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Police probe two more shootings

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Officials with the Big Spring Police Department are investigating a pair of shootings that occurred in the 1300 block of College and the 2500 block of Langley Monday.

The first report of shots fired — in the 2500 block of Langley — was received by the BSPD approximately 2 p.m. Monday, according to Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer for the police department.

"No injuries were reported as a result of the shooting," said

EVERETT

was hit. However, person that reported it didn't see anything. It's one of those situations where the shots begin and you duck, so its hard to find anyone that's seen

anything." Everett said a 9 mm shell casing was recovered from the scene, the same caliber used in several other shootings earlier in November.

During the early morning hours of Nov. 4, residences in

"Nothing the areas of Main Street and Cherokee came under fire, resulting in three Big Spring men being injured.

> Joe Viera, 34; Chris Ledesma, 24; and Ruben Gonzales, 20, were all wounded during the early morning shooting spree. A home located in the 1500 block of Sunset was also riddled by gunfire a few days later and is believed to be related to the attack on Main Street.

Everett said a second shooting Monday — reported in the 1300 block of College at approximately 9:29 p.m. — is also under investigation.

"A lady heard shots and two vehicles outside the home were hit," said Everett. "There were two bullet holes in one vehicle and three in the other. Again, no one saw anything that could help investigators. Just like the rest of these shootings, we don't have any witnesses that can tell us anything."

Everett said although he doesn't believe all of the recent shootings to be related, he does feel they fall under the same motive.

"I believe these shootings are gang related," said Everett. "No arrests have been made in any

of the shootings, mainly because we're still either interviewing witnesses or just trying to find the witnesses. Everyone we talk to says they didn't see anything. That makes it pretty tough.'

Anyone with information regarding the string of shootings is encouraged to contact the BSPD at 264-2550 or Big Spring Area Crimestoppers at 263-TIPS (8477).

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail citydesk@bigspringherald.com.

Salvation Army really cooking

Volunteers needed to prepare feast for Thanksgiving

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

As many area cooks prepare to slave over a hot stove to prepare a Thanksgiving meal for perhaps a dozen people, the staff at the Big Spring Salvation Army has a slightly longer guest list in mind.

According to Capt. Linda Keeney, she and her staff are preparing to serve more than 500 meals Thanksgiving Thursday, complete with turkey, dressing and all the trimmings.

"Last year we served approximately 575 meals, and we're expecting to serve even more this year," said Keeney. "Last year we saw a much greater need for the to go dinners. There are just so many homebound people in the area, and a lot of people simply don't have access to a vehicle, so we're expecting the need to be even greater this time around."

In the meantime, Keeney said she and the staff — along with numerous volunteers from throughout the community — have plenty of prep

work to get done.

"We're making sure we have everything lined up. from the 18 turkeys to the 150 pounds of potatoes," said Keeney with a laugh. "It really is amazing just how much food goes into this every year. We'll have 30 No. 10 cans of green beans, corn and other vegetables, and another 20 pounds of onions. The grocery list is pretty long."

Keeney said there is one very important ingredient she and her staff need to prepare a successful Thanksgiving meal.

"More than anything, we need volunteers," said Keeney. "They are really what make this meal a success year after year. We'll start the majority of the cooking Wednesday at 10 a.m., and continue through the afternoon, wrapping up around 1 p.m. Anyone that wants to volunteer can call us for more information, or they can just show up. Trust me, we can find plenty for them to do.

"We also need volunteers for Thanksgiving Day to help serve and deliver the meals. We'll get everything going



Sharon White, left, and Concha DeLeon prepare turkey for the 2006 Salvation Army Thanksgiving Dinner. Volunteers will once again begin preparing holiday fare tomorrow at the local charity's office, located at 811 W. Fifth Street.

about 8 a.m., and deliver the meals between 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. We also need people to donate pies and other deserts for the meal."

the Keeney said Thanksgiving meal which will be served at Thanksgiving meal can at 267-8239 and we'll deliv-

Thursday morning at 11:30 a.m. — is open to just walk in our doors at everyone in the communi-

> "It's open to everyone in the community," said meal. Keeney. "Anyone — and I do mean anyone — that would like to come in and great have a

811 W. Fifth Street and grab a plate. Bring your family and have a great

"If you're homebound and can't get to the Salvation Army office, all vou have to do is call us

er the meal to you. It really is that simple.'

Keeney said his office will take requests for meal deliveries through Thursday morning.

"We'll take calls all the way up until we're doing

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Holiday safety important concern By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

As local residents prepare to put the finishing touches on the Thanksgiving holiday, many will turn their attention to the next big affair — Christmas with plenty of decorations, both inside and out.

And while the upcoming holiday is most definitely a chance for kids — both young and old — to enjoy the change in weather and the seasonal cheer, it's not a time to forget about safety, according to Big Spring Fire Marshall Carl



CONDRAY

Condray said some of the most beautiful aspects of the season can also be the most dangerous.

"Examine your holiday lights before you hang them," said Condray. "Replace any missing or broken parts. You should check them by setting

them on a non-flammable surface and leaving them plugged in for 10 to 15 minutes to make sure they don't melt or smoke.

"When you're hanging the lights, be

sure to keep them away from flammable materials such as curtains, and make sure the cords aren't near any sources of water. Never connect more than three sets of light to an extension cord, and to prevent overheating, pinching and fraying cords, avoid running lights under rugs or behind furniture.'

Condray said another holiday favorite - candles - can also pose a considerable risk if not handled with extreme

"Candles are one of the largest causes

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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

Crossroads region varsity sports weekly calendar

Here's a look at the upcoming Crossroads varsity sports sched-

TODAY

Big Spring girls basketball vs. Greenwood, 7:30 p.m.

Big Spring boys basketball at Snyder, 7

Coahoma girls basketball vs. Wall, 6:30

Forsan girls basketball vs. Robert Lee, 6:30 p.m.

Forsan boys basketball vs. Robert Lee, 8 p.m. (tentative)

Grady girls basketvs. Borden County, 6:30 p.m.

Grady boys basketball vs. Borden County, 8 p.m.

NOV. 27

Big Spring girls basketball at Lamesa, 8

Big Spring boys basketball at Lamesa, 8

Coahoma girls basketball vs. Snyder, 6:30

Coahoma boys basketball vs. Eldorado, 8

Forsan girls basketball vs. Highland, 6:30

Forsan boys basketball vs. Highland, 8

Grady girls basketball vs. Wink, 6:30 p.m. Grady boys basketball vs. Highland, 8 p.m.

NOV 29-DEC. 1

Big Spring girls basketball at Idalou Tournament.

Big Spring boys basketball at Andrews Tournament.

Coahoma boys and girls basketball host-Coahoma Invitational Tournament.

Garden City boys and girls basketball hosting Garden City Tourna-ment.

Forsan boys and girls basketball at Garden City Tournament.

Grady boys and girls basketball at Garden City Tournament.

DEC. 4

Big Spring girls basketball at Midland High, 6:30 p.m.

Big Spring boys basketball at Greenwood, 7:30 p.m.

Individuals needed to referee area basketball games

Individuals are needed to referee area subvarsity basketball games for the 2007-08 season.

Anyone interested should call Adam Rodriguez at 517-0300.

HC men cruise to 98-66 win

By ERIC C. RODEWALD

Special to the Herald

The Howard College men's basketball team held a 56-27 halftime lead and cruised to a 98-66 victory over Stephen F. Austin's Club Team in the friendly confines of the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum Sunday afternoon.

With the win, the Hawks improve to a perfect 8-0 on the season while scoring 92 or more points in seven of those victories. The exception was an 85-70 win over Grayson County College on scoring with five players in douguard Corey Allmond (Oxon Hill, MD) led Howard with

17 points. Also in double figures for the Hawks were Corteze Isaac (16), Markeys Deans (14), Anthony Jackson (11) and Sean Watson (11).

Cheick Kone and Denzel Barnes each scored eight points and DeMarcus Richard chipped in seven. Vladimir Garvranic added four and Edward Brown had two.

The Hawks were balanced in pointers with Allmond, Jackson, and Isaac making three apiece. ble figures. Sophomore shooting Richard and Watson added one each.

> Howard is currently 11th in the nation in offensive scoring average at 100.75 points per game and 11th in defensive scoring average, surrendering just 62.63 points per game.

The Hawks play three games against nationally ranked opponents this week in the Scottsdale Community College Classic in Arizona. Howard tips off the classic on Thursday versus host Howard connected on 11 three-Scottsdale which is ranked No.

22 in the NJCAA Division II preseason poll. Friday the Hawks play NJCAA Division I preseason rated No. 5 Indian Hills Community College-Ottumwa (Iowa). On Saturday, Howard finishes the classic versus No. 7 NJCAA Division II rated Cecil Community College of North East, Mary.

Eric C. Rodewald serves as HowardCollege's **Sports** Information Director and is also the assistant women's basketball

Hawk women lasso Cowgirls, 92-37



Howard College's Marion Jones drives to the basket for a layup in the Hawk women's 92-37 victory over Hardin-Simmons University's junior varsity team Monday night at the **Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.**

By JONATHAN HULL

Herald Sports Editor

Real tests are coming, but until then, the Howard College women are content with continuous preparation for a loaded conference sched-

The Hawks continued their dominant preseason Monday night by improving their record to 7-1 with a 92-37 victory over Hardin-Simmons University's junior varsity squad.

Howard led from start to finish, jumping out to a 18-5 lead with 12:51 left in the first half. The Hawk women pushed their lead to 44-17 at the half.

"I'm more concerned with how we play and execute in order to become a better team in a game like this," Howard Head Coach Earl Diddle said. "I like how we kept our composure. The game never got straggly. We really got a lot out of this game. It says a lot that we keep our composure and continue to work on the things we need to get bet-

Candace Lambert led all scorers with 19 points as five total Hawks scored in double figures. Danielle Cota added 13 points and Aqueelah Watkins. Jotosha McDonald and Veronica Wilson each chipped in 10.

Kandace Griffin put in eight points and Monica Jones added six. Deandra Thomas had four points, Rachael Driver picked up and Shamicka three Jones and Courtnie Stehlik each chipped in

However, it has been

the Hawk's performance on the defensive end of the court that has Diddle excited.

"We're really defensively and play together very well together." Diddle said. "We're playing much better together defensively than we are offensively, but defense is easier to execute. We're the top defense in the country right now. I'm proud of that and we need to build on it so we can carry this momentum into the conference season."

Howard gave up right at season average Monday. The Hawk women topped the nation in the defensive standings, giving up just 37.1 points a game.

The pre-conference schedule continues tonight when Howard travels to Abilene to play Abilene Christian University's junior varsiteam. Hardin-Simmons' junior varsity comes back for a rematch Nov. 27.

Then, the real part of the season begins as the Hawks open up Western Junior College Athletic Conference play with a trip to Midland for a matchup with the No. 3 nationally-ranked Midland College Chapparals Nov. 29. This is a contest that Diddle is eagerly awaiting.

"We open at Midland for conference play and it'll be ready or not here we come," Diddle said. "I think we've got a good team. I'm anxious for the conference season to get underway and I think the girls are as well."

Cowboys rolling into Thanksgiving game

By JAIME ARON

AP Sports Writer

IRVING — With the wins piling up, Dallas Cowboys coach Wade Phillips keeps searching for nuggets of information he can use to keep his guys focused and motivated.

He considers his latest discovery quite a jewel.

"The Dallas Cowboys have never been 10-1," Phillips said Monday. "To me, that's something — to make history on a team that's historical and has done all the great things they've done."

Although he later laughed and said he made up the stat because it sounded good, Phillips certainly is correct. "America's Team" has five Super Bowl trophies, eight Super Bowl appearances and 19 division titles, but has never followed a 9-1 start by winning its next game.

Roger Staubach missed his chance in 1976 and so did another Tom Landry-coached team in

Now, the 2007 group guided by

Phillips and led by Tony Romo and Terrell Owens gets a chance to grab this claim to fame Thursday against the New York

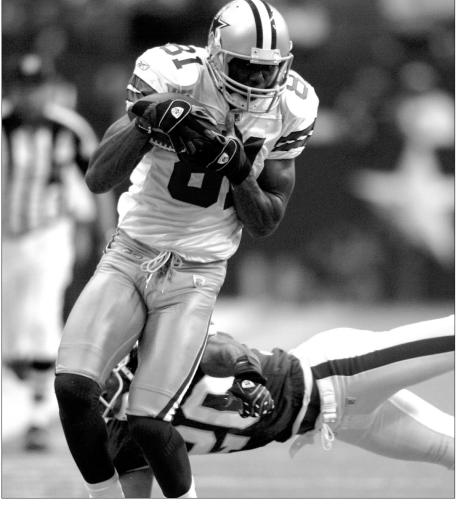
"It's special," tight end Jason Witten said. "That'd be big for

Considering it will be Dallas' second game in five days, and considering the Jets are a wretched 2-8 even after beating the Pittsburgh Steelers this past Sunday, players might need a motivational ploy to help keep them sharp. And to help keep them from thinking ahead to the following game, a Thursday night showdown against fellow NFC co-leader Green Bay.

"For us, each game is its own big game, its own deal," Romo said. "We don't look past any opponent.'

As trite as it sounds, the record shows he's right. Dallas' only loss was to New England; the Cowboys won five in a row before and have won four

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AP photo/Tony Gutierrez

Dallas Cowbovs wide receiver Terrell Owens (81) breaks away from the tackle of Washington Redskins safety Pierson Prioleau (20) and runs for a 52-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter of the Cowboys' 28-23 win Sunday in Irving.

BIG SPRING HERALD Tuesday, November 20, 2007

Obituaries



Jimmie 'Hoppy' Daniels

Jimmie "Hoppy" Daniels, 68, of Big

War 10, 2007, at Spring died Monday, Nov. 19, 2007, at Mountain View Lodge. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2007, at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Joey Bacon of Trinity Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 6 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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Jimmie was born March 5, 1939, in Big Spring to Georgia and Ted Daniels. He was a veteran, serving in the Army in France from 1961 until 1963. Jimmie married Pat Thorp on Sept. 20, 1967, in Big Spring. He worked for the Texas Highway Department for over 30 years, retiring in 2001. Jimmie was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and was a member of Trinity Baptist Church. His hobbies were woodworking, especially Christmas displays from wood and playing Santa Claus.

Jimmie is survived by his wife, Pat Daniels of Big Spring; one son, Brad Daniels and his wife, Kara, of Springfield, Mo.; three grandchildren, Caleb Daniels, Abbie Daniels and Colin Daniels, all of Springfield, Mo.; one brother, Melvin Daniels and his wife, Marie, of Big Spring; one nephew, Leland Daniels and his wife, Pam, of Dayton; one niece, Laurie Shryack and her husband, Bart, of Leander; four great nieces and nephews, Shawnda Jackson and her husband, Dwayne, Layton Shryack, Landon Shryack and Logan Daniels; and two great great nieces, Dakota Jackson and Sydney Jackson; sisters-in-law and brothers-inlaw, Sue and Gary Bradbury of Big Spring, Ann Rogers of Russellville, Ky., Sharon and Keith Grant of Big Spring, Ralph and Beverly Thorp of Austin and Frank Howard of Little Rock, Ark.; and their children and grandchildren, Kelly Grant Myrick, Beth Rogers, Arlene Castleberry, John Rogers, Brian Grant, David Howard, Chris Howard, Brianna Grant, Nicole Rogers, Dakota Bradbury, Dalton Bradbury, Cole Rogers and Kyden Myrick.

In addition to his parents, Jimmie was preceded in death by his one sister, Linda Darlene Daniels; his mother-in-law, Bonnie Thorp; father-in-law, Ralph Thorp; sister-in-law, Linda Howard; brother-in-law, Jerry Rogers; and one nephew, Dwayne Bradbury.

The family suggests memorials to the Building Fund at Trinity Baptist Church, 810 E. 11th Place, Big Spring 79720, or Odyssey Hospice, 1003 E. FM 700, Big Spring 79720.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com. Paid obituary

Rickie Charles Hogue

Rickie Charles Hogue, 55, of Sweetwater, formerly of Big Spring, died Nov. 19, 2007, in Sweetwater. Funeral services are set for 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2007, at McCoy Funeral Home with the Rev. Michael Decker and the Rev. Jimmy Don Bennett officiating. Burial will follow at 4 p.m. at Westbrook Cemetery.

Rickie was born June 9, 1952, in Big Spring to Wayne L. Hogue and Dorothy Hogue Snapka. He worked in the oil field as a driller and was a veteran of the U.S.

He is survived by two sons, Richard Hogue and wife, Melissa, of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Jonathan Hogue and wife, Amber, of Sweetwater; a daughter, Brandie Knabe and husband, Rodney, of Muenster; his mother, Dorothy Hogue Snapka of Sweetwater; two brothers, Billy Hogue of Kennewick, Wash., and James Hogue of Snyder; four sisters, Loretta Morris and husband, Glenn, of Lorraine, Vickie Cox and husband, Robin, of Sweetwater, Judy Hogue and Verna Campbell, both of Kennewick, Wash.; seven grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father; a grandson, Jonathan Hogue; and a brother, Eddie Hogue.

Arrangements are under the direction of McCoy Funeral Home of Sweetwater.

Fay Buchanan

Fay Buchanan, 91, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2007, in a local nursing home. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

John B. McMillan

John B. McMillan, 85, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2007, at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Support Groups

TUESDAY

•The Path, faith-based addiction recovery, meets at 6:30 p.m. at Spring Tabernacle Ministeries, 1209 Wright St.

• Dual Recovery Anonymous meetings have been canceled. They will no longer take place at the Howard County Library. If you have questions, call Deidra F. at (432) 816-3033.

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Police blotter

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

- WELDON JOE NIX, 60, of 2510 Peach Street, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication. • RAY CARL MCGEE SR., 52, of 1103 E. Sixth
- Street, was arrested Monday on two local capias warrants. • BILLY JOE MITCHELL, 69, of 910 Runnels, was
- arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication. • HENRY CASTILLO, 39, of 304 Vega Street, was arrested Monday on charges of public intoxication and
- unlawfully carrying a weapon. • NATHAN HICKS, 27, of 3417 Colgate, was arrested Tuesday on an unnamed charge.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 900 block of Willia. FORGERY OF A FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT
- was reported in the 1800 block of Gregg Street. • DEADLY CONDUCT - DISCHARGE OR A
- **FIREARM** was reported:
- in the 1300 block of College.
- in the 2500 block of Langley.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1400 block of Wood.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1200 block of Marijo.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported: - in the 700 block of 11th Place.
- in the 500 block of S. Main Street.

Sheriff's report

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 66 inmates at the time of this report.

- ERNEST WILLIAM CLARK, 67, was transferred to the county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of evading arrest or detention.
- RAMIRO RAMIREZ RAMIREZ, 43, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a charge of failure to appear.
- ROBBY CARROLL ATKINSON, 35, was transferred to the county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of theft - bond forfeiture.
- CYNTHIA ANN MORELION, 43, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for theft by check.
- RICKY RAY WINTERS JR., 21, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.
- JESUS BUSTAMANTE, 66, was transferred to the county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of theft

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency

Fire/EMS

Medical Services reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL was reported in the 2600 block of Chanute. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 1500 block of E. 17th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- The Big Spring High School junior class will meet Nov. 29 at the Big Spring High School library at 6:30 p.m. to form committees and vote on the 2008 prom theme. All juniors and their parents are encouraged to attend and all participation will be greatly appreciated. For more information, contact Carrie Fox at 816-9687, Karen Martin at 213-1388 or Bebe Johnson at 213-
- Angel Food delivery is from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday at North Birdwell United Methodist Church. Orders for December delivery will also be taken at this
- A bake sale to raise funds for the Howard County Bible Class program will be held from 8 a.m. until noon Saturday at the St. Paul Lutheran Church parish hall, 811 Gregg. The event is sponsored by the Lutheran Women's Missionary League.
- Pediatric flu vaccinations for children ages 6 months to 35 months are now available at the Texas Department of State Health Services clinic in College Park Shopping Center. Cost is \$10, although no one will be turned away for inability to pay. For more information, call 263-9775.
- Vendors are needed for the Christmas Bazaar at Canterbury South for Saturday, Dec. 1. Hours for the bazaar are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Contact Prissy Stanley at 263-1238 or leave a message.

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TODAY

- Big Spring Band Boosters meets at 5:30 p.m. in the high school band hall. All band parents are invited
- Big Spring Art Association meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library. All working artists and those interested in art are invited to attend.
- Order of the Eastern Star No. 67 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.

WEDNESDAY

- Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- Senior Circle meets at 10:30 a.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call 268-4721.
- Senior Circle meets at 11 a.m. in the Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom for Stretch and Tone. Call 268-4721.
- · Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.
- Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third St.

Weather

Tonight — Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Wednesday — Partly cloudy. Much cooler. Highs in the mid 50s. North winds 10 to 15 mph.

Wednesday night — Increasing clouds. Colder. Lows around 30. North winds 10 to 15 mph.

Thanksgiving Day — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers or snow showers. Colder. Highs in the upper 30s. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday night — Cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and snow showers. Lows in the lower 30s. Friday — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers. Highs around 40.

Friday night — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and snow showers. Lows around 30. Saturday — Cloudy with a 40 percent chance of snow. Highs in the lower 30s.

Saturday night — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of snow. Lows in the lower 30s.

Sunday — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain. Not as cold. Highs in the mid 40s.

Sunday night — Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower

Monday — Partly cloudy. Not as cool. Highs in the mid 50s.

Lottery

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery: 10-15-16-29-37

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Monday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 10-18-24-35. Bonus Ball: 10.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Monday night, in order:

6-5-9-2. Sum It Up: 22

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night, in order: 2-2-2

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Monday afternoon, in order: 2-6-3-7. Sum It Up: 18

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday afternoon, in order: 0-3-5.

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Lubbock Coronado 23, EP Franklin 21

Midland Lee 28, Mansfield

Summit 7 Flower Mound Marcus 28, Keller

Arlington Bowie 48, Hurst Bell 0

EP Montwood (10-1) vs. Odessa Permian (11-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Odessa's Ratliff Stadium

Lewisville (8-3) vs. Euless Trinity (10-1), 3 p.m. Friday, Texas Stadium Lubbock Coronado (10-1) vs. Midland Lee (6-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lubbock's Lowery Field

Flower Mound Marcus (9-2) vs. Arlington Bowie (10-1), noon Friday, Texas Stadium

Region II **BI-DISTRICT**

Rowlett 37, Allen 32 Dallas Skyline 28, Tyler Lee 10 Round Rock 30, A8 Consolidated 23

Klein 19, Conroe 13 Plano 42, Rockwall 35 Mesquite 51, Dallas Molina 0 Round Rock Stony Point 49, Bryan

Spring Westfield 55, The Woodlands 28

AREA Rowlett (6-5) vs. Dallas Skyline (10-1), 5 p.m. Saturday, Texas

Klein (7-4) vs. Round Rock (7-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Round Rock ISD

Plano (10-1) vs. Mesquite (7-4), 11 a.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium Spring Westfield (9-2) vs. RR Stony Point (9-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Sam Houston State

Region III **BI-DISTRICT**

Cypress Ridge 35, Alief Elsik 7 Aldine Eisenhower 14, Houston Westside 7 Stadium

Humble 16, Deer Park 7 Fort Bend Hightower 30, Clear

Cypress-Fairbanks 40, Katy Cinco

Houston Lamar 42, Aldine 20 Galena Park N. Shore 21, Humble

Pearland 28, Fort Bend Kempner 0

Cypress Ridge (10-1) vs. Houston Eisenhower (8-3), 2 p.m. Saturday,

Cypress' Berry Stadium Humble (9-2) vs. Fort Bend Hightower (8-3), 2 p.m. Saturday,

Cypress Fairbanks (7-4) vs. Houston Lamar (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Cypress' Berry Stadium Galena Park North Shore (11-0)

vs. Pearland (10-1), 7 p.m. Friday,

BI-DISTRICT

Pearland

Converse Judson 21, Austin Bowie

SA Southwest 39, SA Clark 36 La Joya 37, Laredo United 0 PSJA 28. Brownsville Pace 7 SA Reagan 34, Austin Westlake 27

SA O'Connor 42, CC Carroll 20 Donna 28. Laredo Nixon 21 Los Fresnos 22. Harlingen 21. OT

Converse Judson (7-4) vs. SA Southwest (11-0), 7 p.m. Friday,

La Joya (5-6) vs. PSJA (9-2), 1 p.m., Friday, La Joya SA Reagan (9-2) vs. SA O'Connor

(9-2), noon, Saturday, Alamodome Donna (9-2) vs. Los Fresnos (8-3), 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Donna

DIVISION II Region I

BI-DISTRICT

EP Coronado 35, Amarillo High 32 Abilene 48, Weatherford 14 Southlake Carroll 35, Flower Mound 24

Cedar Hill 61, Irving MacArthur 24 Lubbock Monterey 62, EP Hanks Mansfield Timberview 17, Abilene

Cooper 13 Lewisville Hebron 38, Grapevine

28

DeSoto 45, Dallas Jesuit 24

AREA

EP Coronado (8-3) vs. Abilene (10-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Lubbock's Jones AT&T Stadium

Southlake Carroll (10-1) vs. Cedar Hill (8-3), 7 p.m. Friday, Texas Stadium Lubbock Monterey (6-5) vs.

Lubbock wiomercy (2-1) Mansfield Timberview (8-3), 1 p.m. Caturday Abilene's Shotwell Stadium Lewisville Hebron (9-2) vs. DeSoto

(9-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Birdville

BI-DISTRICT Garland Naaman Forest 24, Plano

Dallas Carter 34, North Mesquite

Pflugerville 34, Temple 31 Klein Forest 23, Lufkin 16 South Garland 40. Wylie 21 Longview 34, Dallas White 3 Leander 35. Killeen Ellison 21 Klein Oak 59. The Woodlands College Park 42 **AREA**

Garland Naaman Forest (9-2) vs.

Dallas Carter (6-5), 2 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium

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Pflugerville (8-3) vs. Klein Forest (9-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Conroe's Moorhead Stadium

South Garland (10-1) vs. Longview (10-1), 8 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium

Leander (8-3) vs. Klein Oak (10-1), 2 p.m. Friday, Sam Houston State

Region III

BI-DISTRICT Cypress Falls 50, Katy Mayde Creek 7

Houston Stratford 38, Houston Chavez 7 Beaumont West Brook 42,

Pasadena S. Houston 28 Fort Bend Clements 49, Clear Brook 28 Katy 51, Houston Strake Jesuit 18

Houston Madison 34, Aldine MacArthur 21 Pasadena Memorial 35, Baytown

Brazoswood 35, Fort Bend Marshall 27

Cypress Falls (9-2) vs. Houston Stratford (8-3), 7 p.m. Saturday, Conroe's Moorhead Stadium

Beaumont West Brook (10-1) vs. Fort Bend Clements (11-0), 1 p.m. Saturday, Galena Park ISD Stadium Katy (11-0) vs. Houston Madison (7-4), 1 p.m. Saturday, Katy's Rhodes Stadium

Pasadena Memorial (8-2) vs. Brazoswood (9-1), 7 p.m. Friday,

Region IV **BI-DISTRICT**

Smithson Valley 34, Austin High 0 SA East Central 22, SA Taft 17 McAllen Rowe 28, Eagle Pass 27 Harlingen South 30, San Benito 14 SA Madison 22, San Marcos 14 SA Warren 38, CC Ray 22

McAllen 58, Laredo United South 7 Weslaco 62, Edinburg North 49

Smithson Valley (10-1) vs. SA East Central (7-4), 11 a.m. Friday, Alamodome McAllen Rowe (6-5) vs. Harlingen

South (11-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, McAllen Veterans Memorial Stadium SA Madison (10-1) vs. SA Warren (10-1), 3 p.m. Friday, Alamodome McAllen (8-3) vs. Weslaco (9-2),

7:30 p.m. Friday, Weslaco CLASS 4A **DIVISION I**

Region I

EP Del Valle 60, EP Andress 32 Wolfforth Frenship 55, Canyon Randall 21

Keller Fossil Ridge 31, Denton Ryan 20

Aledo 47, FW Southwest 6 REGIONAL

EP Del Valle (9-2) vs. Wolfforth Frenship (9-2), 6 p.m. MST Friday, EP's Conquest Stadium

Keller Fossil Ridge (10-1) vs. Aledo (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Mansfield ISD Stadium

Region II **BI-DISTRICT**

McKinney Boyd 49, Richardson

Marshall 31, Texarkana Texas 27 Dallas Samuell 13, Dallas Kimball

Copperas Cove 37, Waxahachie

REGIONAL

McKinney Boyd (8-3) vs. Marshall (7-4), 2 p.m. Saturday, Tyler's Rose

Dallas Samuell (8-3) vs. Copperas Cove (9-2), 3 p.m. Friday, Waco ISD Stadium

Region III

BI-DISTRICT Austin LBJ 20, Brenham 18 Houston Furr 27, Houston Sharpstown 21

Port Neches-Groves 33, Galena Rosenberg Lamar 39, Dickinson

REGIONAL

Austin LBJ (9-2) vs. Houston Furr 6 p.m. Friday, A&M Consolidated

Port Neches-Groves (8-3) vs. Rosenberg Lamar (9-2), TBA Baytown's Stallworth Saturday, Stadium

Region IV **BI-DISTRICT**

New Braunfels 21, Pflugerville Connally 14

SA Alamo Heights 51, SA Brackenridge 21 Gregory-Portland 41, SA South

CC Flour Bluff 31, Weslaco East

REGIONAL

New Braunfels (11-0) vs. SA Alamo Heights (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, SA's Farris Stadium Gregory-Portland (7-4) vs. CC Flour Bluff (8-3), 7 p.m. Saturday, Corpus Christi's Buccaneer Stadium

DIVISION II Region I

BI-DISTRICT EP Austin 31, EP Parkland 6 Lubbock Estacado 25, Dumas 14 WF Rider 42, Springtown 14 Stephenville 56, FW Wyatt 21 Canutillo 23, EP Chapin 20 Hereford 34, Big Spring 20 Wichita Falls 31, NRH Birdville 27

Everman 57, FW Dunbar 21 EP Austin (11-0) vs. Lubbock Estacado (5-6), 2 p.m. Saturday, Lubbock's Lowrey Field

WF Rider (10-1) vs. Stephenville (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Justin Northwest

Canutillo (10-1) vs. Hereford (7-4), 7:30 p.m. Odessa's Ratliff Stadium

Wichita Falls (8-3) vs. Everman (11-0), 7 p.m. Friday, Saginaw Region II

BI-DISTRICT

West Mesquite 35, Lake Dallas 28 Whitehouse 33, Sulphur Springs

Dallas Spruce 31, Seagoville 8 Red Oak 35, Hewitt Midway 21 Highland Park 49. Frisco 28 Kilgore 17, Mount Pleasant 14 Dallas S. Oak Cliff 24, Dallas

Ennis 37, Waco High 34, 4OT

West Mesquite (8-3) Whitehouse (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Mount Pleasant Dallas Spruce (8-3) vs. Red Oak (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Midlothian

Kilgore (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Tyler's Rose Stadium Dallas S. Oak Cliff (8-3) vs. Ennis (7-4), 1 p.m. Friday, Dallas' Kincaide Stadium

Dallas Highland Park (11-0) vs.

Region III **BI-DISTRICT**

Livingston 42, Manor 13 Houston Washington 30, Houston

Dayton 49, Crosby 7 Texas City 28, Bay City 16 Waller 41, SA McCallum 20 Houston Yates 41, Houston

Lumberton 35, Houston Smiley 7 La Marque 31, El Campo 6 AREA Livingston (9-2) vs. Houston

Washington (7-4), 1 p.m. Friday, Humble's Turner Stadium Dayton (8-3) vs. Texas City (10-1), 7 p.m. Friday, La Porte Waller (8-3) vs. Houston Yates

Lumberton (10-1) vs. La Marque (9-2), TBA Friday, Baytown's Stallworth Stadium

(10-0), 1 p.m. Friday, Katy's Rhodes

Region IV **BI-DISTRICT** Lake Travis 37, New Braunfels

Canyon 7 Kerrville Tivy 52, SA Lanier 6 Port Lavaca Calhoun 31, Floresville 14

CC Calallen 31, Mercedes 0 Schertz Steele 17, Burnet 10 Fredericksburg 38, SA Fox Tech 7 Beeville 34, SA McCollum 14 Edcouch-Elsa 18, Alice 17

Lake Travis (10-1) vs. Kerrville Tivy (10-1), À p.m. Saturday,

Port Lavaca Calhoun (9-2) vs. CC Calallen (11-0), 1 p.m. Friday, Victoria Memorial Schertz Steele (10-1) vs.

Fredericksburg (7-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, SA's Comalander Stadium Beeville (9-2) vs. Edcouch-Elsa (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Kingsville's Javelina Stadium

CLASS 3A DIVISION I Region I

Fort Stockton, bye Andrews 43, Levelland 24 Burkburnett 35, Canyon 28 Abilene Wylie 46, Decatur 16 REGIONAL

Fort Stockton (9-1) vs. Andrews (9-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Monahans Burkburnett (8-3) vs. Abilene Wylie (9-2), TBA Friday, Birdville Region II

BI-DISTRICT Royse City 21, Frisco Wakeland

Dallas Roosevelt 46, Kennedale

Mabank 29. Athens 14 Gilmer 41, Texarkana Liberty-Eylau 26 REGIONAL

Royse City (11-0) vs. Dallas Roosevelt (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Garland's Johnson Stadium Mabank (6-5) vs. Gilmer (11-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Stephen F. Austin

Region III **BI-DISTRICT** Liberty Hill 42, Robinson 14 Carthage 55. Mexia 7 Jasper 49, Splendora 14

Navasota 41, Needville 20 **REGIONAL** Liberty Hill (10-0) vs. Carthage (9-2). TBD

Jasper (7-4) vs. Navasota (8-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Humble's Turner Stadium

Region IV **BI-DISTRICT** Bandera 17, LaVernia 14 Pleasanton 28, Hondo 19 Gonzales 43, Ingleside 7

Hidalgo 39, Zapata 14

REGIONAL Bandera (6-5) vs. Pleasanton (9-Gonzales (9-2) vs. Hidalgo (8-3),

7:30 p.m. Friday, Alice **DIVISION II** Region I **BI-DISTRICT** Monahans, bye Snyder 55, Brownfield 12 Graham 34, Dalhart 7 Argyle 17, Clyde 0 Anthony (7-3), bye

Seminole 27, Greenwood 19 Vernon 32, Perryton 14 Sweetwater 39, Bridgeport 21 **AREA** Monahans (6-4) vs. Snyder (9-2), TBA Friday, Midland's Grande

Communications Stadium Graham (10-1) vs. Argyle (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Stephenville Anthony (7-3) vs. Seminole (7-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Pecos Vernon (10-1) vs. Sweetwater (7Celina 48, Emory Rains 6 West 10, Dallas Madison 6 Canton 35, Kaufman 21

Pittsburg 38, Longview Spring Hill Prosper 23, Wills Point 7 Glen Rose 55, Lake Worth 14 Tyler Chapel Hill 48, Ferris 14 Texarkana Pleasant Grove 34,

Mineola 25 **AREA** Celina (11-0) vs. West (7-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Bedford's Pennington

Canton (7-4) vs. Pittsburg (7-4), 1 p.m. Friday, Tyler's Rose Stadium Prosper (8-3) vs. Glen Rose (7-3),

1 p.m. Friday, Midlothian Tyler Chapel Hill (6-5) vs. Texarkana Pleasant Grove (9-2), 2 p.m. Friday, Mount Pleasant

BI-DISTRICT Waco LaVega 49, Cameron Yoe Crockett 24, Madisonville 19

Region III

West Orange-Stark 51, Coldspring Giddings 21, Sealy 12 China Spring 30, Rockdale 27 Palestine Westwood 65, Diboll 59

Kirbyville 24, Cleveland 14 Caldwell 42, Columbus 31 **AREA** Waco LaVega (11-0) vs. Crockett (8-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Corsicana West Orange-Stark (10-1) vs.

China Spring (10-1) vs. Palestine Westwood (7-4), 1 p.m. Saturday, Waco's Casev Stadium Kirbyville (10-1) vs. Caldwell (9-1),

Giddings (11-0), 7 p.m. Friday,

Region IV **BI-DISTRICT**

Wimberley 59, SA West Campus 7 Lytle 28, Crystal City 12 Cuero 64, Mathis 7 Port Isabel 28, Raymondville 7 Llano 47, Luling 12 Devine 70, Poteet 27 Palacios 17, CC West Oso 6 Rio Hondo 47, Lyford 12 AREA

Wimberley (5-6) vs. Lytle (8-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, SA's Alamo Stadium Cuero (9-2) vs. Port Isabel (7-3),

7:30 p.m. Friday, CC's Buccaneer Stadium Llano (7-4) vs. Devine (9-2), 8 p.m. Friday, Alamodome Palacios (8-3) vs. Rio Hondo (11-New Deal (9-1), bye

0), 7 p.m. Friday, Corpus Christi's Cabaniss Field **CLASS 2A DIVISION I**

Muleshoe 56, Sanford-Fritch 14 Littlefield 35, Denver City 6 Early 56, Merkel 14 Kermit 23, Brady 20 REGIONAL Muleshoe (10-1) vs. Littlefield (9-

2), 7 p.m. Friday, Plainview's Bulldog

p.m. Friday, Sweetwater's Mustang Bowl **BI-DISTRICT** Henrietta 15, Godley 9

Early (8-3) vs. Kermit (9-2), 7:30

Caddo Mills 41, Grandview 21 Farmersville 42, Pottsboro 14 Winnsboro 21, Pattonville Prairiland 6

REGIONAL

Henrietta (7-4) vs. Caddo Mills (11-0), 7 p.m. Friday, Denton's Collins Stadium Farmersville (9-2) vs. Winnsboro (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Greenville

Region III **BI-DISTRICT** Daingerfield 35, Jefferson 14 Tatum 47, Blooming Grove 14 McGregor 49, Teague 35

Newton 55, Buna 8

REGIONAL Daingerfield (9-2) vs. Tatum (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Longview's Lobo Stadium McGregor (8-3) vs. Newton (8-2),

2 p.m. Friday, Conroe's Moorhead

Stadium Region IV **BI-DISTRICT** Salado 17. Hempstead 7 Hitchcock 18. Edna 13 Universal City Randolph 35, Cotulla 6

Santa Rosa 38, George West 10 **REGIONAL** Salado (11-0) vs. Hitchcock (10-1), 6 p.m. Saturday, Navasota Universal City Randolph (11-0) vs.

Santa Rosa (10-1), 6 p.m. Friday,

Region I **BI-DISTRICT** Canadian 48, Tulia 14 Childress 42, Post 0 Coleman 17, Haskell 7 Crane 50. Comfort 21 Stratford 21. Bushland 10 Idalou 26, Abernathy 9

Ballinger 35, Coahoma 20

DIVISION II

Blanco 24, Reagan County 14 Canadian (11-1) vs. Childress (10-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Canyon's Kimbrough Memorial Stadium Coleman (9-2) vs. Crane (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, San Angelo

Stadium Stratford (9-2) vs. Idalou (11-0), 7 p.m. Friday, Canyon's Kimbrough Memorial Stadium Ballinger (8-3) vs. Blanco (10-1), 2:30 p.m. Friday, Killeen

Region II **BI-DISTRICT** Boyd 34, Holliday 14 Palmer 36, Itasca 28 Melissa 49, Whitewright 35 DeKalb 35, Grand Saline 12 Cisco 63, Nocona 0 Lone Oak 28, Hico 21 Gunter 24, Aubrey 14 Paris Chisum 29, Quitman 21 AREA

Boyd (7-4) vs. Palmer (9-2), 1 p.m. Saturday, Burleson Melissa (9-2) vs. DeKalb (7-4), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Forney Cisco (11-0) vs. Lone Oak (9-2), 2

p.m. Friday, Duncanville Gunter (11-0) vs. Paris Chisum (7-4), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Greenville

Region III **BI-DISTRICT** Hughes Springs 30, New Diana 21 Elysian Fields 20, Frankston 6 Crawford 35, Centerville 0 Corrigan-Camden 28,

Chambers 26 Harleton 28, Linden-Kildare 24 Arp 55, Mildred 0 Hamilton 43, Mart 21 Hardin 51, Hemphill 28

AREA Hughes Springs (9-2) vs. Elysian Fields (10-1), 1 p.m. Friday, Gladewater's Murphy Stadium Crawford (9-2) vs. Hardin (9-2), 3 p.m. Friday

Harleton (10-2) vs. Arp (7-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Longview Pine Tree Hamilton (8-3) vs. Corrigan-Camden (9-2), 7 p.m. Friday, Sam Houston State. Region IV

Troy 48, Lexington 35
East Bernard 38, Hallettsville 27 Dillev 13. Poth 7 Refugio 42, Banquete 21 Lago Vista 21, Franklin 7 Altair Rice 29, Wallis Brazos 19 Stockdale 40, SA Cole 34

Skidmore-Tynan 31, Hebbronville

BI-DISTRICT

Troy (9-2) vs. East Bernard (8-3), 6 p.m. Saturday, Bryan Dilley (7-4) vs. Refugio (11-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, San Antonio's Northside ISD Stadium Lago Vista (7-4) vs. Altair Rice (10-

Stockdale (9-2) vs. Skidmore-

Tynan (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Victoria **CLASS A DIVISION I** Region I Sunray, bye Quanah 21, Bovina 6

McCamey 21, Seagraves 3 REGIONAL Sunray (8-2) vs. Quanah (7-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Canadian New Deal (9-1) vs. McCamey (7-

BI-DISTRICT Seymour, bye Valley View 28, Tolar 3 Valley Mills, bye Forsan 16, Winters 7 REGIONAL Seymour (7-3) vs. Valley View (10-

4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Andrews

Region II

BI-DISTRICT

Memorial Stadium Valley Mills (7-3) vs. Forsan (6-Saturday, p.m. Brownwood Region III

1), 7 p.m. Fríday, Wichita Falls'

Wolfe City, bye Joaquin 53, Simms Bowie 16 Alto, bye Groveton 48, Hull-Daisetta 27 **REGIONAL** Wolfe City (5-5) vs. Joaquin (9-2),

7:30 p.m. Saturday at Gladewater Alto (10-0) vs. Groveton (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Lufkin's Martin Stadium Region IV **BI-DISTRICT**

Normangee, bye

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AREA

Granger 46, Johnson City 7 Brackettville, bye Shiner 48, Ben Bolt 0 **REGIONAL** Normangee (9-1) vs. Granger (10-

Brackettville (6-4) vs. Shiner (8-3),

DIVISION II Region I **BI-DISTRICT** White Deer, bye Memphis 12, Springlake-Earth 8 Ralls, bye Sundown 28, Wink 26 Gruver, bye

Nazareth 35, Clarendon 6

Hale Center, bye

7:30 p.m. Friday, Somerset

Iraan 27, O'Donnell 21, OT White Deer (9-1) vs. Memphis (6-4), 2 p.m. Friday, Canyon's Kimbrough Memorial Ralls (9-1) vs. Sundown (11-0),

Gruver (7-3) vs. Nazareth (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Amarillo's Bivins Hale Center (5-5) vs. Iraan (7-4),

Region II **BI-DISTRICT** Munday, bye Collinsville 41, DeLeon 6 Meridian, bye Roscoe 69, Eldorado 18 Windthorst, bye Gorman 52, Lindsay 10 Goldthwaite, bye Albany 41, Christoval 13

Munday (10-0) vs. Collinsville (8-3), 2 p.m. Friday, Wichita Falls' Memorial Stadium Meridian (9-1) vs. Roscoe (11-0), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Cisco

Windthorst (4-6) vs. Gorman (11-

0), 2 p.m. Friday, Graham

Goldthwaite (8-2) vs. Albany (9-2) 7:30 p.m. Friday, Tarleton State,

BI-DISTRICT Quinlan Boles, bye Maud 58, Beckville 7

Cayuga, bye

Lovelady 47, Evadale 0 Cumby, bye Tenaha 58, Gilmer Union Hill 34 Grapeland, bye West Sabine 48, West Hardin 27

AREA Quinlan Boles (10-0) vs. Maud (8-2), 3 p.m. Saturday at Pittsburg Cayuga (7-3) vs. Lovelady (7-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Palestine Cumby (6-4) vs. Tenaha (8-3),

7:30 p.m. Friday, Gladewater's Murphy Stadium Grapeland (4-6) vs. West Sabine (8-3), 6 p.m. Friday, Lufkin's Martin

Region IV **BI-DISTRICT** Bremond (8-2), bye Milano 42, Leakey 0 D'Hanis (10-0), bye Louise 14, Bruni 0 Chilton (4-6), bye Harper 7, Thorndale 6 Sabinal (8-2), bye Flatonia 21, La Villa 20

AREA Bremond (8-2) vs. Milano (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Cameron D'Hanis (10-0) vs. Louise (8-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Seguin's Matador Stadium

Chilton (4-6) vs. Harper (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Pflugerville Hendrickson Sabinal (8-2) vs. Flatonia (7-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, New Braunfels Canyon SÍX-MAN **DIVISION I**

Region I Rankin, bye Ropesville 48, Robert Lee 46 Ira 56, New Home 8 Grady, bye REGIONAL Rankin (9-1) vs. Ropesville (10-1), p.m. Friday, Midland's Grande

Communications Stadium Midland

Ira (10-1) vs. Grady (9-1), 6:30

p.m. Friday, Lamesa Klondike HS Region II **BI-DISTRICT** Happy 28, Crowell 18 Rule, bye Throckmorton, bye Turkey Valley 75, Lorenzo 30

REGIONAL

Gordon, bye

Region IV

May, bye

BI-DISTRICT

BI-DISTRICT

Sanderson, bye

Trinidad 54, Blum 8

Abbott 71, Penelope 35

Happy (8-3) vs. Rule (10-0), 8 p.m. Saturday, Lubbock's Lowrey Field Throckmorton (7-2) vs. Turkey Valley (11-1), 5 p.m. Saturday, Lubbock's Lowrey Field Region III **BI-DISTRICT**

Strawn, bye **REGIONAL** Gordon (9-1) vs. Trinidad (9-1), 6 p.m. Thursday, Moody Abbott (10-1) vs. Strawn (6-4), 4 p.m. Friday at Hico

Calvert 65, Rochelle 34 Blanket, bye REGIONAL May (9-1) vs. Richland Springs (10-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Comanche

Richland Springs 54, Lometa 6

Calvert (11-0) vs. Blanket (4-6), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Moody HS **DIVISION II** Region I

Jayton 55, Loop 8 Sierra Blanca, bye REGIONAL Sanderson (4-5) vs. Grandfalls-Royalty (10-1), 7 p.m. Friday, Ozona Jayton (7-4) vs. Sierra Blanca (4-

Grandfalls-Royalty 54, Loraine 6

Region II **BI-DISTRICT** Southland, bye Matador Motley County 58, Lefors

Follett 29, McLean 16

Amherst, bye

Region III

Cedar Hill

BI-DISTRICT

4), 6:30 p.m. Friday, Garden City

REGIONAL Southland (7-2) vs. Matador Motley County (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Follett (10-1) vs. Amherst (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Groom

Avoca 0 Apple Springs, bye Milford, bye Woodson 53, Guthrie 0 **REGIONAL** Vernon Northside (8-2) vs. Apple

Springs (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday,

Vernon Northside 70, Lueders-

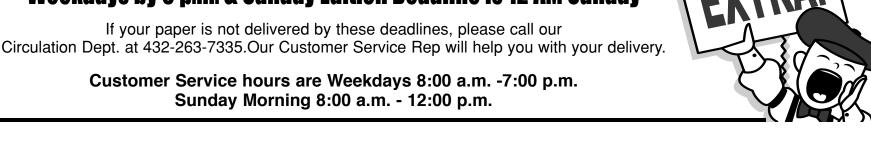
Milford (10-0) vs. Woodson (9-2), TBD Region IV **BI-DISTRICT** Lohn, bye Gustine 72, Star 28 Iredell 74, Jonesboro 48 Zephyr (7-3), bye REGIONAL

Lohn (7-3) vs. Gustine (8-2), 7 p.m. Thursday, Gustine Iredell (8-3) vs. Zephyr (7-3), 6:30 p.m. Friday, Evant



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Paula Farquhar named American Cancer Society hero

By NANCY KOGER

Special to the Herald

Big Spring is the home of heroes, at least those recognized by the American Cancer Society.

Paula Farquhar was named the High Plains Division Hero of Hope for 2008. In 2007 the designee for the area was Sandra Logback, also from Big Spring. Since that group started choosing inspirational survivors as area spokespersons, the honor was usually passed to different towns. With the tremendous success of the Howard-Glasscock Relay for Life and the work on the CPS-3 both of which

Spring could not be overlooked in choosing the year's Hero.

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A press release from the American Cancer Society states, "Paula Farquhar of Big Spring and other cancer survivors were recognized at the American Cancer Society Relay for Life Leadership Summit in Dallas on Oct. 19. The ACS High Plains Division's annual Heroes of Hope Awards recognized 28 cancer survivors who have triumphed over cancer, made significant contributions to cancer control and made an impact in the lives of others.

"Paula and other survivors were selected from across six states representing 14 regions. ize the courageous struggle of all cancer patients as they deal with the physical and emotional aspects of their experience."

Farquhar was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1999, underwent chemotherapy, a bilateral mastectomy and finally, reconstructive surgery. During and since her treatment, she has been active in the local Relav for Life, serving as a team captain, a planning committee worker and last year heading up the CPS3 effort to enlist people for an ongoing national study to help in cancer research.

"The Heroes of Hope Award provides a highly visible symcancer as well as encourages support and participation in the programs of the Society," says Gay-Lynne Jones American Cancer Society Relay for Life mission integration task force co-chair.

Each Hero had his or her individual photo and profile displayed and received an award at a special ceremony during the Summit.

"Meeting them and hearing their stories make a statement that progress is being made in cancer research and that there is hope for the future for people who are diagnosed," says Jones. "We are proud of these 28 survivors who exemplify

Farquhar was involved, Big The honorees selected symbol- bol of personal victory over true Heroes in their communities. They are indeed profiles of courage.

Today, 65 percent of people diagnosed with cancer will survive the disease.

During October, the ACS Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the Howard Glasscock Relay for Life began this year's campaign with the Planning Committee Kick-off. Community Kick-off event was Nov. 1.

Fundraising activities will continue during the year, culminating in the 2008 Relay for Life in May. As our Hero of Hope, Farquhar will be available to speak to groups about the battle against cancer.

Bush lauds American spirit in uncommon Thanksgiving tribute

By BEN FELLER

Associated Press Writer

CHARLES CITY, Va. — President Bush Monday honored acts of everyday decency and supreme sacrifice, part of a Thanksgiving tribute like none he had done before.

Bush devoted his day to people who, as he put it, serve a cause larger than themselves — police, firefighters, teachers and citizens who become heroes in times of crisis.

He singled out three people for recognition: Jeremy Hernandez, who rescued children from a school bus at the scene of a massive bridge collapse in Minneapolis; Doris Hicks, an inspirational school principal in New

Orleans' devastated Ninth hails and Librescu, a Holocaust survivor who died trying to save his students during the Virginia Tech massacre.

"These stories remind us that our nation's greatest strength is the decency and compassion of our people," Bush said at Berkeley Plantation, where the three-sided tent set up for his speech offered a sweeping backdrop of the James River.

"As we count our many blessings, I encourage all Americans to show their thanks by giving back," said Bush, who also toured a food bank that serves a huge swath of Virginia.

This is not how the White House usually biting

Liviu Never in his presidency had Bush devoted a speech to the holiday, let alone hours of choreographed travel.

The typical tribute is a proclamation, a radio address and a turkey pardon in the Rose Garden a ceremony that has produced its share of silly moments. This time. Bush opted for events that allowed him, in a very public way, to honor those who have made a mark on him.

The soft theme of the day's events also aimed to put Bush in a positive light at a time when the country is in a disapproving mood, soured by war and Washington politics. There was not a single mention

rarity for Bush these days.

His speech was brisk; it ran just over 11 minutes. celebrating nation's founding, he did not gloss over that it came at a terrible cost to Native Americans, and to slaves who were held in bondage at plantations such as the one where he spoke.

"Today, we're grateful to live in a more perfect union," Bush said. "Yet our society still faces divisions that hold us back. These divisions have roots in the bitter experiences of our past — and have no place America's future."

Bush stopped by a Richmond, Va., food bank, a former tobacco warehouse that has been America's first official

organized center that sends millions of pounds of groceries to needy families each year. The visit to the Central Virginia Foodbank underscored a quiet problem — 35 million people in this country went hungry in 2006.

The president walked by stacks of peanut butter. green beans and soup, then loaded a few crates of oranges, potatoes and macaroni and cheese onto a rolling cart. "C'mon man, let's go," he cheerfully told Mike Hennigan, a local pastor, as the two worked together.

At Berkeley Plantation, Bush got a little history lesson.

The claims

Thanksgiving. Congress in his speech, a converted into a highly Thanksgiving in 1619, distribution when a group of British settlers knelt in prayer of thanks for a healthy arrival across Atlantic. Their proclamation of thanks is carved into the "Thanksgiving Shrine" that Bush visited.

Of course, Plymouth, Mass., is best known as the home Thanksgiving, as the place where Pilgrims and Indians celebrated the autumn harvest with a feast in 1621.

Bush took care not to explicitly take sides in that debate, though his hosts seemed to view his presence as all but an endorsement. The president did call the plantation a "historic treasure" with a "role in this impor-

Astronauts take spacewalk to wire up station's newest room The fluid lines — for about it for now; deconta-

By MARCIA DUNN

AP Aerospace Writer

CANAVERAL, Fla. — Two astronauts went out on a spacewalk Tuesday to wire up the international space station's newest room and keep the next shuttle visit on track for early December.

Commander Peggy Whitson and Daniel Tani needed to hook up power and heater cables and fluid lines between the space station and the Harmony compartment that was delivered by the shuttle last month.

carrying ammonia, a coolant — were in an 181/2-foot, 300-pound tray. The spacewalkers removed the tray from its storage location on the space station, then lugged it over to Harmony.

fast," Whitson warned Atlantis is supposed to Tani. The two took turns carrying the tray, which was awkward to handle, and crawling forward.

While venting some of hookups, frozen ammonia crystals floated out and bounced off Whitson. Mission Control told her not to worry

mination procedures include brushing off the toxic substance and letting the sun bake it off. NASA cannot launch

another space shuttle until the school bus-size Harmony is all hooked "Don't get it going too up, inside and out. blast off Dec. 6 with a European laboratory that will dock to Harmony. One of Harmony's other parking spaces reserved for a Japanese lab.

> The space station's three residents have been working almost nonstop

since Discovery's depar- week. "We'll have to fixed, a formidable task ture two weeks ago, and make sure they under-requiring as many as four just last week moved Harmony to its permanent location. This was their second spacewalk; a third and final outing is set for Saturday to attach figure out how to fix a another fluid tray to Harmony.

teered to work on solar wings. Even though Thanksgiving.

"With this particular crew on board, I don't know if holidays mean anything to them. They are just a hard-charging, get-it-done crew," Kenny Todd, a space station manager, said late last

"Some people also like to put table decorations around them, some of which are made from dry fabrics or actual dried leaves, which makes for an excellent wick to help the flame spread."

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stand that it's Thanksgiving, and take some time and take a breath."

NASA is still trying to jammed joint that is needed to turn one of the space They've already volun- station's two sets of huge Discovery's returned samples of steel shavings clogging the joint, engineers were unable to ascertain which parts are grinding against each other.

> The joint will probably need to be cleaned and



spacewalks, Japan's lab can fly next vear.

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Fay Buchanan, 91, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

John B. McMillan, 85, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

SAFETY

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of house fires in the nation, especially toward this time of the year," he said. "Historically, December has twice the number of candle fires than any other month because of all the decorative candles.

"The main thing people

need to remember is to keep a good clear space around the candle, put them in a proper holder and never leave a candle burning unattended. If you're going to leave the room and not be there to enjoy it, put it out. Also, keep them off combustible surfaces such as table cloths."

Condray said many can-

"holder," which may present their own kinds of danger.

"Some of the candles you can buy these days are inside glass jars and such," he said. "Some of them aren't exactly the best quality and they can get really hot, especially as the candle burns down, and fracture the glass or jar. We've seen quite a few cases like that.

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Big Spring youth nabs 10-point buck

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Kolten Crawford, son of Kevin and Tammy Crawford, shot this 10-point buck Nov. 4 on a family weekend trip to the deer lease in Sterling City.

A-rod nabs third AL MVP

By RONALD BLUM

AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK — Alex Rodriguez got another honor — a nice one, just not the one he preferred.

"There's definitely a huge hole in the resume. And I mean, it's my third MVP and I'm here to say that I would trade all three for one world championship. I wouldn't think twice about it," Rodriguez said Monday after winning in a romp over Detroit's Magglio Ordonez.

A-Rod wouldn't address why he opted out of his old Yankees contract or the reasons for his decision to reverse course and return to New York, but he did slip this into a 30minute conference call: Yankees general manager Brian Cashman asked him following the 2006 season, after he was dropped to eighth in the batting order in the playoff finale against Detroit, whether he'd prefer a trade.

"I had many, many opportunities," Rodriguez said. "There was a lot of interest from a lot of other teams and I felt I didn't want to go anywhere."

Cashman later conthat firmed he approached A-Rod after the 2006 playoff elimina-

tion and asked the star third baseman whether he wanted to be traded. Despite four seasons in New York that filled more tabloid headlines than most players get in a lifetime, Rodriguez wants to stay. If he breaks Barry Bonds' career home run record, he wants to do it with the Yankees.

"It's something magical when you go in that field in front of 55,000 people, and then when you make championships and alltime records. I mean, the potential of it is exciting," he said.

By then, the Yankees will be in their new stadium, one Rodriguez hopes to put his stamp on. He admitted playing in the glare of the Big Apple took a long time to get used to.

"I banged my head against New York; New York didn't bang me against the head. I felt like I made a lot of mistakes," he said. "I was trying to please everybody rather than do what made me happy."

His new attitude produced his best season and it showed in the MVP race. Rodriguez received 26 first-place votes and 382 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers Association of America, while Ordonez had two firsts and 258 points.

Rodriguez won his first MVP in 2003, his last season with the Texas Rangers. He also won with the Yankees in 2005. Those yearly fluctuations bother him.

"It's something I'm aware of and something that needs to stop," he said. "I'd much rather have above average every year or great every year or good every year.'

Rodriguez started this year with 14 homers in his first 18 games, hit .314 for the season and led the majors with 54 homers, 156 RBIs and 143 runs. He was the first player since the Yankees' Roger Maris in 1961 to lead the majors in homers, RBIs and runs, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

An 11-time All-Star, Rodriguez became the ninth player to win the MVP three or more times. Barry Bonds holds the record with seven — all in the NL — and Yogi Berra, Roy Campanella, Joe DiMaggio, Jimmie Foxx, Mickey Mantle, Stan Musial and Mike Schmidt won three apiece.

"I'm expected to do great things, I mean, for a lot of reasons, and I understand that," Rodriguez said.

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Broncos use big plays to beat Titans

By EDDIE PELLS

AP National Writer

DENVER — The Denver Broncos found new ways to make big plays and some little-known players to make them. Now suddenly, they find themselves in a spot they only could have dreamed of a few weeks ago — tied for first place in the AFC West.

Jay Cutler threw touchdown passes of 41 and 48 vards and unheralded Glenn Martinez and Andre Hall added to Denver's frenzy of big scoring plays Monday night in a 34-20 victory the Tennessee over Titans.

The Broncos (5-5) set a

four touchdowns of longer than 40 yards.

"We were overdue," said receiver Brandon Marshall, who caught the 41-yard touchdown pass. "Our offense, we finally exploded. Now we have to piggy back off this game." Vince Young threw for a

career high — 305 yards — for the second straight week, but this one also resulted in a loss for the Titans (6-4), who played catchup against Denver the same way they did in 28-13 loss Jacksonville last week.

"This was disgusting," Titans cornerback Cortland Finnegan said. "The worst tackling game yet.'

Martinez, a second-vear franchise record with receiver signed off the

practice squad September, returned a punt 80 yards to give Denver a 14-0 lead in the

Hall, a first-year player with eight carries this season, turned his ninth into a 62-yard score to help the Broncos regain control of the game after they'd watched a 17-point lead slip to seven.

Hall was in after Selvin Young, who started in place of Travis Henry, went out with a knee

"He was our last tailback and Andre took advantage of his opportunity," coach Shanahan said. "We needed a big play at that time,

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Tennessee Titans quarterback Vince Young (10) scores a touchdown as Denver Broncos linebacker D.J. Williams (55) pursues during the Broncos 34-20 win over the Titans in Denver, Monday.

COWBOYS

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straight since. The latest win, at home Sunday against Washington, wasn't sealed until Owens knocked down a 50-yard desperation heave in the end zone as time expired. It was quite the exclamation point on a day in which he caught eight passes and scored on four of them, the last three touchdowns coming in a span of 11 snaps.

T.O. was still in awe Monday of that performance and the four-game run he's put together: 31 catches, 575 yards and eight touchdowns, with at least 100 yards and a TD in each game.

"I'm just playing out of my mind right now," he said.

The same can't be said of all his teammates, regardless of the dazzling record.

The offense struggled throughout the first half, especially center Andre Gurode. Whether it was sweaty hands or just one of those things, his three errant shotgun snaps wouldn't have been as funny if Dallas had lost.

The secondary also showed a vulnerability it's displayed several times this season. The Redskins obviously thought they could take advantage, throwing a whopping 40 times — and that was just in the second half.

It wasn't merely in the final minutes, either. Washington came out of halftime intent on passing, perhaps the best indication yet this is Dallas' biggest weakness. The problems go deeper than starting cornerback Anthony Henry being limited by a high ankle sprain, especially with the Redskins throwing mostly to three guys.

Going back to his trusty statistics, Phillips tried spinning the performance being acceptable because the Cowboys allowed only 6.4 yards per attempt, which is what they were averaging going into the game. For added emphasis, he noted that figure was sixth best in the league last week, tied with New England.

The Washington game produced a few more concerns for Dallas, from continuing to give up chunks of yards on punt and kickoff returns to the surprising site of the offense not stringing together enough first downs to grind out the

clock. The Cowbovs went three-and-out on their final two possessions, punting twice in the final 3:06.

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By Steve Becker

There's Only One Hope

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable. **EAST ♦** K Q 6 SOUTH The bidding:
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East 3 NT Pass Opening lead — four of hearts. Assume you're defending against

three notrump with the East hand after the bidding shown. Partner leads the four of hearts, and South takes your jack with the king. Declarer leads the ten of spades and finesses, losing to your queen. What would you do now?

When the deal occurred, East returned a heart at trick three, and South was home free. He won with dummy's queen, crossed to the ace of clubs and tried another spade finesse. This lost to the king, but declarer now had three spades, three clubs and three hearts for nine tricks.

In failing to find the winning defense, East fell victim to the "return your partner's lead" syndrome. While this is normally a good practice, East should have relegated it to the scrapheap in this case.

In view of South's opening bid, it was impossible for West to hold the ace of hearts. East could see a total of 26 high-card points between his own hand and dummy, leaving only 14 for his partner and declarer. West could thus hold at most one or two points. East's best chance to defeat the

contract, therefore, was to try to establish three tricks in his own best suit, diamonds, before South could score nine tricks. All this required was that West hold the jack of dia-monds, which was certainly possible on the bidding

If East had shifted to the five of diamonds at trick three, declarer would have been a dead duck. After taking West's jack with dummy's king, South would not have been able to come to nine tricks before the defense scored five, and he would have finished down one.

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OUR VIEWS

Get nominations for Man, Woman of Year honors in

o vou know someone who has devoted considerable free time to make our community a better place? Someone who has made a difference in the lives of others, or the beauty of our area maybe? Do you think they deserve recognition for those efforts?

Take a minute and think about it.

It's a good bet that most of us know someone who fits the bill. Some are often well known in the community and recognized for their accomplishments in the Herald's pages or on local radio and television broadcasts. But sometimes, these difference makers' contributions aren't all that well known

Well, those are the kinds of people the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce wants to know about — those you're sure everyone knows about and those less publicly recognized.

That's because the chamber is currently accepting nominations for Man and Woman of the Year — two individuals who will be recognized during the chamber's banquet on Jan. 24.

The deadline to nominate someone is Dec. 14, so there is still time to have someone considered if you haven't made a nomination yet.

Because it is a Chamber award, those nominating someone must be a member of the Chamber of Commerce or be employed by a member business. Nominees do not have to be chamber mem-

Chamber officials suggest that nominations should be based on all around contributions to the community, and not for one accomplishment, unless the accomplishment was extraordinary.

Anyone holding a political office is not eligible to be nominated.

Applications can be obtained at the Chamber office, 215 W. Third St. For more information or to received a fax application, call Debbye ValVerde at 263-7641.

Remember, if you know someone who's not only voiced their pride in living and working in the Big Spring area, but have gone the extra mile to make our community a better place to live, chances are they deserve to be Man or Woman of

They won't nominate themselves, though. That means it's up to you.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Amen

Everyone has the chance to change. May we change for You, Lord.

Joys of running for president

hey billed it as a debate between Democratic presidential candidates in Philadelphia, the City of Brotherly Love, but what it turned out to be was an ambush.

The male candidates jumped out from behind their rocks and began whacking Hillary Clinton, the front-

runner, like a pinata. They accused her of being untrustworthy, duplicitous, sneaky and unable to brush after every meal.

If the debate had gone on for much longer, they'd have accused her of kidnapping the Lindbergh baby.



John Edwards, quite obviously the best lawyer of the group, led the way.

"Sen. Clinton says...she will end the war, but she continues to say she'll keep combat troops in Iraq and continue combat missions in Iraq....

"I think the American people, given this historic moment in our country's history, deserve a president of the United States that they know will tell them the truth, and won't say one thing one time and something different at a different time."

Silky smooth Barack Obama sang the same tune, in a minor key, accusing Clinton of "changing positions whenever it's politically convenient" on issues like the North American Free Trade Agreement, torture and the Iraq war.

"Now, that may be politically savvy, but I don't think that it offers the clear contrast that we need," he said.

Even old Chris Dodd cranked himself up to challenge Clinton's "electability."

"...there are 50 percent of the American public that say they're not going to vote for her....I don't necessarily like it, but those are the facts."

Nor did the debate's moderators,

Brian Williams and Tim Russert, take it easy on the lady. After spending most of the night rolling out softballs on UFOs or Halloween costumes, they got after Hillary on her alleged support of a proposed law to allow illegal immigrants to obtain drivers' licenses.

She answered it one way, then went back the other way, finally accusing her interrogators of playing a game of "gotcha" with her. (What in the world did she think the game was, beanbag? To add to that sense of victimization, her post-debate spinmeisters made an unfortunate attempt to characterize the event as boys ganging up on the girl, as she herself did not, incidentally.)

Except for that part she stood up to the grilling pretty well, parrying the thrusts with vague answers and a steely smile. Still, if Hillary, like most politicians, really wants to have things both

ways she needs to get better at it. Some say Democrats shouldn't go after each other like that.

They're wrong. It was good training for the front-runner.

Should Hillary make it to the nomination, she will look upon the Philadelphia debate as fondly as she would time spent with the marshmallow-throwing Larry King.

I fully expect the Republicans, no matter who their candidate, to attack her as viciously as any presidential candidate has been attacked in recent history. They will attack her political record, her personal history, her looks, her husband and her daughter. They will attack her underwear. The Internet and the right-wing radio will be filled with ugly rumors, nasty innuendo and Ann Coulter.

It will be brutal and she'd better get ready for it.

We've developed a curious way of picking candidates for the presidency. These political "debates' we keep having are really more game show competitions than debates.

We line up the candidates and say: "Tell us your plan for reforming Social Security, Medicare and the tax code. You have 30 seconds." It makes gibberish of our political dialogue.

If a foreigner, totally unfamiliar with any of the candidates, had walked in on the Philadelphia debate, he'd have had no problem picking out the most qualified candidate. It was, without question, Joe Biden.

Biden, who has been around the block 143 times, simply knows more about government, particularly foreign affairs, than any of the others. Naturally, he has no chance.

I swear, if I wake up one morning and Rudy Giuliani is president I'm moving to Canada. Northern Canada.

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Feeding famines needs reform

ast month, President George W. Bush stood before the United Nations' General Assembly and highlighted the need to reform controversial U.S. food aid programs. His proposed reform is simple: Instead of shipping U.S.-

grown food over long distances to people in need, money and time could be saved by allowing agencies working to prevent famine to buy the food locally. The long-term benefit would be improved food self-sufficiency in areas now dependent on charity.

SOPHIA MURPHY

The president's intended audience on food aid was not only the many international critics of current U.S. practice; it also included Congress, which is setting food aid policy in a new Farm Bill.

Sadly, the House version did not adopt any part of the modest reforms to aid programs proposed by President Bush.

Fortunately, however, the Farm Bill emerging from the Senate Agriculture Committee includes an important four-year, \$25 million trial program to use local cash purchases of food in poor countries.

Food aid is about relatively modest sums of money (roughly \$2 billion of the United States' total agricultural budget of some \$56 billion a year) that the world's richest country spends in the name of some of the world's most destitute people. In overseas development assistance terms, however, the money matters: USAID's budget is under \$10 billion most years, making food aid an important additional resource for development.

There is every reason to get this spending right: Congress owes it to the people in whose name the money is appropriated, and to the taxpayers who are providing it. The United States gives more than half the global total of food aid. Other donors, large and small, have reformed their programs in recent years. Those reforms include ending or limiting mandates to buy the food in the donor country; and, instead providing cash for local purchases near where the food crisis occurs. The key elements of sound food aid are targeting (get it to the people that really need it); getting the food there on time (too late can hurt local farmers at harvest time); and, buying it whenever possible from local markets, to strengthen local production and distribution

systems for the future. The United States is the only large food donor that has not reformed its programs. Current law carries an inflexible mandate that most food aid must be shipped from the United States. This significantly limits the value of U.S. donations. In a critical report earlier this year, the Government Accountability Office (GAO) found the average amount of food actually reaching people in need from the United States has fallen by more than half in the last five years. This 52 percent fall comes at a time when demand is increasing. The report blamed rising business and transportation costs. U.S. food aid donations have now fallen still lower because of rising commodity and oil prices.

One of the largest development agencies in the world, CARE, recently took a brave and important step: they chose to stop accepting U.S. food aid funds, saying they would rather do without \$45 million a year than continue to be part of a system that undermines the very people they are supposed to serve. The choice made by CARE highlights the difference between interests that actively benefit from and promote the current system, particularly the shipping industry and a number of commodity firms, and the development agencies. The latter hold their noses but support the status quo for fear of losing development resources altogether if food aid policies dropped the mandate for U.S. sourcing.

We can only hope that CARE's decision will mark the beginning of the end of this charade, and an embrace of reform.

This month, Congress will vote on a final Farm Bill. It must include this small, do-able and wholly necessary reform to put U.S. food aid back on the right track.

That way more of the assistance America provides will actually get to those who need it the most.

Sophia Murphy is a senior trade advisor at the Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy. She is the co-author of the report, "U.S. Food Aid: Time to Get it Right." DISTRIBUTED BY MINUTEMANMEDIA.ORG.



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The only two first-place votes that didn't go to Rodriguez were from Tom Gage of The Detroit News and Jim Hawkins of The Oakland Press in Pontiac, Mich.

"Magglio is a friend and had an unbelievable season," Rodriguez said. "I've been on that side of the fence many, many times."

He remembered back to his first full season in the majors with Seattle, when he finished three points Juan behind Texas' Gonzalez in MVP ballot-

"I was almost in tears in 1996 when I didn't win the award, and it was very painful," Rodriguez said. "At the time, I was 20 years old and thought I would never get another chance to win it."

Still, there is the absence of a title. He's spoken with quarterback John Elway about the need for one to validate a

"Definitely the exclamation point in his career was the two championships at the end, and I have tremendous faith

that I will be a world champion," Rodriguez said. "What better place to do it than in New York?"

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Rodriguez didn't want to talk about his negotiations with the Yankees that are leading toward a \$275 million, 10-year contract. "There is a finish line in sight," Rodriguez said, adding he would talk about the contract "when the time is right."

A-Rod struggled in the playoffs again this year as the Yankees lost to Cleveland in the first round. He went 4-for-15 (.267) with one RBI against the Indians, leaving him in an 8-for-59 (.136) postseason funk dating to 2004 and hitless in his past 18 playoff at-bats with runners in scoring position.

He had talked about his desire to get more postseason at-bats, but that didn't happen.

"Part of the reason I'm not getting those at-bats is because I'm not performing," he said.

Notes: A-Rod earned a \$1.5 million bonus for winning the award, which completes the contract he opted out of last month.

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and that's one thing about the running game. You keep pounding and every once in a while, you break one of those.'

The Broncos improved to .500, good enough to tie San Diego for the lead in the woeful West.

Suddenly, a team that has 44-7 and 41-3 losses on its wildly disparate scorecard this season, is playing like a legitimate contender. Denver piled up 359 yards against the Titans, who were missing Albert Haynesworth on the defensive line but nonetheless came in with the second-ranked defense in the league.

"This is our division," Marshall said. "It's always been our division. It's time for us to take it back. San Diego, Kansas City, they don't have the talent like us in the locker room. They have star players but can't get it done like us."

Maybe he shouldn't get too carried away. The Broncos were good, but far from perfect — or anywhere near New England level on this night.

Martinez also muffed a punt that led to a touchdown Tennessee late in the third quarter to make the score 27-17.

SPORTS

That touchdown, a 4yard run by Young, came after the second of two illadvised timeouts called by Denver.

linebacker Broncos Nate Webster called a timeout just before the snap on third-and-goal from the 1, a play in which Young came up short of the end zone as he reached for the pylon.

But the timeout gave Tennessee coach Jeff Fisher a chance to review the previous play, in which Young scored on a similar play but had been ruled out of bounds at the

At the end of the first half, Shanahan, trying to duplicate the move that helped him foil Oakland kicker Sebastian Janikowski's game-winning attempt several weeks ago, called timeout a split second before Rob Bironas tried a 56-yarder before halftime.

Bironas' kick sailed about 20 yards wide of the goalpost, but given another chance, he nailed it to trim Tennessee' deficit to 20-10.

"Don't anybody ever question me about those field goals and timeouts again," said Shanahan, who started a trend with that timeout against Oakland. "I told you this would happen sooner or later. You live by the sword and die by the

sword." And really, this one wasn't so much about field goals as big plays for the Broncos.

A team that had only one touchdown of 20 yards or more all season on offense got its second early, when Cutler found Brandon Stokley in the middle of the field and Stokley outran the Titans defense for a 48-yard score.

On the first drive of the third quarter, Cutler found Marshall in single coverage on Calvin Lowry, who went for the ball and missed, allowing Marshall to score for a 27-10 lead.

Cutler lost the stats matchup to Young, his 2006 draft classmate, finishing 16-for-21 for 200 yards. But Cutler got the win and a gaudy quarterback rating of 137.0 to go with it.

Selvin Young finished with 54 yards for Denver before leaving with a twisted knee.

That could set the stage for Hall, who could start next week against Chicago if Young is hurt and the Broncos are without Henry, who is awaiting the league's decision on results of a positive drug test. Henry was inactive against Tennessee with a knee injury.

The Titans, meanwhile, have lost two straight and hardly looked like the team that appeared poised to push Indianapolis in the AFC South.

The defense got beat up for the second straight week. Last time, it was on the ground (166 yards against Jacksonville) and this time by the big play.

"It all came down to missed tackles," Fisher said. "We had missed tackle on the long touchdown run, missed tackles on the long touchdown pass play. That's the problem with missed tackles."

Meanwhile, receivers dropped no fewer than four easy catches, including one by Brandon Jones, who got behind Champ Bailey but bobbled the pass, which helped stall a promising drive on the opening possession.

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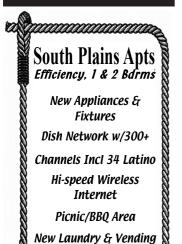


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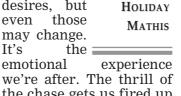
Tomorrow's Horoscope

BYHOLIDAY MATHIS

matter No what happened yesterday, the Aries moon has moved on least, at emotionally.

The Aries moon waits for no one, trusting her killer instincts to the lead way. We can go after our desires, but even those

It's



emotional we're after. The thrill of the chase gets us fired up about life. ARIES (March 21-April

19). There is no such thing as a worthless exchange. The situations that seem the most absurd or futile are the ones that hold the key to meaning and purposefulness.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Buy a magazine, and then make the calls that will keep your life running smoothly. The magazine is to give you something pleasurable to do during inevitably long hold times. With persistence, you'll prevail.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The quick, bright energy that is Mercury's gift to you is put to excellent use. Tonight, loved ones appreciate your heartfelt, sentimental, expressions. You share a special bond with Pisces.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Someone wants what you've got. You're the fox, running like mad to stay ahead of the hunting dogs. Use your wit, which will keep you in the game longer than trying to outperform creatures who were bred just for the chase.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You have the courage to face every little problem in a relationship. But would just exhaustive, unnecessary. Solve one thing instead. You can likely apply the same solution across the board.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). What you program into the jukebox of life immediately comes through the stereo system of your environment. If you don't like the song, quickly change your selection.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). A move may seem lateral, but when you're in need of a change, nothing is really lateral. Anyhow, you're eager to find new struggle lessons to through, learn from and overcome.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). A mistake is not necessarily a crime. Wherever you can extend forgiveness, especially to yourself, you free up energy. Your energy is a quantity you exchange for anything you want in life.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). No more excuses. If you don't see someplace new in the next six weeks, you're sorely missing out. Book your trip. Those who don't travel have no advantage over those who can't.

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uring the night, it had been successful. As its talons struck the cottontail, the raptor took flight with its prey

and landed in a tree. For a first year young, it had progressed from a ground bird that was dependent upon its parents to an able



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flyer by late spring. Instinctively following its parents during the summer, it had mastered their hunting techniques in its species' relentless search for food. By fall, the bird had long since had its first kill. The taste of rabbit, skunk, or mice was an

incentive in its nightly

quest. Cleaning its beak and talons, the bird quickly ruffled its feathers, closed its eyes and slept as the sky turned a soft gold accented by pink fluffs of wind-blown clouds. Occasionally awakening and looking at his surroundings, the bird was content to spend his day resting in the dead tree. His last reconnaissance was before the small dot appeared on the horizon.

Hearing it before opening its eyes, the bird was startled awake. With a lunge upward, it took flight quickly as a

strange yellow creature swooshed over the green and white field. Another tree in the distance beckoned the bird. Settling against the trunk, it did not see a movement in any direction. Nearly asleep, it felt a presence before opening its eyes. Coming at the tree was the same noisy, frightening object flying just above the ground.

Airborne, the bird headed toward the barn. The familiar wooden structure had been part of its hunting territory throughout autumn. As the noise grew louder and was almost upon it, the bird veered suddenly. Scraping its wing against the door that had blown open in the wind, the bird tumbled to the ground as its chaser flew away.

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something, we would take the juvenile owl to the wildlife center in Lubbock for further evaluation.

When asked what they thought had happened, the father did not hesitate in stating that he believed the owl had been frightened by aerial spraying. As the cotton fields were being defoliated for an early harvest, the crop-duster planes were frightening to wildlife. Having heard of numerous hawks and owls being struck by or running into planes, it was a common complaint for this time of the year.

With the healing of the wound, the volunteers at the center placed the owl in a mew for exercise. The bird soon convinced its keepers that it was ready for the flight cage. Nearly four weeks after its flight from danger, the great horned owl was released in a new hunting territory.

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ter? In that year. Governor William Bradford proclaimed a day of thanksgiving. The colonists celebrated it as a traditional English harvest feast, to which they invited the local Wampanoag Indians, who were celebrating their own harvest festi-

The Pilgrims were particularly thankful to Squanto, the Native American who taught them how to catch eel, grow corn and who served as an interpreter for them. Squanto had learned English as a slave in Europe and travels in England. Without

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Northern Iraq most violent as attacks decline overall

By PAULINE JELINEK

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON Despite a decline in violence in Iraq, northern Iraq has become more violent than other regions as al-Qaida and other militants move there to avoid coalition operations elsewhere, the region's top

Monday. Army Maj. Gen. Mark P. Hertling said al-Qaida cells still operate in all the key cities in the north.

U.S. commander said

"What you're seeing is the enemy shifting," Hertling told Pentagon reporters in a video conference from outside Tikrit in northern Iraq.

Hertling said militants overall attacks in Iraq U.S. casualties has man of the House Defense have been pushed east to his area from Anbar by the so-called Awakening movement, in which local tribes have allied with the coalition against al-Qaida. Others have been pushed north to his area from the Baghdad region, where this year's U.S. troops escalation has made more operations possible.

"The attacks are still much higher than I would like here in the north, but they are continuing to decrease in numbers and scale of attacks," he said.

Hertling said 1,830 roadside bombs were placed in his region in June, compared with 900 last month.

The U.S. military says such attacks that result in Rep. John Murtha, chair-

have fallen 55 percent since nearly 30,000 additional American troops arrived in Iraq by June, and some areas are experiencing their lowest levels of violence since the summer of 2005.

Still, the threat posed by roadside bombs, which the military calls improvised explosive devices, or IEDs, remains a serious problem, retired Gen. Montgomery Meigs, director of the Pentagon's counter-IED organization, told reporters Monday.

Meigs said that while the total number of IED attacks has declined markedly in recent months, the proportion of dropped more slowly. That is at least partly because the insurgents who are still carrying out the attacks have grown more proficient.

"They are better at it," than many of the insurgents who have given up attacking U.S. forces, he said.

Meigs also said that the standoff between the Congress and President Bush over the White House's request for war funding is going to cripple his organization's ability to pay for new counter-IED projects, if it continues into next year.

But Democrats say this

appropriations subcommittee, said Congress included \$120 million for the task force in the military's 2008 annual budget and the military can borrow against the rest of the \$471 billion that was approved.

So far, the Pentagon has not asked to tranfer any money, he said.

"Protecting from IEDs has been an absolute priority for this Congress," Murtha said in a statement issued late Monday.

Meigs is leaving his position on Nov. 30, to be replaced by Army Lt. Gen. Thomas Metz, a forisn't necessarily true. mer commander of U.S. forces in Iraq.

Hertling declined to say how many al-Qaida members he believes are in his area, but he said a recently started operation has netted some 200 detainees who are giving officials good information about the organization and how it operates.

"There are certainly cells remaining in all the key cities" in the north, he said.

"We're doing our very best on a daily basis to break those cells down," Hertling said.

"We've had success, but it is still going to be a very tough fight to eliminate those terrorists and insurgents and extremists completely from those

FBI reports hate crime up nearly 8 percent in 2006

By MICHAEL J. SNIFFEN

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Hate crime incidents rose nearly 8 percent last year, the FBI reported Monday, as civil rights advocates increasingly take to the streets to protest what they call official indifference to intimidation and attacks against blacks and other minorities.

Police across the nation reported 7,722 criminal incidents in 2006 targeting victims or property as a result of bias against a race, religion, sexual orientation, ethnic or national origin or physical or mental disability. That was up 7.8 percent from 7,163 incidents in 2005.

More than half the incidents were motivated by racial prejudice, but the report did not even pick up all the racially motivated incidents last year.

dents and beatings among students at Jena, La., high school occurred in the last half of 2006, they were not included in the report. Only 12,600 of the nation's more than 17,000 local, county, state and federal police agencies participated in the hate crime reporting program in 2006 and neither Jena nor LaSalle Parish, in which the town is located, were among the agencies

Nevertheless, the Jena incidents, and a subsequent rash of noose and other racial incidents around the country, have spawned civil rights demonstrations that culminated last week at Justice Department headquarters here. The department said it investigated the Jena incident but decided not to prosecute

reporting.

ernment does not typically bring hate crime charges against juveniles.

Organizers said 100 busloads of protesters joined Friday's march here. In September, an estimated 20,000 protesters marched through Jena. On Nov. 3, hundreds of protesters marched through downtown Charleston, W. Va., to urge prosecutors to add hate crime charges against six white people charged in the beating, torture and sexual assault of a 20-year-old black woman who was discovered Sept. 8 after several days of alleged captivity in a rural trailer. The Jena case began in

August 2006 after a black student sat under a tree known as a gathering spot for white students. Three white students later hung nooses from the tree. They were suspended by the school but not proseblack cuted. Six teenagers, however, were charged by LaSalle Parish prosecutor Reed Walters with attempted seconddegree murder of a white student who was beaten unconscious in December 2006. The charges have

Although the noose incibecause the federal gov-since been reduced to department. Roehrkasse include 5,449 against indiaggravated second-degree assault, but civil rights protesters have complained that no charges were filed against the white students who hung

the nooses. "The FBI report confirms what we have been saying for many months about the severe increase in hate crimes," said the Rev. Al Sharpton, who Friday's organized march. "What is not reported, however, is the lack of prosecution and serious investigation by the Justice Department to counter this increase in hate crimes." Sharpton called for Attorney General Michael Mukasey to meet with members of the Congressional Black Caucus and civil rights leaders to discuss this enforcement.

Justice spokesman Brian Roehrkasse noted that Mukasey praised the civil rights movement at his confirmation hearings and plans over the next several months to meet "with a number of groups vehicle theft." and individuals who have an interest in or concerns about the work" of the

also noted that federal prosecutors convicted a record 189 defendants of civil rights violations in the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30.

The Justice Department says it is actively investigating a number of noose incidents at schools, workplaces and neighborhoods around the country. It says "a noose is a powerful symbol of hate and racially motivated violence" recalling the days of lynchings of blacks and that it can constitute a federal civil rights offense under some circumstances.

The FBI report does not break out the number of noose incidents but the two most frequent hate crimes in 2006 were property damage or vandalism, at 2,911 offenses, and Department intimidation, at 2,046 offenses. There were 3 murders, 6 rapes, 860 aggravated assaults, 1,447 simple assaults and 41 arsons. Other offenses included robbery, burglary, larceny and motor

> The 7,722 hate crime incidents involved 9,080 specific criminal offenses.

viduals, 3.593 against property and 38 classified as against society at large. A single incident can be aimed at both people and property.

Since the FBI began collecting hate crime data in 1991, the most frequent motivation has racial bias, accounting for 51.8 percent of incidents in 2006, down from the 54.7 in 2005.

Also in 2006, religious bias was blamed for 18.9 percent of the incidents; sexual orientation bias for 15.5 percent, and ethnic or national origin for 12.7 percent.

"This FBI report confirms ... that hate crimes protections for the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community are long overdue," said Joe Solmonese, president of the Human Rights Campaign. Solmonese called on Congress to pass pending legislation that would expand the federal hate crime statute to cover crimes motivated by sexual orientation. The law currently covers only crimes based on race, color, religious or

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Pilgrims might not have survived in the New World.

Irregular Thanksgivings continued thereafter and gradually an annual Thanksgiving after the harvest developed.

This did not occur on any set day — however, days of thanksgiving were celebrated after fall harvests throughout the

colonies.

All thirteen colonies did not celebrate Thanksgiving at the same time until October 1777. George Washington was the first president to declare the holiday in 1789. He again proclaimed a Thanksgiving holiday in 1795.

President John Adams declared Thanksgivings in 1798 and 1799.

No Thanksgiving proclamations were issued by Thomas Jefferson, but James Madison renewed the tradition in 1814 — in response to resolutions of Congress — at the close of the War of 1812. Madison also declared the holiday twice in 1815. However, none of these were celebrated in autumn.

A thanksgiving day was annually appointed by

the governor of New York from 1817, and by 1858 proclamations appointing a day of thanksgiving was issued by the governors of 25 states and two territories. By the mid-1800s, many states observed a Thanksgiving holiday and the poet and editor Sarah J. Hale began lobbying for a national day of Thanksgiving.

In 1863 President Lincoln, looking for ways to unite the nation, declared the last Thursday in November as a national day of thanksgiving.

In 1939, 1940 and 1941, Franklin D. Roosevelt, seeking to lengthen the Christmas shopping season, proclaimed Thanksgiving the third Thursday in November.

and Congress passed a

Controversy followed,

joint resolution in 1941 decreeing that Thanksgiving should fall on the fourth Thursday of November, where it remains.

national origin.

However, it may interest you to know that the city of El Paso claims that the very first thanksgiving was held there on April 30, 1598. It was not a harvest celebration, but a day of mass celebration for the expedition party of the Spanish leader Don Juan de Oñate.

At any rate, happy Thanksgiving. I hope you enjoy the holiday and if you are into football, how 'bout them Cowboys!

Darrell Ryan is the director of federal programs for the Big Spring Independent School District.

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Man charged with murder

for two deaths in killing spree

AUSTIN (AP) — A man accused of

fatally shooting six people in a cross-

country rampage this summer has been

indicted on a charge of capital murder.

Monday's indictment against Paul

Devoe, 44, lists the death of two of the

four people he's accused of killing at a

The case qualifies for the death penal-

ty because the indictment accuses

Devoe of multiple killings. Travis

County District Attorney Ronnie Earle

has not said whether he will seek

Devoe is accused of killing six people

in Texas and Pennsylvania. Among

them were his 46-year-old ex-girlfriend

and three others at a home in

Travis County prosecutor Dayna

Blazey said Devoe was only indicted on

two of the four Jonestown killings to

give prosecutors a second chance to

charge Devoe if he is acquitted in the

Devoe is also accused of killing a bar-

tender in Marble Falls before the

quadruple slaying, and then fatally

shooting a woman in Greencastle, Pa.

Central Texas home in August.

Devoe's execution.

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from the proceedings.

indictment.

drinking alcohol.

He was indicted Friday on charges of

Monday's bail hearing was delayed

District Attorney Carlos Valdez

argued for \$1 million bail, saying Celis

was a flight risk to Mexico. Judge J.

"I don't appreciate the fact that the

prosecution is treating me like a second-

class citizen," Celis said during the

Defense attorney Tony Canales said

his client had made himself available to

surrender at any time since Friday's

As a condition of bail, Celis must place

a sign at the CGT Law Group offices

stating he is not a lawyer. He must also

surrender his passport and any firearms

he owns, submit to a 9 p.m. curfew and

pretrial supervision, and refrain from

If the criminal charges are tried

together and Celis is found guilty, he

could face up to 10 years in prison plus

fines. If the counts are tried separately,

he could face 32 years plus fines.

Manuel Banales set bail at \$50,000.

because two judges recused themselves

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Aggie bonfire back on again

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — The offcampus bonfire organized by Texas A&M students is back on again after the Robertson County Commissioners Court lifted a burn ban, according to the student Web site for the event.

Last week, commissioners voted to impose the burn ban because of dry conditions and strong winds. After weekend rains that dumped up to 3 inches of rain in some areas, the commissioners lifted the ban in most precincts, including the one where the bonfire is held, and the traditional event was rescheduled for Tuesday night.

'We are definitely happy," Nick Kaechler, a junior leader of the off-campus organization in charge of the project, said in Tuesday's Bryan-College Station Eagle.

The bonfire has been banned from campus since 12 Aggies were killed when a 59-foot-high wedding cake-like stack of more than 5,000 logs collapsed as students were building it on Nov. 18,

Judge seeks pepper spray accord in youth prisons

AUSTIN (AP) — A state district judge asked the Texas Youth Commission and critics who sued the agency over its use of pepper spray to forge an agreement by Wednesday on a policy for when to use the spray.

Texas Appleseed and Advocacy Inc. said in court Monday that pepper spray use in the state's juvenile prison system has skyrocketed, from 196 incidents in 2006 to more than 1,220 so far this year.

The groups accused TYC of ignoring a court-approved agreement reached by the two sides in September that was supposed to limit the cases in which pepper spray could be used.

The groups had sued the agency over acting executive director Dimitria Pope's revision of its pepper spray poli-

Pope's directive allowed the use of pepper spray before physical restraints, rather than as a last resort.

Dallas soldier dies in Iraq

DALLAS (AP) — A Dallas soldier killed by a roadside bomb in Iraq is being remembered as a dedicated team player who felt the call to serve.

Army 2nd Lt. Peter H. Burks, 26, died Wednesday when his vehicle was hit just outside the Green Zone in Baghdad. The Department of Defense released Burks' name Monday. He was assigned to the 4th Squadron, 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment, Vilseck, Germany.

Alan Burks of Celina said he wasn't surprised that his son's last actions involved checking on the five men with

"He told me, over and over and over again, he said: 'Dad, my job is to get my 17 guys home safe. ... Then after that I'll get myself home safe,' "Burks said.

Peter Burks moved with his family to Dallas in 1987 and graduated from Trinity Christian Academy in Addison and Texas A&M University.

Birdwatcher reports death threat after cat shooting trial

GALVESTON (AP) -Bad blood over the shooting of a feral cat has resulted in an alleged death threat against the birdwatcher who admitted pulling the trigger.

A judge declared a mistrial last week in the case of Jim Stevenson, the founder of the Galveston Ornithological Society. Prosecutors said they wouldn't retry Stevenson on charge of animal cruelty for the November 2006 cat shooting.

The prominent birdwatcher has since received an e-mail containing a death threat, said his attorney, Tad Nelson

"The e-mail said that Jim might very well end up in the sights of a. 22caliber rifle but that, if he donated \$10,000 from his bird fund into a fund for feral-cat rescue, he might avoid his fate," Nelson said.

Stevenson has admitted shooting the cat, but defended the action because he believed the cat was threatening endangered birds. Prosecutors said the cat was the pet of toll-bridge worker, who fed strays.

State pension funds not rushing to divest holdings in Iran

AUSTIN (AP) — Two state pension

In late September, Perry asked the \$112.1 billion Teacher Retirement Retirement System to submit divestment plans within 30 days.

scheduled to take up the issue Nov. 27, while the teacher system's board plans to consider a new investment policy at a mid-December meeting.

Perry called for the Iran divestment after meeting this summer with Israeli officials. He called Iran "a country that has a clear terrorist focus" and is bent on destroying Israel.

Bill Ceverha of Dallas, chairman of the Employees Retirement System, said the board wants to work with Perry, but the fund's first responsibility is to retired employees.

Child puts car in gear, toddler struck and killed

girl died after she was pinned against a wall by a car that a 4-year-old neighbor somehow shifted into gear, police said.

didn't," said ZuneMay Oo, a neighbor and family friend. "It bumped her. When I saw her, she was between the car and the apartment wall with her face against the bumper.

"After we called 911, we went to the hospital, but she was already dead."

Monday.

Min Aung, a case manager for Catholic Family Service Inc., went doorto-door, seeking donations from Amarillo's Burmese community to help the family cover expenses.

"The community is very generous and helpful to each other," Aung said. "A lot of the people who live in the apartments knew each other in the refugee camp and they live near each other. They can

Amarillo police said the case is still under investigation.

Political contributor surrenders on lawyer-impersonation charge

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A contributor to Democratic causes and political races surrendered to authorities after being indicted on charges of falsely holding himself out as a lawyer and impersonating a public servant.

Mauricio Celis, 36, turned himself in Monday and then was released after posting a \$50,000 bond.

The businessman has a controlling interest in the CGT Law Group of Corpus Christi even though he is not an attorney. Texas law prohibits anyone from owning a controlling interest in a

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funds have not met Gov. Rick Perry's deadline for plans to divest from companies doing business in Iran, but the governor's office said progress is being

System and the \$24.7 billion Employees

The employees system's board is

AMARILLO (AP) — A 16-month-old

Sanda Win was outside of her family's apartment with her brothers and sisters when the car rolled toward them on

"The other children ran, but Sanda

Sanda's family, who immigrated from Burma last year, buried the child on

help each other."

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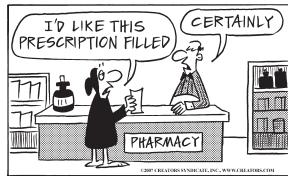


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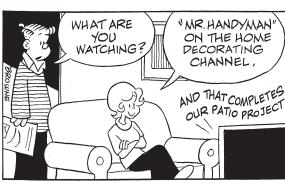
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Nov. 20, the 324th day of 2007. There are 41 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 20, 1947, Britain's future queen, Princess Elizabeth, married Philip Mountbatten, Duke of Edinburgh, at Westminster Abbey.

On this date:

In 1789, New Jersey became the first state to ratify the Bill of Rights.

In 1910, revolution broke out in Mexico, led by Francisco I. Madero. In 1925, Robert F. Kennedy

was born in Brookline, Mass. In 1943, during World War

II, U.S. Marines began landing on Tarawa and Makin atolls in the Gilbert Islands, encountering fierce resistance from Japanese forces but emerging victorious three days later. In 1945, 24 Nazi leaders

went on trial before an inter-

national war crimes tribunal in Nuremberg, Germany.

In 1959, the United Nations issued its "Declaration of the Rights of the Child.' In 1967, the census clock at

the Commerce Department ticked past 200 million. In 1975, after nearly four decades of absolute rule,

Franco died, two weeks before his 83rd birthday. In 1992, fire seriously damaged Windsor Castle, the favorite weekend home of

Spain's Gen. Francisco

Queen Elizabeth II. Today's Birthdays: Actress Evelyn Keyes is 91. Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., is 90. Economist Bervl Sprinkel is 84. Actress-comedian Kave Ballard is 82. Actress Estelle Parsons is 80. TV personality Richard Dawson is 75. Comedian Dick Smothers is Norman Singer Greenbaum is 65. Senator Joseph Biden, D-Del., is 65. Actress Veronica Hamel is 64. Broadcast journalist Judy Woodruff is 61. Actor Samuel E. Wright is 61. Singer Joe Walsh is 60. Actor Richard Masur is 59.

Actress Bo Derek is 51.

Reggae musician Jim Brown (UB40) is 50. Actress Sean Young is 48. Pianist Jim Brickman is 46. Rock musi-Todd cian Nance (Widespread Panic) is 45. Actress Ming-Na is 44. Rapper Mike D (The Beastie Boys) is 42. Rapper Sen Dog (Cypress Hill) is 42. Actress Marisa Ryan is 33. Country singer Dierks Bentley is 32. Actress Laura Harris is 31. Country singer Josh Turner is 30. Actress Nadine Velazquez is 29.

Thought for Today: "No man remains quite what he was when he recognizes himself.", — Thomas Mann, German author (1875-1955).

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