TUESDAY October 12, 1999

WEATHER



TONIGHT 50°-55° **WEDNESDAY** 80°-85°

Downtown Lions to host annual hamburger supper

Big Spring Downtown Lions Club will sponsor its annual hamburger supper from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday in the Big Spring High School cafe-

Cost is \$5 per person and carryout is available.

Howard County historic throws will be available for purchase at the supper, \$40 each.

Call 263-4295 for more information, or see any Downtown Lions member.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ Quarterback Club, 7 p.m., Big Spring High **School Athletic Training** Center.

WEDNESDAY

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., **Howard College Cactus** Room.

☐ Senior Circle Big Spring Mall Walkers meet 9:15 a.m. in front of movie theater box office.

☐ Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizen Center, Industrial Park. ☐ Big Spring Downtown

Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. □ Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles

Lodge, 704 W. Third.

THURSDAY ☐ Gideons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 a.m., Hermans.

☐ Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and

☐ Big Spring Newcomer's Club meets 11:30 a.m. at Big Spring Country Club.

☐ Christmas in April, noon, Lion's Club Den. 1607

E. Third. ☐ Friends of the Library, noon, Howard County Library

☐ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

☐ American Legion Auxiliary, 7 p.m. ☐ Masonic Lodge No. 598. 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

☐ Big Spring Newcomers Club contact Pat Mireles for time and location, 267-8741.

FRIDAY

□ AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron Restaurant.

☐ Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.

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"Reflecting a proud community"

CRMWD directors to consider adopting new water rates

By JOHN H. WALKER

Directors of the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) will consider adopting new water rates for member cities when they meet at 10:30 Wednesday morning.

CRMWD assistant general manager Chris Wingert said he expects the rates to remain relatively flat for Big Spring, Snyder and Odessa - the district's three member cities.

"The rates are geared to the

ratio of water taken by each the previous year. member city," he explained. "This past year, Odessa's intake increased while usage in Snyder and Big Spring dropped."

As a result, he said, Odessa's rates are expected to increase while there will be little change in the rates assessed Snyder and Big Spring.

Wingert said the rate setting process for member cities comes on the heels of last month's adoption of a budget of \$11,055,855 — which represents an increase of 1.6 percent over

"We simply set the rates to generate the revenue we need to operate," he explained.

In addition to the member cities, CRMWD supplies water to a number of contract communities in a West Texas area serving over 400,000 persons. The district also has a number of industrial customers that purchase water on a contract

Other items on the agenda for Wednesday include a drought contingency and water conservation plan, which is a result of

Senate Bill 1, passed by the 75th Texas Legislature, and authorizing a groundwater availability study

Wingert said the groundwater availability study positions the district to be at the forefront of conservation in the region.

Earlier this year, district officials began looking at other sources of water — as well as additional uses for the current water supply

One ongoing concern, despite some slight relief this year, is the drought — now in its sixth

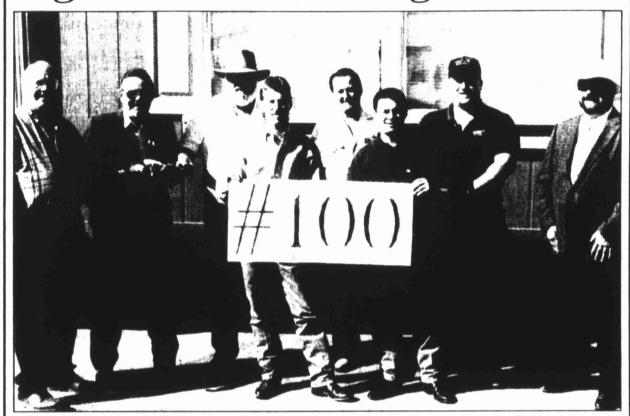
Of the municipalities receiving water from the district, Abilene is in the most serious shape, Wingert said. Abilene receives water from CRMWD through the West Central Texas Municipal Water District.

"They're in a drought situation," he said. "They have plenty of water in Hord's Creek Lake, but the problem they face is the limit on how much they

"And there's no water in Fort Phantom (Lake)."

See CRMWD, Page 2

Signal Homes closing its doors



Bud Ledingham (left), one of the owners of Signal Homes, is shown delivering the 100th home to come off the assembly line. Joining Ledingham at the time were (from left) Jim Hopper and Harlan Scott of Odessa's Frontier Mobile Homes, Roy Taylor, Greg Nichols and Ron Becker, of Beacon Homes, and Bill Bohannan and Mike Waddell. Signal employees were told earlier today the plant would close.

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

After laying off 30 employees one week ago, owners of Signal Homes announced to the remaining workforce this morning that the plant would be closing.

"Our plans are to run out the houses that we have in the line right now and close our doors,' said Bud Ledingham, one of the owners of the plant. He said the closure could be complete by the end of next week.

"This industry is going through some bad times right now," Ledingham said last week. "In fact, four factories closed down in Texas in the past two weeks.'

The manufacturer of manufactured housing, which opened in Big Spring in February 1997, had reduced its workforce to about 75 employees last week.

The announcement that

"I just heard about this a few minutes ago," said Virginia Belew, area manager of the Texas Workforce Commission. "We are in the process of talking about how we are going to handle it.'

Belew said a team of Workforce Commission staff would probably be sent to Signal to meet with employees about their rights, benefits and

"This is really devastating," she said, adding that it is particularly difficult coming on the heels of the closing of Walls Industries and Hirschfeld Steel. "(Signal Homes) was a good employer. They helped our economy at a time when we really needed it." Signal Homes came to Big

Spring through the efforts of Moore Development of Big Spring after a contract was signed in January 1997.

a clerk at the store had been

threatened by a male suspect

who had demanded money, said

A description of the suspect

and a vehicle were taken by

police and the suspect vehicle

was stopped three minutes later

at 17th and Gregg, according to

The suspects were taken into

custody and transported to Big

Spring City Jail, from which

they were later transferred to

White was described at an

a police department release.

Signal would close drew imme- At that time a \$750,000 loan diate reaction from the com- was administered to the manufacturing company, with the promise of about 100 jobs for local residents within the first vear

The company also promised a \$1.5 million payroll the first

The second year there was a promise of 120 jobs and a \$2 million payroll, and 150 jobs and a \$2.5 million payroll were expected the third year, according to a Big Spring Herald story Feb. 23, 1997.

Belew said she hoped to help the employees make the transi tion to new jobs quickly.

"Employers need to call us if they have positions available,' she said. "These are hardwork ing people. They kept their best employees on as long as they could.

But, she conceded, the plant closure will be difficult for all concerned

"We don't need this right

State hospital

202 bed facility will now serve 21-county Panhandle region, officials announce

By JOHN H. WALKER

Officials of Big Spring State Hospital (BSSH) and the Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority

(TPMHA) will formally announce today that the 202-bed Spring facility will now serve the 21-county Panhandle region. The announ-

cement was to be made at a 3:30 press conference in Amarillo.

With the addition, Big Spring State Hospital now serves a 78county region including Amarillo, Lubbock, El Paso, Midland, Odessa, San Angelo and Abilene.

Authority for BSSH to serve the region was granted by the Texas Department of Mental Health/Mental Retardation the regulating agency for the Mental Health Authority menstate mental health system on Sept. 1. Prior to that, the See BSSH, Page 2

TPMHA utilized facilities at North Texas State Hospital in Wichita Falls. All patients needing psychi-

atric inpatient care in the 21county area served by the TPMHA will be transported to Big Spring State Hospital.

TPMHA annually serves more than 2,000 people with mental illness in a 26,000-square mile area with a population of 370,000 persons. The mental health authority operates seven outpatient clinics sites in the rural Panhandle and four in Amarillo.

been extremely "We've pleased with the smooth transition Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority has provided for our hospital," said Jok Simons, BSSH director for operations and marketing. "The staff does an excellent job, and we believe we are very fortunate to be given the opportunity to provide inpatient care to the people with mental illness in the Panhandle." Kent Keith, Texas Panhandle

Arts and crafts festival slated at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum

HERALD Staff Report

It's not too early to be thinking about decorating for Thanksgiving or gift-giving for Christmas, and one one place to find some unique items will be the 23rd annual

PRATHER

and Crafts Festival this week-Approximately 200 artists and crafters from throughout the

Southwest will be featured dur-

ing the two-day show at

Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. There is no admission fee. Hours will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5

p.m. Sunday. 'We have a lot of seasonal things, fall and Christmas. Yard

See **SHOW**, Page 2

Two held in county jail for aggravated robbery was notified about 2:35 p.m. that

RICK McLAUGHLIN

Staff Writer

An unemployed transient and an unemployed Snyder man were being held in Howard County Jail today, charged with the aggravated robbery early Saturday afternoon of the Texaco convenience store at Fourth and Gregg, according to Big Spring Police Department spokesman Sgt. Roger Sweatt.

Arrested were James W White, 56, who was charged with aggravated robbery and attempted robbery from an earlier incident, and Michael W. Chason, 29, who was charged with aggravated robbery.

Bond was set by Judge Gary Tabor at \$50,000 on the aggravated robbery charge for each of the two suspects. White received an additional \$25,000 bond for the attempted robbery charge. White was also being held on \$500 bond on a Travis County warrant for theft by check and a \$200 bond for issuance of a bad check in Travis County.

Big Spring Police Department

unemployed transient who was born in Dumas. Chason was described as an

the county jail.

unemployed resident of Snyder. Sweatt said the police department is continuing the investigating with other agencies to see if the two suspects may have been involved or connected with any other robberies in the area with similar meth ds

Sweatt said that one agency the department has contacted in Tom Green County has indicat-

See **SUSPECTS**, Page 2



Lupe Pattin of Faye's Flowers takes a break from working on mums for the Big Spring High School homecoming Friday. In addition to Faye's, employees at Dakota's, A Timeless Design and the HEB floral department have been busy during the homecoming season. Big Spring's game against Snyder on Friday wraps up the 1999 homecoming season in the Crossroads Area.

Branden Guzman

Funeral service for Branden Guzman, 5, of Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. He died Monday, Oct. 11, 1999, in a Lubbock hospital.

Louise Spradling
Funeral service for Louise

Spradling, 84, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. She died Tuesday, Oct. 12, 1999.

SUSPECTS

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ed that there is a possibility of a connection, but Sweatt said it was too early to make additional comment.

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Wingert said Abilene city officials are now considering their options, which include purchasing right-of-way and constructing a pipeline to take water from Lake O.H. Ivie.

"Even if they made that decision now, they're still looking at 18 to 24 months to buy the rightof-way and get going," Wingert

CRMWD was created by an act of the Texas Legislature and is in its 50th year of supplying water to West Texas.

SHOW

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art, decorative items," said Mel Prather, show organizer. 'There will be wreaths for the door, ornaments, lots of things, plus we'll have our usual items, of course

Some of the artists new to the show will be featuring porcelain dolls, birdhouses, stuffed toys, boxes, beaded jewelry, wine stewards, wood signs and homemade jellies, according to Prather.

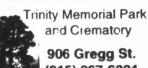
Others are metal sculptures, Santa Claus dolls, angels, clay pot figurines, handpainted placemat sets, baby rompers, Tshirts, teacher bags, Texas scarves and ceramics

Wind chimes, cap racks, shelves, pottery, fireplace screens, matted prints, broomstick skirts, vests, plaques, spices, barnwood items, shadow boxes and peanut brittle are some other items to be featured.

Still others are clothing, furniture, wood baskets, scented oils, children's toys, wood carvings, lamps, candles, stained glass, window panels, clocks, belt buckles, Southwest ceramics, quilted items, games. The list goes on and on.

"It's always a good show," said Prather. "It's been here since 1977. It gives people a chance to see friends that they don't see often. We have a lot of visiting going on during the

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH **Funeral Home**



906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331 Louise Spradling, 84, died

Tuesday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson, 267-8288

Elzan Schafer, 62, died Saturday. Graveside services were 10:30 AM, Today at Trinity Memorial Park.

Branden Guzman, 5, died Monday. Services are pending.

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both days of the show. "There will be cheeseburgers, barbecue sandwiches, Indian bread, hot dogs, soft drinks, tea, just a lot of different things to eat and drink," said Prather. "Come on out and enjoy the show and have lunch."

BSSH

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tal health director, said, "I think the arrangement with Big Spring State Hospital will work out well. They provide a wide variety of services that will be beneficial to people in the Panhandle living with mental

Big Spring State Hospital provides on-campus housing in the Marilyn Keaton Newsom Lodge for family members visiting patients at the facility. The lodge offers a den, dining and kitchen areas and bedrooms for a minimal fee or based on the family's ability to pay.

The announcement of the transfer of responsibility comes on the heels of the announcement that Big Spring State Hospital would be forced to lay off 19 persons because of a reduction of beds.

The hospital is Big Spring's largest employer, with 661 employees. The hospital treats people from 10 years of age and

REUNIONS

MORE THAN 150 MEM-BERS of the Big Spring High School classes of 1943-46 are expected to attend this weekend's reunion. Former students are coming from Canada, California, New Mexico, Virginia, Kansas, Washington, Georgia and all over Texas.

Activities include riding in the parade Friday, with a Mexican dinner in the Howard College Cactus Room followed by a time for fellowship.

Saturday, the group will meet at 8:30 a.m. for coffee and pastries in the Cactus Room, followed by a tour of the town, including the Big Spring Junior High School and the Settles Building. A banquet at 7 p.m. will include a program "Down Memory Lane" and piano music of that era.

BRIEFS

IT'S TIME FOR THE Big Spring Women's Clubs annual coat drive. We will be collecting coats for needy children and adults through Nov. 30. Please bring your extra coats, hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, windbreakers and blankets to Harris Lumber and Hardware (1515 E. FM 700), the Howard County Courthouse (first floor) or Scenic Mountain Medical Center (1601 W. 11th Place).

COAHOMA METHODIST YOUTH Group will sponsor a fish fry fundraiser on Friday, Oct. 22, prior to the Coahoma vs. Stanton football game, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at the Coahoma Community Center. The cost is \$7.50/adults and \$5/children 10 and under. Tickets can be purchased at the Coahoma Methodist Church, First Bank of West Texas, First United Methodist church of Stanton and the First National Bank of Stanton.

THE MARCH OF DIMES will have its Big Spring WalkAmerica on Nov. 6, at Comanche Trail Park. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Call 570-7940 for more informa-

BIG SPRING DOWNTOWN LIONS Club will sponsor its annual hamburger supper Friday, 5-7 p.m. in the Big Spring High School cafeteria. Cost is \$5 per person and carry-

out is available. Howard County historic throws will be available for purchase at the supper, \$40 each. Call 263-4295 for more information, or see any

Downtown Lions member. **AMERICAN LEGION POST** 506 will have a fish fry Saturday, noon to 3 p.m., 3203 W. Hwy 80. The cost is \$6 per plate and carry out is available. Call 263-2084 to order.

BIG SPRING MOVIE HOTLINE For showtimes call 263-2479

Galileo probe makes close flyby of Jupiter moon

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The aging and glitch-prone Galileo spacecraft successfully flew within 380 miles of Jupiter's moon Io, overcoming huge doses of radiation and a computer problem just hours before the approach.

The probe made the closestever flyby at 10:06 p.m. PDT Sunday, said project manager Jim Erickson of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena.

"We're thrilled that the spacecraft handled this flyby so well, particularly because it had to endure such a strong dose of radiation from Jupiter," he said Monday. "It appears everything went well.'

As part of an extended mission, Galileo's instruments are studying the chemistry, heat distribution, gravity and magnetic properties of Io, Jupiter's innermost large moon and the only known actively volcanic solar system object besides

"It gives us the opportunity to do comparisons between a non-Earth volcanic system and the Earth," Erickson said. "We learn something about both of them in the process.

Success was not guaranteed. Just 19 hours before the flyby, a memory error in a computer caused the spacecraft to enter a safe mode, and engineers worked up until two hours before the close approach to fix the problem.

Had attempts to recover failed, no science data or images would have been returned from the spacecraft 327 million miles from Earth, said Nagin Cox, deputy chief of the engineering flight team.

Cox was at home about 3 a.m. Sunday when she received the news of the error from JPL's flight control center. She quickly canceled plans to take part in her best friend's wedding and instead drove to JPL.

'The first thing that occurred to me is that we're in that window where we have a chance to recover if we start acting right away," she said. "We went through a period of a few hours where we were trying to get information on what had happened while we simultaneously put into motion the recovery plans.

Two hours after the problem cropped up, engineers determined that it stemmed from a memory error, likely the result of the spacecraft's long exposure to high levels of radiation near the giant gaseous planet.

Hours of programming paid off, and the spacecraft is believed to have captured about 75 percent of the images and science data from the flyby

Galileo has sent mission engineers and controllers scrambling on several occasions since its 1989 launch, which itself was delayed for years by the 1986 Challenger disaster.

Scientists overcame the failure of the probe's main antenna to open properly and a malfunction of its tape recorder. Galileo still achieved 70 percent of its science goals during its \$1.5 billion primary mission.

The probe is scheduled to make an even closer approach of Io on Nov. 25, flying within 186 miles of the surface.

The spacecraft, which arrived at Jupiter in 1995, completed its primary mission in 1997 and will finish a \$30 million, twoyear extended mission in January.

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 Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.

·Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles. Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

 Compassionate Friends support group for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October and December in the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 West Marcy. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-2769.

 Cancer support group, first Tuesday of each month, 7-8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Sue Jones, 263-7361 ext. 7179 or 264-7518.

•"Most Excellent Way," an addiction support group, 3610 Dixon, call 264-9900.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 53.20 cents, down 29 points; Nov. crude 21.77, up 50 points; cash hogs steady at 34; cash steers \$1 higher at 69 even; Oct. lean hog futures 46.47, up 40 points; Oct. live cattle futures 70.65, up 10 points.

courtesy: Delta Corporation. Other markets were not available by presstime

SHERIFF

The following information was transcribed from the Howard County Sheriff's Department arrest logs through 8 a.m. Tuesday.

·CYNTHIA LEE THOMAS, 20, was arrested on a motion to revoke probation/Theft over \$50 and under \$500. (HCSO) •SHEKEITHA SHIWANE

ROBINSON, 22, was arrested

for possession of marijuana and possession of a controlled substance over one ounce and under four ounces. (DPS) **•VIRGINIA LYNN ROBIN-**SON, 24, was arrested for possession of marijuana and pos-

stance over one ounce and under four ounces. (DPS) MICKEY JERMAIN TRAY-LOR, 25, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance over one ounce and

session of a controlled sub-

under four ounces. (DPS) •RENE VALDEZ JR., 38, was arrested for contempt of a child

support order. (HCSO) DONALD WES BRUTON, 28, was arrested for possession of marijuana. (DPS)

•CHAD BRITTON STRICK-LAND, 32, was arrested for disorderly conduct. (HCSO) •BEN JOSEPH GARZA, 19,

was arrested on a motion to revoke probation/forgery of a financial instrument, MTRP/unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, failure to identify a fugitive from justice, and burglary of a habitation.

•MICHAEL WARREN CHA-SON, 28, was arrested for aggravated robbery. (BSPD)

·JAMES WESLEY WHITE, 56, was arrested for aggravated Robbery and attempted robbery. (BSPD)

WAYNE ·MICHAEL SCOTT, 35, was arrested for

DUNLAPS



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Monday and 8 a.m. Tuesday.

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SHEKEITHA ROBINSON,

·VIRGINIA ROBINSON, 24,

•INEZ PINA, 59, was arrested

•TREBEL LEBERT, no age,

•NORMA LOPEZ, 68, was

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100 block of W. 19th, the 400

block of Johnson, and the 1500

·CLASS C ASSAULT was

reported in the 700 block of Sgt.

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reported in the 2000 block of

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arrested for public intoxication.

in the 1700 block of Runnels.

was arrested on a hold for

22, was arrested on a hold for

Lottery numbers are unofficial until confirmed by the state lottery commission.

POLICE driving while intoxicated/2nd.

(HCSO) ·JOSHUA HYDEN, 24, was arrested for parole violation The Big Spring Police and assault causing bodily Department reported the followinjury/family member. (BSPD) ing incidents between 8 a.m.

•BOBBY LYNN WEBB, 45, was arrested for public intoxication. (DPS)

•DARRIN LEE WEBB, 29, was arrested for public intoxication. (HCSO)

·LARRY JOE WEBB, 51, was arrested for driving while intoxicated and possession of marijuana. (DPS) JIMMY RAY WILLIS JR,

29, was arrested for public intoxication. (DPS)

•ASHLEE ANN TAYLOR. 19. was arrested for driving while license suspended/invalid.

•DIANA DIAZ JUAREZ, 21, was arrested on a grand jury indictment for claiming lottery prize by fraud/less than \$10,000. (HCSO) **EDWARD**

DONALD MYRICK, 44, was arrested for driving while intoxicated/2nd. (HCSO) •FRANK GARZA, 49, was

arrested for driving while intoxicated/3rd or more. ·RICKY LYNN WALLACE,

33, was arrested on a motion to revoke probation/theft and not having liability insurance. (BSPD) •SUSAN M. OVERTON, 40,

intoxicated. (DPS) SHAWANA LYNN OVER-TON, 17, was arrested for criminal mischief over \$1,500.

was arrested for driving while

 JEFFREY CURTIS DUN-LAP. 19. was arrested for burglary of a habitation. (HCSO) •BILLY JOE CHAVERA, 21, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, no class C license

(HCSO) ·DAVID HEFFINGTON, 31, was arrested for contempt of a child support order. (HCSO)

and no liability insurance.

DWAIN ·CARROL CALVERT, 58, was arrested for criminal mischief to church/cemetary. (HCSO)

•DEMETRIO MARTINEZ. 27, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana. (HCSO)

Monday's high ** Monday's low ** Average high 79 Average low 54

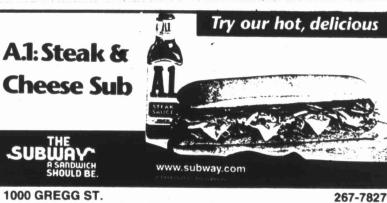
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CORRECTION

The name of Jacob Nichols sixth grader at Goliad Elementary School, was not included in the honor roll lists which appeared in last Thursday's Herald. Jacob, is listed on the A honor roll.



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WACO (AP) University is acc dealing with one or deaths a year. It's life, said Presiden

Sloan Jr. But this year halfway through the ter — the death toll climbed to seven.

Four from this Ba on the Brazos Rive Sunday when a pr veered off the road them. Erika Lanhar Collins, Colo., Trici

Prosecu

UVALDE (AP) tors hoped to pa singer Johnny Ro liar, inviting his and neighbor to stand could prove Rodriguez is accu ing Israel "Bosco" death.

Prosecutors alleg fatally shot Borreg 1998, during a dri The singer's lawy mistook Borrego fo Attempting to p Rodriguez's story. called Carlos Tova neighbor of Rodr called 911 after the was originally ch killing, but auth lifted the accusation

Tovar told the Rodriguez shot a "burglar" after a away at a drinking

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FORT WORTH (A year-old man has b suspicion of attem after he allegedl grandson, who com the World War I renting him a house.'

Ben Collier sl Collins, 45, early the grandson cor

Court a

HOUSTON (AP immigrants residi may be deported drunken driving the 5th U.S. Circ Appeals has ruled. Immigra **Naturalization Service**

sify a string of "crime of violence ruled. The judges order tation of Oscar Marroquin, a Mexi who has lived in

States since 1984.

Camacho's law that DWI is not a lence because i involve a substar force. But the judges in court focused on th

financial costs of ving accidents: mo deaths and abou

Father s CHARLESTON, ' The father of a ma participating in the of four teen-age give yogurt shop says cooperated with p

times in the past e A Kanawha Co Court hearing i today on whether Springsteen Jr. returned to Austi face charges stemp girls' deaths. Charleston pol

Springsteen, 24, las after working v police. Springste held in the So Regional Jail with In a letter to th

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University is accustomed to dealing with one or two student deaths a year. It's just part of life, said President Robert B. Sloan Jr.

But this year — less than halfway through the first semester — the death toll has already climbed to seven.

Four from this Baptist school on the Brazos River died early Sunday when a pickup truck veered off the road and struck them. Erika Lanham, 18, of Fort Collins, Colo., Tricia Calp, 18, of

South Bend, Ind., and Dolan they learned of this tragedy, "Tripp" Walter Wostal III, 22, of Alvin, were walking toward a Texas A&M fraternity party

when the truck hit them. Texas A&M student Ted Bruton, 21, of San Angelo, an agricultural business student. nd William Flores, 22, of San Marcos, a student at Southwest • Texas State, also died in the freak accident.

Students had barely recovered from the loss of three Baylor upperclassmen who were killed said Sloan.

It's been more than half a century since Baylor has lost so many students so suddenly. In 1927, 10 members of the men's basketball team were killed when their bus was hit by a train in Round Rock as they were heading to a game against the University of Texas, officials said. The dead have come to be known as the Immortal 10. "Since that time I don't

believe we have lost so many

of time," said Sloan. "It's on outside their friend's dorm everybody's mind today. It's rooms, leaving notes, cards, such a sobering thing.'

People on the campus of 13,000 remembered them Monday with prayers and white ribbons pinned to their shirts.

Several professors won't be taking attendance this week and have canceled quizzes or tests to allow students to recover from the loss, school officials

Residents of Russell Hall where three of the victims lived

flowers and other items with sentimental value.

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Authorities said Brandon Michael Kallmeyer fell asleep around 12:30 a.m. Sunday and veered onto the shoulder of Farm Road 60 in College Station, striking the students who were walking on the shoulder toward a party at the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity house.

Two others were injured. There was no evidence of alco-

Baylor Houston, Emily Hollister, 18, of Aug. 19 in a car accident when students in such a short period — created makeshift memorials hol being involved and no charges were pending against Kallmeyer, 18, of Katy, police said

Steve Moore, vice president of student life, said as of Monday afternoon, more than 150 students had sought counseling to talk about the tragedy, including some who were at the Tau Kappa Epsilon party when the accident happened.

Others were students who sat next to one of the victims in a class or lived in the same resi-

Prosecutors press on with murder case against Rodriguez

Rodriguez is accused of shooting Israel "Bosco" Borrego to

Prosecutors allege Rodriguez fatally shot Borrego on Aug. 29, 1998, during a drinking binge. The singer's lawyers claim he mistook Borrego for a burglar.

Attempting to poke holes in Rodriguez's story, prosecutors called Carlos Tovar to testify. A neighbor of Rodriguez, Tovar called 911 after the shooting. He was originally charged in the killing, but authorities later

Tovar told the courtroom Rodriguez shot and killed a "burglar" after a night whiled away at a drinking party.

year-old man has been jailed on

suspicion of attempted murder

grandson, who complained that

the World War I veteran was

renting him a "rat-infested

Ben Collier shot Tyrone

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man was an acquaintance of both men. Borrego showed up rowdy several times throughout the course of the party.

District with exchange Attorney

Rodriguez' lawyers contend Borrego stole \$40 from the singer's mother's home in Sabinal, where Rodriguez was living. Borrego was shot at the

At the party, Borrego fell down drunk, broke an antique chair and got into a scuffle with the host, Tovar testified. He added that Borrego had a history of misbehaving while drunk.

"The man got out of hand,"

Under questioning by defense attorney Alan Brown, Tovar testified Rodriguez came and fetched him the morning of the shooting. Rodriguez said he had fired at a threatening intruder, Tovar said.

Tovar returned with Rodriguez to the singer's house across the street. Borrego was moaning on the floor, he said.

"Did Johnny think that Bosco was burglarizing his house?" Brown asked.

"Yes." Tovar replied. Tovar also testified Borrego

was suspected in a previous burglary at the Rodriguez house. But Hackebeil alleged Tovar

and Rodriguez hatched a plan to label Borrego a burglar after the shooting occurred.

Hackebeil: "You want to pro-Tovar said. "He was told not to tect your friend Johnny, don't

Tovar: "...Yes, to be honest, I'd do anything."

Hackebeil: "Would you lie for him?"

Tovar: "I'm not a liar. I wouldn't lie for my friend or nobody.

Asked why he didn't call the police about the previous burglary and what he should do about a criminal committing a crime, Tovar said: "I'd shoot the son of a bitch.'

Rodriguez, 47, could face up to life in prison if convicted.

Though his music career took a downturn by the 1990s, Rodriguez remains well known in this part of South Texas for his 1970s hits such as "Pass Me By (If You're Only Passing Through)" and "Ridin' My Thumb to Mexico" that soared into the Top 10 on the country

Williams announces run for Railroad Commissioner

AUSTIN (AP) - Michael L. Williams, the first black person to sit on the three-member state Railroad Commission, said Monday he wants to be the first one elected to the panel.

Williams, a Republican, announced he will run for one of two open seats on the commission in 2000 and said his campaign will highlight the "variety and diversity" of Texas.

Williams, 45, was appointed by Gov. George W. Bush late last year to the panel that regu lates the oil and gas industry. He replaced Carole Keeton Rylander who was elected state comptroller.

"Texas is a big of state with a lot of folks — folks that come in a lot of shapes and sizes," Williams said.

"We need to identify people of talent all across the racial and ethnic spectrum, and identify ways to get them engaged in Texas and involved in Texas," he said.

Before his appointment, Williams served as Juvenile Probation Commission chairman and State Republican Executive Committee general counsel.

He also was assistant secretary of education for civil rights under former President Bush and a special assistant to the attorney general in the Reagan administration.

Williams was "one of the Bush's administration and also one of the brightest stars in

sioner and U.S. Rep. Kent Hance.

"We know that the railroad commission is in good hands," Hance said.

Williams said he would work to eliminate the 4.6 percent severance tax levied on oil and gas

"One of the best ways to create economic opportunity and expand wealth is to ensure the government only takes what it needs (in taxes) from producers," Williams said.

"Sometimes one of the problems of government is that is strangles activity and that is the reason it is important for us to go back and look at our regulatory scheme," he said.

Williams touted changes the commission made during his current term, including relaxing well-testing rules to require producers to test every two years instead of annually, keeping incentives for companies to drill for natural gas and streamlining the agency to save producers \$7 million a year.

Williams said he would use computers to make the commission a paperless agency by 2003.

"When change on the outside of an industry is moving faster than change inside an industry. the end is near," Williams said.

Williams joins Railroad Commissioner Charles Matthews, also a Republican, on the ballot for the six-year terms. Matthews, 60, was first elected to the commission in

Williams and Matthews are the only announced candidates

UVALDE (AP) — If prosecu-But Tovar added the dead return."

tors hoped to paint country singer Johnny Rodriguez as a liar, inviting his good friend and neighbor to the witness stand could prove a misstep.

lifted the accusation.

In a sometimes testy

Tony Hackebeil, Tovar called Borrego "a pest and a loudmouth" who showed up three times uninvited the night of his death.

authorities said. According to a

police report, Collins was appar-

ditions and told his grandfather

that he was going to turn him in

to authorities for a running a

One relative, who reported

"slum house."

FORT WORTH (AP) - A 103- elderly man in his bedroom,

after he allegedly shot his ently upset about his living con-

the grandson confronted the Collins replied, "He needs to go

103-year-old man arrested in shooting of grandson live in that rat-infested house that he has me staying in."

Collier told police he'd had enough of his grandson's behavior, got a gun and fired at Collins three or four times, then stood over him and fired twice more before running out of bullets. He was attempting to Collins, 45, early Sunday after asking Collins to leave, said reload when police arrived.

Collier was being held in lieu

of \$50,000 bail and is under medical watch because of his age, officials said. Collins was in serious condition at John Peter Smith Hospital on Monday with gunshot wounds to the chest, abdomen, waist and buttocks.

Collier was a private stationed in San Antonio with the 165th Depot Brigade during World

Court allows deportation after three DWI convictions "There's no question that three-pronged test necessary for

immigrants residing in Texas lion in property damage. Appeals has ruled.

Immigration Naturalization Service can classify a string of DWIs as a "crime of violence," the court ruled.

The judges ordered the deportation of Oscar Camacho Marroquin, a Mexican national who has lived in the United States since 1984. Camacho's lawyers argued

that DWI is not a crime of vio-

lence because it does not involve a substantial risk of But the judges in the appeals

HOUSTON (AP) - Legal injuries and more than \$5 bil-

their decision.

The ruling could affect thousands of families in Texas. where state law upgrades three drunken driving convictions to felony DWI — thus invoking the INS' ability to deport because a "crime of violence" is an aggravated felony.

The INS has been criticized by immigration attorneys for using state laws — including DWI laws in Arizona and Texas — as deportation tools of a politically charged, anti-immigrant cli-

Houston immigration attorcourt focused on the human and ney Brian Bates said the new financial costs of drunken dri-ruling sets the stage for the INS ving accidents: more than 25,000 to further expand its definition deaths and about 1 million of a crime of violence in Texas.

meaning of crime of violence to force. say that an unintentional crime is a violent crime."

He said the INS has already interpreted burglary of a vehicle, a nonexistent offense in many states, as meeting the crime of violence standard.

Immigrants do not understand the long-term ramifications of pleading guilty to drunken driving, Bates said. Many who bargained with the government in the 1980s and 1990s — before the definition was expanded — are now being deported and have no legal recourse, he said.

But federal Judges Emilio M. Garza, John M. Duhe Jr. and Rhesa H. Barksdale held that drunken driving meets the

drunk driving is dangerous and a crime of violence: there is at brightest stars in President may be deported after three. "Drunk driving, by its nature, people should be punished for least a one-year prison sendrunken driving convictions, presents a serious risk of physiit," Bates told the Houston tence, it is a felony and there is the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of cal injury," the judges wrote in Chronicle. "But it stretches the a substantial risk of use of Gov. Bush's administration,"

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Father says suspect cooperated with police "My understanding of this arrested in Texas last week.

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The father of a man accused of participating in the 1991 murder of four teen-age girls at a Texas yogurt shop says his son has cooperated with police several times in the past eight years. A Kanawha County Circuit

Court hearing is scheduled today on whether Robert Burns Springsteen Jr. should be returned to Austin, Texas, to face charges stemming from the girls' deaths. Charleston police arrested Springsteen, 24, last Wednesday

after working with Austin police. Springsteen is being held in the South Central Regional Jail without bond. In a letter to the Charleston Daily Mail published Monday,

Robert Springsteen of Mesquite,

Texas, wrote, "My son did not

Bob's Custom Woodwork

do this."

goes beyond that of a father's concern for his son," the letter said. The younger Springsteen,

Michael James Scott, 25; Forrest Wellborn, 23; and Maurice Pierce, 24, are charged with shooting the four girls in the head on Dec. 6, 1991. Scott, Wellborn and Pierce were

Police say Eliza Hope Thomas, 17; Amy Ayers, 13; Jennifer Harbison, 17; and Sarah Harbison, 15, Jennifer's sister were shot at an I Can't Believe It's Yogurt! store in Austin, Texas. Thomas and Jennifer Harbison worked at the store. The store then was set

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OUR VIEWS

Samaritan Center, award winners

to be applauded

Thursday night, the Samaritan Counseling Center will honor the Plaia family and businesswoman Myra Robinson, all of Big Spring.

The center, which serves the Midland, Odessa and Big Spring communities, named the Plaias Family of the Year for Big Spring, honoring them as a healthy role model for church and community involvement. Robinson was chosen Ethics in Business Award winner for Big Spring, honored for her ethical practices in more than 25 years at the helm of Robinson Drilling.

The local residents, along with those honored from the other cities, will be guests at a banquet at Green Tree Country Club. Keynote speaker is author/minister Phillip Gulley who has written several books, including "Front Porch Tales" and "For Everything A Season."

The Plaia family, including father John, mother Charlotte and sons Justin and Joshua, arrived in Big Spring five years ago. Since then, they have capitalized on opportunities for service and family time,

according to their nomination.

John works as east district superintendent for Colorado River Municipal Water District. Charlotte is a part-time aide at Head Start. Elder son Justin is 15, while Joshua is 12.

Myra Robinson received the ethics award for her leadership of family-owned company, Robinson Drilling, according to her nomination. G.R. "Bob" Robinson started the company 52 years ago. When he died in a 1972 automobile accident, Myra stepped in full time and kept the business going.

The October banquet is a major fundraiser for the center, which offers service to clients with fees based on a sliding scale. We urge you to honor these local residents, and the center, with your support of this annual event.

For ticket information, call (915) 563-4144.

OTHER VIEWS

The Texas Lottery is losing customers; that indicates that a lot of Texans are finally wising up. Sales of the twice-weekly lottery sales have been falling for years. But the sales drop was especially steep in early September, Texas Lottery Commission officials said, when sales fell by \$17.1 million, or 12.36 percent, from the same period in 1998.

But not only Texans are getting the message that the lottery is a state-sponsored scam; so are residents of other states. Lottery sales are falling across the nation as interest wanes. To revive interest, Texas Lottery officials want to increase the size of the prizes. To do that they want to increase the number of balls in the cage from 50 to 54, thus raising

the total prize money faster. They want to raise the average jackpot from \$4 million to \$15 million

Not surprisingly, players are raising a howl. The commission, which is holding hearings around the state, has drawn opposition from thousands of players who object to making the odds longer. Those opposed are right: The odds of winning would go down. But we're talking about the odds of winning going from microscopic, 1 in 15.8 million, to infinitesimal, 1 in 25.8 million. As if it

mattered. As those who have opted out of the games have figured out, the Lottery is not about winning, it's about the state conning its own citizens.

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Bilingual education: Heads buried in sand ne federal government has spent billions of

dollars over the last 30 years encouraging - in some cases, forcing - school districts to teach Hispanic children to read

Spanish before teaching them English. Now, the government

and write in

has decided to spend another \$45 million over the next five years to learn whether this system makes any sense. The



National Institutes of Health (NIH) recently announced that it will launch the most ambitious government study ever into the questions of how non-Englishspeaking Hispanic children can best learn to read English. It's about time.

Betty McArdle, the NIH researcher who will coordinate the study, described the questions the research will try to answer in a recent Baltimore Sun article: "They come to kindergarten speaking Spanish. Now, they've got to learn English. Do we teach them to speak English first, before the majority of education is presented? Or do we teach them to

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read Spanish while learning to speak English? In which sequence? Do the teachers have to be native speakers of Spanish? Does it make a difference?"

Good questions, but why has it taken three decades for researchers to decide to tackle these issues? NIH and several other research institutions already have major studies underway to understand how human beings acquire language.

These studies have already shown, for example, that babies learn to differentiate between the sounds found in their mother's language and other languages, tuning out the latter when they are only a few months old if the sounds are not reinforced by a caregiver. Research has also proven that there is an optimum time for human beings to acquire language, and that children who have no human contact during that period may never acquire human language, suggesting that the brain actually becomes "hard-wired" for language at some point.

Other studies indicate that children who learn a second language before the age of about 6 actually store the vocabulary and syntax for the language in the same part of the brain where their first lan- * guage is stored, but older children and adults who learn additional languages later in life seem to use other parts of

their brain for this purpose. This information has impor-

tant implications for education policy, but to date, has been largely ignored by the education establishment because it might undercut the rationale for delaying teaching English to young Hispanic children who enter school speaking only Spanish. For years now, bilingual education advocates have argued that the only way Hispanic children can effectively learn English is to teach them first to read and write in their native language: Spanish. The theory — expounded in most bilingual education departments at colleges and universities throughout the country - is that students must achieve academic mastery of their first language before a second language is introduced.

No amount of empirical evidence to the contrary has dissuaded the bilingual education lobby to explore alternatives. Indeed, college bilingual education departments — which train the nation's language teachers — are notoriously loathe to debate their theories, as I have found time and again.

Just last week, I was invited to Michigan to talk about bilingual education at Saginaw Valley State University, but the head of the bilingual education department refused to allow a panel discussion on the topic to

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Not a single member of the faculty would agree to debate the issue, and instead, discouraged their students from

attending my lecture. This head-in-the-sand approach is typical of bilingual education advocates. The New York City Board of Education recently rejected a recommendation by the city's auditor that the board monitor students' progress more closely to determine whether they were actually learning English in bilingual programs. A study done a few years ago showed that Hispanic children in the city's bilingual programs were failing to learn English, while other students in English-as-asecond-language programs were succeeding.

The board's response was to bury the evidence by refusing to conduct studies that could compare one program with another.

Meanwhile, voters may not await the outcome of the NIH's research. Californians already abolished that state's failed bilingual program through a statewide ballot referendum that won 61 percent of the vote

And Arizona voters may have the chance to do the same if a proposed initiative gathers enough signatures to get on the ballot there next year.

Too bad the federal government didn't fund this research before it poured billions into bilingual education.

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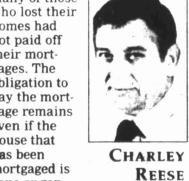
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Real help for North Carolina is headed overseas

hink this through: People who have lost everything in eastern North Carolina to the floods can get help from the U.S. government in the form of loans at interest.

I dare say many of those who lost their homes had not paid off their mortgages. The obligation to pay the mort gage remains even if the house that has been mortgaged is gone or rendered unliv-



able. So in essence, the federal assistance consists of an offer to most folks to make two mortgage payments instead

of one. Now contrast this with foreign aid. Israel will receive as a gift some \$3 billion. In addition, the Clinton administration has asked Congress to provide \$1.9 billion to pay for the withdrawal from the West Bank areas called for in the

Wye agreement. Some \$400 million of that will go to the Palestinians and \$300 million to Jordan.

I'm all for peace in the Middle East, but why should American taxpayers — including those devastated by the floods in North Carolina - pay for it? How can congressional officials tell their own people, "You can borrow," while telling foreign governments, "Here is a gift"

be as clear evidence as anyone could want that most of the people in Washington have just

This situation seems to me to

lost contact with reality. They are so used to dealing with special-interests groups inside the Beltway that they no longer think clearly about what it is they are doing. They seem able to handle each topic in total isolation from every other topic

It would be a good idea if Americans broke the spell by telling them that they should attend to America's needs first and foremost. It is, after all, pathetic to see the suffering of Americans in the Carolina flood areas while Washington blithely gives away their tax dollars to foreign governments.

There is nothing in the U.S. Constitution which could remotely be interpreted to authorize taxing Americans and giving the money to foreigners. Foreign aid is a hangover from the Marshall Plan to rebuild Europe after World War II. Like all government programs, it took on a life of its own so that here we are with no Cold War and no enemies really capable of attacking the United States, and Congress continues to hand out in the forms of grants and loans some \$12 billion a year to foreign governments.

That's nonsense. Look at your own tax bill. It must take all the taxes paid by thousands of Americans to fund this annual foreign aid appropriation, which most years gets virtually no debate in either the House or the Senate.

What's missing is a sense of priorities, a listing from the most necessary to the least necessary of all the claims on the available federal dollars: Bearing in mind that all expenditures should be of general benefit to all citizens, foreign aid should be at the bottom of the list. Instead, each year it sails

through practically unnoticed while Americans are shortchanged. I'm sure many of the people who have lost homes, businesses and farms would appreciate a federal grant. And if you argue the government should not be in the business of giving away the taxpayers money, then I'd say, "Fine. Stop giving it away to foreign governments." The North Carolina governor has asked for a grant of \$5.2 billion. Let's see if he gets it.

I doubt that most of the people offered federal loans are aware of the giveaways in the foreign aid appropriations. I'm sure if they were, they would be less than happy about the situation.

But nothing will change unless the American people demand that it change. Politicians vote for foreign giveaways because there are powerful lobbies which support them and because, by and large, the people back home pay no attention to the subject.

They should. People have power; they just don't often use

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Science debate mostly a lesson in confusion, officials contend

WASHINGTON (AP) - Terry Mondy, who's taught high school science for 32 years in Wheeling, Ill., already knows the difficulty teachers will face if they are ever forced to balance evolution and creationism in their classrooms.

Mondy and teachers like him can easily find books on evolution, which describes how life on Earth developed from singlecelled organisms over about 3.5 billion years.

But his students also ask questions about creationism a biblical-based view that holds God created life on Earth in six days approximately 6,000 years

He recalled one time when he took a book on creationism to a meeting in the teachers' lounge: "I just asked, 'Do you know about this?' and one teacher jumped up and grabbed the book and threw it against wall and started swearing.

was a controversial issue."

No state can force a public school teacher to teach creationism, the Supreme Court ruled in 1997, citing separation of church and state. And evolution dominates in virtually all public middle school and high school science textbooks.

But the matter is far from settled.

Three states — Alabama, Kansas and Kentucky - give districts the option of offering in science classes creationism as an alternative or accompanying view to the evolution. Colorado recently dropped questions on evolution from a standardized test it gives students, but it did not tell school districts whether to teach creation-

Such decisions could leave science teachers caught in the middle, particularly those in small districts where better-

"At that moment I realized it organized creationism advo- biology and avoid evolution," cates may offer their own books and lesson plans.

> "It boils down to individual teachers, how intimidated do they feel, how much pressure do they feel from the principal or the local school board regardless of the decision made at the state board level," said Eric Wheaton, assistant to the director of the National Center for Science Education, a group in El Cerrito, Calif., that supports evolution's focus in science lessons.

> "Science is the search for truth. I say we must consider this alternative," said Duane T. Gish, associate director and vice president of the Institute for Creation Research, a creationism organization based in El Cajon, Calif.

Ken Bingman, a 33-year veteran biology teacher in Kansas disagrees.

"You can't teach the facts of

said Bingman, who considers it the cornerstone of his instruction at Shawnee Mission West High School in Shawnee Mission, Kan. "Evolution is introduced as one of the basic themes in biology.

The Kansas school board voted to omit from state science standards "macroevolution," the theory that species can evolve into other species and that some species, most notably apes and man, have common ancestors.

Also left out is the big-bang theory of the universe's origin.

The standards are merely a guide for local school boards, which decide what to teach. But critics fear that since the standards will be used to develop statewide tests for students, schools will emphasize whatever the standards do.

In the wake of controversy, the Kansas board plans to

reopen debate over the new science standards today.

Over the years, many states like New Mexico last week have decided against requiring classrooms to offer creationism or any other alternative theories of human origin.

Bingman's district has said it will not change its emphasis on evolution as prevailing scientific theory.

Earth sciences taught in middle school usually prepare students for understanding that a scientific theory such as evolution has to have a high degree of evidence to support it, Bingman said.

"I'm just kind of amazed that they would leave out such an important part of education," said Katie Griffin, a 17-year-old senior in Bingman's independent study class, says of evolu-

even though most college entrance exams such as the SAT have questions about evolution, said Petra Stankard, a junior in Bingman's Biology 2 honors class who wants to attend medical school.

"This can lead to more kids not being able to get into the schools they choose, because they haven't been taught evolution, how the Earth evolved," Petra said.

That argument has persuaded states such as Arizona — where college professors said high school graduates would be at a disadvantage if they didn't study evolution — not to let creationism share the stage.

"We could no sooner make a compromise there than presenting a choice between a flat Earth or a round Earth," said Steven Benen, spokesman for Americans United for Separa-"A lot of smaller schools will tion of Church and State, an decide to not teach evolution" education group.

Clinton sends letter requesting test ban vote delay

Senators are weighing whether to postpone a certain-to-fail vote on a global nuclear test ban treaty after President Clinton bowed to Republican demands and put his request for a delay in writing.

"I firmly believe the treaty is in the national interest," Clinton wrote to Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., and Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. But he recognized he lacked the twothirds vote needed for U.S. rati-"Accordingly, I fication. request that you postpone consideration

Treaty on the Senate floor." Republicans called his letter Monday a first step toward possibly postponing the vote scheduled for today but sought further assurances the issue wouldn't come up again during this 106th Congress.

Comprehensive Test

Senate rejection the treaty

would be a humiliating defeat interest," for Clinton, who was the first world leader to sign the 1996 pact.

"This should be an easy call," Sen. Joseph Biden of Delaware, the ranking Democrat on the Foreign Relations Committee, said in a statement. "The president has asked for a delay. Most Democrats and many Republicans support a delay. It's clearly in our national interest to put off this vote without any further wran-

By putting his request in writing, Clinton met one demand of his Republican opponents.

The letter was silent on their insistence that Clinton promise not to revive it during the 2000 election season, but White House officials rejected that request.

"Even though there are campaigns under way in the United States, we have to take into account the larger national

said National Security Council spokesman David Leavy. "It would be irresponsible for the president to limit his tools in dealing with something as sensitive as nuclear testing.'

Lott's spokesman, John Czwartacki, said the letter was "merely a first step," and noted that Lott, joined by Sen. Jesse R-N.C., Foreign Relations Committee chairman, has asked for agreement that the treaty not come before the Senate again before 2001.

"Senator Lott will discuss this reversal by the White House with his fellow senators on Tuesday," Czwartacki said. "Now there must be agreement reached in the Senate that it not come up again."

Helms called Clinton's letter 'a step in the right direction" but insufficient. "It must be made clear that this (treaty) is dead and that the next president will not be bound by its

terms," he said in a statement. Sen. John Warner, R-Va. chairman of the Armed Services Committee, called the letter "a significant step forward" and was working with Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., to build support in both parties for postponing the vote until 2001.

A Warner aide said the two senators hoped to have a letter supporting the delay signed by a majority of senators from both parties on the desks of party leaders today.

The treaty would impose a blanket international ban on all nuclear test explosions. Supporters estimate they are 15 to 20 votes short of the twothirds majority needed for Senate ratification.

The pact has been signed by 154 nations, including the United States, but ratified by only 51. It will not go into effect if the United States fails to rati-

President widens children's insurance outreach programs

WASHINGTON (AP) President Clinton is directing services, education and agriculeducation and health officials to ture to report to him in six develop ways of enrolling uninsured children in federal health insurance for the poor through their schools.

Clinton, in a speech to the Academy American Pediatrics today, was announcing a campaign to reach children eligible for Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program, or CHIP.

offer Medicaid or other insurance to children in low-income working families who are not poor enough to qualify for traditional Medicaid.

About half of the more than 10 million children who qualify for the programs are unenrolled, a White House statement said.

Some participating states, including Alabama, Georgia, Indiana, Florida, Illinois and New Jersey, already are using medical needs. schools to enroll children in the programs.

More than 1,500 schools in 49 states that were asked in August to participate have said they would join the Insure Kids Now campaign, a program launched in February to sign up children for CHIP, the White House said.

This week, the secretaries of health and human services and education will send information to state agencies explaining how schools and state governments can use CHIP funds to pay for school outreach programs.

Clinton planned to sign an executive order instructing the

secretaries of health and human months on how to institutionalize the school outreach programs.

Other new recruiting measures include:

—Informing grandparents about their grandchildren's eligibility through annual Social Security cost-of-living-adjustment notices.

-Informing families who The program permits states to seek help filing their tax returns through the Voluntary Income Tax Assistance pro-

—A \$9.5 million partnership between the Department of Health and Human Services and the David and Lucille Packard Foundation that will research outreach techniques for getting health care to poor children, with a focus on minority youngsters and those with special

Fights over spending complicated by Social Security, history

helping U.S. allies and regulat- mise would come from. Clinton to threaten to veto four spending bills as this year's budget fight nears its defining battles

Yet recent history and political maneuvering over Social Security are combining to complicate the veto fights further.

Overall, Clinton and congressional Republicans are separated by about \$10 billion to \$20 billion — about the same magnitude as most end-of-session spending fights since the GOP took over Congress in 1995.

This year's tug-of-war, however, is complicated by the GOP's stated refusal to pay for extra spending from the Social Security surplus. For decades, both parties have used that as a till to find needed billions of dol-

Having lost their coveted 10year, \$792 billion tax cut to a Clinton veto and broken their pledge to heed two-year-old spending limits, GOP leaders have made shielding Social Security a badge of honor during the runup to next year's congressional elections. If that promise holds up - which many doubt - it is unclear

Disputes over hiring teachers, bipartisan spending compro-

Republicans that Clinton bested them in the government shutdowns of 1995 and 1996 and the budget-balancing and spending deals of 1997 and 1998.

"Republicans have been through playing hardball and they got beat, and they've been through compromise and they got beat," said Dan Palazzolo, a University of Richmond political scientist. "There's a lot of ambiguity about what the proper step should be.'

Eleven days into fiscal 2000, Clinton has signed just five of the 13 annual spending bills that pay for government operations. Three other fiscal 2000 measures — covering defense, veterans, housing, science, agriculture and environment seem likely to be completed by Congress and signed soon.

That leaves five other bills. To keep their price tags at levels Republicans want, GOP leaders are considering across-theboard cuts in all 13 bills ranging from \$3 billion to \$8 billion. Lacking support for other ideas, GOP leaders say such cuts are fair, but the administration calls the plan a meat-ax

where the money needed for a approach that would hurt needed programs. Clinton has already vetoed the

ing oil and mining companies Compounding the problem is bill covering the District of of the \$1.3 billion Clinton have prompted President a sense among many nervous Columbia. GOP leaders say they sought to help communities has objected to, covering city council members' salaries and fees paid to lawyers suing the schools.

But the bill still would prohibit the medical use of marijuana and needle distribution to drug addicts, and is likely to contindrawing administration objections.

Four other bills face veto threats:

—A \$300 billion-plus measure covering the departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education. The Senate version is about

the same size as Clinton's request, the House roughly \$5 billion smaller. Both would cut the \$1.4 billion Clinton wants to continue his seven-year drive to hire 100,000 extra elementary school teachers, and would give states more leeway in using the

Congress also would provide less than Clinton wants for after-school programs, adult literacy, preventive health and other programs.

-A \$35 billion bill for the departments of Commerce, Justice and State, \$2 billion less than Clinton requested.

Congress would provide little hire tens of thousands of police officers. Instead, the bill would shift resources to school safety and other programs. Law-makers also would provide less than Clinton wants for the FBI, civil rights enforcement, high technology assistance to companies and back dues owed to the United Nations.

-A \$14 billion measure for the Interior Department, \$1 billion less than Clinton proposed.

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IN BRIEF

Lady Steers' showdown will be 'Black Out Night'

Big Spring's crucial District 5-4A volleyball showdown with Andrews tonight at Steer Gym has been designated as "Black Out the Mustangs Night" and all fans wearing black shirts or pants will be admitted free.

Junior varsity action begins at 6 p.m. followed by the varsity at 7 p.m.

The Lady Steers Booster Club will be grilling hamburgers from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., and members of the Big Spring Junior High volleyball teams will be introduced between the high school matches.

Lady Steers 7th, 8th take 3-of-4 from Sweetwater

Big Spring Junior High's seventh- and eighth-grade Lady Steers took three of the four volleyball matches they played against Sweetwater on Monday.

The seventh White team took a 15-5, 15-9 win behind the nine points provided by Carissa Mattson. Tiffany Emerson and Linday Barton added six and five points, respectively.

The seventh Black suffered a 15-11, 2-15, 16-14 loss, Crystal Sturm's 18 points and Stefani Scott's 11 not enough to turn back the Lady Mustangs.

The eighth Gold squad, which finished third in tournament play at Snyder on Saturday, gook a 15-6, 15-12 win in Monday's game behind Leina Braxton's eight points and Kim Green's six.

The eighth Black then took a 15-3, 15-10 win, as Monica Solis and Rebecca Williams had seven points apiece and Sara Acevedo added five.

Junior high gridders set to take on Snyder teams

Big Spring Junior High School's Steers squads are preparing for Thursday's games with Snyder's young Tigers after having won three four games against Greenwood last week.

The seventh grade teams. which romped to 30-0 and 22-6 wins over Greenwood, will travel to Snyder; while the eighth will host Snyder's

Greenwood managed to take a 26-6 win over the eighth Black, but the White posted a 14-0 shutout.

Big Spring Country Club sets 80 & over scramble

An "80 and Over' scramble tournament has been scheduled for Oct. 23-24 at the Big Spring Country Club.

Fees will be \$65 per player plus cart rental.

Play begins with a shotgun

start at 1 p.m. both days. For more information, call the BSCC pro shop at 267

Tickets for homecoming on sale at BSISD offices

Tickets for Big Spring High School's homecoming game are now available at the BSISD Business Office.

Tickets are priced at \$2 for students and \$5 for adults.

The office will be open from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. through Thursday and from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on

Lady Hawks softball plans benefit clinic

Howard College's Lady Hawks softball program will conduct a clinic to benefit the Softball United Girls Association of Big Spring on Sunday at the Roy Anderson Complex.

Coach Andy Mace and his Lady Hawks players will provide instruction to young players during three sessions. The fee for the clinic is \$5 per player. '

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Red Sox complete divisional playoff comeback with 12-8 win CLEVELAND (AP) - As champagne Monday night ended the Indians' season Nixon said. "Whether we're down two Martinez refused to come out after mansprayed around him, John Valentin jumped up on a podium in the middle of Boston's clubhouse and screamed for

quiet. "Hey!" Valentin yelled to his teammates.

Unsuccessful, he tried again.

"Hey!" he said. Finally, with most of the room's attention, Valentin had a message for the Red Sox — and maybe one for the New York Yankees.

"They'd better sweep us!" Valentin

Boston's stunning comeback from an 0-2 deficit to win the division series over Cleveland with a 12-8 victory in Game 5 the heart of this team," Boston's Trot

and forewarned the Yankees they had better not be overconfident in the ALCS beginning Wednesday.

Whatever the Indians did, the Red Sox did better.

They outslugged them, outscoring baseball's highest-scoring team in 49

They outpitched them as Pedro Martinez continued his dominant 1999 season with a comeback as improbable as Boston's.

And they beat history, becoming just the fifth major league team to rally from an 0-2 deficit in a best-of-5 playoff series.

"There ain't no scale that can measure

games or three games, there is no quit in this team."

And certainly none in Martinez, who pitched six hitless innings just two days after he couldn't even play a game of catch because of a back injury.

Oh, and that so-called Boston curse. If the Red Sox are haunted, then Martinez might just be the one to exorcise all those demons — from the Babe to Bucky to Buckner.

'You might say we're celebrating a little too hard," pitcher Bret Saberhagen said in the middle of the Red Sox party. "But after a series like this, you have to kick off your shoes a little bit."

Making a surprise relief appearance,

ager Jimy Williams put him in and struck out eight in a six-inning stint. The right-hander, who had to leave Game 1 with a strained back muscle, finished with 10 shutout innings in the

"I wouldn't come out," Martinez said. "As long as I was able to throw the ball over the plate, I was going to stay in

Troy O'Leary supplied the offense, twice thwarting the Indians' strategy of intentionally walking Garciaparra by driving in seven runs with a pair of homers — including the first postseason grand slam in Red Sox

Irvin to return this season: exactly when still unknown

IRVING (AP) — Now that the Dallas Cowboys know that Michael Irvin will eventually play football again, they can begin wondering when they will have their star receiver back.

Irvin, who suffered a swollen spinal cord and herniated disc early in Sunday's 13-10 loss to the Philadelphia Eagles, flew home Monday and walked into the team's headquarters wearing a protective collar around his neck.

Irvin is out indefinitely, although team trainer Jim Maurer said he's optimistic that Irvin will be catching passes again this season.

"You've got to let all the factors come into focus," he said. "Let's see how he responds over the next few days and the next few weeks."

Irvin will see a spine specialist Wednesday. That visit should produce a better idea of how long his recovery will take.

"We're fortunate that Michael is not more seriously injured," Cowboys coach Chan Gailey

Immediately following the play, there was concern that Irvin may never walk again, much less continue his career.

"He had some limitations on the field," team trainer Jim Maurer said. "He didn't have full motor function and he had pain in his neck.' Irvin was able to move his hands and feet

within 15 minutes, much to the relief of his terrified teammates. He was then strapped to a stretcher and taken to the spinal unit at Thomas Jefferson Hospital, where he spent the night.

By Monday morning, Irvin had regained full use of his motor functions haurer said that encouraging sign convinced doctors to allow Irvin to fly back to Dallas on team owner Jerry during a 1994 game, will be back in the Jones' private jet.

"Michael has been a great player for this organization for a long time," said quarterback Troy Aikman, who has won three Super Bowls with Irvin. "He's made a lot of big plays in a lot of big

"We're going to miss his presence and we'll miss his competitive spirit. Hopefully it'll only be two weeks."

Ernie Mills will start in Irvin's place. Rookie Wane McGarity, who has been inactive the last two weeks, also will get more playing time.

"He's a big part of this team — he IS this team," McGarity said. "It's been that way for 12

Dallas wide receiver Michael Irvin, pictured here Cowboys' lineup after suffering a neck injury in Philadelphia on Sunday. When he ii return, ho ever, is still unknown.

years, so he's going to be missed."

Irvin, 33, hasn't missed a game because of injury since 1990, Emmitt Smith's rookie sea-

Dallas has seven receivers on the roster, so there's still plenty of depth. Gailey said the team would still consider adding another receiver i Irvin was going to be out six to eight weeks.

One option is former Cowboy Alvin Harper who worked out for coaches last week. Harper last played in the NFL in 1997.

Philly fans sink to new low by cheering injury

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Booing is a way of life for Philadelphia sports fans, some of the most raucous, passionate and surly in the country

The trouble this time was the cheering. Philly's fans may have sunk to a new low by cheering Dallas Cowboys receiver Michael Irvin's potentially serious neck injury. It disgusted even those who thought they had seen it all in the "City of Brotherly Love."

"This, in terms of bad taste, was as bad as it gets," said Mayor Edward Rendell, an avid

Many fans in the crowd of 66,669 cheered when they realized Irvin was hurt, and again when paramedics wheeled a stretcher onto the field. Many also cheered respectfully when he was placed in an ambulance, but the damage was done. "I couldn't believe they cheered," said

Donovan McNabb, the team's No. 1 pick who was nearly booed off the stage by Eagles fans attending the draft. "You don't know what to expect from them. What makes Philly fans so foul? One theory

is the longtime failure of their teams. If they can't be first in the standings, some figure they might as well be No. 1 in nastiness.

Michael Zellman, an 18-year-old fan from

Philadelphia, said he won't attend Eagles games anymore. Fans are so rowdy that a municipal judge holds court at the stadium to

charge offenders during the game. "If you're not wearing the right jersey, you're guaranteed to get beat up," Zellman said.

Other cities have rowdy fans. Arrests are routine at Yankee Stadium, and Cleveland is still scarred by the bloody 10-cent beer night riot in 1974. But Philadelphia's list of embarrassing moments is getting lengthy.

"I think too many of our fans have gotten caught up in our image of bombarding people and booing," Rendell said.

On Nov. 10, 1997, a fan shot a flare gun across the field into the stands during a nationally televised Monday night game against the San Francisco 49ers. Fans pelted national TV broadcasters with snowballs during a Cowboys-Eagles game in 1989.

In the most infamous case, Santa Claus was booed and pelted with snowballs during a game between the Eagles and Minnesota in 1968.

The fan reaction to Irvin's injury was criticized in the city's newspapers and on talk radio Monday. "Unspeakable, even for us," proclaimed a

headline in the Philadelphia Daily News No one is safe from the boo birds.

Steers at No. 10; Earn first ranking since 1989 season

From staff and wire reports

Big Spring's lopsided 59-7 win over Fort Stockton, coupled with losses by Coppell, New Braunfels Canyon and Greenville on Friday, has earned the Steers a Top 10 spot in this week's Associated Press high school football poll.

The Steers moved in at No. 10 in the Class 4A poll, their first appearance in the AP's Top 10 since Dwight Butler took the Big Spring Helm in 1991.

In fact, it is the Steers first appearance in the Top 10 since 1989 when David Thompson led them to the state semifinals before losing to eventual state champion Tyler Chapel Hill. Butler was not in his office

this morning, having stayed home suffering from a case of

As a result, the Steers boss was clearly cautious about the "It's nice for our kids to get

the recognition," he said when reached at home by telephone. "It can be a two-edged sword, though. Being ranked can get your kids excited, but it can also give everybody you play something to shoot at.

"We know that, though, because we spent a lot of time shooting at ranked opponents in the first half of the season,' Butler added. "It was extra motivation for our kids when we played Plainview and Monahans, and it will be for Snyder when they come over here Friday night."

Stephenville (6-0) remained atop 4A, which added Smithson Valley and Nederland, as well as the Steers, to the Top 10

La Marque (5-0) remained No. 2 in 4A. Texas City, Schertz Clemens and Corsicana, all 6-0, rounded out the top 10. Dallas Highland Park, also undefeated, moved up to No. 6 from No. 9 after trouncing Denison 42-13.

Losses knocked Aldine Eisenhower and Jersey Village out of the Class 5A poll, as well, but the poll's other four topremained teams unchanged in the survey of 20 sports writers and broadcasters across the state.

Houston Memorial downed No. 6 Eisenhower (5-2) 21-16 on Friday and No. 10 Jersey Village (5-2) lost 21-7 to Houston

Cy-Fair. Their departure from the 5A list, headed again by 6-0 Midland Lee, cleared the way for 6-0 Alief Hastings to enter the rankings tied with 5-1 Duncanville for No. 8 and for Katy (5-1) to join at No. 10.

SCHOOLBOY POLL

The Associated Press high school footbal

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7. Marfa		4-0
8. Iola		4.1
9 Menard		5.1

The remaining 5A teams are No. 2 Austin Westlake (6-0), which moved up from No. 4 last week; No. 3 Lewisville (6-0), No. 4 Copperas Cove (6-0), which moved up a notch; No. 5 South Grand Prairie (5-1), which advanced from No. 8; No. 6 Converse Judson (5-1), bumped up from No. 7; and new No. 7 San Antonio Roosevelt (6-0),

which had been at No. 9. The 3A list was topped again by 5-0 Sealy and gained two 6-0 members: Commerce at No. 9 and Crane at No. 10.

No. 7 Corrigan-Camden (5-2), which lost 21-18 to No. 10 Cleveland, was knocked off the list, as was No. 8 Aransas Pass (5-2), a 21-18 loser to West Oso.

There were no changes in the 2A rankings, headed by 6-0 Omaha Paul Pewitt, or Class A, where 5-0 Wheeler continued to rule.

Also ranked in 2A are: Mart, Celina, Iraan, Boyd, Grand Saline, Alto, Brookshire-Royal, Comfort and Pilot Point.

Jaguars' stingy defense leads way to 16-6 victory over Jets

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) - If the Jacksonville offense doesn't come around until January, that might not be

so bad for the Jaguars. By then, they might be at the top of the AFC and own home-field advantage for the playoffs, thanks to a stingy defense.

While the supposedly potent offense stumbled once more Monday night, the defense once again was staunch in a 16-6 victory over the New York Jets. That lifted the AFC Central's first-place team to 4-1, and only one team on the remaining schedule has a winning record. That's doesn't face Tennessee, which

Jacksonville until Dec. 26. "They're playing great," quarterback Mark Brunell said after the Jaguars allowed the Jets (1-4) just 230 yards, much of it on a final desperation drive to nowhere. "It's the kind of defense that

can carry a team when the offense is

struggling.

The offense is struggling, managing only a 3-yard touchdown run by James Stewart and three field goals by Mike Hollis. Still, that was plenty against the sputtering Jets, who are hurting physically and emotionally these days.

"It's definitely frustrating after last year," receiver Dedric Ward said, noting how the Jets went to the AFC title game for the 1998 season, but are a long shot to get to .500 this year. "Right now, we're not finding what we need on offense. Obviously, when you score only six points, you have some problems.'

Those problems — backup Rick Mirer at quarterback instead of Pro Bowler Vinny Testaverde (season-ending torn Achilles' tendon suffered in the opener); no Wayne Chrebet (broken foot) at

receiver or Leon Johnson as a thirddown back — were exacerbated by Jacksonville's defensive brilliance.

New York couldn't handle linebacker Kevin Hardy (10 tackles, one sack). defensive tackle Gary Walker (nine tackles, one sack), or DE Tony Brackens (seven tackles, 1.5 sacks).

'We can be as good as we want to be,' said safety Carnell Lake, whose signing as a free agent was a major step in rebuilding the defense, "and we want to be the No. 1 defense.

They've yielded no touchdowns in three of their victories and 52 points We got good young guys, we got good

get there," added linebacker Lonnie Marts, another free-agent addition. They got another victory without get-

older guys. If we do a few things, we can

ting much when they had the ball. Stewart did rush for 96 yards, but it took 26 carries and he was late hitting some gaping holes.

Brunell, reportedly feuding with coach Tom Coughlin, was 21-for-35 for 215 vards, but often rolled out and threw the ball away rather than search for secondary receivers.

"It wasn't what we had in mind offensively," Brunell said. "But it was enough."

And a lot more than New York managed — only John Hall's two field goals.

"I am extremely disappointed in our performance," said coach Bill Parcells, who lost for the first time in four meetings (two in the playoffs) with Coughlin, his former receivers coach with the Giants. "Particularly the offense. Our execution was very poor."



Braves a bit mouthy as Mets come to town

Jordan had his chance.

A free agent last offseason, he visited Shea Stadium, shook some hands and thought about signing with the New York

Instead, the big-hitting outfielder joined the Atlanta Braves and spent the season helping them beat up the Mets. And he's not shy about admitting a dislike for them, too.

"I mean, I could say so," Jordan said after Monday's workout at Turner Field.

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"It's just that New York City thing," he said. "Whenever you go there, the fans try to rattle you and get all over you. Eventually, you say, 'I can't stand New York.'

He was not alone going into Game 1 of the NL championship series tonight against New York. Greg Maddux was to pitch for Atlanta against Masato Yoshii, and Mets slugger Mike Piazza was expected to return to the lineup.

'We beat them nine out of 12. I don't know how Bobby Valentine can say a word," reliever John Rocker said. "Just as we have respect for them, Bobby Valentine doesn't have much respect for us."

How about it, skip? Braves manager Bobby Cox has a kind word for everybody - surely he would have something nice to say about his Mets counterpart. "I really don't know Bobby

Valentine that well," Cox said. Asked about such remarks, Valentine rubbed his forehead and bit his lip.

"Animosity?" he said. "Our guys are loving, caring, good fellows who go about their busi-

Enough said?

"You either come to play baseball or you come to talk," Cox said. "You better come to play

Clearly, though, the edgy Mets and the usually businesslike Braves are acting a bit snippy.

Even New York general manager Steve Phillips seemed a bit peeved after the Mets began their workout two hours early Monday night after being notified by the Braves that thunderstorms were coming. That storm never arrived.

But at least there was this encouraging sign: Piazza seemed confident he will be able to start.

The All-Star catcher missed the last two games of the firstround victory over Arizona because of a swollen left thumb. He looked good in batting practice Monday.

"I don't want to say definitely," Piazza said. "But I'm feeling close to 90 percent.'

The Mets, however, will be minus third-base coach Cookie Rojas. He was suspended for five games by NL president Len Coleman on Monday for shoving umpire Charlie Williams

Special Olympians take home medals from bowling event **HERALD Staff Report**

Gold medals were awarded to 11 Special Olympians during the Area 18 Special Olympics Bowling Tournament at the Big Spring Bowl-A-Rama on Oct. 2.

The 11 first-place winners were Teresa Guiterez, Loretta Mireles, Melissa Perry, Aireba Taylor, Tommy Lasiter, Marty Thurston, D'lene Wylie, Robin Redman, Bobby Dancer, Raphael Aguirre and Fred Earhart.

Silver medals were presented to Charlise Lopez, Jaceson Welch, Melinda Brantley, Lettie Anguiano and Stacy Wells.

Bronze medalists were Cynthia Valasquez, Aurlio Cortez, Pat LaNeave, Carrie Parker, Sandy Mach, Cody Stephen Lawson, Porter, Monroe Faubion and Felix Anguiano.

Fourth-place finishers included Jo Chapman, Hal Porter, Red Holguin and Ricky Winn; while fifth-place ribbons were presented to Josh Hughes, Choyia Baker, Jennifer Hernandez, Terri Vasquez, Rita Rea, Steh Kirn and Robert Edwards.

Charles Wallace and Charles Thomas shared sixth place. while Steven Mills was seventh and Wayne Criger finished eighth.



PLAYOFFS AT A GLANCE

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES Atlanta (Glavine 14-11) at New York (Leiter 13-12).

(FOX)
Wedneaday, Oct. 13
Boston at New York, 7:15 p.m.
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Boston at New York, 7:15 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 16
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Monday, Oct. 18
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Boston at New York, 7:15 p.m., if necessary

(MBC)
Tuesday, Oct. 12
New York (Yoshii 12-8) at Atlanta (Maddux 19-10).
7:12 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 13
New York (Rogers 5-1) at Atlanta (Millwood 18-7),

3:09 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15

during Saturday's clinching win over the Diamondbacks.

Former Braves catcher Bruce Benedict, currently the Mets' bench coach, will take over at third. He might be the only person in a New York uniform getting a nice reception.

"I think everybody is trying to build up this thing between the Mets and Braves," he said.

Rojas declined comment on his penalty until meeting with

Saturday, Oct. 16
Atlanta (Smoltz 11-8) at New York (Reed 11-5).

6:42 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 17
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Coleman, which was likely to occur today.

'Some people think all he does is coach third base,' Valentine said. "He does a lot more. He will be missed dear-

Maddux will be followed by Kevin Millwood, Tom Glavine and John Smoltz in the best-of-7 series. After Yoshii, Kenny Rogers, Al Leiter and Rick Reed will pitch for the Mets.

Yoshii was 0-2 in three starts against Atlanta this year. He smiled when asked about bitter feelings between the teams.

"I don't dislike them or anything," he said through an interpreter. "We just have to beat them."

Maddux was a bit surprised to see the Mets in October, considering they were two games out of the wild-card spot with only three left in the regular season.

Rocker was more complimentary — sort of. He praised the Mets' hitting, pitching and fielding, then added, "I'm really shocked to see how they had to squeak into the playoffs.

Valentine was aware of that assessment. "I never heard them say any-

thing other than we underachieved." he smirked.

Piazza laughed off the supposed hostilities. "It's funny how the trash talk-

ing gets magnified," he said. One edge the Mets appeared certain to enjoy is crowd sup-

As of late Monday, the Braves had 6,500 tickets left for Game 1 and nearly 10,000 remaining for Game 2 at Turner Field. Mets fans will take many of them.

Strange to be named captain of 2001 U.S. Ryder Cup team?

HOUSTON (AP) - Curtis Strange, who has won 17 PGA Tour events in a 23-year career, will be named captain of the 2001 Ryder Cup team, according to a published report.

The Houston Chronicle quoted several sources today as saying Strange has agreed to be captain of the Ryder Cup team when it challenges the Europeans at the Belfry Golf Club in Sutton Coldfield, England.

Strange will face an uphill battle in leading the Americans into what will be a hazardous road trip on European soil, the sources said.

But one notable PGA Tour player, speaking on the condition of anonymity, applauded the choice of Strange.

"What a great contrast this is going to be in the U.S. captain," said the player. "Ben (Crenshaw) was so reverent and led with a quiet passion. Curtis is going to be more like a football coach leading his team out of the tunnel onto the

"He's going to create a great atmosphere for the American players, especially because they'll be playing in really hostile territory.'

"Curtis is absolutely pumped about it," he said. "And the players will have a different sort of respect for him once

they see those fiery eyes." Officials at the PGA of America, which selects the U.S. Ryder captain, are expected to formally announce Strange's appointment soon.

No PGA representatives could be reached for comment Monday, the Houston newspaper reported. Traditionally, they announce their captain for the next Ryder Cup in the first month or two after one is played.

Several executive in the golf world told the newspaper that Strange is the only name on the PGA's list.

It will be no easy task to follow Crenshaw's work. He used historical frames of reference and his own good vibes to stoke the Americans to a record comeback during the Sunday singles comeback.

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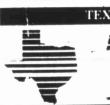
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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-

Difficult ARIES (March 21-April 19)

****Buy doughnuts on the way to work. Co-workers need the sugar lift and the caring! Good will helps others operate at their peak performance. Make calls; reach out for others. Touch base with someone who always presents a new point of view. Tonight: Plans change one more time.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) *****Others appreciate your efforts, as good will marks your relationships. You feel uncomfortable with suggestions from a partner. Could it be the way he presents his ideas? Revise your thinking. Be more open to the concepts behind the words. Tonight: Take time with a

loved one **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)

*****Popularity might make it a bit difficult to get anything done this morning. When you put your foot down, another could act confused or have hurt feelings. Is there a way you could be more diplomatic? Ponder news from a distance. Tonight: Where the gang is.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ****Distraction marks your morning. The question is whether to give in to it or not. Indulge more in another's convivial mood. You charge through work in the afternoon and discover a better way of reorganizing. Schedule an important appointment. Tonight: Take a walk to ease stress.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR nates; others clearly respond to how others are hazy about a that "joie de vivre." A smile is international - everyone responds. Let laughter also become a bigger part of your office environment. A child or love interest could be threatened by your gregarious ways. Tonight: Put on your dancing

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***Getting into work today might take some talent. Consider taking a personal day to clear up some extra errands

and make headway on a project. A family member reverses his stand. Start planning a change around the house, one which could even involve creating a home office. Tonight: Get some exercise.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*****Discussions are animated. You might be expressing yourself a lot more than you realize! Clamming up won't help, because your face reveals the whole story. How you view a child clearly isn't based in reality. Take another look, for his sake. Tonight: Visit and let the kid in you out.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***You revise your ideas about spending and what you feel is appropriate. You might finally decide to take the plunge and purchase something you've wanted for quite some time. The indulgence adds to your life, even though it might also rip a hole in your wallet. Check out an investment carefully. Tonight: Budget your time

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

*****A professional review or the issue of your long-term performance comes up; an authority figure is pleased. Ask for more of what you want in the workplace, but be aware that there could be similar demands in return. You are elated about news. However, you might not have every detail just yet. Tonight: Celebrate.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

**Play a low-key role. Explore travel options. Make calls; gather information; get ready to take a holiday or vacation. Consider a class or seminar that could open your mind to a new perspective. Use special care with money dealings. Tonight: Take a night off.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *****Though you might be *****Your love of life domi- clear in your own mind, some-

communiqui. Today's scenario involves friends, a long-term goal and an unexpected change. Take a hard look at what you think you want. You might surprise yourself! Tonight: Follow an inspiration!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ***You have your share of admirers; however, that won't help you at all when it comes to getting along with the boss. Look at your job differently, and you might find that what wasn't palatable before now is. You gain emotionally from insights. Open your mind, and you'll like what you see.

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Daughter resists involvement in her mother's family feud

DEAR ABBY: I'm having a big problem with my mother. who still feels she can control my life. She is mad at her siblings, and now only one remains because her brother just died.

If I choose to stay in contact with her last surviving sibling,

Mother has told me she will feel betrayed and will no longer speak to me or her grandchild.

My husband and I are very family-oriented. We feel that our daughter should know all her rela-

ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

tives. Mother never told her siblings why she is angry with them, but I know. I'm not sure her reason is valid -- especially since she told me that she found out while she was in a hypnotic trance.

I think that as a 40-year-old adult, I should be able to make my own decisions regarding who I see. I know I'll be getting a call from her soon whereupon she'll ask if I have been in contact with her family. I want to say "yes," as I am not comfortable with lying.

My mother has been under psychiatric care since 1993. I don't feel I am betraying her; I just want all my family in my circle. Abby, can you help? Please answer soon in the paper. -- BIG PROBLEM IN **NEW JERSEY**

DEAR BIG PROBLEM: The next time your mother asks if you have talked to her sibling, tell her that if she chooses to isolate herself from the rest of the family, you think it is illadvised, but you won't try to make her change her mind. However, that is not the way you wish to live your life, nor is it the way you want to raise your daughter. Then let the chips fall where they may

Your mother is trying to manipulate you by using threats, and she should not be allowed to get away with it. The poor woman sounds emotionally disturbed, and I'm pleased that she's under the care of a psychiatrist. DEAR ABBY: About five

years ago you printed a letter from a woman whose husband had just died from melanoma. She urged everyone to have their moles examined by a doc-

Although I was only 20 years old and did not fit the normal age range for people with skin cancer, I decided to go to the doctor. Well, Abby, I DID have melanoma -- usually the only form of skin cancer that can cause death. Luckily, I was able to have it removed surgically, and now I am fine. Please continue to urge your

readers to wear sunscreen and to have their moles examined. I would like to thank the wife who took the time to write to you about her tragedy, and to thank both of you for saving my life. -- THANKFUL IN LONG BEACH, CALIF. DEAR THANKFUL: I'm

pleased your story has a happy ending. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to remind my sun-worshipping readers to have this kind of checkup done Any suspicious lump, sore or

ulcer on the skin should be reported to your physician if it persists for more than a week. It's also important to be examined by a physician if there is any change in the size, shape or texture of a mole, or if half of it appears "different" from the other half.

DEAR ABBY: Your readers have been wonderful in years past to rescue dogs from animal shelters during October. National Adopt-a-Dog Month, and we at North Shore Animal League would like to encourage them once again to visit their shelters and take home one or more of the thousands of homeless dogs and puppies. These animals have years of unconditional love to give to kind and caring animal lovers.

Abby, people can adopt from shelters any time, but October is dedicated to making it a better world for man's (and woman's) best friend — a canine pet. This visit to a shelter during Adopt-a-Dog Month will not only save a life, but will also bring a lifetime of love and happiness to both the needy animal orphan and the kind individual who takes a pet home

Thank you, Abby, for your compassion and love of ani- MARGE STEIN, mals. NORTH SHORE ANIMAL LEAGUE

DEAR MARGE: Thank you for the timely reminder. For individuals and families interested in acquiring some canine companionship, I can't think of a more opportune time than National Adopt-a-Dog Month. Arf arf!

DEAR ABBY: I have been married for 37 years. My wife likes to go out every day, seven days a week. I like to go out two to three days a week, and would to compromise and try the "middle" — about four times a week.

My wife is very energetic and will not meet me in the middle. What do you recommend? -BOB IN PLANTSVILLE, CONN

DEAR BOB: How about this for a compromise: Tell your wife that she's welcome to go out by herself or with friends a few days a week, and that you will join her for the other three or four days. That way, she gets seven days out and you get three or four.

DEAR ABBY: Get a load of this pre-wedding announcement. It was delivered via my mailbox at work. I thought I had seen it all, but this takes the cake. With a former coworker like this, I'm happy I didn't win their lottery If you print this, please delete

all names and addresses. I still work with friends of this couple. —HAPPY TO LOSE THE LOTTERY DEAR HAPPY: Your enclo-

sure is a first, and I must admit I have never seen anything quite like it. Read on: "Dear Friends of 'Elmer' and

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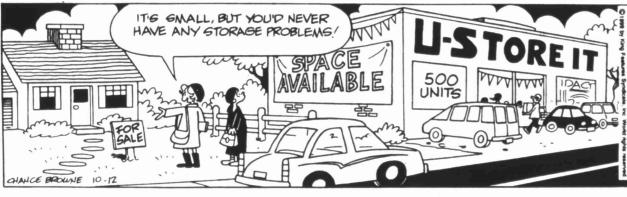
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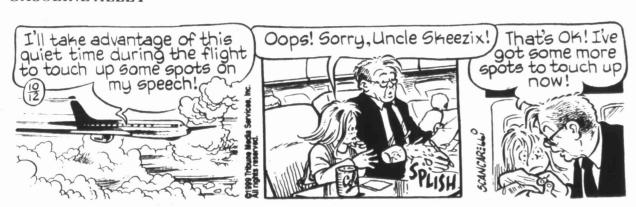




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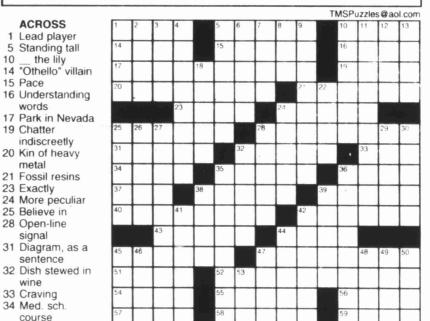
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Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 12, 1492, Christopher Columbus arrived with his expedition in the present-day Bahamas.

On this date:

In 1870, Gen. Robert E. Lee

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams



By Xan Lattimore Rosemont, PA

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In 1933, bank robber John Dillinger escaped fled a jail in Allen County, Ohio, with the help of his gang, who killed the sheriff.

In 1942, during World War II, President Roosevelt delivered one of his so-called "fireside chats" in which he recommended drafting 18- and 19-year-old

In 1942, Attorney General Francis Biddle announced that Italian nationals in the United States would no longer be considered enemy aliens.

In 1960, Soviet premier Nikita Khrushchev disrupted a U.N. General Assembly session by pounding his desk with a shoe during a dispute.

In 1964, the Soviet Union launched a Voskhod space capsule with a three-man crew; it was the first mission with

more than one crew member. In 1968, the Summer Games of the 19th Olympiad officially

opened in Mexico City. In 1973, President Nixon nom-

inated House minority leader Gerald R. Ford of Michigan to succeed Spiro T. Agnew as vice president.

In 1997, singer John Denver was killed in the crash of a light aircraft in Monterey Bay, Calif.; he was 53.

Ten years ago: The House approved a statutory federal ban on desecration of the American flag. (The Senate defeated the measure a week later.)

Five years ago: Panama granted political asylum to ousted Haitian military leader Raoul Cedras. The Magellan space probe ended its four-year mapping mission of Venus, plunging into the planet's atmosphere.

One year ago: Matthew Shepard, a gay student at the University of Wyoming, died five days after he was beaten and lashed to a fence; two men were charged with his murder. (Russell Henderson later pleaded guilty to murder and kidnapping; a second suspect, Aaron McKinney, has yet to stand trial.) Three Americans won the Nobel Prize in physiology or medicine for blood vessel research.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Antonia Rey is 72. Blues singer Nappy Brown is 70. Comedianactivist Dick Gregory is 67. Former Sen. Jake Garn, R .-Utah, is 67. Opera singer Luciano Pavarotti is 64. Singer Sam Moore (formerly of Sam and Dave) is 64. Sportscaster Tony Kubek is 64. TV reporter Chris Wallace is 52. Michigan Gov. John Engler is 51. Actresssinger Susan Anton is 49. Rhythm-and-blues singer Claude McKnight (Take 6) is 37.