lost for the third time in four games. The Red Bulls have a tie in that stretch and haven't won since a 2-1 victory at Toronto

on June 6.

Houston improved to 1-1-2 against New York this season.

Ngwenya scored his first goal on a header in the 28th minute to give Houston a 1-0 lead.

The play began after New York's Kevin Goldthwaite was given a yellow card for tripping. Ngwenya took the free kick from Stuart Holden and punched it in the left corner of the goal.

Brian Ching scored in the 31st minute to make it 2-0. Ching had a header seconds earlier that rebounded off the

left post. The Red Bulls tried to clear it from the front of the goal but the ball came right back to Ching, who kicked it in from 20 yards.

Ngwenya netted his second goal early in the second half off a corner kick by Holden. From close in, Ngwenya sent the ball to the right corner, and New York goalie Ronald Waterreus let it slip through his hands as he fell back into the goal in the 50th minute.

In the 79th minute, Holden took a pass from Nate Jaqua and kicked a shot in from 22 yards out for a 4-

0 lead.

The Dynamo's four best players, Ching, Dayne De Rosario, Pat Onstad and Ricardo Clark, all returned after missing a month while playing for their national teams in the Gold Cup.

Midfielder Brad Davis, who scored three goals in the last home game against Chivas, was injured in practice this week and underwent surgery to repair the meniscus in his right knee on Thursday. He is expected to be out six-to-eight weeks.

Woods struggles in first round of own tournament

BETHESDA, Md. (AP) — Tiger Woods stood at the third tee, soaking wet from a sudden downpour and frustrated by bogeys on the first two holes of his own tournament.

It didn't get any better after that.

After a brief rain delay, Woods continued to be a much more gracious host than he had planned. By the time his round was over, he had missed a 2-foot tap-in, hit a man in the face with a drive and tossed his putter in

frustration at his bag several times.

His Thursday scorecard at the inaugural AT&T National included seven bogeys in a 3-over round of 73, tied for 77th place and seven shots behind five co-leaders: Vijay Singh, Jim Furyk, K.J. Choi, Joe Ogilvie and Stuart Appleby.

Woods putted 34 times, including three three-putts, and he missed every attempt longer than 8 feet.

"It's one of the worst putting rounds I have had in

years," Woods said. "I'm going to have to figure out something for (Friday) because evidently what I'm doing is not even close to being right. I've got to fix it. I've got to get back in this tournament."

Woods hadn't played since finishing second at the U.S. Open three weeks ago, and he said he still had the fast greens of Oakmont on his mind on a damp, humid day at Congressional Country Club. He kept leaving his putts short, some-

times well short, frustrating both himself and a large gallery that kept showing its appreciation by shouting out remarks such as: "Hey, Tiger, thanks for bringing golf to D.C."

Since the U.S. Open, Woods has become a father and had to deal with the last-minute logistics of joining Arnold Palmer and Jack Nicklaus as the only golfers to host a PGA Tour event. Even so, he said he wasn't any more nervous than usual at hole No. 1.

Supersonics hire Carlesimo as coach

SEATTLE (AP) — During his first couple of years away from the bench, P.J. Carlesimo questioned if he'd get the opportunity to be a head coach again.

With the inquiries he received the last few years, Carlesimo knew it would just be a case of finding what he believed was the right situation. When the Seattle SuperSonics made their offer earlier this week — with the chance to coach Kevin Durant looming — Carlesimo didn't hesitate.

"It changed so dramatically in years three, four and five that it seemed to me that it was probably going to happen again," Carlesimo said. "I wasn't obsessed with it that I had to be a head coach again. I was perfectly happy in San Antonio ... it was enjoyable, but I thought it might happen at some point."

Carlesimo was hired Thursday as the SuperSonics' new coach, after spending the last five seasons as an assistant with San Antonio. It's his first head coaching job since the 1999 season, when he was fired by Golden State after the Warriors started 6-21.

Carlesimo replaces Bob Hill, who was fired on April 24 after Seattle went 31-51 in his only full season as coach.

"One of the reasons P.J. is the guy is his ability to teach. And I think we have a number of players on this team who want to get better, and want to be coached and have come from programs where they have been coached," general manager Sam Presti said. "Ultimately, at the

end of the day, it's about improving your ball club."

Carlesimo takes over a team still in the midst of a roster overhaul, being orchestrated by the 30-year-old Presti. In the past week, the Sonics traded seven-time All-Star Ray Allen to Boston on draft night, and free agent Rashard Lewis agreed to sign with the Orlando Magic, erasing Seattle's top two scorers from its lineup.

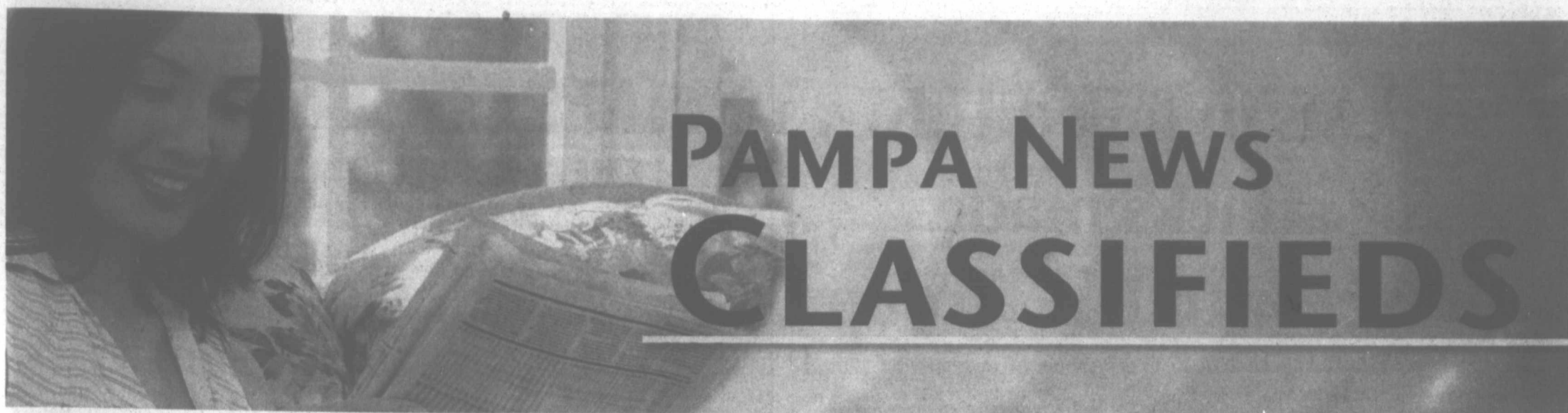
Carlesimo's directive will be overseeing the growth and development of Durant and Jeff Green, two of the first five picks from last week's draft, while also developing a current roster that has no player older than 30. Seattle selected Durant with the No. 2 pick, then got the rights to Green, the No. 5 selection, in the trade of Allen.

Carlesimo is also charged with instilling defensive principles on a team that has barely played any since Nate McMillan left for Portland after the 2004-05 season.

Presti settled on Carlesimo as his top choice for the position, determining that Seattle needed a teacher who fell in line with the rest of the organization's principles.

"To me, as a coach, one of the highest compliments you can pay a coach is to say he is a good teacher," Carlesimo said.

Seattle becomes the third stop in Carlesimo's NBA coaching tenure, the previous two marked by tensions between players and the coach, and of course, one infamous run-in with Latrell Sprewell almost 10 years ago.



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WORLD

Suspects in failed U.K. terror attacks made contact with U.S. group

LONDON (AP) — The FBI confirmed today that two suspects in the failed car bombings in Britain had contacted a clearinghouse for foreign doctors about working in the United States, and British officials probed links between the attacks and al-Qaida in Iraq.

FBI spokeswoman Nancy O'Dowd said Mohammed Asha and another suspect had contacted the Philadelphia-based Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates, as first reported in The Philadelphia Inquirer. She said Asha, a Jordanian of Palestinian heritage, contacted the agency within the last year, but apparently did not take the test for foreign medical school graduates.

he or his wife were connected with terrorism. As police

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continue to question the eight suspects — six Middle Easterners and two Indian nationals — Britain's intelligence agencies are focusing on their international links, one British intelligence official and another government official said speaking on condition of anonymity because they are not authorized to speak to the press.

"We've known for quite some time of al-Qaida's growth in Iraq," the government official told The Associated Press. "Iraq is an obvious place to look for connections, but it's not the only country link we're investigating."

"He was applying, (but) we don't believe he took the test," she said.

O'Dowd could not immediately confirm the name of the second suspect.

The FBI this week visited the ECFMG's office in West Philadelphia, O'Dowd said.

"From what I know, we are getting to the bottom of this cell that has been responsible for what is happening," Prime Minister Gordon Brown said in an interview with British Broadcasting Corp. television.

Asha was arrested on the M6 highway Saturday night along with his wife. In Jordan, security officials said Asha had no criminal record, and friends and family said they found it hard to believe either

MIS, Britain's domestic intelligence agency, said on its Web site that some Britons had joined the Iraqi insurgency.

"In the longer term, it is possible that they may later return to the UK and consider mounting attacks here," the Web site said. "British and foreign nationals linked to or sympathetic with al-Qaida are known to be present within the UK. They are supporting the activities of terrorist groups in a range of ways."

Metropolitan police, who are leading the investigation into the failed bombing attacks in London and Glasgow, Scotland, refused on Friday to confirm or deny the role the MI5 and MI6 are playing in the probe.

Events calendar

• Texas Panhandle Mental Health Mental Retardation

will offer "Life Choices" from 1:30-3 p.m. July 9-13 for ninth and 10th graders; "The Hot Head Cool Down" from 2-4 p.m. July 16-20 for youth 11-14 years of age; and "Dating Smart" from 2-4 p.m. Aug. 1, 3, 8 and 10 for girls 15-16 years of age. Cost of each class is free. "The Hot Head Cool Down" and "Dating Smart" will be presented at the agency's Children's and STAR facility, 1500 S. Taylor, in Amarillo. "Life Choices" will be conducted at DSC Library in Hereford. For more information or to register for the classes, call (806) 359-2005 in Amarillo or (806) 363-7695 in Hereford.

• The summer exit level TAKS for 2006-07 upperclassmen will be administered at 9 a.m. at Clarendon College-Pampa Center on the following dates: July 10 (English language arts); July 11 (math); July 12 (science); July 13 (social studies). Passing all four parts of the test is a requirement for high school graduation.

• A Christ-centered support group for cancer survivors and caregivers will meet at 7 p.m. July 12 in the parlor of First United Methodist Church. The group will be hosted by Kevin Taylor and Gloria Willson. For more information, call

669-3544.

• First Assembly of God, 500 S. Cuyler, will stage "Breaking Free MEGA Sports Camp" from 6-9 p.m. July 16-20 for children in first through fifth grades. Participants can choose between soccer, basketball and cheerleading. The camp will be conducted at the church. To register or for more information, call 665-5941.

• 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 chickenpox (varicella). 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: 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-3 p.m., July 18, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa.

• The Red Hat Dollies Society of Pampa will meet at 11 a.m. July 19 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center. New members are welcome. For more information, call 669-9916, 669-9297 or 669-3580.

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with crafts, recreation, worship rallies, Bible studies and snacks. To learn more, call the church office at 669-6509.

SPEARMAN — Rushing Wind Emmaus will meet on Saturday, July 14, at First Christian Church in Spearman. A potluck meal will be served at 6 p.m. followed by a praise and worship service. Families and friends are invited to attend. A nursery will be provided.

Rushing Wind will be sponsoring a men's Walk to Emmaus July 26-29 at Waka Christian Center. Randy Kirk of Spearman will be lay director and spiritual director will be Bary Sanders of Booker. For additional information, go to rushing-windemmaus.org.

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