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Forsan battles for top spot in District 16-1A

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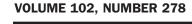
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As part of a \$14 million renovation project, workers prepare the foundation for a new athletic field house next to Coahoma High School.

Under construction

Coahoma ISD renovations picking up speed

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

COAHOMA - A twoyear renovation project at Coahoma Independent School District is shifting into high gear.

Construction have set up shop at CISD and are busy laying the literal groundwork for several projects authorized by district voters in 2006's \$14 million bond election.

The most visible work,

at least in the early going, is at to the high school, where the foundations for a new athletic field house and classroom wing are prepared. being Renovation of the high school band hall and construction of a parking lot next to the softball and baseball fields also is evident to passers-by.

But that's only the proverbial tip of the iceberg.

By the time they are finished working in early

"We're very proud of it. Hopefully, in the next 18 to 21 months, we'll have something that students and the community can be proud of."

—Superintendent Jerry Johnson

2009, workers will have completed a variety of renovation, demolition and construction projects, CISD Superintendent Jerry Johnson said.

The to-do list includes construction of more than

20 new classrooms at the high school (older ones will be demolished), renovation of the band hall and auditorium and major plumbing, heating,

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Area carvers to whittle the weekend away

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

If you like wood-crafted art, the Mustang Draw Woodcarvers Club may have some bargains for you this weekend.

The club, which has about 35 members from across the Permian Basin, will hold its annual Show and Sale Friday and Saturday at the Dora Community Roberts Center.

Times are 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. for both the Friday show and Saturday sale. Admission is free to both events.

Show entries will be judged in 19 categories, ranging from tiny, twoinch miniatures to large figurines. Other categories include religious items, western figures and caricatures.

Awards for first, second and third places in each categories will be presented, while there will be plaques presented to entries judged Best in See CARVER, Page 3A

In Big Spring

What: Mustang Draw Woodcarvers Club Show and Sale.

Where: Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive.

When: The show is 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Friday; the sale is 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Show, Judges' Choice and People's Choice.

On Saturday, the community center will be filled with all sorts of wood-crafted items for sale. Club member Monroe Casey said some larger items may cost around \$300, but most will be more modestly priced.

"The items will be for anything priced between \$5 and \$300," he



The Howard College mascot gets a giggle out of 6-year-old Jacki Torbik at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Wednesday afternoon. The HC cheerleaders were on hand to help celebrate Texas Chamber of Commerce Week.

Sales tax revenue up slightly

By BILL MCCLELLAN

News Editor

Sales tax revenues for the city of Big Spring were up — albeit in single digits — for October compared to a year ago, according to the State Comptroller's Office.

The numbers show Big Spring received \$408,472.45 this month. Compared to October 2006's receipts \$382,620.53, that's an increase of 6.75 percent. The funds pushed total receipts to \$4,468,696.75 — an increase over the first 10 months in 2006 of 8.91 percent.

Coahoma, which has experienced triple-digit increases most of the year, witnessed just a modest percent increase this time around. The community received \$7,872.81 this month compared to \$7,564.67 a year ago. That's an increase of 4.07 percent. For the year, Coahoma has collected \$108,349.86, still a whopping 60.58percent

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BLOOD DRIVES SLATED

United Blood Services will be holding several



blood drives in Howard County during October. Among those scheduled are:

- Star Tek, today, 1 p.m.-5 p.m.
- · United Methodist Church, Sunday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. This will be a special blood drive in recognition of Pastor Shane Brue, who is battling cancer.
- · Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Monday, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

EARLY VOTING NEARS

Early voting for the Nov. 6 general election begins Monday, according to information released by Howard County Elections Administrator Saundra Bloom.

Early ballots can be cast at the Howard County Courthouse from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. daily, with the exception of Oct. 30 and Nov. 1, when the office will be open until 8 p.m.

Voters with special needs need to contact Bloom so they can receive either mail-in ballots or curbside voting. Curbside voting is also provided at the polls on election day.

For more information, call 264-2273.

UW DINE OUT DAY

The United Way of Big Spring and Howard County is asking for the public to participate in Dine Out Day for United Way. Each Friday, a different restaurant agrees to donate a portion of their sales to United Way.

This Friday, Greg's Grill in the Big Spring Mall is participating.

Last year, the program was a successful fund-raiser for both the restaurants and the United Way, according to Ken McIntosh, chairman of the Dine Out Day event. If a local restaurant wishes to participate and has not been contacted, they are asked to call McIntosh at 517-4821.

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Sports

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Do you have an interesting sports item or story idea? Call Jonathan Hull at 263-7331, Ext. 237. Email results to: sports@bigspringherald.com

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IN BRIEF

Area high school varsity sports weekly calendar

Here's a look at the area high school varsity sports' calendar:

FRIDAY

Coahoma football vs. Colorado City, 7:30 p.m. Forsan football vs. Christoval, 7:30 p.m.

Stanton football vs. Stamford, 7:30 p.m. Grady football at Fort

Davis, 7:30 p.m. Sands football Rankin, 7:30 p.m.

Garden City football at Wellman Hart, 7:30 p.m. Big Spring Swimming hosts the Big Spring Invitational.

SATURDAY

Big Spring volleyball at Lubbock Estacado, 2:30 p.m.

Big Spring swimming hosts the Big Spring Invitational.

West Texas Juniors Volleyball League meeting Sunday

Big Spring Lady Steers Head Volleyball Coach Amanda Whitaker is encouraging all parents of volleyball players ages 12-17 to attend a meeting Sunday so that players can be involved in the West Texas Juniors Volleyball League.

The meeting is set for 4 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Midland.

Parents and players must attend this meeting in order to play in the league.

For more information, visit www.westtexasjuniors.com.

Lady Steers Booster Club meeting Monday in the ATC

The Lady Steers Booster Club will meet at 6 p.m. Monday in the Athletic Training Center.

Parents who have a Lady Steers athlete from the junior high to the varsity are encouraged and welcome to attend.

Big Spring Youth Soccer Association closing ceremony

The Big Spring Youth Soccer Association will be having its season closing ceremonies at 3 p.m. Oct. 27 at the soccer fields.

There will be a cookout and awards will be handed out.

Volunteers are needed.

To help out or for more details, call Isaac Miramontes at 268-8740.

Big Spring High School cheerleaders holding cheer clinic

The Big Spring High School cheerleaders will be holding a mini-cheer clinic for girls in grades K-6 Oct. 29-30 at the Steer Gym from 6:30-8:30 p.m. each night.

Participants will learn a cheer, a chant and a bleacher mania dance. They will perform the cheer at the black out community pep rally on Nov. 1 and then again at

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Bulldogs look to keep rolling against Wolves

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

COAHOMA — Rarely does a team keep momentum in their favor for an entire football sea-

Coahoma's Bulldogs (2-1, 2-4) recently just found their momentum as they hope to extend their two-game win streak when they host Colorado's Wolves (1-2, 3-3) at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Coahoma had no momentum through the first four games of the season, however, things began to rapidly change in the third quarter of its contest with Anson's Tigers two weeks ago.

An interception and a blocked punt turned the game around and the Bulldogs made a late surge to blast the Tigers, 35-13.

It appeared that the momentum had swung back out of favor with Coahoma last week though, as Hawley had a 33-20 lead with just 11 minutes to play in the game. Suddenly, the offense started to click as quarterback Donnie Garcia threw for two touch- See BULLDOGS, Page 3B

downs and ran for another and the Bulldogs scored 22 unanswered points to win, 42-33.

"We're a young team and we've seen great improvement over the course of the season," Head Coach Jay Kennedy said. "We're finally grasping the offense and things are starting to take form. We've worked the dog out of this team and it's starting to pay off. I'm just really proud of these kids."

Garcia's return has keyed the offensive revival in Coahoma. He was lost to a foot injury Oct. 5, just before the Bulldogs' second game of the season. He returned three weeks later against Merkel, but things still weren't clicking.

However, the offense has taken off in the past two games. Coahoma scored just 27 combined points in their first four games and were shut out twice.

The Bulldogs have put up 77 points in the past two games. Garcia scored five times against Hawley and totaled 355 yards



Coahoma Bulldogs running back P.J. Daylong (3) works his way through a hole in the Bulldogs, 35-13, win over Anson's Tigers Oct. 5. The Bulldogs try to win their third straight game against Colorado's Wolves Friday night.

Forsan battles Cougars for top spot in district



Courtesy photo/Bob Fishback

Forsan Buffaloes quarterback Alex Huckabee tries to escape the grasp of a Miles Bulldogs defender in Forsan's 25-14 win last week. The Buffs take on Christoval's Cougars for District 16-1A supremacy Friday night.

By JEFF LANE

Special to the Herald

Are you one of those people who likes to get the most bang for their buck? Then you will definitely want to be at Buffalo Stadium in Forsan Friday night for the showdown between the last remaining unbeaten teams in District 16-1A.

Forsan's Buffaloes (3-3, 3-0), winners of their last three games and picked to win the district, plays host to Christoval's Cougars (5-1, 3-0), a perennial district contender, with the winner taking a big advantage with only three games left.

To say this isn't one of the biggest games in recent memory for the Buffs is an understate-

Forsan's Head Coach Tommy Thompson understands what a game like this could mean to the winner, but especially what it could mean for his Buffs.

"It is a big game for us. Christoval is a great team and we are trying to prove we are a great team," said Thompson. "Both teams believe they are the best right now, and the district records reflect that. However, each team has a point to make. It will be about who wants it more. This is the kind of stuff that makes for great games."

Last year, the Cougars knocked

off the Buffs 28-12 as the teams finished the season second and third, respectively, in the district. Both teams lost in the first round of the playoffs.

Forsan knows what it is up against: a high-powered running attack, fueled by running backs Kellen Gierke and Caleb Reigle featured in the Wishbone offense.

"Gierke already has over 1,000 yards rushing this season and Riegle is just as dangerous," Thompson said. "They both had over 200 yards last week against Irion County. And if you can contain those two, they will hit you with their quarterback (Christopher) Housley, who is a threat to throw as well as run.

The Buffs will look to slow down Christoval by changing up their defensive formations, preventing the Cougars from seeing where the pressure is coming from. The Buffs' linebacking corps will be expected to find the ball carrier quickly and make sure tackles.

On the offensive side of the ball, Forsan will hope to continue improving its spread offense. A key this week will be how well quarterback Forsan Huckabee can find his receivers, including Adam Bailey, Jeremy Robbins, Garrett Pool and Kody

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Area Roundup: Stanton tries to stay undefeated in district

By BRANDON HALLFORD

Special to the Herald

STANTON — Coming into this season all that was on the minds of the Stanton High School Buffaloes (5-1, 3-0) was to continue the improvement that last year's team started, rebounding from a 1-9 season to go 5-5.

So far they are succeeding, having already matched their win total from last year and doing it so well that now an outright district championship is well within their grasp.

However, Head Coach Lee McCown is not about to let the Buffs look that far ahead.

"All we are focusing on this week is Stamford," McCown said. "It has been nice considering where we were two years ago, but we still have a long way to go and we can't afford to look ahead. We still have some very good teams to play and we have to take them one at a time."

Last week Stanton survived to defeat the Colorado Wolves 14-0 to remain perfect so far in District 5-2A. This week's opponent, the Stamford Bulldogs (3-3, 1-2), has the Buffs' head man a bit leery.

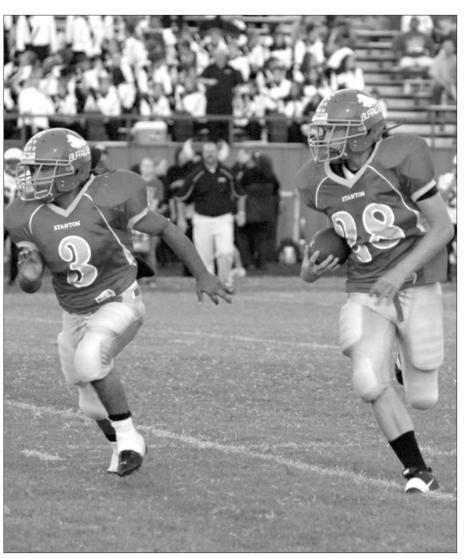
"They have played everyone tough," McCown stated. "They played Hawley and Haskell tough until the fourth quarter and they beat Colorado City 27-20. If we look past them we could be in real trouble. They are really quick and the have the ability to play with anyone."

Leading the way for the Buffs is the senior tandem of center Adams Evans and quarterback Garret Fulton along with junior Mark Garcia. They have the faithful in Stanton believing that this is the year that it all comes together for a district title.

"Those boys just love football, they love to play and they always give it all they got," McCown said of his team leaders, "but then again the whole team is that way. This is a great group of young men. For them to have come from where they were two years ago really shows just what kind of heart they do have. They have worked hard and the results are starting to show that."

With all of that being said, a win this week would go along way to securing one of the play-

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Stanton Buffaloes running back Robbie Toland (28) picks up a block from teammate Jonathan Pastrana as he turns the corner in Stanton's win over Forsan Sept. 21. Stanton tries to remain undefeated in district play when they host Stamford Friday night.

Obituaries

Lee Roy Day



Lee Roy Day, 97, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2007, in a local nursing home. Graveside funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Friday, Oct. 19, 2007, at the Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel with Chaplain Walter McCall, of Odyssey Hospice, officiating.

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The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral

She was born July 7, 1910, in Howard County and married D.P. "Cowboy" Day on July 2, 1927. He preceded her in death on April 28, 1989.

A lifetime resident, Lee Roy loved to travel, talk, dance, fish and be with her family. She learned to water ski at the age of 60. She was a hard worker and managed up to 14 rental properties. She was a member of East Fourth Street Baptist Church since March 1952 and a member of the Spring City Senior Citizens

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, D.W. "Dub" and Nannie Fave Day of Forsan; one son-in-law, B.D. Mason of Big Spring; one sister, Helen Wooldridge of Canyon Lake; four grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; three great-great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; one daughter, Dorothy Lee Mason; one grandson, Jerry Mason; one great-granddaughter, Linette Mason; one great-grandson, Jody Day; three sisters, LaVerne Webb, Mildred Petroski and Clara Yeats; and one brother, Jack Franklin.

The family suggests memorials be made to Odyssey Hospice, 1003 E. FM 700, Big Spring 79720 or to the AMBUCS, P.O. Box 214, Big Spring 79721.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Paid obituary

Vernon Andrew 'Andy' Blewett



Vernon Andrew "Andy" Blewett, 48, of Midland, passed away Oct. 17, 2007, at the Hospice Inpatient Unit at Midland Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be held Friday, Oct. 19, 2007, at 10 a.m. at the Rosewood Chapel at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring. A visitiation will be held Thursday, Oct. 18, 2007, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the funeral

home in Midland, 3800 N. Big Spring St. Andy was born April 1, 1959, in Big Spring. He grew up in Big Spring and attended Big Spring High School. Later he attended New Mexico Military Institute in Rosewell, N.M. He moved to Midland in 1995 from

Dallas and worked as a waiter at various restaurants. Survivors include his mother, Louise Lawrence of Midland; his brother, Jesse Ladd Blewett and his wife Leta Fay of Midland; nieces Carri Humphries and Leann Creed; numerous great nieces and nephews; and a multitude of family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Patrick

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials may be made to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland 79702.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nallev-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Paid obituary

Braylee Rayne Fox



Braylee Rayne Fox, 6-month-old infant daughter of Jennifer and Gary Fox of Odessa, died at Children's Medical Center in Dallas on Sunday, Oct. 14,

Visitation with family and friends will be Thursday, Oct. 18, 2007, between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home.

Funeral service will be 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19, 2007, at Sunset Memorial

Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Dr. Jimmy Braswell officiating.

Braylee was born April 10, 2007.

She is survived by her parents and brother Gavin Perez of Odessa; grandparents, Lorene Merrick and David and Toni Collins of Big Spring, and Leonard and Margo Twiggs of Odessa; great-grandparents, Bette Gottfried of Casper, Wyo., and Leonard and Mary Twiggs of Odessa, Elaine Waddill of Big Sping; and great-great-grandmother, Helen Hicks of Hampton,

She is preceded in death by her great-grandfathers, Paul Gottfried and Bob Waddill.

Zula McCrary



Zula McCrary, 90, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2007, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19, 2007, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Royce Clay, Church of Christ minister, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Zula was born June 5, 1917, in Big Spring to John T. and Delia Merrick Dillard. She married J.O. McCrary Sept. 22, 1940, in Lovington, N.M., and he preceded her in death March 5, 1986.

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Zula was a lifelong resident of Big Spring and graduated from Big Spring High School. She worked with her husband at Keaton-McCrary Cotton Company for many years. She enjoyed gardening, working in her yard, traveling and taking cruises. She was a member of 14th and Main Church of Christ.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Judy and Jim Little of Big Spring, and Dana and Steve Sexton of Houston; one granddaughter, whom she considered as a daughter, Lorie Little of Big Spring; one niece, Emma Jenkins of Big Spring; and her beloved dog, Tanner.

She was also preceded in death by her twin brother, Johnnie Ray Dillard and one nephew, Richard "Dick" Dillard.

The family suggests memorials be made to 14th & Main Church of Christ, 1401 Main Street, Big Spring 79720 or to a favorite charity.

The family would like to express its appreciation to Dr. Kim Bango, the ER and ICU staff of Scenic Mountain, the staff at Best Home Care and those who gave loving physical therapy to Zula, both inside and outside of the home.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Paid obituary

Frances Lee

Frances Lee, 72, of Fredericksburg, formerly of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2007, at her residence. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Virginia Bates

Virginia Bates, 76, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2007, at a local nursing home. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Delbert H. Hopper

Delbert H. Hopper, 81, of Stanton, died Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2007, at the Hospice of Midland Inpatient Unit. His services are pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

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Tonight...Mostly clear. Colder. Lows in the mid 40s. Northwest winds 10 to 15 mph in the evening becoming light and variable..Friday..

Sunny. Highs in the lower 80s. Light and variable winds becoming southwest around 10 mph in the afternoon.

Friday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s. South winds around 10 mph. Saturday...Sunny. Highs in the mid 80s. South winds

10 to 20 mph.

Saturday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 50s..Sunday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 80s. Sunday night...Partly cloudy. Cooler. Lows in the

Monday...Mostly sunny. Cooler. Highs in the mid

Monday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 30s.

Tuesday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 60s. Tuesday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s. Wednesday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 70s.

Take Note

 AMERICAN LEGION POST 506 WILL HOLD A FISH FRY Saturdsay at the post, 3203 W. Highway 80. Delivery will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by calling 263-2084. Serving will be from noon to 3 p.m. Plates are \$8 each. Everyone is welcome.

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Ashleigh Ramirez, Administrative Assistant

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Wednesday and 7 a.m.

- JUSTIN ALLEN JOY, 30, of 2400 Carlton Drive, was arrested Wednesday on charges of public intoxication and possession of a controlled substance in a
- FRANCISCO LOYA, 28, of 132 Cheyenne, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while license invalid - enhanced.
- UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE
- was reported in the 800 block of Lorilla.
- **THEFT** was reported:
- in the 1100 block of Gregg Street. - in the 1200 block of 11th Place.
- RESISTING ARREST, SEARCH OR TRANS-**PORTATION** was reported in the 2200 block of
- POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE IN A DRUG FREE ZONE was reported in the 2700 block of Wasson.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 600 block of Gregg Street.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 2200 block of Alabama.
- ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported:
- in the 1400 block of Sixth Street.
- in the 500 block of Birdwell Lane.

Sheriff's report

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 55 inmates at the time of this report.

- KEVIN JAMES BELCHER, 22, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxi-• TERRY EDWARDS SHIRLEY, 43, was transferred
- to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass.
- JUSTIN ALLEN JOY, 30, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance in a drug free
- RUSTY WAYNE GRESSETT, 18, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a charge of burglary of a
- CHRISTIAN DAVON GORDON, 18, was arrested Thursday by DPS on charges of no driver's license, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, failure to yield the right of way, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less and failure to identify - giving false information.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL was reported in the 100 block of N.E. Ninth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of E. 11th Place. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 2900 block of W. Seventh Street. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1300 block of Mt. Vernon. One person was transported to SMMC.

Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 14-28-34-35-44-52. Number matching six of six: 0.

Estimated jackpot for Saturday night drawing: \$13 million.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 2-6-18-20-24. Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday night.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-2-1-6. Sum It Up:

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-1-0

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This week's games

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Christoval at Forsan Texas A&M at Nebraska Colts at Jaguars

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Willis.

They will have to do so against a Cougars defense that likes to run a base 4-3 and a Cover 2 secondary that is speedy and likes to

"We will have to have a ball-control offense, convert first downs and not have any turnovers," said Thompson. "Our offensive line will play a huge part again in helping us be successful against Christoval. Putting points

on the board and keeping your opponents' offense off the field is always a good recipe for winning."

A victory puts the winner in great shape for one of the three playoff spots from District 16-1A. And while the other is still within reach, you never know what could happen in this very competitive district.

Wins are hard to come by whereever you play. The next chance for the Buffs and the Cougars starts Friday at 7:30 p.m.

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halftime of the Powder Puff football game following the pep rally.

The student must participate in both nights of the clinic in order to perform.

Cost is \$40 and includes a T-shirt.

For more information. contact Shannon Stuteville at 264-3641, ext. or sstutevi@bsisd.esc18.net.

Howard College announces Hawk **Buddies Program**

The Howard College Women's Basketball team is tipping off its season with the Hawk Buddies 1) Basketball Program for girls in kindergarten through eighth grade.

It starts Saturday, Nov. 17 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum with a basketball clinic from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Each Hawk Buddy will receive an opportunity to learn how to play the game from Howard players and coaches for a fee of \$20. A T-shirt will be given to each participant that will also serve as a free family season pass when worn to Howard College home games.

A second clinic is sched- 0) uled for Jan. 12 to be followed by a pizza party with the women's basketball team.

Each Hawk Buddy will be recognized at halftime of the Hawks home game against Clarendon College

Jan. 21. For more information, contact Head Women's Basketball Coach Earl Diddle at 264-5043.

Quarterback Club meeting Monday at 7 p.m. in ATC

The Big Spring Quarterback Club is meeting Monday at 7 p.m. in the Athletic Training Center.

All parents of Big Spring football players from junior high to varsity are encouraged to attent and help support the Steers' football program.

MLB Championship Series schedules

ALCS (Indians lead series 3-

Game 1 Red Sox 10, Indians 3 Game 2 Indians 11, Red Sox 6 Game 3 Indians 4, Red Sox 2 Game 4 Indians 7, Red Sox 3

Red Sox at Indians, 10/18, 7 p.m. Game 6

Game 5

Indians at Red Sox, 10/20, TBD Game 7

Indians at Red Sox, 10/21, TBD

NLCS (Rockies win series 4-

Game 1 Rockies 5, D-Backs 1 Game 2 Rockies 3, D-Backs 2 Game 3 Rockies 4, D-Backs 1 Game 4

Rockies 6, D-Backs 1

CISD

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electrical and air-conditioning upgrades at all three campuses.

It should make for a hectic two years for all parties, Johnson said.

"We will have no problems educating students," Johnson said. "There will likely be some minor inconveniences, that's to be expected."

Johnson compared having students and construction workers figuratively rubbing shoulders to trying to repair an airplane while it's in flight difficult, but some-

times necessary. "You can't shut school down," he said.

Among the inconveniences already felt, the high school band has had to vacate its old band hall, which now has a gaping hole in its western face. The band, Johnson said, now practices over

at the elementary school. But Johnson said plans call for keeping such intrusions at a minimum. For example, construction and demolition of classroom wings will follow in progressive order — a new wing will be built, students will move into it, then the older wing will be demolished.

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That way, CISD will avoid having to buy and utilize portable classrooms.

In a like vein, the major utility renovations at the junior high and elementary campuses are scheduled for the summer to avoid classroom disruptions.

All in all, it makes for an interesting time at CISD. Johnson admitted.

"We're very excited about it," he said. "Hopefully, in the next 18 to 21 months, we'll have something that students and the community can be proud of."

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said. "But a lot of it will be in the \$40 to \$50 price range."

All this week, club members have been holding woodcarving classes to help interest and educate people into a hobby that James Fryar said is both rewarding and fairly inexpensive.

"One nice thing is that it's a fairly cheap hobby, compared to golf or fishing," Fryar noted. "You can buy \$100 in tools and \$25 in wood and you're in business."

For more information, contact Casey at 267-7687.

REVENUE

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Colorado City witnessed a 4.44 percent increase this month. The Mitchell County seat took in \$40,783.45 this month compared to \$39,048.23 in October 2006. Through nine months of 2007, Colorado City has received \$443,599.05, an increase over last year of 9.48 percent.

Fort Stockton continued to reap major dividends in sales tax receipts. That city took in \$191,629.21 this month, a substantial 37.76 percent increase when compared to the \$139,097.45 received in October 2006. For the year, the home of Paisano Pete has taken \$1,756,109.85, up 22.08 percent.

Dawson County's community, largest Lamesa, pulled \$86,247.80 this month, up a convincing 21.12 percent compared to the \$71,207.69 it received in October 2006. So far for 2007, the community has received \$932,242.36, up 12.61 percent.

Lubbock, home of Texas Tech University, received

40%

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\$3,899,644.64, a increase of 10.02 percent when compared to the \$3,544,464.04 taken in during October 2006. For the year, Lubbock has pulled in \$38,789,674.62, up 5 percent.

Midlanders enjoyed an increase of 20.76 percent in sales tax revenues, comparing \$2,729,823.60 received this month to the \$2,260,428.66 taken in for October 2006. For the year, the Tall City pulled \$27,983,723.17, up 14.37 percent.

Monahans saw a 2.53 percent increase in sales tax revenue. The Ward County seat once knows Monahan's Well, received \$110,381.59 this month compared \$107,648.71 a year ago. For 2007, Monahans has taken in \$1,157,435.32, up 7.74 percent.

Odessa received \$1,803,096.38 this month, an impressive 18.3 percent increase compared to the \$1,524,045.68 taken in a year earlier. For 2007, Odessa has received \$18,263,526.82, up healthy 13.29 percent.

Pecos, home of the Texas Rodeo Hall of Fame, has been recording high scores out of the chute all year. This time, the Reeves County seat posted a 93.92 percent increase in revenue, comreceipts paring \$163,015.24 to \$84,059.09 a year ago. For the expanse of 2007, Pecos has collected \$1,233,082.31, up 50.46 percent.

Recording a 5.64 percent increase comparing last October to the present was San Angelo. The city received \$1.500.848.71 this month and \$1,420,633.32 in October 2006. For the year, the home of Angelo State University and a Howard College campus has received \$15,544,570.76, up 6.39 per-

cent. Snyder, of white buffalo fame, witnessed a 12.14 percent increase when comparing this October's revenue of \$197,036.46 to last October's revenue of

\$175,690.53. For the year, the Scurry County seat accumulated has \$1,900,475.26, an increase of 13.86 percent.

Receipts were up 36.62 percent in Stanton. The home of a few old soreheads took in \$27,012.26 this month compared to \$19,771.50 in October 2006. For the year, Stanton has received \$230,991.08, and despite a few strong months, revenues are down for the Martin County seat by 12.97 percent.

Finally, Sweetwater, home of the National WASP World War II received Museum, \$202,125.74, up 9.53 percent compared to the \$184,535.97 the city took in during October 2006. For the year, Sweetwater has received \$2.162.166.89, up 4.16 percent.

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By Steve Becker

Imaginative Play

North dealer. Both sides vulnerable **NORTH** ♥A 10 5 4 2 WEST **EAST ♦** J 10 6 **♠** A Q 4 **♥**KJ6 **♥**Q83 **♣**J9753 ♣Q 10 8 2 **SOUTH ♣**À K 4 The bidding:

North East South West Pass Pass 2 NT Pass Pass Pass 3 NT Opening lead - five of clubs.

One annoying situation that periodically confronts a declarer arises when he has all the tricks he needs for the contract and yet is unable to cash them because of lack of communication between his own hand and the dummy.

Consider this deal where South was declarer at three notrump. West led a club, on which East played the queen, and there was poor South, looking at nine tricks — and no legitimate way to collect them. One possibility was to win the club lead, cash dummy's A-K of diamonds and then play a spade or heart and hope the opponents would be kind enough to put him back in his hand with a second club. That would allow him to collect his remaining

diamonds and so score nine tricks. However, South realized that this line of play would probably not succeed. There was too much chance that, once he telegraphed his intentions by cashing the A-K of dia-monds, the opponents would recog-nize his communications problem and arrange to keep him out of his

So South hit upon a better scheme than that to steal the hand. Instead of taking the first club, he let East's queen of clubs hold the first trick!

Without giving the matter much thought, East returned a club, and that was the end of that. South took the A-K, discarding the A-K of diamonds from dummy, and then cashed six diamonds and the ace of hearts to finish with a neat nine tricks.

Perhaps East should have seen through the ruse and not returned a club, but this does not diminish the beauty of declarer's imaginative play. He was certainly entitled to his

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Red Sox not giving up on World Series hopes

By HOWARD ULMAN

AP Sports Writer **CLEVELAND**

Boston's quirky cleanup hitter stands at the plate to admire a mammoth homer. He keeps getting on base. He chats pleasantly for nine minutes, a filibuster for a slugger who prefers silence to speaking with reporters.

Ramirez was in the center again Wednesday, surrounded at his locker by writers whose pens sped up when he made a casual remark with the Red Sox trailing the Cleveland Indians 3-1 in the AL championship series that resumes Thursday night.

"We're not going to give up," Ramirez said. "It doesn't happen, so who cares? There's always next year. It's not like it's the end of the world."

Wow.

That's what not Boston's passionate fans want to hear when their team is one loss away from elimination after losing three straight games.

But Ramirez does care. Why else would he show up at the ballpark many mornings long before night games to lift weights, do drills and hit balls? Why would he say his career records for most homers in the postseason and the LCS pale in significance to a return to the World Series.

"If I would have known that I was going to be in the World Series and not have those records, I would have traded in a heartbeat," Ramirez said on Wednesday's workout day between Games 4 and 5. "Who cares about the records, man? We just want to go have fun and

win." Those words again: Who

cares. The Red Sox need more

than Ramirez and the middle of their lineup to help the postseason star. They need the last four hitters in the batting order and the leadoff man to contribute.

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Ramirez is confident that will change.

"It's going to happen," he said. "We've got a lot of confidence in our teammates. They've been good all year 'round."

The other four starters In the 10-3 win over Sabathia in Game 1, those four were 7-for-11 with seven runs, six RBIs, seven walks, a sacrifice fly and a hit batsman. In 20 plate appearances, they reached base 15 times.

They were patient, waiting for good pitches to hit, and Sabathia wasn't aggressive enough.

"I didn't even give us a chance the other day," Sabathia said. "I look to stay calm and stay in control and not try to overthrow and do so much and I think I'll be fine."

The Red Sox must adjust to his power pitches after facing softer throwers But six Indians starters are hitting .294 or

"We just got hot at the right time," Sabathia said. "It doesn't matter how you play during the season. It matters how well you're playing right

Cleveland manager Eric Wedge likely will have one different starter. Francona plans to use switch-hitter Surviving 3-1 deficits is nothing new to Beckett and Boston.

In 2003, Beckett's Game 5 shutout over the Chicago Cubs kept the Florida Marlins alive in the NLCS. He ended up being the MVP of the

World Series.

off berths up for grab. However a loss would make things a little more uneasy for the Buffs.

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"We can't worry about what the other teams do,' McCowen said. "We just have to go out and take care of our business and if we do that we should be alright."

Grady at Fort Davis

LENORAH Grady's Wildcats (0-0, 6-0), the bumpy road to a district title starts in Fort Davis. There the Indians (0-1, 6-1) will be scrambling to not start district play with two losses and better position themselves for one of the three playoff spots available in District I, Division I that four teams are scuffling

It's a game where something has to give.

The Wildcats have allowed a mere 20 points in six games — a remarkable feat in six-man football. However, Fort Davis is averaging 56 points a game led by running back Adrian Hernandez.

Home field advantage is considered a huge factor when a team visits Fort Davis. Since moving to six-man, the town has been re-energized with a love for football. The entire town tends to show up. Not only is the crowd a factor, but opponents must also adjust to playing at an altitude of more than 5,000 feet.

However, home field didn't matter much for the Indians last week as

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fourth-ranked blew into town and left with a 56-16 win.

Another advantage that the Indians boast is the ability of kicker Mark Cauble. In six-man football, an extra point is worth two points while what 11-man football considers a two-point conversion is worth just one

That makes consistently kicking for extra points an important factor in winning close games. Cauble had missed only one kick this season, giving Fort Davis eight points after every score instead of six or seven.

The Wildcats hope to play the Indians much like Rankin did by playing strong defense and keeping them out of the end zone. Head Coach Joe Helms has consistently touted Roy Rodriguez as the catalyst for Grady's stout defense.

"Roy inspires the rest of defense with the hits that he makes," Helms said earlier in the season. "He really brings a lot of excitement to the defense with his intensity."

Offensively, Grady will count on the quarterbacking duo of Tommylee Rivas and Dylan Cox.

Last season, Fort Davis thumped the Wildcats, 62-

Sands at Rankin

ACKERLY — For the Sands Mustangs (0-1, 4-3), the goal is to just be competitive.

"We just want to compete," said Mustangs Head Coach Wayne Henderson. "We are outmatched in this district, but that doesn't mean we

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Rankin can't try to play the spoiler role. We're hoping someone will overlook us and we can mess up the district standings a bit."

Last week, the Mustangs weren't overlooked as Garden City pummeled them, 56-8. However, that showing was an improvement over how badly Garden City beat Sands the previous year, 72-12.

Henderson was proud of the effort put forth by his young squad.

"We are young and inexperienced and it just caught up with us tonight," Sands Head Coach Wayne Henderson said. "These boys should be down on the junior varsity learning this stuff, but with things being what they are, we have no choice but to play them. I am proud of them. They hung in there and never gave up.'

The next District I, Division I goliath on the Mustangs' schedule is the Rankin Red Devils (1-0, 7-0). The Red Devils are led by Garret Avalos, who is widely considered to be the biggest playmaker within the district. Avalos plays running back, but is also a threat throwing the football. Containing him is key for any team with aspirations of knocking off the fourthranked Red Devils.

Fort Davis was incapable of doing so last week and Rankin rolled over the Indians, 56-16.

Sands' big playmaker has been quarterback Johnny Rogers. Rogers had his first game without a touchdown pass last week against Garden City. However, in the

District 16-1A

three games prior to that, he had scored a total of 15 touchdowns.

Last season, the Red Devils ended the game early, beating Sands, 53-8.

Garden City at Hart

GARDEN CITY — Last week was a test for Garden City's Bearkats (1-0, 5-1) to see how well they could perform with out all-state running back Bo Eggemeyer.

The Bearkats received positive results as five different ball carriers amassed 287 yards and five touchdowns on 16 carries as Garden City defeated Sands, Junior Jake Schwartz led with 110 yards and three touchdowns on a mere four carries.

"We had some boys step it up," Bearkats Head Coach Vance Jones said after last week's game. "I am real proud of the guys. They accepted the challenge and did what they had to do. You can't replace a player the caliber of Bo, but we sure tried our best."

The Bearkats hope the results continue to bode well as Eggemeyer is due to miss the rest of the season. Their next test comes from Hart's Longhorns (4-2) held at a neutral site in Wellman.

The Longhorns have split their last four games, winning two and losing two, but are coming off of a 54-16 victory over Petersburg.

The non-district contest gives Garden City another game to prep for the rest of district play that features four teams, including the Bearkats, in the top 16 in the state poll.

BULLDOGS

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rushing and passing combined.

"We wanted to run a lot of the spread offense this season, but got set back a bit when Donnie went down with that foot injury," Kennedy said. "We had to scale the offense back. Now with him back, we've been able to open our offense

back up." Garcia's return has also ignited the production of players around him, including running back P.J. Daylong who had 141 total yards — 62 rushing, 79 receiving — against Hawley. Also, sophomore Josh Paniagua, who served as quarterback during Garcia's absence, moved back to wide receiver where he has emerged as a viable deep threat.

"Getting Donnie back allows us to put more of our best athletes on the field," Kennedy

explained. Colorado presents the Bulldogs with their biggest test so far through District 5-2A play. The Wolves have struggled to score, averaging less than six points a game. However, their defense is allowing just 13 points per contest.

Last year, the Wolves finished winless at 0-10, including a 21-14 loss to Coahoma.

"Colorado had a lot of inexperience last season much like we did this season," Kennedy said. "We overcame our inexperience a little quicker, but they're a good football team this year. They play strong defense and it's a bit of a rivalry for us. We can't overlook them at

Last week. Colorado held Stanton to 14 points, but wasn't able to muster any scores for itself.

Contact Sports Editor Jonathan Hull by calling 263-7331, ext. 237, or by emailing himatsports@bigspringherald.c

Crossroads District Standings and Schedule

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l	Big Spring	1	0	1	6	75	237
l	Estacado	0	0	2	4	169	169
l	4. Lake View	0	1	2	5	129	189
l	Plainview	0	1	0	7	75	191
l	Friday's games:	Frenship	at Plainvie	w; Estaca	do at Lake	View.	
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l	District 5-2A						
l	Team	DW	DL	OW	OL	PF	PA
l	 Stanton 	3	0	5	1	134	68
l	Haskell	2	1	4	2	207	82
l	Merkel	2	1	2	4	80	128
l	Coahoma	2	1	2	4	104	191
l	Colorado City	1	2	3	3	57	81
l	Stamford	1	2	3	3	94	150
l	Hawley	1	2	2	4	131	126
l	8. Anson	0	3	1	5	58	134
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3	57	81
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oma;	Stamford at	Stanton;

Hawley at Merkel; Haskell at Anson. All games at 7:30 p.m. Friday unless noted

Team	DW	DL	W	L	PF	PA
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Forsan	3	0	3	3	138	152
Bronte	2	1	3	3	127	123
Eldorado	2	1	3	3	138	94
Menard	1	2	1	5	141	176
Irion Co.	1	2	1	5	126	193
7. Miles	0	3	1	5	61	170
Sterling City	0	3	0	6	24	271
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at Miles; Eldorado	at Men	ard.				

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	 Rankin 	1	0	7	0	452	151
	2. Garden City	1	0	5	1	369	142
	3. Grady	0	0	6	0	313	20
	4. Fort Davis	0	1	6	1	395	219
	5. Sands	0	1	4	3	284	233
	Friday's games	: Grady	at Fort Da	avis; Sands	s at Ranki	in; Garden	City at
Н	art (4-2).						
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OUR VIEWS

United Way needs us all to contribute

he challenge has again been issued. However, whether or not our community is willing to answer by donating to the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County as never before still remains to be seen.

Howard County has time and time again answered the call when good causes have arrived and it's time to do so again, because the United Way's 2007 fundraising campaign goal is \$305,000.

United Way officials increased last year's goal by \$5,000, knowing full well that the 15 member agencies which receive funding from the annual drive have increased needs.

That's because there has been no decrease in the number of less fortunate people needing help in our

The agencies that receive funds from the United Way — the West Texas Chapter of the American Red Cross, Boys Club of Big Spring, Buffalo Trail Council Boy Scouts of America, Council on Aging, Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, Humane Society, Northside Community Center, Victim Services, The Salvation Army, West Side Community Center, West Side Day Care Center, West Texas Girl Scout Council, Isaiah 58, CASA of West Texas and the YMCA of Big Spring — help our friends and neighbors that need a helping hand.

The donations or pledges you make to the United Way don't leave our community. Every dollar raised by this year's campaign will be used here. That's why it's so important that our focus be on reaching that goal, so those agencies will be able to better serve the public.

Obviously, that's where we all come in. The United Way's campaign can only be successful if each of us does his or her part.

And while United Way Executive Director Jan Hansen says she is pleased with the current campaign's progress to date, a great deal of work still remains.

"We're approximately halfway through the campaign and we've raised about one-third of our goal to this point," Hansen said Wednesday afternoon. "But we obviously still need to raise a lot of money to make sure our member agencies have the funding they need.'

As we have noted in the past, it seems that prices are rising on virtually everything daily. Therefore, it's easy to think you just can't afford to give to one more charitable cause right now.

But it is those rising prices that make it imperative we all answer the United Way's call. Those increased prices mean stretched budgets for charitable organizations at a time when more and more people living on the edge will look to United Way agencies for help.

So, as we continually note at this time of year, none of us needs to give until it hurts.

Simply giving what we can honestly afford will definitely suffice.

And if we do only that, raising \$305,000 is defi-

nitely possible.

More importantly, by each of us doing our part, everyone in our community will be richer.

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by K. Rae Anderson

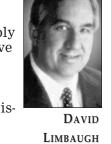
You are our best bet, Lord.

Amen

An egregiously reckless resolution

hy now, of all possible critical moments, are congressional Democrats insisting on passing a resolution guaranteed to offend Turkey, our vital ally in the Iraq War, by denouncing the Ottoman Empire's century-old massacre of Armenians as a "genocide"?

Nancy Pelosi and her cohorts have been warned that Turkey will be deeply offended by the move and may even take punitive action against us by withdrawing their permission for us to use Incirlik Air Base, through which well more than half of our



air cargo passes in route to supply our troops in Iraq. Human Events editor Jed Babbin reports that some 95 percent of the new MRAP (mine-resistant, ambush protected) vehicles, designed to save our troops' lives, pass through Incirlik. Also as a result, Turkey might decide to attack Kurdish terrorist forces against our strong urging not to do so.

What on earth are Democrats trying to pull here? They are the same people that barely blanch when Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad denies the Holocaust. It's not like we need to worry about offending Iran, a charter member of the Axis of Evil and by last count a sworn enemy of the United States, actively working to defeat us in Iraq.

Democrats constantly castigate President Bush for alienating the international community by "going it alone." Their presidential candidates are united in promising that if their party recaptures the White House, they'll restore sound relations with foreign nations. In a recent speech, the irrepressibly garrulous Bill Clinton stressed that this would be a major theme in the

next Clinton co-presidency. But are Democratic Party leaders, who claim to be such staunch supporters of our troops, concerned about jeopardizing their indispensable supply lines? Are they the slightest bit nervous that in response to a House committee vote on this resolution, Turkey has already recalled its ambassador, Nabi Sensoy, for consulta-

Apparently not. When a seemingly incredulous Brit Hume questioned House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer about the resolution considering the high stakes involved, Hoyer cavalierly responded, "Turkey's help to us is vital, but more vital is the United States' help to Turkey." In other words, Turkey needs us more than we need them — presumably implying Turkey wouldn't dare cut off our supply lines.

But Turkey has denied our troops access before — as recently as 2003. More than that, this idea that other countries need us more than we need them could be said about almost any allies Democrats complain the Bush administration has alienated. What if President Bush had responded to Democratic complaints in the same high-handed manner Democrats are exhibiting today, saying, "Our allies need us more than we need them?"

Given that there is nothing to be gained and so much to be lost by the proposed congressional resolution, how can we not be suspect, as Jed Babbin implies, that congressional Democrats might be trying to effect a withdrawal of our troops from Iraq indirectly? Is this suspicion really far-fetched?

They've tried similar ploys, like a "dwell-time" amendment attached to the Defense policy bill that would have mandated that troops have as much time at home between deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan as they had in those countries. This would have virtually guaranteed we didn't have enough manpower to complete the

mission — one of several "slow bleed" tactics advanced by Democrats to undermine our prosecution of the war.

In that case, they at least have the cover of arguing that they are forcing longer stateside missions on behalf of the troops. Their motive there was suspicious but at least ambiguous. But there is no upside to their proposed resolution designed to offend Turkey. None.

I can think of only one other possible explanation for the Democrats' gratuitous insult of our vital ally during time of war. Their worldview often compels them to pursue actions driven by their so-called good intentions – even when those actions are sure to result in adverse consequences to their intended beneficiaries, such as with promoting expansive welfare, affirmative action, nationalized health care, minimum wage laws, gun control and radical environmental measures, or opposing tax cuts and school choice.

But in the unlikely event that the Democrats' motive isn't to undercut our mission in Iraq, it might as well be — and they ought to be held accountable just as sternly as if it were. To the extent the resolution imperils American troops, it is egregiously reckless and indefensible at all levels.

This must not pass without loud and fierce opposition. President Bush and Republican congressional representatives, along with every conservative commentator in this nation, should mobilize to expose the Democrats' proposed course of action as an outrageous assault on our fighting forces not to score political points but to deter these misguided renegades from endangering our troops.

This appalling stunt must not be permitted to proceed.

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Why the U.S. lacks full health care

ealth and disability insurance companies are systematically cheating the American public. Michael Moore's top-grossing movie "Sicko" is one example of the growing concern surrounding health care in the U.S.

The number of Americans without health insurance reached 47 million at last count, or 16 percent of the population. The cost is rising two to three times faster than inflation and is the No. 1 cause of personal bankruptcy in the country. We pay more and get less medical care than the



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rest of the indU.S.trialized world. The total per capita health care cost in the U.S. exceeds the expense per person in all other full care countries.

The Institute of Medicine estimates that as many as eighteen thoU.S.and Americans die prematurely each year because they do not have health insurance. This figure does not include those who die prematurely each year because their insurers delay, diminish or deny payment for promised benefits. Reports about people who die unnecessarily from withheld services seldom receive broad coverage in the corporate media. Lack of media coverage has led to a nation of people uninformed about how national health and disability policies are controlled by the private insurance industry and how government regulators are powerless to do anything about it.

If industrialized countries

around the world offer health care as a basic right, why is it not happening in the U.S.? Private insurance companies are motivated to make as much money as possible and do so by systematically delaying, diminishing and denying payment for promised services, and blaming individuals for their own misfortune.

On the boards of directors of the nine largest insurance companies are one hundred thirteen people. These directors are some of the richest in the world. They hold one hundred fifty past and/or present positions with major financial or investment institutions in the U.S., including such major firms as J.P. Morgan, Citigroup, Lord Abbett, Bank of America and Merrill-Lynch. Additionally, these board members have connections to some of the largest corporations in the world including General Motors, IBM, Ford, Microsoft and Coca Cola. The combined affiliations among the 113 health insurance directors represent revenue of over \$2.5 trillion in 2006.

As some of the richest most powerful citizens in America, health care executives dominate health policy with their campaign donations and active lobbying. They spend millions to keep themselves in the insurance business despite overwhelming evidence that we would all be better off without them. They use these profits to propagandize the American public and influence voters through scare tactics of "socialized medicine" and long delays of service that supposedly occur in single-payer systems.

The single-payer advocacy group, Physicians for a National Health

Program, reports that private insurance corporations spend an enormoU.S. amount of money on business-oriented expenses rather than health-related investments. A 2003 study in the New England Journal of Medicine estimates that spending for administrative costs associated with health care amount to over \$320 billion per year or about 31 percent of health care costs in the U.S. overall. The administrative costs in the Canadian national healthcare system amount to 16.7 percent, or about half of the overhead in the U.S.

Countries with common pool or single-payer systems provide similar levels of service to every person. In such countries, it is the responsibility of society as a whole to provide health care for each individual.

Americans have a choice. We can continue with a high-cost profit-driven private insurance system leaving millions to languish without care, and millions more to face the frustrations of systematic delays, diminished care and denials of promised benefits. Alternatively, we can build a common pool health care system that provides necessary care to everyone — for less than what we are now paying.

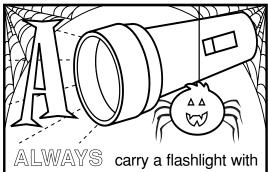
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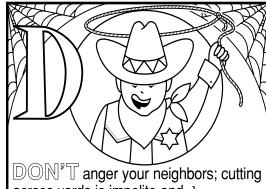


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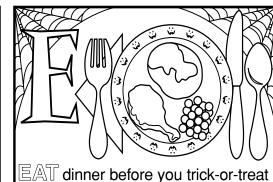
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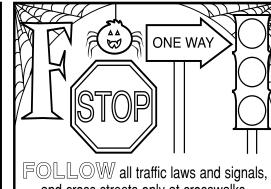
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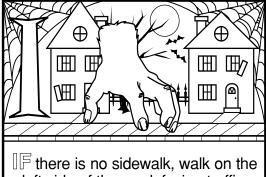
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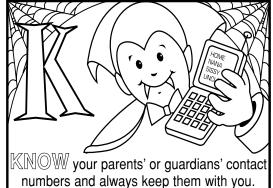


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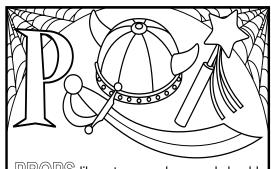


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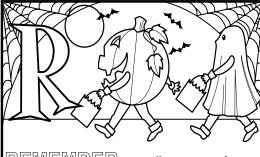


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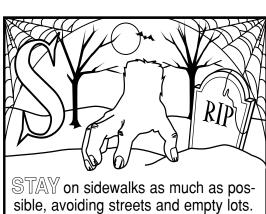
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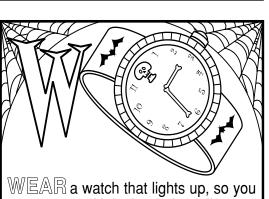


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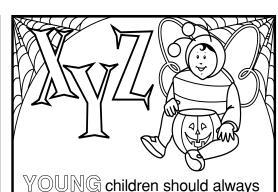


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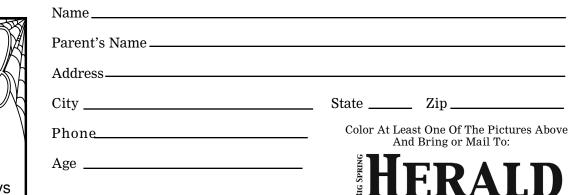


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TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your gift from the stars is moral support. Even people who are unreasonable by nature will have something to offer you. With all of this helpful energy at your disposal, you're able to make a change. GEMINI (May 21-June

21). You're spiffing up world, one environment at a time.

Start with your home the casa nirvana spreads to other areas of your life, including relationships.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). With today's extra dose of astral charm, you get away with things that you normally wouldn't. Now that you know how to work it, this may just be your new mode of operation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There's some fire in your relationships now, especially your relationships with fellow fire signs Sagittarius and Aries. Spend time with a partner doing something you both have never tried before.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. getting 22). You're important messages. You can derive meaning from what is said and what is unsaid. But left ultimately, you'll learn more if you listen to the emotion behind the words instead of the words themselves.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're strong now, so tough love works for you. It's a good time to shun all pity and sympathy, especially the kind you give yourself. Capricorn people motivate you the best.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The usual social norms may seem anything but normal to you now. You're doing things a different way just to see what will happen. Your desire to be innovative will be both internally rewarding and externally rewarded.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Some would say that you're lucky, but you don't sit around wishing and hoping, thinking maybe one day Ö poof! No, you're doing the work that's required to get the result you seek.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If you've lately felt like a thoroughbred cooped up in somebody's back yard, you'll get your chance to race before this week is through. Do some warm-up stretches so you're ready to go.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). A confusing situation will simplified, a problem resolved. Start by acting as if you already know. Soon you really do know. Aries is a resource, too, providing exactly what's needed.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You impress people. Is that so bad? Enjoy the public recognition you get now, even if that's hard for you. If you can accept this positive reinforcement gracefully, a lot more comes your way in the weeks to come.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "What are

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I've been married two years, and we are moving into our first home next month.

Since our wedding, we have not bought a single of furniture. piece Everything we own is either something already had, something handed down, or my husband somehow got it for free.

I tolerated this while living in our apartment, but I always dreamed of finally having furniture that we picked out ourselves, that matches and that I actually like.

I know we won't be able to purchase everything we need right away, and that's OK. I'd rather sit on the floor for a few months than move our hideous couches and mismatched lamps into the new home. My husband is perfectly fine with all we own, especially since we didn't spend any money on it, and he doesn't see the need to replace it.

Can I tell my husband that I will not permit anything other than our bed to be moved into the new place? He isn't attached to our furniture. He just thinks I'm being unreasonable. Am I? — Want Stuff To Call My Own in North Carolina

Dear N.C.: Not at all. Many men are content with whatever they can sit on and don't care whether things match or reflect taste of any kind. If you can afford to purchase new furniture, you should do so. But move a few old pieces into your new home enough so that your husband doesn't feel uncomfortable and your guests don't have to sit on the floor — and as you replace them with new ones, donate any stillusable items to charity.

Dear Annie: I am a 14year-old high school freshman, and I recently discovered evidence that my father is having an affair. My parents have been married for 15 years, and though things are a bit rocky, they seem to get along. The problem is, my father has cheated on my mom before. I know I shouldn't have



Marcy Sugar

help it. So, what should I do? — Curiosity Killed the Cat

Dear Cat: Talk to your father about what you found. Apologize snooping, but tell him that his behavior affects you and you don't want stress over the possibility that your parents' marriage is in trouble. You also can discuss this with your school counselor. And please stop snooping. Sometimes you find things you don't want to know.

Dear Annie: In the past several months, you have printed several letters from readers who "caught" their spouses from corresponding with others on the Internet and fear their partners are being unfaithful.

My wife goes to bed much earlier than I do, and since there is rarely anything decent on TV, I started logging on to the computer. At first I played solitaire checked my e-mails, but then I discovered chat rooms. I don't go to any pornographic or sexually oriented rooms, but I found that I really enjoyed interacting with others online.

One evening, my wife woke up while I was in a political chat room. She immediately became suspicious, and even though I assured her nothing prurient was going on, she became upset and demanded, "Who is that? Is that a woman? Have you met her?"

Annie, I never exchange individual e-mails with any of these folks. Most of the time, I have no never given my wife a reason to think I might cheat, yet I realize she must be terribly insecure. Since we have otherwise happy and loving relationship, I've simply given up the computer after she goes to bed. As for other couples, I would please ask them to recognize most chat rooms are perfectly innocent. Chatterbox

Dear Chatterbox: There are a lot of decent and educational chat rooms, and as long as your wife is welcome to look at anything on vour computer at any time, she should not have cause to worry.

Dear Annie: I've noticed you've printed several letters regarding loved ones who exhibit emotional instability through temper tantrums, hatefulness, spitefulness, etc. I've been one of those people.

It turns out I had a thyroid problem, despite "normal" test results. An unsuspecting thyroid problem (at any age) can be the cause of unhealthy behavior, as well as mental and physical distress. Proper diagnosis can be a lifesaver to the sufferer and loved ones alike. — A Recovering Underactive Thyroid Sufferer

Dear Thyroid Sufferer: Thanks for the reminder that some personality issues are indicative of physical problems.

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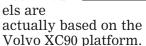
Ford's Taurus X

New features, powertrain added to Ford's safety-leading crossover

ormally known as the Freestyle, Ford's seven-passenger crossover utility vehicle not only receives a new name for the 2008 model year, but an abundance of new features.

Renamed the Taurus X, Ford's popular-selling, seven-pas-

seven-passenger crossover shares the same platform as the full-size Taurus sedan (formally known as the Five Hundred). Both models are actually has



Earning five-star ratings in all four categories of government crash tests and a "Top Safety Pick" rating from the Insurance Institute of Highway Safety, the Taurus X has been dubbed the safest seven-passenger crossover in America.

Available in front- or all-wheel drive configurations, standard safety features include anti-lock brakes, AdvanceTrac electronic stability control, dual-stage driver and passenger front airbags, seat-deployed side front airbags and Ford's Safety Canopy side curtain airbags for all three rows featuring "roll-fold" technology to enhance protection during an extended crash event.

In addition to freshened interior and exterior styling enhancement, major changes for '08 include a new, more powerful 3.5-liter V-6 engine and six-speed automatic transmission.

I really love this sixspeed automatic. Hat's off to Ford for making it standard equipment.

Certified as a Low
Emissions Vehicle, the
Taurus X has an EPA
fuel economy rating of 16
mpg city, 24 mpg highway for front-wheel drive
models (15/22 mpg for all-

wheel drive models). Another much appreciated addition for '08 is a one-touch flip-and-fold second-row seat that makes gaining access to the third row a snap.

With one hand, anyone can easily flip and fold up the second-row seat on either side.

There's also the optional power rear liftgate that can be activated by the remote access keyfob. I

also like the optional FordSync — a voice-activated, handsfree, in-car communications and entertainment system that allows integration of mobile phones and media play-

ers into the

BY NEAL WHITE

ON THE ROAD

technology.
The Taurus X is available in three trim levels: SEL, Eddie Bauer and

vehicle using Bluetooth

Limited.
Standard features
include: dual chrometipped exhaust; fog
lamps; keypad keyless
entry; privacy glass for
second- and third-rows;
remote keyless entry;
roof rack; air conditioning; power windows,
locks and mirrors;
AM/FM stereo with CD
and audio input jack; sixway power driver seat
with manual lumbar;

reclining 40/40 split sec-



ond-row seats; solar tinted glass; cargo area light; auto-dimming rearview mirror; four 12V power points; leather wrapped steering wheel and shift knob and anti-theft sys-

With the versatility to seat seven passengers, the Taurus X also boasts nearly 16 cubic feet of cargo area behind the third row seat (85.5 cubic feet with the third and second rows folded flat).

In the interest of full disclosure, I was so impressed with the Freestyle when it was first introduced as a 2005 model that I bought one. While impressed with The 2008 Ford Taurus X crossover utility vehicle.

the original Freestyle, I'm even more impressed with the 2008 Taurus X. For those in the market for a smooth-handling, seven-passenger crossover utility vehicle, I highly recommend adding the Taurus X to list of vehicles for consideration.

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THE NUTS AND BOLTS

MODEL:
2008 Ford Taurus X
7-seat crossover utility
Front-; all-wheel drive
Trim packages:
SEL, Eddie Bauer, Limited
PRICE RANGE:
\$27,000-\$39,000
ENGINE:
3.5-L V-6 (263 hp/249 torque)

3.5-L V-6 (263 hp/249 torque) **TRANSMISSION:** 6-speed automatic

6-speed automatic **EPA:** 16/15 mpg city, 24/22 mpg highway (FWD/AWD)

FUEL: Regular unleaded SUSPENSION: macpherson strut and rear facing L-shaped lower control arm with isolated subframe and stabilizer bar (front) Independent multi-link suspension coil over shock and hydroformed lower control arms (rear).

TRACTION CONTROL:
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AdvanceTrac stability program.
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House unlikely to override child health veto as White House looks ahead to negotiations

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush, anticipating that his veto of a \$35 billion spending increase for children's insurance will stand, has assigned three top advisers to try to negotiate a new deal with Congress.

Democrats appeared about 15 votes short in the House heading into Thursday's attempt to override Bush's veto of their \$35 billion spending increase for the program.

The president said his veto gives him a chance to weigh in on the future of the State Children's Health Insurance Program.

'Sometimes the legislative branch wants to go on without the president, pass pieces of legislation and the president can then use the veto to make sure he's a part of the process," Bush said.

AP NewsBreak: Pentagon to alert 8 National Guard units for Iraq, Afghanistan duty

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon is preparing to alert eight National Guard units that they should be ready to go to Iraq or Afghanistan beginning late next summer, The Associated Press has learned.

The U.S. military is reaching out to more Guard units in an effort to maintain needed troop levels, ease some of the strain on the active duty Army and provide security for ports, convoys and other installa-

According to defense officials Wednesday, seven of the units would deploy to Iraq and one to Afghanistan. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because the orders had not yet been signed and the announcement is not expected until the end of this week.

Two of the units will be full combat brigades heading to Iraq — between next summer and into 2009, to serve as part of the rotation with active duty troops. There are currently 20 combat brigades in Iraq, but under plans mapped out by President Bush and his top commanders, that number will gradually drop to 15 next year, as the U.S. reduces its troop presence there.

Those two Guard brigades would include about 3,500 soldiers each — generally the size of a combat brigade. But the other five going to Iraq will be much smaller brigades that are tailored for specialized support operations, mostly security and detainee operations. Their sizes vary, but some would be about 1,000 troops.

State officials say Blackwater won't be fired

WASHINGTON (AP) — A State Department review of private security guards for diplomats in Iraq is unlikely to recommend firing Blackwater USA over the deaths of 17 Iraqis last month, but the company probably is on the way out of that job, U.S. officials said.

Blackwater's work escorting U.S. diplomats outside the protected Green Zone in Baghdad expires in May, one official said Wednesday, and other officials told The Associated Press they expect the North Carolina company will not continue to work for the embassy after that.

It is likely that Blackwater does not compete to keep the job, one official said. Blackwater probably will not be fired outright or even "eased out," the official added, but there is a mutual feeling that the Sept. 16 shooting deaths mean the company cannot continue in its current role.

Senators want answers from Mukasey on eavesdropping, executive privilege

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senators want to know whether Attorney General-nominee Michael Mukasey would uphold the administration's view of executive power, the president's eavesdropping program and a legal shield for reporters before they confirm him as So far, Mukasey has told senators he will reject any White House meddling in Justice Department matters and resign if his legal or ethical concerns about administration policy are ignored.

Senators of both parties liked most of what they have heard. Republicans even grinned at his answer when Sen. "I'm not a bashful person," Mukasey replied during the proceedings Wednesday in his second day of confirmation hearings. "I'm not going to become a bashful person if confirmed.'

Parents falsely claim religious exemptions to avoid vaccinating young children

BOSTON (AP) — Sabrina Rahim doesn't practice any particular faith, but she had no problem signing a letter declaring that because of her deeply held religious beliefs, her 4-year-old son should be exempt from the vaccinations required to enter preschool.

She is among a small but growing number of parents around the country who are claiming religious exemptions to avoid vaccinating their children when the real reason may be skepticism of the shots or concern they can cause other illnesses. Some of these parents say they are being forced to lie because of the way the vaccination laws are written in their states.

"It's misleading," Rahim admitted, but she said she fears that earlier vaccinations may be to blame for her son's autism. "I find it very troubling, but for my son's safety, I feel this is the only option we have.'

An Associated Press examination of states' vaccination records and data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that many states are seeing increases in the rate of religious exemptions claimed for kindergartners.

"Do I think that religious exemptions have become the default? Absolutely," said Dr. Paul Offit, head of infectious diseases at Children's Hospital.

State

Ombudsman calls for closing of Vernon TYC prison

AUSTIN (AP) — An ombudsman for the Texas Youth Commission recommended closing a North Texas juvenile prison because of conditions including dangerous buildings, meager programming and understaffing.

Will Harrell's report described the Victory Field Correctional Academy in Vernon as the "the least adequate" of any he'd visited since he took the job in May.

Harrell told the House Corrections Committee on Wednesday that the Vernon facility was the TYC prison most similar to the Coke County Juvenile Justice Center in West Texas. The commission closed that lockup this month and fired its private operator after Harrell reported terrible conditions there.

Perry backing Giuliani disappoints conservatives

WASHINGTON (AP) — Conservatives and gun rights advocates in Texas said they are disappointed and mystified by Gov. Perry endorsed Giuliani, the former New York City mayor, at an economic conference of the Club For Growth, a conservative advocacy group. Unlike Perry, Giuliani has favored abortion rights and gun control.

The Texas governor, who accompanied Giuliani on a campaign trip to Iowa later in the day, said, "Mayor Giuliani is not the enemy. Perry is the first majorstate governor to endorse Giuliani. His endorsement comes just in time for a three-day "values voter summit" that begins Thursday by the Family Research Council, a religious conservative group. Giuliani and other GOP candidates plan to attend.

Potter sheriff, jail food company president indicted

AMARILLO (AP) — The Potter County sheriff was indicted Wednesday on a public corruption charge for allegedly accepting bribes from a vendor that handles food service at the county jail and in its commissary.

Sheriff Michael C. Shumate, 58, was to turn himself in to FBI agents in Amarillo, District Attorney Randall Sims said.

Selden Hale, Shumate's attorney, said his client will make his case in court.

Shumate is accused of engaging in organized criminal activity by accepting bribes from Mid-America Services, Inc. by taking illegal contributions from the company that handles food services at the Potter County Jail.

Pipeline blast jolts Port Arthur

PORT ARTHUR (AP) — Port Arthur officials are still urging residents near an overnight pipeline explosion to stay indoors and turn off outside ventilation.

The Union Carbide-Dow Chemical pipeline exploded about 2 a.m. Thursday just off U.S. 69, about 1 miles northwest of Texas 73 in the Stonegate section of Port Arthur. Flames soared about 100 feet into the sky, but no injuries or damage was reported.

The pipeline flow was shut off about 11/2 hours later. Port Arthur Fire Chief Larry Richards says the fire was much-diminished after the ethylene flow was shut off, but it could take several hours for the residual chemical to burn off.

Three charged with stealing from band members

ROUND ROCK (AP) — Three people have been charged with organized criminal activity for stealing high school band members' belongings while the musicians were performing at football games.

Police spokesman Eric Poteet said surveillance camera footage from Round Rock High School led investigators to two women and a 14-year-old girl. They're accused of taking wallets, purses and jewelry during two games in September and October.

"It's sad to think these kids were playing their hearts out on the field; they weren't thinking about their things being stolen," school district spokeswoman JoyLynn Occhiuzzi said in Thursday editions of the Austin American-Statesman.

She said the band hall's exterior doors were locked but that an interior door had been left open.

Poteet said Stacey Lene Morgan, 43, was being held Wednesday in the Williamson County Jail with bail set at \$20,000. An arrest warrant had been issued for Reneshia Larissa Robinson, 26, of Austin, he said.

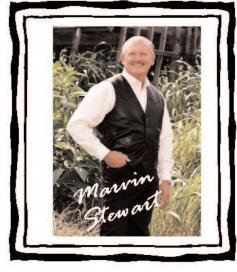
The 14-year-old girl was taken to the Williamson County Juvenile Justice Center.













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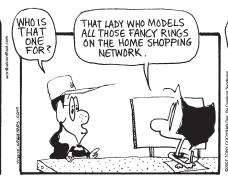
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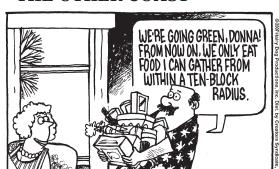
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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, Oct. 18, the 291st day of 2007. There are 74 days left in the year.

History:

On Oct. 18, 1962, Dr. James D. Watson of the United States and Drs. Francis Crick and Maurice Wilkins of Britain were named winners of the Nobel Prize for Medicine and Physiology for their work in determining the double-helix molecular structure of DNA.

On this date:

ers were authorized to form a guild to protect their interests; it's the first American labor organization record.

In 1685, King Louis the XIV signed the Edict of Fontainebleau, revoking the Edict of Nantes that had established legal toleration of France's Protestant population, the Huguenots. (The French Parliament recorded

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opened (it could only handle one call at a time). In 1898, the American flag

the island to the U.S.

Orange, N.J., at age 84. In 1944, Soviet troops

invaded Czechoslovakia during World War II. In 1969, the federal govern-

sweeteners known as cyclamates because of evidence they caused cancer in laboratory rats. In 1977, West German

commandos stormed hijacked Lufthansa jetliner ground the Mogadishu, Somalia, freeing all 86 hostages and killing three of the four hijackers. In 1982, former first lady

Bess Truman died at her home in Independence, Mo., at age 97.

Today's Birthdays: Former Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., is 86. Rock-and-roll performer Chuck Berry is 81. Sportscaster Keith Jackson is 79. Football Hall-of-Famer Mike Ditka is 68. Actor Joe Morton is 60. Actress Pam Dawber is 56. Author Terry McMillan is 56. Gospel singer Vickie Winans is 54. Tennis player Martina Navratilova is 51. Actor Jean-Claude Van Damme is 47. Actress Erin Moran is 47. Jazz musician Wynton Marsalis is 46. Actor Vincent Spano is 45.

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- distance
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