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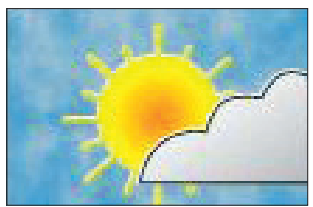


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Manager Jack Birdwell mows the fairway at Comanche Trail Golf Course, which over the past few years and been under extensive renovation. Tuesday, Big Spring City Council accepted bids for a pro shop to be constructed at the municipal course.

## Shots are hot!

*Thousands getting flu vaccinations*

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

More than 3,000 area residents have received flu vaccinations so far and more are anticipated, health officials said.

Seasonal flu vaccinations have been available from healthcare providers since earlier this month and doses of the H1N1 flu vaccine should be available by the end of the month.



Stephanie Ferguson, team leader at the Department of State Health Services Big Spring office, said her department has dispensed almost 3,000 doses of the seasonal vaccine and noted that other healthcare agencies, including hospitals, clinics and pharmacies, have been busy as well.

The DSHS clinic is dispensing vaccines between 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. and

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## City OKs bid for pro shop at municipal golf course

*Facility should be open in March, city officials say*

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Golf clubs won't be the only thing being swung at Comanche Trail Golf Course. Hammers will join the fray as construction of a new pro shop begins soon.

Big Spring City Council awarded the bid to build a pro shop to Lubbock contractor Craig Wallace Construction Tuesday night, ending a long and arduous process to stay within budget.

"We opened bids on the project last Wednesday, and we had two bidders," said Assistant City Manager Todd Darden. "We had about eight plan holders at the time of

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—Mayor Russ McEwen

the bid opening, however the bonding issues required by the project caused a lot of them to choose not to bid. We're very pleased to announce we had a low bid from

Craig Wallace Construction out of Lubbock for \$450,017. This is also includes some alternates. Around the clubhouse there is some landscaping and other amenities that go along with the pro shop and we were able to get those awarded as well.

"It is slightly over what we currently have budgeted. However, Gary (Fuqua, city manager), Peggy (Walker, city finance director) and myself have talked it over and we feel that by restructuring the financing and interest rates on the package we can get it within

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## Cosden FCU slates open house Saturday

Cosden Federal Credit Union will reveal its newly remodeled facility to the public from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

Last year, the credit union embarked on a major remodel and expansion project that has more than doubled the size of its main office at 400 E. Marcy Drive. The original building was about 2,200 square feet, and today the facility boasts almost 6,400 square feet.

The public is invited for free hot dogs and drinks and activities for the children, including air castles during Saturday's open house.

## Council approves anti-vandal fund

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Vandals beware, as the Big Spring City Council approved a new fund Tuesday night city officials hope will help crack down on destruction of public property.

"After the last act of vandalism where our playground at Birdwell Park was set on fire, the council agreed to form a committee to look at the vandalism problem and find a

way to put a halt to it," said City Manager Gary Fuqua. "At that time we looked at offering rewards. As most of you know, we offered a reward after the fire at Comanche Trail Park's Kid's Zone.

"What we're looking at doing is a multi-tiered program set up with a pool of money, \$10,000 at this point. We would work with Crimestoppers. They have a point system they use when they look at a crime and have to determine how much reward money to award. We're looking at matching their reward system, and in some instances — when it's a high profile case



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A bulldozer deposits a load of dirt into a dump truck as crews grade the center lane of Gregg Street near the Eighth Street intersection this morning.



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## Obituaries

## Margarito Mendoza Ortega

Margarito Mendoza Ortega, 74, of Big Spring went to be with the Lord Monday, Oct. 12, 2009, at his residence. A prayer service will be held Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Sharon Wiese officiating. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Margarito was born March 2, 1935, to Sotera Mendoza and Elias Ortega in Toyah, Texas. He has been a lifelong resident of the community. May 12, 1957, he married Margaret Moreno in Big Spring. He enjoyed fishing, gardening and casinos. He was a lifelong member of the First United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Ortega of Big Spring; two sons, Mike Ortega and Arthur Ortega of Big Spring; two daughters, Debbie Ortega of McKinney and Linda Sosa of Hutto; 10 grandchildren, Michael, Mark, Sonja, Britnie, Courtnie, Jacob, Jefferey, Timothy, Lindsey and Phillip; two great grandchildren, Thomas and Marcus; and one sister, Virginia Sosa of Big Spring.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three sisters, Rosa Diaz, Delfina Fierro and Erlinda Ortega; one uncle, Jose Mendoza; and six brothers, Jose, Benjamin, Raul, Enrique, Albino and Israel Ortega.

Pallbearers will be Ralph Ortiz, Paul Ortega, Raul Marquez, Raymond Ortega, Ricardo Garcia and Freddie Sosa.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersand-smith.com](http://www.myersand-smith.com)

*Paid obituary*

## Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 500 block of Donley. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of Johnson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of Westover Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 600 block of Dallas. One person was transported to SMMC.

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Tuesday and 7 a.m. today:

- ALTON JUNIUS ROSETTE, 41, of 213.5 Magnolia, was arrested Tuesday on two local warrants.
- BRYON PATRICK PAYNE, 23, of 1509 Stadium, was arrested Tuesday on charges of public intoxication and resisting arrest.
- NATASHA MORRIS, 23, of 1305 State, was arrested Wednesday on two local warrants.
- THEFT was reported:
  - in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.
  - in the 1200 block of 11<sup>th</sup> Place.
- RESISTING ARREST, SEARCH OR TRANSPORTATION was reported in the 2600 block of Gregg Street.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 300 block of Ninth Street.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 4200 block of Dixon.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported in the 1900 block of N. Highway 87.






## Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 84 inmates at the time of this report.

- PHILLIP RENE ALCANTAR, 21, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on probation revocations for failure to identify – giving false information and criminal trespass of a habitation/superfund/infrastructure.
- JOHN BONNER, 52, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on contempt charges for no driver's license and failure to register vehicle.
- REBECCA LYNN COMSTOCK, 25, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for resisting arrest, search or transportation.
- TERRESA JONES, 47, was arrested Tuesday (arresting agency not provided) on a bench warrant.
- NATASHA MORRIS, 23, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on contempt charges for expired motor vehicle inspection and violation of a promise to appear.
- BRYON PATRICK PAYNE, 23, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on charges of resisting arrest, search or transportation and public intoxication.
- CHAD HALBERT PEDERSON, 33, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a charge of assault Class C – family violence.
- ROD LEE PUGA, 47, was arrested Tuesday by

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the HCSO on contempt charges for expired driver's license and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

• ALTON ROSETTE, 41, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on contempt charges for passing a stationary emergency vehicle and failure to appear.

• RAY JOHN-MANUEL ZAPATA, 28, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for evading arrest or detention.

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4 p.m. every Wednesday to those 6 months of age or older. Cost is \$10 per person, but those on Medicare or Medicaid will not be charged.

Vaccinations also are available at Leonard's Pharmacy between 10 a.m. and noon and 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The vaccines cost \$30 and are covered by

Medicare or Medicaid. No appointment is necessary.

Physicians at Scenic Mountain Medical Center and Malone-Hogan Clinic also have vaccinations available, a spokesperson said.

Ferguson said there are common-sense steps people can take to lower their risk of infection, including regular washing of hands, covering one's nose with a tissue when sneezing and avoiding persons who are sick with the flu.

Dr. Scott W. Barclay, a local

physician who specializes in family medicine, seconded Ferguson's comments.

"The best way to avoid a cold or flu is to minimize your risks of illness," Barclay said in a statement. "The number-one tactic to protect yourself and your family from the flu is to get both the seasonal and H1N1 vaccinations."

If you contract the flu, treatment is basically the same, regardless of strain. Ferguson and Barclay both urge people to visit their healthcare provider, as well as taking such

time-honored steps as getting plenty of rest and drinking lots of water or juice.

"For mild cases of influenza, plenty of rest, liquids and over-the-counter medicines will help ease symptoms," Barclay stated. "Over-the-counter cold and flu medications may help lessen symptoms like a cough and congestion, but these medications will not reduce your likelihood of spreading the flu."

Vaccinations against H1N1 (commonly called swine flu)

are scheduled to arrive locally later this month. Ferguson said those doses would be dispensed according to guidelines established by the Centers for Disease Control.

For more information on vaccinations, contact the DSHS clinic at 263-9775 or your healthcare provider.

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**PRO SHOP**

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budget. This is the same contractor that built the new Roy Anderson Sports Complex."

Mayor Russ McEwen asked Darden when Wallace and his firm plan to start construction, and when the pro shop might be ready.

"When I talked to him last week we talked about when he could start and what we plan to do if the bid was awarded tonight," said Darden. "We'll have a quick pre-construction meeting just as soon as possible so we can get all of the paper work associated with

a project like this finished. He has to get his information in to the bond company and get everything approved. We asked for a March timeline, and that's what he put in the bid. That's our goal. That would put us in the building by the beginning of next season."

Having already put the project out for bids twice — the first time using a construction manager at risk — McEwen said finally having the pro shop ready to move forward is a huge relief for him and the rest of the council.

"Relief. Absolute relief," said McEwen with a laugh. "There was a great attempt by those of us with the city to

do something special at the golf course because we feel like we have a great layout and we feel like we've done some great things with it. We didn't want to just put up a metal building out there. And the idea was to get an architect that deals in this type of work to design something that's not a rectangle. However, because of that, we ran into some problems. We put it out for bids and it came in way over budget, so it's been a great frustration."

Original talks with contractors had council members hopeful the new pro shop would be ready for the re-opening of the course, which underwent major renovations

in 2007 and 2008, an idea that was dashed when the first bids came in at almost twice what the city had budgeted, according to McEwen.

"When we originally talked to the architect, he said there was a possibility to get everything done and be in the pro shop when the golf course reopened in April 2008," said McEwen. "However, we didn't even have drawings in April 2008. There was a great deal of frustration and went through two bid processes before we decided to go ahead and take open bids. Fortunately we have something done."

"It's like anything in life, we're going to look back on

it and say, 'Wasn't it interesting, those two years when we didn't have a clubhouse?' However, when you're in the middle of it, it's a real pain. And we realize how inadequate the facilities are right now. We have a portable building right now, which isn't fair to the golfers or the golf course itself. I'm really confident when this project is completed and people see it completed, they are going to be impressed."

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**FUND**

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or there is a lot of damage involved — actually increasing the reward with the permission of the council."

Both the Birdwell Park and Kid's Zone have been attacked by arsonists, in addition to graffiti and other damages at city and other public facilities. And while reward money will be a big part of the program, Fuqua said the city won't stop there.

"We're also looking at installing video cameras," said Fuqua. "We have it in the budget this year to purchase some additional video cameras. The CVB (Conventions and Visitors Bureau) board is also looking at sponsoring some cameras for us. One thing the committee wanted to make sure of is the cameras we buy are the right cameras for the job. You can get cheaper cameras, but the problem — especially at night — is without the proper lenses you can't identify the people or vehicles involved. We also looked at the areas involved and found out some of the areas need not only the static cam-

eras, but the cameras that can pan and cover a wide area.

"Our two chiefs — the fire chief and the police chief — got together and recorded a public service DVD that will be running on Channel 17 to address vandalism and litter, and how they effect our city. It also talks about what citizens can do to prevent them, and it will also be airing information for Crimestoppers. We're also looking at placing signs in strategic areas so people know they are under surveillance by the cameras, and having the Crimestoppers phone number placed on them so people can call it in when they see something happening."

The funds won't just be used to protect city facilities, according to Fuqua, who said the committee encouraged the council to look at a wider range than just municipal property.

"The committee recommended we use this fund ... for any public property," said Fuqua. "That means if the school is vandalized, county property, college district property, then we'll go into motion with the reward fund. Vandalism effects

all of us. I also want to point out this is just a starting point. We're going to continue to build on the program. One of the key items we're going to be working on is getting this information through the school districts and trying to get our young people more involved."

Mayor Russ McEwen said it's fairly easy to rationalize some criminal activity, but vandalizing property — especially property designed for the city's youth — is well beyond his realm of comprehension.

"It's very frustrating because there's a lot of crimes you can almost understand. You can almost understand theft or something like that because there's a purpose to it. Wanton destruction of property just drives me nuts," said McEwen. "There's no end in it whatsoever. No one gets any money

or property out of it. And on top of it, to destroy property designated for kids, I just can't understand it. The mentality is really a strange thing, and in talking with some of the people who have been apprehended for this, there's this mentality or attitude of, 'What are you upset about? What's the big deal?' And it's kind of hard to believe."

McEwen said he's unsure how much of an impact the fund will have, but it's better than sitting around and doing nothing.

"This is one of those imponderable things. This is our attempt to do everything we can to try to control this problem, but you just don't know how effective it will be," said McEwen. "What sort of effect will it have? I hope it has a great effect, and I anticipate it will leave a mark on it, the cameras more

than the rewards. All of a sudden people are going to look around and realize they could get caught, and that's the key to this. We put up large rewards for Kid's Zone, but unfortunately that's money we weren't able to spend. I wish we had, and it was big dollars. However, we live in different times."

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# EDITORIAL

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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## OUR VIEW

# Bible Class Fund needs donations for this semester

Another good cause ... a very good cause ... is again in need. We never seem to be short of good causes needing help in our community, but there's no question that the Howard County Bible Class Fund is one of them.

That's because this is an effort to not only promote education, but to provide our children an opportunity to study the Bible at the same time.

But fund coordinators always need our help, because this is a program that cannot be supported by governmental or tax funds.

The Big Spring High School Bible Class is probably the oldest consistently held Bible program held in any of Texas' schools. References to it have been found as far back as 1939. That means this is the 70th year of the program.

At present, Dr. Bill Welsh teaches the class in three sessions at Big Spring High School. Two sessions are taught at Forsan High School and one is taught at Coahoma High School.

The class is taught as a humanitarian course, but because it is a Bible class, the schools cannot pay instructor salaries or any of the other expenses such as the purchase of Bibles for each student.

The program is managed by a not-for-profit incorporated board and is made up of local pastors and private citizens.

The board is now trying to continued the program this fall, and has launched a campaign to raise funds for the program that is already under way this semester and hopes to have the same type of community support as it has enjoyed in the past.

The Howard County Bible Class Fund has set this year's goal at \$40,000. That money will support three classes at BSHS, two classes at Forsan High School and one class at Coahoma High School.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

We can't grow our dreams on barren ground, but we can grow them with You, Lord.

Amen

# Wealth redistribution on steroids

Is there no problem Obama and his mesmerized Democrats think cannot be solved with money — other people's money? Just when you think you've heard it all, more news stories about this bunch surface to shock you.

The Sunday Times reports that the administration is considering a novel approach to the war in Afghanistan: outbidding the Taliban to persuade Afghan villagers to lay down arms.

So much for a "war of necessity," which was just an opportunistic sound bite for Obama to demonize Bush while cynically pretending to be hawkish enough in the war on terror to appeal to Middle America. No, for Obama, Afghanistan must just be another "street" to organize, another constituency to schmooze in his permanent — now global — campaign.

Even when the Bush administration employed strategies to win over Sunnis, it was coupled with a redoubling of our military effort and a marked alteration in our strategy to "hold" territory once we had taken it. This idea that you can reduce this war to an auction, divorced from the required steps needed to strengthen the security there, is insane.

That's not merely my independent assessment. One general close to Gen. Stanley McChrystal told the Times he was taken aback by the administration's attitude. "It surprised a lot of us — we thought the policy decision was made to come down on the counter-insurgency course of action." The general said the notion that "we can just cut deals with the Taliban without having to do anything" is a "crazy" idea.

Why won't money alone do it? Because "at the moment you can't recruit from Pashtun

communities or their families will be killed, so we need to first improve security."

Apparently, this concept doesn't register with Obama, who has obviously been mentored from an early age to believe that all the world's problems can be mitigated, if not reduced, by "economic justice" — the naked redistribution of U.S. bucks. He surely missed those lessons instilling such truisms as "give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime."

Then again, Obama's Marxist mentors — Franklin Marshall Davis, Saul Alinsky and Bill Ayers — also understood that you don't build an army of street organizers or a recurring voting constituency by teaching people of the streets to fish. When you "share the wealth around," you make the distributees dependent on your next handout — beholden to your largesse with other people's money and personally worse off in every respect.

There could be no better illustration of this reality than WJR radio host Ken Rogulski's interviews of potential recipients of "stimulus money" handouts at the Cobo Center, in Detroit.

One woman described it as "Obama money" that came from "his stash." "That's why we voted for him. Obama! Obama!" That's why you'll surely vote for him again. So much for America as the land of opportunity and entrepreneurship.

Speaking of "stimulus money" — and still staying on message here — did you read about Attorney General Eric Holder's grand announcement that more than \$37 million in Recovery Act and fiscal year 2009 grants have been awarded to support organizations in developing, implementing and expanding youth-mentoring activities? More than \$12 million of these grants is being distributed under the "Recovery Act" to "local mentoring programs to reduce juvenile delinquency, violence, gang

participation, school failure and dropout rates."

I realize that as a mere taxpaying citizen, I have no standing in the eyes of this administration to question the propriety of so-called "stimulus monies" being used for such purposes. But it's been clear from the beginning that "stimulus" was just a convenient cover for the type of wholesale wealth redistribution Obama always meant to effectuate. But I digress.

AG Holder says: "These funds allow us to invest further in the future of today's youth by providing mentoring opportunities to help children reach their full potential. These grants will help steer young people away from criminal activities by providing them with healthy life alternatives, positive role models, and direct contact with caring adults." (Given the Obama administration's czar roster, one wonders what type of role models it considers to be "positive" and what life alternatives it deems "healthy.")

Has the Department of Justice under this White House morphed into the Department of "Economic Justice"?

Here again, we throw more government money at problems and further empower the government to assume the substitutionary role of the nuclear family to impart values better imparted by the nuclear family. Of course, we wouldn't even be having this discussion if other ostensibly well-meaning government programs hadn't intervened over the past half-century to disintegrate the family unit.

If this government wealth-confiscation trend continues unabated, the mercenary, larcenous socialists of the Obama regime will break the backs of the perpetually demonized wealth-producing Americans, a result so inevitable that we must assume that is what they intend.

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# Remove your mask! Show real you

The tradition of Halloween has both European and Celtic roots.

It seems the ancient custom held that ghosts came back to the earthly world on a certain day. In an attempt to protect themselves from these ghosts, people wore masks when they left their homes after dark so that the ghosts would mistake them for fellow spirits. Additionally, to keep ghosts away from their houses, people placed bowls of food outside their homes to appease the ghosts and prevent them from attempting to enter.

It's said that the Halloween tradition came to the United States in 1840 with the arrival of a group of Irish immigrants. And trick-or-treating — as we know it — developed between 1920 and 1950 as a relatively inexpensive way for an entire community to share the Halloween celebration. Today, Americans spend an estimated \$6.9 billion annually on Halloween, making it the country's second biggest commercial holiday.

Of course, the spirit of Halloween and the meaning behind it has changed over the centuries, yet it is still a holiday that al-

lows us to pretend to be someone else.

Costume parties and masquerade balls have no age barrier. Both the young and the old love to dress in disguise and behind masks. Even if only for a night, we enjoy becoming the image of our hero or the star of our worst nightmare or our favorite fantasy.

Our selection of costume doesn't really matter. What is interesting is how our behavior changes to match the identity or character of our impersonation. For many of us, it seems easier to be someone other than our real selves. I admit that it has sometimes been more difficult to be my real self than to create a façade for a Halloween party.

What face do you put on every morning? Do your friends and co-workers know the real you? Or do they only see who you want them to see?

When I'm in a group setting, I've often found it difficult to be myself. My natural personality becomes hidden by what I may feel others will expect of me or by what I think they will accept. Sometimes I feel intimidated in a large group. And feelings of inadequacy, fear and shyness cause me to camouflage my true inclinations.

How can we dispose of our masks and let our real self be seen and known?

Perhaps before we can be who we are, we need to know who

we are. I love the title of a book I once saw on bookstore shelves: "Be yourself, everyone else is already taken."

We each have an authentic self that God created — and it's one of a kind, individual and special. Don't be afraid to let others see the "real" you. You don't need to spend a lifetime trying to be more like your mom or your brother or a teacher. Your life journey is about knowing and being "you." And you are someone who is worthy to know. Knowing yourself begins with a sincere desire to do so. And since God made you, you can be confident you'll like what you learn. God does!

So don't let anything deprive your world from knowing you — the real you. Be willing to learn about the child that God created. And be willing to explore and discover your talents and abilities. You and I have a unique purpose to be fulfilled.

Have fun this Halloween and choose your favorite mask to wear. But after Halloween, my friends, remove your mask. Don't put on another face other than your own each day. Everyone around you will be happy to meet you!

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# News in brief

## State to get 500,000 flu doses

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas has been allocated more than 500,000 doses of the vaccine used to fight swine flu.

The Texas Department of State Health Services says the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is providing 506,200 doses of the H1N1 vaccine, as an initial two-week supply.

The state agency says Texas expects to receive 15 million doses of the vaccine by the end of January.

DSHS is providing the mist form to some registered providers to vaccinate children ages 2 and 3. The shot form will be offered to some registered providers to vaccinate pregnant women, children who are 4, and children ages 4 through 18 who are at higher risk.

DSHS, in a statement Tuesday, said some 12,000 Texas providers have registered to receive the vaccine.

## Dallas millionaire sentenced in child porn case

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — A Dallas millionaire has been sentenced to 30 months in prison for attempting to possess Internet child pornography.

Sixty-three-year-old Ronald E. Elmquist was sentenced Tuesday in federal court in Kansas City.

Elmquist previously was chief executive officer of QualServ Corp. in North Kansas City. He also was on the boards of directors of the Winn-Dixie and RadioShack corporations.

U.S. District Judge Otrrie Smith also ordered that must serve a year of home confinement after his release, perform at least 120 hours of community service each month for three years and pay a \$150,000 fine.

Prosecutors estimated Elmquist's net worth at more than \$13 million.

## Taft city manager fired

TAFT (AP) — The Taft City Council has voted to fire embattled city manager Florencio Saucedo.

The Corpus Christi Caller Times reports the city council's 3-2 vote came Tuesday night.

Saucedo, who had no comment after the vote, drew attention in

August when he was formally reprimanded by the council for giving permission for a rap video shoot.

Critics said the video, which included rappers referring to drugs and flashing hand signals, portrayed a negative image of Taft. Saucedo said he thought the video showed cultural diversity.

Saucedo has been on paid administrative leave since Sept. 9, as Texas Rangers investigate the city's operations.

Taft is a town of about 3,400, located 15 miles north of Corpus Christi.

## Texas heavy industries worry about crackdown

DALLAS (AP) — For 15 years, environmentalists have complained that state regulations have allowed the powerful oil and chemical industries to skirt Clean Air Act standards in Texas, the nation's foremost producer of industrial air pollution.

But the Environmental Protection Agency last month scrapped several aspects of the state's air-pollution permitting program, including "flexible" permits that have allowed about 140 plants and refineries to exceed toxic emissions limits in the short term as long as they complied to overall federal averages in the long term.

Federal regulators say the move, set to take effect next year, is designed to cut toxic emissions and bring Texas in line with the Clean Air Act. And environmental groups say it will help improve the state's ecology and the health of Texans and those living nearby.

Industry groups, however, warn that getting rid of the state program in favor of more rigid standards will hurt industries crucial to the Texas economy, and that the costs of compliance may hit consumers.

"If there is a cost associated with it, it is very

likely that it could cost the consumer more," said Debbie Hastings, vice president for environmental affairs for the Texas Oil And Gas Association, whose members provide about 25 percent of the nation's gasoline supply and include industry giants including Exxon Mobil Corp. and ConocoPhillips.

It's too early to know precisely how the rules will change or how much it will cost, but there's worry in the heavy industries that billow tons of toxins but employ thousands of people and pay billions in state and local taxes. Texas has more oil refineries and chemical plants than any other state, and the permit ruling comes as Gov. Rick Perry and industry officials are railing against a climate bill pending in Congress.

## Son arrested, charged with beating mother

JOSHUA (AP) — A 51-year-old woman remained in critical condition Tuesday at a Fort Worth hospital after authorities say her teenage son attacked her with a baseball bat.

Donna Martin Trout suffered severe injuries to her head, hands and arms in an attack Monday and was being treated at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth.

Her 17-year-old son, Connor Lynn Trout, was in the Johnson County Jail on Tuesday on first-degree felony charges of aggravated assault of a family member with a weapon. His bond was set at \$150,000 and he doesn't yet have an attorney.

Fort Worth police arrested the teen Monday about an hour after the attack when he was in a wreck and attempted to flee the scene, Johnson County Sheriff's office spokesman Lt. Tim Jones said.

The Johnson County Sheriff's Department has arrested Trout twice

before, once for theft and another for assault by contact, Jones said.

## Former Beaumont OB-GYN pleads guilty to fraud

BEAUMONT (AP) — A 46-year-old doctor who formerly practiced in Beaumont has pleaded guilty to stealing \$76,683 in a scheme in which he billed the state's Medicaid program for hundreds of unperformed tests.

Darryl Clarence Harris, of Los Angeles, CA., faces up to 10 years in federal prison following his guilty plea Tuesday to health care fraud. The OB-GYN's Beaumont practice was enrolled as a Texas Medicaid provider.

Federal prosecutors say he billed Medicaid for ultrasounds and microbial identification tests that his office wasn't capable of performing.

Prosecutors say the scheme lasted from March 2005 to November of that year.

A sentencing date hasn't been set.

## Hutchison leaves Senate resignation date up in the air

AUSTIN (AP) — U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison said Tuesday some people are suggesting that she remain in the Senate as she challenges fellow Republican Rick Perry for governor, instead of resigning this fall as she said would.

Hutchison said on Dallas-Fort Worth radio station WBAP that she's not sure whether she will resign from the Senate before the end of the year or even before the GOP primary in March, when she faces Perry, who is seeking a third full term. She said she wants to remain there long enough to fight President Barack Obama's health care proposal.

"I want to stay and fight with every bone in my body against the government takeover of health care," she said.

In July, Hutchison said she would leave the Senate in the "time frame" of October or November. She has never given a specific date.

Perry spokesman Mark Miner said Hutchison is putting her own political interests ahead of Texas by continuing to waffle on whether she will resign.

"Nobody really knows what the senator is trying to communicate, including her own campaign," Miner said in a prepared statement, pointing out Hutchison's statements since the summer about her resignation.

"I haven't been able to set that deadline," Hutchison said Tuesday, adding that she knows potential candidates who want to succeed her in the Senate are watching closely, but that she feels the health care debate is important. "I don't feel that I have a choice," she said on KRLD radio in Dallas.

Asked if she would remain in the Senate until early 2010, Hutchison said she couldn't say. Asked whether she might not step down at all before the primary, she said, "A lot of people are suggesting that."

Hutchison spokeswoman Jennifer Baker said the senator has consistently said she intends to fight the Democrats' health care plan in the Senate.

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## News in brief

### Senate leaders to come up with new version of bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Health care talks slip back behind closed doors Wednesday as Senate leaders start trying to merge two very different bills into a new version that can get the 60 votes needed to guarantee its passage.

All eyes are on Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada, who has said he wants to complete the wedding quickly and get historic

health care overhaul legislation onto the floor the week after next.

Both bills were written by Democrats, but that's not going to make it easier for Reid. They share a common goal, which is to provide all Americans with access to affordable health insurance, but they differ on how to accomplish it.

The Finance Committee bill that was approved Tuesday has no government-sponsored insurance plan and no requirement on employers that they must offer coverage. It relies instead on a requirement that all Americans obtain insurance.

The Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee bill, passed earlier by a panel in which liberals predominate, calls for both a government

plan to compete with private insurers and a mandate that employers help cover their workers. Those are only two of dozens of differences.

### House panel to begin push on financial overhaul

WASHINGTON (AP) — Small neighborhood banks and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce are overshadowing the nation's biggest banks in influencing lawmakers as Congress begins the initial phase of its long-awaited overhaul of how the government regulates financial companies.

The House Financial Services Committee on Wednesday is taking up key elements of President Barack Obama's proposal for correcting the practices of banks, investment houses and other financial institutions that caused last year's economic collapse.

Up first is a measure that for the first time would regulate privately sold derivatives like credit default swaps, the complex contracts that brought down Wall Street banking house Lehman Brothers

Holdings Inc. and nearly toppled insurance giant American International Group Inc.

The committee also wants to establish a Consumer Financial Protection Agency to police mortgages, credit cards and other consumer products offered by banks and other financial institutions.

Bankers and Republicans generally oppose the new agency, but community banks and the Chamber of Commerce have wielded the most influence in getting the House panel's Democrats to modify and clarify the regulatory powers that Obama would give it.

### U.S. commander: Corruption might prevent victory

WASHINGTON (AP) — The top military commander in Afghanistan is asking for up to 80,000 more American troops even as he warns that rampant government corruption there may prevent victory against the Taliban and al-Qaida, according to U.S. officials briefed on his conclusions.

A still-secret document by Army Gen. Stanley McChrystal that requests more troops is expected to be among the topics discussed Wednesday when President Barack Obama meets with his national security team to hash out a strategy for Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Even with additional troops, McChrystal concluded that corruption still could let terrorists turn Afghanistan back into a haven, according to officials at the Pentagon and White House.

His request outlines three options for additional troops — from as many as 80,000 to as few as 10,000 — but favors a compromise of 40,000 more forces, the offi-

cial said.

They described it to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss it publicly.

Each option carries a high risk of failing, according to U.S. officials, although they said McChrystal concluded that fewer troops will bring the highest risks.

### Barofsky: Treasury didn't understand AIG's pay structure

WASHINGTON (AP) — The pitched drama over bonuses for bailed-out executives will be revived on Capitol Hill Wednesday as a government watchdog explains how some executives nearly brought down the financial system — then pocketed millions. Neil Barofsky, the special inspector general for the \$700 billion financial rescue program, will answer questions about a new report outlining the official missteps that led to massive bonus payments for executives at insurer American International Group Inc.

In a report released Tuesday, Barofsky wrote that the Treasury Department did not understand AIG's byzantine pay structures when it gave the firm billions in aid last fall. The government has committed a total of more than \$180 billion to wind down the New York-based insurance and financial services conglomerate, and now owns about 80 percent of the company.

AIG's bonuses sparked a political firestorm earlier this year when it was revealed that the government could not legally stop AIG from paying millions in bonuses even after taking billions in bailout money.

Barofsky's appearance is expected to recall testimony in March

by Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner, who was president of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York when AIG first was bailed out. The Federal Reserve provided AIG's first lifeline.

### Rev. Moon marries off tens of thousands

ASAN, South Korea (AP) — From South Korea to South America, the bride wore white for the Unification Church's largest mass wedding in a decade, with some 40,000 people participating in dozens of cities around the world.

The "blessing ceremony" was the church's largest since 1999, and may well be the last on such a grand scale officiated by the 89-year-old Rev. Sun Myung Moon, the controversial founder of the Unification Church.

More than 20,000 people gathered at Sun Moon University campus in Asan, south of Seoul, on Wednesday while some 20,000 more joined simultaneous ceremonies in the U.S., Brazil, Australia and elsewhere.

Some were new couples in unions arranged by the church; others were renewing their wedding vows.

The brides wore wedding dresses or their national dress; the men wore black suits with red ties, with white scarves around their necks.

### VA to make it easier for vets to qualify for compensation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Female soldiers and others who served behind front lines have long complained about how hard it is to prove their combat experience when applying for disability due to post-traumatic stress disorder.

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The Veterans Affairs Department has proposed reducing the paperwork required for veterans to show their experience caused combat-related stress. Even just the fear of hostile action would be sufficient, as long as a VA psychologist or psychiatrist agreed.

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**P**at Conroy is a great writer who hails from South Carolina. He wrote "Prince of Tides," "The Great Santini" and "The Lords of Discipline," all of which have been translated into movies. With his newest "South of Broad" (F CON P), he does not move far from his other books. The story is about a group of people, friends from high school (1960s) and takes the characters from high school to adults. Tied to each other by shared experiences, it is a final test of friendship that perhaps will strain the ties to a breaking point. This is a character-driven book and I think people will enjoy reading it.



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Pulitzer Prize winner Joanna Scott's "Follow Me" (F SCO J) is the story of Sally's troubled life. In a review from Publisher's Weekly, Sally's granddaughter sifts through her grandmother's rich and mysterious life. As a teenager in 1946, Sally Werner experiences something between rape and seduction at the hands of her cousin, resulting in a baby, family shame and her running away. Each time Sally feels her past catching up with her, she finds a new town and assumes a new identity, eventually graduating from taking the charity — and more — of others to supporting herself. This is a story of re-inventing a life when the life you live doesn't work.

Michael Palmer is the author of 13 novels of medical suspense, and his newest, "The Second Opinion" (F PAL M) follows that trend. Thea Spelakakis is a brilliant doctor but has difficulty in deciphering inter-personal relationships and dealing with hidden agendas. When her father is severely injured in a hit-and-run, she is puzzled when her two siblings (who are also doctors) advocate withholding vital treatment. Along with her brother Dimitri, Thea is determined to find answers to her father's accident.

Wilbur Smith usually writes contemporary fiction. However, "River God" (F SMI W) takes place in ancient Egypt. From Publisher's Weekly: Smith's compulsively readable historical novel based on the little-known facts behind the Hyksos invasion of Egypt, circa 1780 B.C. Containing all the standard elements of great adventure — intrigue, romance, greed, cruelty and furious action — the yarn is spun by the clever eunuch Taita, who reports on events with an irony akin to a 20th-century sensibility. A very different book.

The library has received some short story mystery anthologies. Anne Perry has written more than 30 mysteries. Now she has collected 15 mystery stories inspired by the Bible. Simon Bret, Bill Crider, Ralph McNery and others have contributed stories to "Thou Shalt Not Kill" (M PER A). "Unholy Orders" (M STE S), edited by Serita Stevens, is a collection of mysteries that all have a religious theme. "The Best American Mystery Stories" (M PEN O) is edited by Otto Penzler. The only

two authors that I recognize are Michael Connelly and James Lee Burke. Another one, also edited by Penzler, is "Uncertain Endings" (M PEN O). "Two of the Deadliest" (M GEO E), is edited by Elizabeth George. Each story is written by a woman and I recognize most of the authors — Nancy Pickard, Dana Stabenow, Marcia Muller and others.

P.D. James' "The Private Patient" (M JAM P) takes Adam Dalglish to a private clinic run by plastic surgeon George Chandler-Powell. When journalist Rhoda Gradwyn arrives there to have a scar removed, she had every expectation of living. Two days later, she is dead, an apparent homicide victim. James is an excellent writer and this is one of her best.

Lawrence Block writes a rather light-hearted mystery at times. Bernie Rhodenbarr is a burglar and one who is rather successful at that. Preferring to work alone, he is not above taking a job "for hire." This particular job, however, goes wrong and it is interesting to see how he extricates himself from

his predicament. Check out "Hit and Run" (M BLO L) by Lawrence Block.

Ian Rankin is an Edgar Award winner and "Bleeding Hearts" (M RAN I) is one that was published in England under the name of Jack Harvey. The hero here is Michael Weston, a highly paid assassin whose specialty is the long-distance shot, always through the heart. He's dubbed the "Demolition Man" because he always sets off a diversionary explosion nearby. At the book's start, he makes a kill but barely escapes the police. He has been set up, but by whom? First he needs to find out who hired him.

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## Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

### Bad Luck Comes in Bunches

East dealer.  
East-West vulnerable.  
**NORTH**  
♠ A 1 2  
♥ J 6 2  
♦ A Q 5 3  
♣ Q 9 4

**WEST**  
♥ 7 3  
♦ 10 9 5 4  
♠ J 9 8 2  
♣ 8 7 5

**EAST**  
♠ Q 10 9 6 4  
♥ Q 7  
♦ 10  
♣ K J 10 6 3

**SOUTH**  
♠ K 8 5  
♥ A K 8 3  
♦ K 7 6 4  
♣ A 2

The bidding:  
East South West North  
Pass 1 NT Pass 3 NT  
Opening lead — two of diamonds.

This is one of those hard-luck hands where you can't help sympathizing with declarer, even though you might not have played his cards exactly the way he did.

West led a diamond, taken by South with the king. Declarer had eight solid tricks and quite a few chances for a ninth. He started by leading a low heart to the jack at trick two. This gave him two chances for an extra heart trick: one if West had the queen, and another if the suit was divided 3-3. But East took the jack of

hearts with the queen and returned a heart. When South next played the A-K, he learned the hearts were 4-2.

Declarer now tried a low club to the queen, hoping West had the king. But East took the queen with the king and returned the jack of clubs to South's ace.

The situation took a further turn for the worse when declarer next led a diamond to the queen, hoping West had led originally from a three-card suit. But East showed out, and South decided that his last remaining chance was to try a spade finesse.

So he led a spade to the king and finessed the jack on the return. East won with the queen and cashed his remaining clubs to put the contract down two. All of which indicates that bad luck comes in bunches, though it's true of course that South could have made the contract easily had he known the queen of hearts was doubleton.

One reasonable but somewhat unusual method of play — without the benefit of a peek at the East-West cards — is to allow East's ten of diamonds to hold the first trick! Assuming West made a normal lead from a four-card suit, East would then be forced to return a spade, a heart or a club, all of which would hand declarer his ninth trick.

Tomorrow: Right bid, wrong declarer.  
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Annie's Mailbox®

Dear Annie: My husband seems to be the "go to" guy in his family. He used to do carpentry work, and now his three siblings call on him for all their repair needs. He is asked to fix broken windows, install appliances and everything in between.

answers maintenance calls at any hour and does general upkeep. For these services, he receives nothing. Not one of his siblings has ever offered to pay him for work that, over the years, has saved them thousands of dollars. At the very least, wouldn't most people send a gift card for a free dinner?

I know my husband is at fault for never saying no, but his family is so domineering that he doesn't want to make

waves. Our homeneeds work, too, but his time is taken away due to his siblings' demands. What makes people feel they are entitled to these services for free? All of them can

afford to pay someone else to do the work. We are the ones who are not well off, yet we are catering to them, and they have yet to reciprocate with kindness or time for our family. The favors are totally one-sided. How can I help my husband get out of this mess? -- Seething

Dear Seething: Your husband must be willing to do this on his own. The easiest way is to make himself too busy to be so accommodating. That can mean join-



KATHY MITCHELL  
MARCY SUGAR

ing a bowling league, basketball team, civic organization or church volunteer group, or even starting a small business as a part-time h a n d y - m a n . Then, when the relatives c a l l ,

afternoon, she sent me an e-mail claiming she never said those things and wants nothing to do with our family.

My parents contacted my brother, and Brandy apologized to them. My brother said he would continue to have a relationship with my parents, but not with me or my husband and child. I was going to call Brandy and tell her I accept that apology, too, but the more I think about it, the less I believe I can sit through family dinners with her.

How do I get past this? I miss my brother. -- Feeling Empty Inside

Dear Feeling Empty: Brandy may have a vague relationship with the truth, but confronting her only creates hard feelings and estrangements.

You don't have to like every member of your family, but if you want to see your brother, you should make an effort to get along with his wife or, at the very least, not let her opinions get under your skin.

There are repercussions when you accuse someone of lying, and one of them is that you need to swallow your pride and apologize to your sister-in-law for

upsetting her.

Dear Annie: I am responding to "A Dad," who would like his daughter to be more active. Has he considered offering her dance lessons?

Dancing is a wonderful way to gain physical strength, enjoy music and develop physical confidence in a noncompetitive environment. -- Still Dancing at 62

Dear Still Dancing: Several readers suggested the girl take up dancing, and we think it's an excellent idea -- provided, of course, that she has some interest in it.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, P.O. Box 118190, Chicago, IL 60611.

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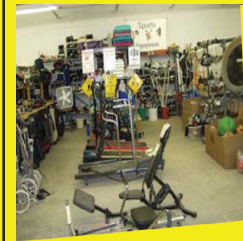
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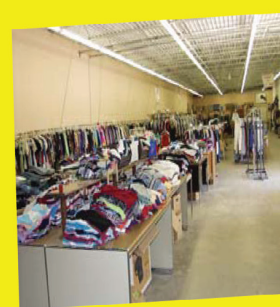


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# BSHS tennis loses competitive match vs. Frenship

### Herald Staff Report

WOLFFORTH — Big Spring High School's tennis team played several close, competitive matches with the Frenship Tigers Saturday, but couldn't come away with enough victories for the overall win.

Frenship outdueled Big Spring 14-6 in match count, dropping the Steers to 0-3 overall in the district team tennis season.

"We're playing a lot of close match-

es, but not winning enough to clinch the overall win," said Big Spring Tennis Coach Dana Jones. "We scrimmaged Frenship earlier this year and our matches with them were close then, too. We had really good play from the boy's singles side."

Big Spring's boys won four of their nine matches with Frenship. Jonathan Womack and Matt Garza each picked up straight sets victories, while C.J. Burlson battled through three sets to take down his opponent. Burlson outlasted Frenship's Austin

Carder in a third set tiebreaker, 7-5, 0-6, 7-6 (7-5).

Jonathan Ray and Mike Gonzales had the only win in doubles for Big Spring's girls or boys. Ray and Gonzales battled to a 3-6, 6-1, 6-2, win over Landon Roberts and Kimiko Ordone. The Big Spring duo have lost just one match all season.

Picking up the lone win for the Lady Steers was No. 1 player Kristina Chang, who seems to have the number of Frenship's top play, Skyler Strait. Chang picked up her second

victory of the season over Strait, 2-6, 7-5, 6-2.

The Lady Steers also got a strong performance from Alyssa Byrd and Leslie Cash, who teamed to face Frenship's Marcie Phillips and Lauren Strong. Byrd and Cash forced Frenship's No. 2 duo into a tiebreaker in both sets, but came up short, 7-6 (11-9), 7-6 (7-5).

Big Spring has just one district match remaining against Plainview.

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# Lady Steers thwarted in straight sets

### By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

PLAINVIEW — Big Spring's second volleyball match this season against the Plainview Lady Bulldogs went very much like the first one did Sept. 29.

The Lady Steers went toe-to-toe with Plainview in the opening set, but lost it by a narrow margin. The result pushed all the momentum to Plainview's favor and the Lady Steers never recovered in what turned out to be a straight sets loss.

The Lady Steers are now 1-4 in District 4-4A play and 10-20 overall. They meet 4-4A's top squad Frenship (17-12, 4-0) at 1 p.m. Saturday at Steer Gym.

The first time the Lady Steers met Plainview, they lost the opening game 25-19 after leading 18-15 at one point. Plainview then went on to coast to wins in the final two sets 25-13.

Big Spring lost the opening set Tuesday

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HERALD photo/Tony Claxton

Big Spring's Cerbi Ritchey goes for the kill in a District 4-4A volleyball match against the Plainview Lady Bulldogs Tuesday in Plainview. The Lady Steers lost the match in straight sets.

District 4-4A volleyball standings		
Team	Dist.	Overall
Frenship	4-0	17-12
Cooper	4-1	20-13
Plainview	2-2	24-14
<b>Big Spring</b>	<b>1-4</b>	<b>10-20</b>
Lake View	0-5	9-23

Tuesday's results: Plainview def. Big Spring, 25-21, 25-14, 25-8; Cooper def. Lake View, 25-14, 25-13, 25-12; (non-district) Frenship def. Wink, 25-11, 25-16, 25-16.

# Bradford, Colt friends despite UT/OU rivalry

### BY JEFF LATZKE

AP Sports Writer

NORMAN, Okla. — When Heisman Trophy winner Sam Bradford injured his shoulder last month, one of the first people he heard from was Colt McCoy.

And, no, the Texas quarterback wasn't trying to tease his Oklahoma counterpart.

McCoy sent a get-well text message to Bradford the night of Sept. 5 and now says he's happy the Sooners' All-American is healthy again — just in time to make things more difficult for the third-ranked Longhorns (5-0, 2-0 Big 12) on Saturday in the latest installment of the Red River Rivalry.

"I think that probably from a fan's perspective and people outside of the game think that it's crazy that I could be friends with Sam or that Sam could be friends with me, but we are and he's a great guy," said McCoy, who finished second to Bradford in last year's Heisman balloting. "We've got a lot in common. But we both understand this is a huge game.

"We're going to go out there and play the best we can. We know what we have to do to go out there and win. Our friendship is one thing but this game is another."

It's not like Bradford and McCoy don't understand what's at stake when the No. 20 Sooners (3-2, 1-0) and Longhorns meet halfway at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas. The two have split their two head-to-head meetings so far, and it was only by virtue of a tiebreaker that Bradford's Sooners got to play for the Big 12 and national titles last season instead of McCoy's Longhorns.

Both players grew up around this rivalry, which has escalated over the past decade as its impact on the national championship race has grown.

But, to the chagrin of some die-hard fans and even teammates, the Bradford and McCoy friendship doesn't quite mesh with the Hatfield and McCoy nature of the rivalry.

"Colt's a great guy and I think him sending me a text message after I got hurt, telling me that he was praying for me, to stay with it and keep my head up, that just says a lot about the type of guy he is," Bradford said. "I think a lot of people see us going to rival schools, you know, and probably wouldn't have done that.

"For him to do something like that and to keep encouraging me, it just says a lot about who he is."

The opposing quarterbacks got to know each other through the college awards circuit last season, with

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# Cougars claw their way back into Top 25

### KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — The Houston Cougars knocked off their third BCS conference opponent this past weekend to move back into the AP Poll at No. 23.

Now they're back to Conference USA play, looking for their first league win against Tulane after shaking off that embarrassing conference-opening loss at UTEP.

The Cougars may have moved on from that defeat, but they certainly haven't forgotten it. The 58-41 upset

by the Miners dropped No. 12 Houston out of the poll altogether.

"I heard someone say that we're tied for first in the SEC and Big 12 South, but tied for last place in C-USA," quarterback Case Keenum said. "None of that matters, what we've done in non-conference. Those wins were good, but that shows how much they mean."

Coach Kevin Sumlin is happy with the mindset of his players and knows they're not content with what they've accomplished so far.

"I like our edge," he said. "Just talking to the guys, our team feels

that we still have a lot to prove. As long as we continue with that attitude, our preparation will continue to be good."

Houston is the first C-USA team to beat three BCS conference teams since Louisville did it in 2003 and the first non-BCS team to do it this season. The Cougars know getting back on track in league play is key to their goal of winning the West division of C-USA.

"This is the biggest game of the season right now," receiver Tyron

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# Sports in brief

### Railroad employees and families encouraged to attend gold tourney

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen is holding its first-ever golf tournament fundraiser and family picnic Saturday at the Big Spring Municipal Golf Course at Comanche Trail Park. The area chapter includes Howard, Ector, Nolan, Taylor and Mitchell counties.

The tournament and picnic are for railroad employees and their families only. Cost for the golf tournament is \$40 per team plus cart and green fees unless the player is a member of the course, then green fees are waived.

Players need to be registered at 8:15 a.m. The picnic will begin at 11 a.m. Volunteers are needed to help with the picnic and to help deliver water to the players on the course.

Also a BLET seminar is being held at KC Steakhouse at 6 p.m. Friday.

For more information, call Sandy Shifflett at 816-1606 or Jerry Bullard at 816-2336.

### BSCC hosting 6-6-6 golf tourney this weekend

The Big Spring Country Club is hosting a golf tournament played in a 6-6-6 format Saturday and Sunday.

Six holes will be played as a scramble, six holes are scored by low ball and six more are done via modified alternate shot.

Entry fee is \$60 per player plus cart. Private carts are welcome. There is a 1 p.m. shotgun start for both days.

The field will be flighted by first-round score.

Call the Pro Shop at 267-5354 for more information or to enter a team.

### SMMC hosting 4-man scramble to benefit Relay for Life

Scenic Mountain Medical Center is hosting a 4-man scramble Oct. 24 at the Municipal Golf Course at Comanche Trail Park.

Proceeds from the tournament will benefit Relay for Life. Cost is \$75 per golfer or \$300 per 4-some.

Players need to be at the course at 8 a.m. for late registrations and tee times.

### Tickets available for Jerry's Youth Deer Hunt

Any youth ages 16 and under can buy a \$10 ticket to enjoy Jerry's Youth Deer Hunt Oct. 31 and Nov. 1. Proceeds from the Hunt go to Cancer Crushers Relay for Life team.

For more information, contact Beverly Grant at 268-4952 or 264-1168.

# Bryant: "I just panicked because I was scared"

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Oklahoma State receiver Dez Bryant claims he was worried he had done something wrong when he "panicked" and lied to the NCAA about a meeting with former NFL player Deion Sanders at a Texas athletics center.

In his written apology to the NCAA, obtained Tuesday by The Associated Press following an open records request, Bryant said that he is "very, very sorry" and "made a terrible mistake" when he lied to Marcus M. Wilson, the NCAA's assistant director of agent, gambling and amateurism activities, in July.

"It was all me, there is no one else to blame," Bryant writes in his two-page apology. "I just panicked because I was scared and afraid that I was in some kind of trouble."

The All-American was declared ineligible by Oklahoma State last week and was expected to go through a follow-up interview with the NCAA on Tuesday on Indianapolis.

"I was scared because I was thinking, why would the NCAA talk to me unless they thought I had done some-

thing wrong, even though I did not think I had," Bryant writes in his letter. "I worried about the interview and was really nervous during the interview."

"I kept thinking about how football has been my dream for years and how football was going to allow the chance to make a living and help my family. My mom, my son, brother and sister all depend on me and I felt that somehow I had let them down."

Bryant's apology accompanies Oklahoma State's formal reinstatement request to the NCAA, in which associate athletic director for compliance Scott Williams asks the NCAA to consider "unique circumstances" and hand down a lighter punishment for Bryant.

Williams notes that "the threshold penalty for a violation of this nature is 50 percent withholding," apparently referring to a standard punishment that Bryant would be forced to miss half of the No. 15 Cowboys' games for his rules violation.

Bryant writes that he denied to Wilson that he had met with Sanders at a Frisco facility named Fieldhouse

USA when that "was not the truth." He describes that he met with Sanders and the two "jogged up and down the field, but did not go through any drills, and he did not work me out."

"When I was asked by Mr. Wilson about a work-out, I did not think that what I had done with Deion was a work-out," Bryant writes. "I did not break a sweat when I jogged with Deion. When my coaches have worked me out, like (strength) coach (Rob) Glass at OSU, I do many sprints, stairs and a lot of other drills, which leave me sweaty and tired."

"What I did with Deion was nothing like that."

Williams suggests that the NCAA could classify the meeting as preferential treatment, a secondary violation.

Bryant also confirmed that he and his girlfriend went to Sanders' house for dinner but "I was not hungry, so I did not eat."

Bryant asks that the NCAA reinstate him before the end of this season. Oklahoma State has played five of its 12 regular-season games, but Bryant has been held out of the last

two because of the eligibility issues.

"I am sorry that Mr. Wilson had to spend so much time on my case, and am also sorry that I have let my family, my teammates, my coaches, my OSU fans and the NCAA down," Bryant writes. "I really love OSU and would like to have an opportunity to finish the season with OSU. ... I know I should be punished, I deserve it, but I hope that my punishment is not so bad that I do not get to play football again at OSU."

The documents also offer a clearer picture of the timeframe of the investigation.

Although earlier documents suggested Wilson was suspicious of Bryant — asking "Why does his story keep changing?" — even before the season started, OSU's reinstatement request shows that the NCAA didn't discover Bryant had lied until a Sept. 24 interview with Sanders.

Bryant was held out of Oklahoma State's game two days later against Grambling State and also didn't play last week at Texas A&M.

# Limbaugh an owner? Colts' Jim Irsay says no

BOSTON (AP) — If Rush Limbaugh becomes a candidate to own the St. Louis Rams, he could face serious opposition from other NFL team owners.

It takes 24 of the 32 owners to approve any team sale, and even before Limbaugh has become part of an official bid to purchase the Rams, he's been shunned by one team executive.

Colts owner Jim Irsay vowed

Tuesday to vote against him and commissioner Roger Goodell said the conservative commentator's "divisive" comments would not be tolerated from any NFL insider.

"I, myself, couldn't even consider voting for him," Irsay said at the fall owners meetings. "When there are comments that have been made that are inappropriate, incendiary and insensitive ... our words do damage, and it's something that we don't

need." Irsay is the first owner who has stated unequivocally he would reject Limbaugh because he made a habit of "demonizing individuals."

"I met Rush only once. He seemed like a nice guy to me and all those kind of things," Irsay said. "It's bigger than the NFL. As a nation, and as a world, we've got to watch our words and our thoughts. They can do damage."

In 2003, the conservative broadcast personality was forced to resign from ESPN's Sunday night football programming after saying of Philadelphia's Donovan McNabb: "I think what we've had here is a little social concern in the NFL. The media has been very desirous that a black quarterback do well."

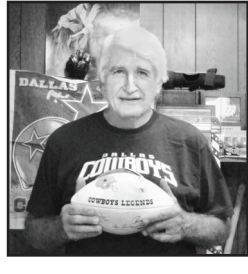
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**Rules:** Find this week's games in the merchants' ads on this page. Choose the teams you think will win. Clip and fill in the official entry blank on this page with your team choice. The entry with the most correct picks will win \$50. You must be 18 to enter. Only official entry forms accepted. In the event of a tie, the tie breaker will determine the winner. Guess the winner and the combined scores for the total points. Decisions of the judges are final. Employees and families of employees of *The Big Spring Herald* are ineligible. All entries must be received at one of the participating merchants by 1 p.m. Friday of the week played. Winners will be announced in the *Big Spring Herald* the Wednesday following the games.

### Pigskin Picks Entry Form

<p><b>Team</b></p> <p>1. _____</p> <p>2. _____</p> <p>3. _____</p> <p>4. _____</p> <p>5. _____</p> <p>6. _____</p> <p>7. _____</p> <p>8. _____</p> <p>9. _____</p> <p>10. _____</p>	<p>Name: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>Phone Number: _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tie Breaker - Circle the winner and note total points scored</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Texas A&amp;M vs. Kansas State</b></p> <p>Total Points: _____</p>
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7. Forsan vs. Sundown

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Lady Venus enters the sign of relationships. While Venus is in Libra, as she will be between now and Nov. 7, we are likely to go to great lengths for the sake of building harmonious bonds. We can no longer afford to hold on to old grievances — too much is at stake. The sweetest treasures of life are our connections with others.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Your opinions will suddenly carry more weight. This is a good thing, too, because an important situation needs your perspective. Speak boldly and save the day. Then close your eyes and savor the applause.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Someone you care about has been recently struck with a bad case of the gloomies. The situation is not desperate, but it could turn that way if left untreated. Your love and attention will go a long way.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Sometimes you're a sprinter. Other times you are a marathon runner. And right now you see no need to run for any reason. Keep that easy pace and expend very little energy. You'll get it all done just the same.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Change your ringtone. Change the wallpaper on your desktop. If you can change your alarm clock sound, do it. Shifting around the most seemingly trivial elements can bring a wonderful sense of the new.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Domestic bliss at home just won't transfer over to the workplace, but at least you'll feel emotionally supported enough to tackle the challenges. When you succeed, it's a source of pride for your loved ones, too.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Break out the champagne! Your hard work has paid off, and now you can chill out for a second, revel and reflect on the curious path that brought your unpredictable success. Life is smiling at you right now.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). How it is that some people get so worked up over nothing is beyond you. It's like you were born with some special gene that keeps you calm in the face of adversity. Spread a little of that serenity among your friends.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Something reminds you of an old romance. Take a moment to replay the whole story in your mind. You've come so far. The memory will have a positive effect on your current relationship.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your mind decides things for reasons you don't understand. Is it intuition or an old pattern that keeps you returning to a certain subject? Go for a long walk and you'll get clarity on the matter.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You have extraordinary visual powers now. It will be lucky for you to sketch your ideas, rearrange your working space or put together a presentation. What you come up with will speak to others.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-

Feb. 18). Your role as a lifelong learner is highlighted with a new "teacher" who arrives on the scene. This one may be very unscholarly indeed, perhaps someone much younger than you. But the lessons are strong.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You can do remarkable work in the morning, though you shouldn't try to push yourself for too long. A natural, easygoing pace will be much more productive. You'll be immune to the stresses that affect others.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Oct. 14). Your imagination is strong, and you will return from flights of fancy with ideas that will work in the real world. Follow through on the best of the best. A loving relationship rubs off on all your relationships. You'll make money through a big sale in February and June. Summer adventure begins with a surprise. Cancer and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 25, 49, 12 and 19.

**VENUS, IF YOU WILL:** The planet of beauty, pleasure and romance tells secrets about you. She whispers about the kinds of things you enjoy, how you want to be treated by those you love and how you are likely to approach matters of the heart. Where was love planet Venus when you were born? If you don't know, check with an astrologer, an astrology book or an online horoscope generator. If your natal Venus is in

SAGITTARIUS, you are drawn to adventurous situations. To you, romance means entering new worlds. You are

willing and able to enter into the spirit of the one you are attracted to. You align yourself with your love in order to see the world from his or her eyes. You are likely to take more risks than most of the people you know, especially in the name of love. When you are completely smitten with someone, you want to explore with them and collect as many experiences as you can. You never want your union to be boring; if it is, you quickly become restless. You are not one to settle in quickly with anyone for the long term, because you have to be sure that a person can capture your interest over and over again.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** This multitalented Libra recorded his first album at 14 years old, and the love songs just keep coming. The Grammy Award-winning recording artist Usher has said that his mother is his best friend — not so unusual for someone born under a relationship-oriented Libra sun. Usher's moon, which represents mothers, is in Leo, the sign of children and creativity, so the feeling is likely a mutual one.

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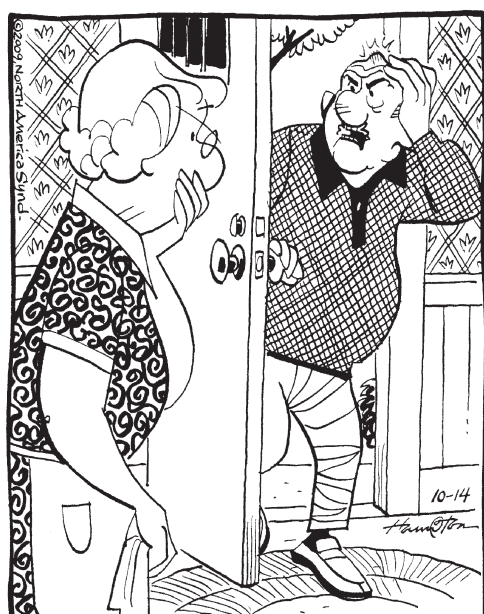
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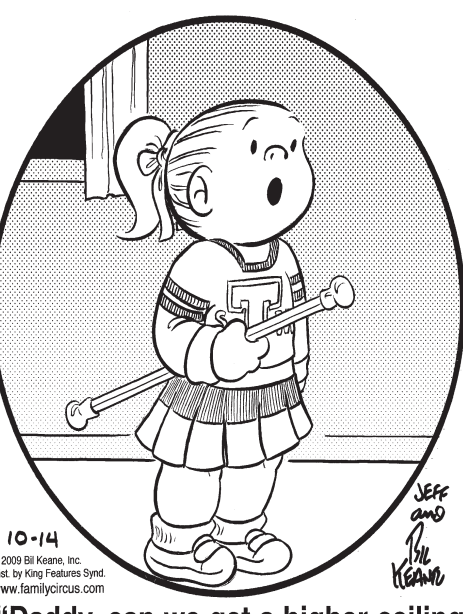
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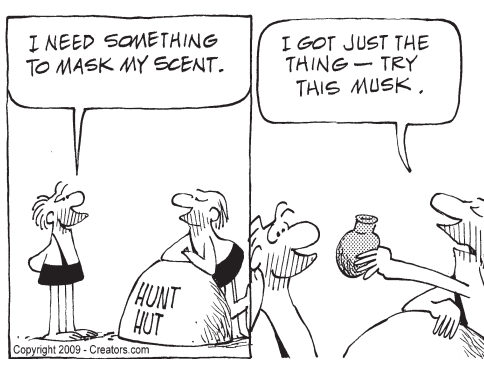
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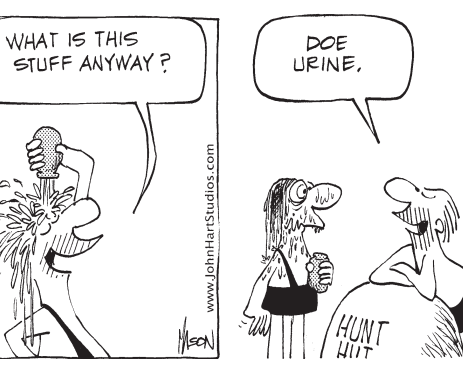
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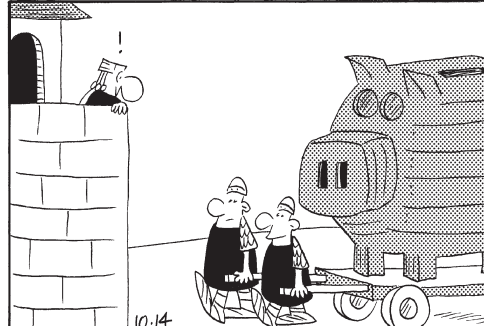
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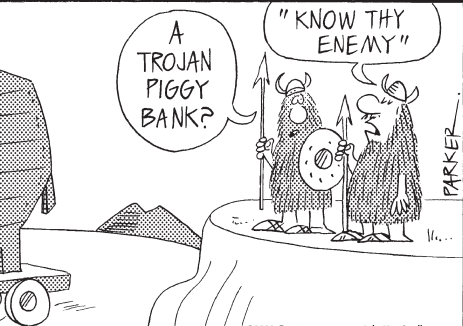
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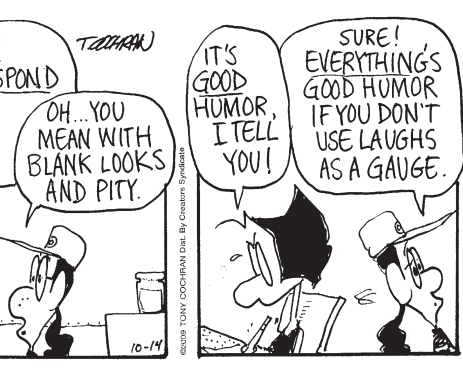
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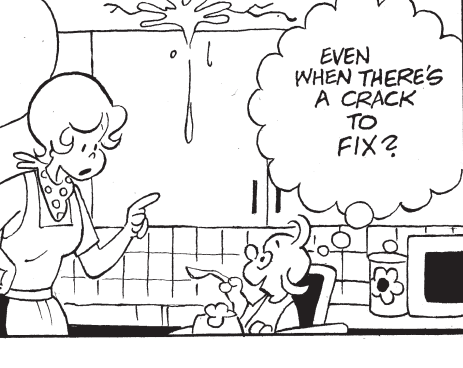
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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 14, the 287th day of 2009. There are 78 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 14, 1939, during World War II, a German U-boat torpedoed and sank the HMS Royal Oak, a British battleship anchored at Scapa Flow in Scotland's Orkney Islands; 833 of the more than 1,200 men aboard were killed.

On this date:

In 1066, Normans under William the Conqueror defeated the English at the Battle of Hastings.

In 1890, Dwight D. Eisenhower, 34th president of the United States, was born in Denison, Texas.

In 1912, Theodore Roosevelt, campaigning for the presidency, was shot in the chest in Milwaukee. Despite the wound, he went ahead with a scheduled speech.

In 1933, Nazi Germany announced it was withdrawing

from the League of Nations.

In 1944, German Field Marshal Erwin Rommel committed suicide rather than face execution for allegedly conspiring against Adolf Hitler.

In 1947, Air Force test pilot Charles E. ("Chuck") Yeager broke the sound barrier as he flew the experimental Bell X-1 (later X-1) rocket plane over Muroc Dry Lake in California.

In 1959, actor Errol Flynn died in Vancouver, British Columbia, at age 50.

In 1960, the idea of a Peace Corps was first suggested by Democratic presidential candidate John F. Kennedy to an audience of students at the University of Michigan.

In 1968, the first successful live telecast from a manned U.S. spacecraft was transmitted from Apollo 7.

In 1987, a 58-hour drama began in Midland, Texas, as 18-month-old Jessica McClure slid 22 feet down an abandoned well at a private day care center; she was rescued on Oct. 16.

Today's Birthdays: Former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop is 93. Actor Roger Moore is 82. Classical pianist Gary Graffman is 81. Movie director Carroll Ballard is 72. Former

White House counsel John W. Dean III is 71. Country singer Melba Montgomery is 71. Fashion designer Ralph Lauren is 70. Singer Sir Cliff Richard is 69. Actor Udo Kier is 65. Singer-musician Justin Hayward (The Moody Blues) is 63. Actor Harry Anderson is 57. Actor Greg Evigan is 56. TV personality Arleen Sorkin is 53. Golf Hall of Famer Beth Daniel is 53. Singer-musician Thomas Dolby is 51. New York Yankees manager Joe Girardi is 45. Singer Karyn White is 44. Actor Jon Seda is 39. Country musician Doug Virden is 39. Country singer Natalie Maines (The Dixie Chicks) is 35. Actress-singer Shaznay Lewis (All Saints) is 34. Singer Usher is 31. Actor Jordan Brower is 28.

Answer to previous puzzle

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ARIOT	RUDE	ASAP
RIGOR	ATON	NONE
PANFOR	GOLD	ONIN
LESS EFFECT		
STABLE	DRAW	
POLO	FLEA	COBRA
ORATE	OAR	TRAIL
TESTY	AREA	MICE
LEAF WASTES		
ASSESS	SOOT	
ICON	KETTLE	DRUM
DONE	SLOT	ARENA
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1 IOU	1 Provide with	64 Proverbial	12 Active European
5 Marching practice	2 Appointed time	battlers	volcano
10 58 Down, for one	3 Concerning, on memos	65 Shed one's skin	13 Calls from Bossy
14 Lady Chaplin	4 Lights-out tune		18 Part of a drum kit
15 CSA signature	5 English poet/playwright		21 Stratford's river
16 Dependent on	6 Lost-mail request		23 Harvesting tools
17 Pessimist's maxim	7 Under the weather		24 "Zounds!"
19 Prefix meaning "billionth"	8 Grazing spot		25 MIT's management school
20 Have the chair section	9 Ben-Hur novelist Wallace		26 Wee bit
21 Almanac	10 Fourth-down specialist		27 TV's "Science Guy"
22 Coop group	11 October birthstone		28 Evil spirit
24 12/24 or 12/31			29 Prince Harry alma mater
25 It's always in force			30 Fashion craze
31 Pie-in-the-face sound			31 Henry Higgins creator
33 Printer's primary color			32 __ sci (college major)
34 Letter after zeta			
35 Feature of some sweatshirts			
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39 Taking after			
40 Like some vaccines			
41 Geneva's river			
42 What a weathervane shows			
46 Dustcloth			
47 Some porkers			
48 Cat's home, maybe			
51 Recessed, as eyes			
56 Literary celeb			
57 "Do unto others..." teaching			
60 Rocker Clapton			
61 Old enough to know better			
62 Arabian land			
63 Pageant entrant's wrap			

**LADY STEERS**

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to the tune of 25-21. Plainview (23-14, 2-2) once again used the close win as a catalyst and won the final two games, 25-14 and 25-8.

The Lady Steers were led by Cerbi Ritchey, who had a solid all-around game with four kills, 11 assists, eight digs and three blocks. Bridgette Tuitt had a team-high six kills, while Desiree Anderson and Macy Graves provided four apiece. Anderson was responsible for the only three aces the Lady Steers achieved in the game. She also had 12 digs.

Callie Shafer had 10 assists, while libero Valerie Ross led the team with 23 digs.

The Lady Steers remain a game ahead of San Angelo Lake View (9-23, 0-5), which they earned their only district win against,

for the fourth and final postseason berth out of 4-4A.

Frenship sits alone atop the district standings and still haven't lost a district game since 2005. Frenship defeated Big Spring Sept. 26, 25-23, 25-6, 25-18. The Lady Steers were on the verge of taking the first set from Frenship, but came up short. Once again, a narrow loss led to a lack of focus in the second and for much of the third games.

Frenship has lost just one set — to Abilene Cooper (20-13, 4-1) in its first four district games. The Lady Tigers defeated Wink in a non-district match Tuesday, 25-11, 25-16, 25-16.

**Plainview def. Big Spring**  
25-21, 25-14, 25-8

Kills: Bridgette Tuitt 6, Desiree Anderson 4, Macy Graves 4, Cerbi Ritchey 4, Callie Shafer 1, Sloan Davis 1, Taylor Seaton 1.

Assists: Ritchey 11, Shafer 10.  
Digs: Valerie Ross 23, Anderson 12, Ritchey 8, Davis 7, Tuitt 6, Shafer 4, Seaton 1.

Blocks: Seaton 4, Anderson 3, Ritchey 3.  
Aces: Anderson 3.

**COUGARS**

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Carrier said. "We didn't have a very good performance against our last C-USA opponent so ... it has to be the biggest. We're last in our league right now and haven't won a game. Our last performance wasn't up to par. We need this win."

Houston has the nation's most potent offense and is gaining more than 569 yards a game. Much of that success has to do with the play of Keenum, who is No. 1 in total offense (438.8) and passing yards per game (426).

Keenum has thrown for at least 350 yards in each game this season and had 434 yards passing and four touchdowns in Saturday's 31-24 win over Mississippi State. The unassuming junior credited his receivers for his success.

"I was watching a rerun of the game and I saw how many yards after catch we have, and it's just amazing how those guys get up the field after they catch it," he said. "It says a lot about the talent of

our guys and the schemes the coaches give us. That's the plan, to get the ball in the hands of those guys, and they can do special things with it."

Keenum and the Cougars will have a challenge this week against a Tulane pass defense that is allowing a conference-low 197.2 yards a game.

"I just have to make sure I'm the most prepared football player out there on the field," Keenum said. "I need to be able to get in a good play, make a good read, and then throw a perfect pass."

Houston's defense remains among the worst in the nation, allowing more than 450 yards a game.

The Cougars gave up more than 300 yards rushing for the second straight week against Mississippi State but forced four turnovers after coming up empty against UTEP.

Linebacker C.J. Cavness said forcing more turnovers is a focus for the group.

"With our high-rated offense, the more we give them the football, the more opportunities they get to score," he said. "As a defense, that's our job to get stops and give the ball back to the offense. We have to be opportunistic."

**TENNIS**

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The Steers will host the match at 3 p.m. Friday at Figure 7 Tennis Center in Comanche Trail Park.

First, Big Spring travels to Sweetwater for a non-district match Thursday.

**Results (BSHS players listed first)**  
Frenship def. Big Spring, 14-6

**Girls singles**

Kristina Chang def. Skyler Strait, 2-6, 7-5, 6-2  
Jessica Womack lost to Sarah Miller, 6-1, 6-2  
Reba Smith lost to Marcie Phillips, 6-1, 7-5  
Alyssa Byrd lost to Lauren Strong, 6-1, 6-1  
Leslie Cash lost to Brooke Hendricks, 7-5, 6-3  
Andrea Cansino lost to Tiffany Benson, 6-3, 6-3

**Girls doubles**

Chang/Womack lost to Strait/Miller, 6-4, 6-4  
Byrd/Cash lost to Phillips/Strong, 7-6 (11-9), 7-6 (7-5)  
Smith/Cansino lost to Hendricks/Low, 6-1, 7-5

**Boys singles**

Jeremy Langford lost to J.M. Sisson, 7-6, 6-0  
Mike Gonzales lost to Davis Odorizzi, 6-3, 7-6  
Jonathan Womack def. Landon Roberts, 6-2, 6-1  
C.J. Burlison def. Austin Carder, 7-5, 0-6, 7-6 (7-5)  
Matt Garza def. Kimiko Ordone, 6-3, 7-5  
Jonathan Ray lost to Joseph Oh, 6-4, 6-3

**Boys doubles**

Womack/Langford lost to Sisson/Odorizzi, 6-1, 6-2

Ray/Gonzales def. Roberts/Ordone, 3-6, 6-1, 6-2  
Burlison/McKinley lost to McCormick/Bass, 7-5, 6-0

**Mixed doubles**  
Anna Scott/Seth Yarbar lost to Benson/Carder, 7-5, 6-1

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RIVALRY

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Bradford winning the Heisman and the Davey O'Brien Award. McCoy was the Walter Camp Player of the Year. Their friendship then grew over the summer as they roomed together at the Manning quarterback camp. "We stay in touch," McCoy said. "It's been tough since the season started, we're both really busy with school and football. It's kind of our life right now. But we do stay in touch

a little bit." Gerald McCoy, the Sooners' stand-out defensive tackle who's not related to the Texas QB, said he cringed at first when he saw the two acting all chummy on TV. "When I first seen the little story on ESPN, I was like, 'Sam, really?'" Gerald McCoy said, before admitting he considers former Texas defensive tackle Roy Miller a close friend. "Football's fun, and why not be friends with another star. There's nothing wrong with that." Each of the quarterbacks said they get some ribbing about being friends,

but that's not going to drive them apart. "I get that from my teammates some, but I think they realize that in the end, we're both football players and obviously we're trying to beat each other," Bradford said. "But at the same time, we can help each other in a lot of different ways. We play a lot of the same teams this year, our offenses are fairly similar. So, helping each other out, we can do that." There's no telling how much more could be on the line this week if Bradford had stayed healthy. Oklahoma has a pair of one-point losses already, and would need plenty of help to get back in the national championship race. "The guy last year was the best player in college football," Sooners

coach Bob Stoops said. "How can he not make a difference?" Bradford threw for 389 yards and a touchdown last week after missing Oklahoma's previous 3½ games with a sprained AC joint in his right shoulder. McCoy is directing an offense that leads the nation in scoring and ranks seventh in total yards. "Even though it might be unpopular for some fans and some players," Texas coach Mack Brown said, "the fact that Colt and Sam have tremendous respect for each other and like each other and are friends and can laugh and still compete on Saturday but not go into the game angry and putting down the other team and all that is a great message for sportsmanship."

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forgotten throughout the league, particularly now that Limbaugh's name has surfaced as part of St. Louis Blues owner Dave Checkett's group that is interested in buying the Rams. Commissioner Roger Goodell repeatedly distanced the league from Limbaugh's statements Tuesday, calling them "polarizing comments that we don't think reflect accurately on the NFL or our players." "I have said many times before that we are all held to a higher standard here," the commissioner said. "I think divisive comments are not what the NFL is all about. I would not want to see those kind of comments from people who are in a responsible position within the NFL." According to transcripts posted on his Web site, in 2007 Limbaugh also said: "The NFL all too often looks like a game between the Bloods and the Crips without any weapons." In an e-mail to The Associated Press, Limbaugh said he was forced to respond because "the totally made-up and fabricated quotes attributed to me in recent media reports are outrageous and slanderous." He also noted that he would be a minority owner in the prospective group, adding he is from Missouri and was saddened when the Cardinals left for Arizona. "I am happy to be involved in an effort to keep the Rams in St. Louis. I love the National Football League, I eagerly discuss it and promote it and I greatly admire the men who play in the league. They are the best at what they do," he wrote. "It is regrettable that something I have dreamed about for years has taken this course. But the fight is worth it to me. I love the National Football League." The Rosenbloom family, which owns the Rams, might not even sell the team. But they are using Goldman Sachs to help them investigate a sale. "They're not certain they are even sellers," New York Giants co-owner Steve Tisch said, adding that he expected a decision by the end of the season. "We can't speculate on potential owners because they have not brought up any names to put before ownership." Prominent blacks are already lining up against Limbaugh, including the Revs. Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton. NFL Players Association head DeMaurice Smith, who is black, urged players to speak out against Limbaugh's bid, and several have already said they would not play for his team.

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