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Rotary Club members out to fly flags

Eight Big Spring Rotarians were out early today hanging the country's national flags in the wake of the tragic terrorist attack on the United States Tuesday.

John Bryans, Jimmy Anderson, Joel De La Garza, Carlos Dimidjian, Darrell Hendrickson, Bill Jennings, Jerry Kilgore and Jo An Hyer hung American flags along Gregg Street.

Cox Communications volunteered its bucket truck so the volunteers could reach the poles.

Tuesday's suicide attack on the World Trade Center and Pentagon left thousands injured and possibly thousands dead. Many business, organizations and individuals have lowered their flags to half-mast in honor of those who have been impacted by the tragedy.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ American Legion Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m., 3203 West Hwy 80.

□ Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main.

□ Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

□ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

□ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

□ AMBUCS meets at noon at The Brandin' Iron Inn.

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

SATURDAY

□ Howard County Scottish Rite Club meets at 7:30 a.m. at the Masonic Lodge at 21st and Lancaster. Breakfast served.

□ The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Area high schools will play games on Friday night

By JEFF MORRIS
Sports Editor

When the lights go on and the bands play across the West Texas high school football scene Friday night, there will likely be a moment of silence at all area schools, honoring Americans and freedom before the gridiron action begins.

While Major League Baseball and a host of other sports activities have been canceled — or at least postponed — this week in reaction to America's tragedy, prep players in

West Texas have toiled on the practice field while dealing with their own grief.

And none of our area teams have been directly affected by this week's terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, D.C.

At least one area school put off activities this week. Big Spring High rescheduled both volleyball (for today) and tennis (Oct. 16) matches, originally scheduled for Tuesday. Big Spring athletic director and head football coach Dwight Butler reported that both have been rescheduled, but that it has been a

somber week at Big Spring.

Butler said he had cut football practice short this week and that he had talked to his team about the situation. He was not alone.

Most area football coaches have either cut practice short or talked to their teams — or both.

"We talked about it and we cut practice short to be home with our families," Forsan coach Steve Park said Wednesday night. "We counseled them in class all day and went out and practiced and came in."

"Our work out has been more subdued," Stanton coach Mark Cotton

said late Wednesday. "Our kids have paid attention to it, but we have practiced hard. It has been a somber mood in practice. We discussed it in the locker room, but we have tried to go on as normal, even though they know it's not. We've kept the TV on in the field house and kept up with what's going on. Most of our kids are angry about it."

At least one area player has been touched in a secondary way. Garden City's Josh Schmitz has a family member, Curtis Schmitz, who has been called up by his reserve unit.

No comfort for New York Budget

94 confirmed dead, while 3,700 missing

NEW YORK (AP) — The light of a new day brought no comfort to a city in shock, as rescue crews picked through the smoking ruins of the World Trade Center on Thursday in a desperate search for survivors. New York's mayor said 3,700 people had been reported missing.

Mayor Rudolph Giuliani said the city had some 30,000 body bags available to hold the pieces taken from the rubble. Still, he said there were just 94 confirmed dead, of whom 30 or fewer had been identified.

"Let's just say there was a steady stream of body bags coming out all night," said Dr. Todd Wider, a surgeon who was working at a triage center. "That and lots and lots of body parts."

A vast section of New York City was sealed off Thursday, with the stock markets to remain closed for the longest stretch since World War II. Work was slowed by hellish bursts of flame and the collapse of the last standing section of one of the towers taken out by twin suicide jets.

The 3,700 missing reported by Giuliani, added to the deaths in Washington and Pennsylvania when commandeered airliners crashed into the Pentagon and a grassy field southeast of Pittsburgh, would bring

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Firefighters take a well-deserved break while searching through the rubble from Tuesday's collapse of the World Trade Center's twin towers.

Salvation Army seeding funds for relief effort

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Salvation Army officers are on the scene at the tragic sites in New York and Washington, D.C., providing relief to those impacted on Tuesday's attacks and the organization is requesting financial funds to aid in its efforts.

"Mainly we are asking for

financial donations," said Salvation Army Capt. Russ Keeney.

Officers and volunteers were out in various areas of the two cities offering hot meals and counseling to victims and emergency personnel.

Because no residential areas were affected by the terroristic attacks, the Salvation Army is requesting financial donations at

this time. Items such as clothes and food are not being requested, a prepared news release said.

The suicide attack on the World Trade Center and Pentagon has left thousands injured and possibly thousands dead with many New York residents having to evacuate from their homes.

The money sent to the Salvation Army will go to purchase supplies needed

for the relief.

Donations can be sent to locally to the Salvation Army at 811 West Fifth Street or to 6500 Harry Hines Boulevard, Dallas 75235.

"They can mark it for the disaster relief fund for New York and Washington and we can send the donations on to Dallas," Keeney said.

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City council to take final vote Friday

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council will hold its meeting, originally scheduled for Tuesday, at 5:30 p.m. Friday.

The meeting was cancelled out of respect for those who died in Tuesday morning's terrorist attacks on New York City and Washington, D.C., said Mayor Russ McEwen.

"Our country has obviously been attacked and I feel that it is very inappropriate for us to be taking care of the day-to-day business of our city when we don't know the extent of what's going on," McEwen said following the attacks Tuesday.

McEwen said there will be no changes to the original agenda.

At the meeting, council members will cast their final votes on the city's FY 2001-2002 budget.

At the August 24th council meeting, the council voted 4-3 to approve the first reading of the budget. Mayor Russ McEwen and council members Oscar Garcia, Tommy Tune and JoAnn Smoot voted in favor of the budget, while Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Biddison and council members Chuck Cawthon and Stephanie Horton voted against it.

The proposed budget has raised a flurry of controversy because of higher property tax and garbage collection rates, and because of the inclusion of a new manager's position for the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, which critics say is unnecessary and wasteful.

Mayor Russ McEwen, one of the main proponents of the position, said it is necessary to take the airpark to the next level.

"We have the ability to bring someone in who has the training and is fully

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Big Spring residents mirror nation in blood donations

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

In a week shadowed by tragedy, Americans are wondering how they can do their part in the recovery effort.

A lot of Big Spring residents have found a way at today's blood drive at the Big Spring City Hall and Wednesday at the blood drive held at StarTek. Today's blood drive will last to 6 p.m.

"Folks want to help out and they can't very well drive to New York to help," said Sherry Morton, community relations representative for United Blood Services of San Angelo. "This is about the only thing they can do other than send money or water or whatever and I'm sure the Red Cross is handling that."

Morton said that she couldn't guarantee anyone

that their blood donation would be sent to New York.

"You've got to think of it like a bucket," she said. "We put the donations in the bucket, and then whoever needs it just takes it out." Morton added that the blood donated now won't be tested and shipped in time to help alleviate the initial demand caused by Tuesday's terrorist bombings, but will help replenish depleted supplies in the aftermath of the attack.

Morton said that by 2 p.m., about 28 people had already donated blood and about 75 were signed up. Unfortunately, the wait to donate was up to about three hours because of long lines and computer glitches, she said.

Morton said they collected about 50 to 60 pints of blood with more than 200 coming to attempt to donate blood during the day.

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United Blood Service employees Lucy Hernandez, front left, and Debbie Calvo, back left, take blood donations from city of Big Spring employees Tami Matthews, front right, and Peggy Walker this morning. Hundreds of Big Spring residents have turned out to donate blood in the wake of Tuesday's tragedy.

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OBITUARIES

Louise Underwood

Graveside funeral service for Louise Underwood, 87, of Lubbock, formerly of Big Spring will be 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14, 2001, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Clydel Chapman, pastor of Northside Baptist Church in Odessa, officiating.

Mrs. Underwood died Tuesday, Sept. 11, in Lubbock.

She was born on May 24, 1914, in Big Spring. She was raised in Big Spring and moved to Lubbock in 1981. She attended Big Spring schools and had worked as a secretary and office manager for many years. She was a member of Bacon Heights Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Survivors include her daughter, Linda Wooley of Lubbock; her brother Bill Flowers of Albuquerque, N.M.; one grandson; one granddaughter; and two great-grandsons.

The family suggests memorials to Parkridge Pregnancy Center, 5203 79th St., Ste. B, Lubbock 79424.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

GAMES

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member, Curtis Schmitz, who has been called up by his reserve unit.

"He has four days to go," Garden City coach Wade Wesley explained Wednesday night. "Today, we talked about how life goes on and how you have to respond in a positive way; about how short life is and how fast time goes; how time keeps moving and how valuable life is. Soon, our seniors will be graduating and going on. Soon, we will be halfway through our season and then, its almost gone and we're graduating our guys."

"Mostly this week, we're having prayer services. It is sad that we're talking about war instead of football because it is on our young men's minds."

"This is a turning point in history. Curtis (Eggemeyer) said to me today, 'I turn 18 in 17 days,' he's wondering about being drafted, so it is on our kids minds, but we're trying to go on with life in a positive way," Wesley concluded.

He added that his Bearkats practiced for a little over an hour today instead of the usual two.

Sands coach Clint Lowry said he found out about the attack on America at a Midland hospital Tuesday.

"I found out at the hospital Tuesday, taking a player

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Hester Ann Carter, 46, died Friday. Funeral services will be 2:30 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel, with burial at Mt. Olive Cemetery.

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Louise Underwood, 87, died Tuesday. Graveside services will be 2:00 PM, Friday, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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to an MRI appointment," Lowry explained, adding that running back Gilbert Ibarra had a nagging knee injury that doctors decided to check further for safety.

"We haven't heard of anybody here affected," Lowry said. "We've had it on in the library all day and I know it has affected them because some of our senior kids are thinking about what might happen if they have to defend our country. We've talked about it and I told them to always remember that, as bad as it gets, there are people who have it worse, so we need to keep them in our prayers and try to go on with life. We're all paddling the same boat."

"I managed to miss Vietnam, but if it came to that our young men would be there," Lowry concluded. He added that his team has taken a slow road this week, working out in shorts for a shortened practice after putting on the pads Tuesday.

Perhaps Butler summed it up best, explaining the mood at the Big Spring Athletic Training Center this week.

"We cut practice short this week and I told our kids to be thankful for where they live and who they are; and to be mindful of the past sacrifices people have made for them to live where they live and be free, to be who they are and do the things they do — like having the freedom to eat where they want and listen to what they want and go to church where they want."

"We are trying to follow the president's advice, that life goes on and remember that we have a lot to be thankful for today and we need to remember the sacrifices that have been made in the past and pray for the families who have been tragically hurt. We need to remember our freedom, the simple freedom to play football on Friday nights."

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Some of those people waited close to five hours to donate, Morton said.

"The interview takes 20 minutes when the computers are running," she said, adding that four technicians were manually processing each of the mandatory interviews. "If we deviate from the rules for this one, if we say 'Oh, it's an emergency' and change the rules, then we have to throw it away."

Morton said that she had so many people signed up that she was even encouraging them to leave and come back to a different blood drive.

"The blood's not good for but 42 days," she said, noting that she fears so many people may give blood now that it may cause a drop off in supply in a month or two. But she wasn't focusing on the negative.

"We're very happy with the turnout," she said. StarTek representative Dianne Willmon said the drive is important to the company.

"We feel it's very important to pull together as a community, as a country, as a nation when these tragic events happen," she said. "We actually have people that work here that have friends and family in New York. It's like family."

Willmon said the company was very grateful to the donors from the community who waited in line to donate blood, and to various local businesses that donated food, drinks and other things to make the drive a success.

Restaurants such as Gill's Chicken, Pizza Inn, Pizza Hut, Subway, Brenda's, Alberto's, Taco Villa, Kentucky Fried Chicken and Big John's donated food, as did H-E-B grocery store. Fiesta Ford loaned UBS a van to help transport units of blood back to the blood bank.

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The donations will be used to purchase supplies for the relief effort. The Salvation Army release said it has received

numerous offers of volunteer assistance in the relief effort, however, it is utilizing standing disaster teams trained to respond to such situations.

"All the Texas (Salvation Army) officers are on stand-by and could be called," Keeney said. "The stay will be about two weeks."

Keeney said those officers who have a disaster canteen unit at their post will probably be the first ones called to the scene.

"The canteen units usually contain some sort of grill and a refrigerator with an ice chest," he said. "We can set up and cook hot meals for the firefighters who are working or for anyone."

The canteen gives those Salvation Army workers the ability to provide hot meals, candy bars, soft drinks or other needs to those working at the site.

Keeney does not expect to be called in the first wave because Big Spring does not have a disaster canteen unit. However, he does expect to be sent later to relieve those who are currently working at the scene.

For more information, call 1-800-725-2769 or visit the website at www.SalvationArmyTexas.org.

COUNCIL

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dedicated to airport management," he said.

Airpark Development Board Chairman Jim Little asked the mayor and the council, in light of the controversy the item has raised, to hold off for a year and conduct a study on the best method of management for the airpark.

The meeting will include a public hearing on the budget, focusing on the tax and fee increases, according to the agenda.

The council will also:

- Award their annual bids for materials such as alum, ammonia, chlorine and lime, and for items such as annual radio and tower maintenance, trash bags, employee uniforms, vehicle fleet fueling service, water meters and fire hydrants.

- Approve plans and specifications for the Phase 2 grant for the Hangar 25 Airpark Museum.

- Hear a presentation on final plans for FM 700.

- Hear first readings of ordinances adopting a two-cent increase in property tax rates, a 17 percent increase in sanitation rates and a 30-cent hike in water rates.

- Hear the first reading of an ordinance repealing golf fees for city employees.

- Hear the first readings of ordinances allowing the mayor to negotiate building rental with Rape Crisis/Victims Services, enter into an agreement with the county for funds to operate the Senior Citizens Center, negotiate a contract with the Heritage Museum to preserve and restore historical artifacts and to operate the Pottou House and enter into an agreement with Main Street Inc.

- Hear citizens input.

ATTACK

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the total to around 4,000.

That would be higher than the death toll from Pearl Harbor and the Titanic combined. A total of 2,390 Americans died at Pearl Harbor nearly 60 years ago, and the sinking of the Titanic claimed 1,500 lives.

On Wednesday, five people were pulled alive from the Trade Center rubble —

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three of them police officers.

The New York Times reported that three financial companies with offices in the complex said more than 1,500 workers were unaccounted for.

A thick cloud of acrid, white smoke blew through the streets Wednesday after the four-story fragment of the south tower fell. Gusts of flame occasionally jumped up as debris was removed from the smoldering wreckage.

"The volunteers are literally putting their lives at risk," Giuliani said.

The vast search to uncover the terrorist plot stretched from Miami to Boston to Portland, Maine, and on to Canada and Germany. Up to 50 people were involved in the attack, the Justice Department said, with at least four hijackers trained at U.S. flight schools. Saudi fugitive Osama bin Laden remained a top suspect.

"We're pursuing a couple thousand credible leads and I believe we're making progress on those leads," Attorney General John Ashcroft said on ABC's "Good Morning America."

In Washington, President Bush worked with Congress on legislation authorizing military retaliation, and officials revealed that the White House, Air Force One and the president himself were targeted a day earlier.

America's NATO allies bolstered Bush's case for military action, declaring the terrorist attacks an assault on the alliance itself.

Gradually, some sectors returned to normal. Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta said commercial and private planes would be allowed to return to the air at 11 a.m. EDT. Schedules were expected to be in disarray, and heavy security was the rule.

In New York, the landscape was a haze of gray dust, splayed girders, paper and boulders of broken concrete. Firefighters armed with cameras and listening devices on long poles searched for survivors. German shepherds and golden retrievers clambered over the debris, sniffing.

A morgue set up in a Brooks Brothers clothing store received remains a limb at a time.

Giuliani was among those who escaped Tuesday's attack uninjured, bolting from a building barely a block from the site when the first of the towers collapsed.

More than 3,000 tons of rubble was taken by boat to a former Staten Island garbage dump, where the FBI and other investigators searched for evidence, hoping to find the planes' black boxes with clues to what happened in the final terrifying minutes before the crashes.

Wall Street and the rest of the nation's financial center remained closed for a third day Thursday, with hopes they may reopen Friday. The shutdown on the New York Stock Exchange was already longer than the two-day closure at the end of World War II; the next longest was for a week after the 1929 market crash.

Insurance industry experts say the attack could become the nation's most expensive manmade disaster ever, with payouts rang-

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ing from \$5 billion to \$25 billion.

The densely packed bottom tip of the island, an area roughly five square miles, remained off-limits to everyone but emergency workers.

Volunteers emerged from the search-and-rescue mission with grisly tales as they cleared away the twisted steel and glass wreckage of the twin towers.

One body was carried out wrapped in an American flag. When workers hung another American flag from a piece of a transmission tower that apparently survived the collapse, "everybody stopped and saluted," said Parish Kelley, a firefighter from Ashburnham, Mass.

Kelley spent the day working in a crater left by the towers' collapse. As he picked through the rubble, he watched as a man's body — a cell phone still clutched in his hand — was carried out.

"We're looking at a pile of rubble 30 to 40 feet high. Where do you start?" said sheriff's Sgt. Mike Goldberg of Hampden County, Mass., accompanying a search-and-rescue dog.

The discovery of a foot and leg and a cockpit seat led to speculation that one of the pilots had been found, Goldberg said.

Survivors held to their spirit, like Marlene Cruz, who sported a neck brace, a leg cast and an unbroken will.

"I wouldn't let a terrorist stop me," she said at Bellevue Hospital. "If the building were still there, I would go back."

For those looking for missing family members, there were unanswered questions. A family grief center set up in a Manhattan armory drew 2,500 family members on Wednesday, said Gov. George Pataki.

Thousands more were expected as the search mission continued.

At St. Vincent's Hospital, where hundreds of victims were treated, a sobbing Annelise Peterson walked in a daze, clutching pictures of her boyfriend and brother.

Peterson asked if anyone had seen either. No one could tell her yes.

Among the missing: at least 202 firefighters and possibly up to 350; 154 workers from the Port Authority; 57 NYPD and Port Authority police officers; 38 members of a Manhattan management company. Another 150 were unaccounted for at the Pentagon. The four hijacked planes carried 266 passengers and crew.

Also lost was John P. O'Neill, head of security for the World Trade Center and a former FBI expert on terrorism. O'Neill headed the investigations into the bombing of the USS Cole, along with the bombings of the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania.

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AMERICAN LEGION POST 506 will have a fish fry Saturday, Sept. 15 from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. Delivery available from 11 a.m. til 1 p.m. \$6 per plate. Carry out available.
Located at 3203 West Hwy 80. Everyone welcome.

THE BIG SPRING BAND Boosters are selling yard signs for high school band students. Signs are \$9 and any parent wishing to purchase a sign for their child may do so by contacting Roxie McDaniel at 267-7646. Orders must be received by no later than Sept. 14.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Wednesday until 8 a.m. today:

- **DANNY ALLEN THORNTON**, 44, no address given, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- **KAITE MARIE KIRN**, 20, of 1904 E. 25th St. was arrested for a warrant.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 500 block of E. Third where \$2,400 worth of property was reported stolen at an office building.

- **ASSAULT FAMILY/VIOLENCE** was reported in the 3500 block of E. 11th.

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 2600 block of Langley where \$400 worth of household goods was reported damaged.

- **DISTURBANCE/FIGHT** was reported in the 200 block of W. FM 700.

- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1400 block of Virginia Avenue and in the 600 block of McEwen St.

FIRE/EMS

The following is a summary of the Big Spring Fire Department and EMS:

2:10 p.m. — Mile marker 160 on I-20, traffic accident, one patient transported to SMMC.

6:48 p.m. — High School Field House, trauma call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

10:11 p.m. — 3200 block of Swords, trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC.

9:03 a.m. — 2600 block of Gregg, gas spill, cleaned up.

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Continental pilot says he'll no longer take safety for granted

HOUSTON (AP) — Continental Airlines pilot Eric Hochberg has flown for 31 years, but he's not so sure he wants to take off again after hijackers turned four airplanes into flying weapons this week.

Hochberg's first flight since the terrorist attacks grounded planes across the U.S. was to have been Thursday from Houston's Bush Intercontinental Airport to Washington-Dulles. But Continental suspended its flights for Thursday.

"I don't even know if I want to get on a plane again," the 48-year-old said

Wednesday as he stood in line to give blood in downtown Houston. "I'm never going to get in the cockpit again and take for granted that my crew and my passengers are safe."

Hochberg returned home from an early morning flight test Tuesday and turned on his television.

"All of the sudden that second plane hit," he said. "I didn't think it was real." It was and he cried.

His eyes were still red and puffy Wednesday when he arrived at the blood drive, saying he had to do something to escape his television.

"There is no training that could have prepared us for what happened yesterday," he said.

Over his three decades as a pilot, including the past 17 years at Continental, Hochberg said airlines worldwide have become complacent to the threat of hijackers.

His annual training includes guidance on how to respond to a hijacker, but until Tuesday he said the thought of losing both engines and figuring out where to put down a jetliner seemed a more likely possibility.

"It doesn't even take a

gun," Hochberg said. "All it takes is a couple of people who can fly planes and penetrate airport security."

With the precedent now set, Moxie Martin, an employee at the Houston Public Library, fears it will be repeated.

"I have great fear that there will be more hijackings and terrorist attacks now that they know it can be done," she said. "I normally love to fly but I don't feel real comfortable with it right now."

To alleviate such fears, Hochberg says the Federal Aviation Administration and the federal government

must put strict security measures in place and enforce them stringently.

"It is going to cost a lot of money. It's going to cause delays," he said. "But maybe now the traveling public is going to demand ... real steps to protect them."

As Hochberg waited to give blood, the FAA announced it was putting in place the tightest security measures since the Persian Gulf War in 1991.

Those measures include no curbside luggage check-in, security screening stations instead of going to airport gates for check-in and no knives or cutting tools

allowed aboard planes.

"These guys knew what they were doing," Hochberg said of the hijackers. "They turned off the transponders. Those pilots were shocked, surprised and probably dead real fast."

Martha Haun, who teaches interpersonal communication at the University of Houston, says it could take a while before anyone feels comfortable flying.

"The more time passes, the more you feel relaxed and that the worst is over with," she said. "No single word is big enough to describe the impact this has had."

TEXAS BRIEFS

Texas tries to return to normal

HOUSTON (AP) — Texans tried to recapture daily routines, but at a seemingly less-frenzied pace as the shock of a terrorist attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon began to sink in.

Life in Houston appeared to be almost too normal to librarian Moxie Martin.

She had joined crowds packed in the Houston Public Library downtown on Tuesday, glued to television sets as details of the crashes in New York, Washington and in a southwestern Pennsylvania field unfolded. But on Wednesday, the crowds were gone.

"It's still on but people are just walking by," she said. "I'm reassured that things are open and opening. Yesterday, it was eerie downtown when everyone left."

Martin and other Texans resumed daily routines Wednesday, a day after the attacks practically brought life to a standstill. Thousands who went home by midday Tuesday returned to work, though on alert.

O'Quinn settles with former associate

HOUSTON (AP) — A prominent attorney who earned millions in the Texas tobacco settlement and a former employee have reached a confidential settlement of a lawsuit seeking more than \$400 million in damages and legal fees.

John O'Quinn was accused of renegeing on an agreement to pay Kendall Montgomery more than \$100 million for work on the state's \$17 billion tobacco settlement and other cases.

During opening statements, Ernest Cannon, O'Quinn's lawyer, said Montgomery had sought \$30 million to settle.

Montgomery testified that his oral contract called for him to receive 25 percent of the court awards and settlements from cases on which he did substantial work. But Cannon said the oral contract called for Montgomery to get an annual salary of \$110,000 plus bonuses at O'Quinn's discretion.

Lawyers said the terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington on Tuesday helped put the trial in perspective and motivated them to reach a settlement.

Convicted murderer escapes from prison

BEAUMONT (AP) — A capital murderer assigned to administrative segregation because of his combative behavior escaped from a state prison and is believed to have stolen a pickup truck that contained a rifle and 500 rounds of ammunition.

Harold Laird, 26, escaped Wednesday from the prison near Beaumont. Larry Todd, a spokesman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, said neither Laird nor the missing truck had been located late Wednesday.

Officers checking on Laird discovered him missing shortly before 6:30 a.m., a few hours after he was served breakfast. They found a dummy he had tried to fashion in his cell.

He escaped through a light fixture, got into a pipe chase behind the walls, made it to the roof, then to another building, jumped to the ground and fled directly under a picket tower, vaulting a fence, authorities said.

"He defeated the razor wire somehow," TDCJ spokesman Larry Fitzgerald said.

Texas A&M memorial designs on display

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — As the nation reels from the terrorism attacks in New York and Washington, Texas A&M Aggies beginning Thursday are being asked to consider a suitable memorial to those killed in another disaster when a huge stack of logs intended for the school's annual bonfire celebration collapsed almost two years ago.

Whether a large marble reflecting pool placed next to an eternal flame, a 45-foot-tall sculpture of a phoenix or a garden with fruit and oak trees, there's no shortage of ideas.

On display through Monday at the J. Wayne Stark University Center Galleries on the College Station campus are 176 ideas vying to be the one chosen as the design for the memorial to honor the 12 Aggies killed and 27 others injured when the bonfire fell Nov. 18, 1999.

All of the designs, which also can be viewed on the bonfire memorial Web site, are displayed on two 36-inch by 24-inch presentation boards. Many have been professionally created with elaborate computer graphics or photographs while others have been hand drawn in black and white. Most entries are from professionals.

Bond trading resumes; stock market still closed

NEW YORK (AP) — Bond trading resumed Thursday after a two-day shutdown as the financial markets began limited operations following the World Trade Center attacks.

Treasury bond trading began at 8 a.m. and the Chicago Board of Trade, where futures contracts are traded, opened in an abbreviated session.

Stock trading remained halted for a third day as the New York Stock Exchange, Nasdaq Stock Market and other financial markets regrouped in hopes of reopening by no later than Monday after the assault that shuttered Wall Street on Tuesday.

It was not known when operations would resume at the New York Mercantile Exchange, where energy and precious metals are

traded, located near the trade center in a complex known as the World Financial Center.

In overseas stock trading, Asian markets staged a modest recovery Thursday, while European markets opened almost unchanged. Market activity on both continents Europe was subdued as investors awaited the reopening of U.S. stock exchanges.

The attacks knocked out electricity, phone and other basic services across Manhattan's financial district, and market officials said it might take until Monday to restore them.

Hundreds of companies' offices were destroyed, and hundreds of other firms were forced to flee buildings that were damaged or shuttered by the destruction. Even as they sought work

on missing employees, the firms worked nonstop to set up operations at replacement offices far from Wall Street's narrow alleys.

Many firms, while speaking of their new arrangements, would not specify exact locations for security reasons.

Information services company Electronic Data Systems Corp. was hustling to set up temporary New Jersey offices for a large brokerage whose World Trade Center quarters were destroyed. EDS would not identify the company.

Merrill Lynch cannot access its football field-sized trading floors in the World Financial Center, which also suffered significant damage.

"We have contingency plans for activities to be carried out at other locations.

In fact, I'm speaking to you from an emergency location right now," said Merrill Lynch spokesman Rich Silverman.

The industry's task was made somewhat easier because many financial firms have their operations in other parts of New York or in other cities.

Although Bear Stearns kept a facility in the financial district to help process trades, its primary operations are in midtown Manhattan and New Jersey, said spokeswoman Elizabeth Ventura.

"Our ability to trade was not impaired by this horrible tragedy," she said. "But we do have emergency back-up facilities. We have very large trading facilities ready that we would be able to move into were there an emergency."

Arabs and Muslims facing backlash in Tuesday's wake

BRIDGEVIEW, Ill. (AP) — A perhaps predictable backlash hit several communities as federal officials said there was mounting evidence that radical Muslims planned and carried out the terror attacks in New York and Washington.

Police turned back 300 marchers — some waving American flags and shouting "USA! USA!" — as they tried to march on a mosque in this southwest Chicago suburb late Wednesday.

Three demonstrators were arrested, said Bridgeview Police Chief Charles Chigas. There were no injuries and demonstrators were kept blocks from the closed Muslim worship place.

"I'm proud to be American and I hate Arabs and I always have," said 19-year-old Colin Zaremba who marched with the group from Oak Lawn.

Federal authorities said they had identified more than a dozen hijackers of Middle Eastern descent in Tuesday's attacks and gathered evidence linking them to Saudi-born terror mastermind Osama bin Laden and other terrorist networks. In all, perhaps 50 people were involved in the plot, government officials said.

In Chicago, a Molotov cocktail was tossed at an Arab-American community center. No injuries were reported.

In the suburb of Palos Heights, a man was charged with a felony hate crime for allegedly attacking a gas station attendant he believed was Arab with the blunt end of a machete. The attendant, who is Moroccan, did not seek treatment, Delaney said.

"The terrorists who com-

mitted these horrible acts would like nothing better than to see us tear at the fiber of our democracy and to trample on the rights of other Americans," Gov. George Ryan said.

In Huntington, N.Y., a 75-year-old man who was drunk tried to run over a Pakistani woman in the parking lot of a shopping mall, police said. The man, Adam Lang, then followed the woman into a store and threatened to kill her for

"destroying my country."

A man in a ski mask in Gary, Ind., fired a high-powered assault rifle at a gas station where Hassan Awdah, a U.S. citizen born in Yemen, was working Wednesday, the Post Tribune reported. Police were investigating it as a hate crime.

"I lived in the Middle East for most of my life and have never seen anything like this," Awdah said.

Tamara Alfson, an

American working at the Kuwait Embassy in Washington, D.C., spent Wednesday counseling frightened Kuwaiti students across the United States.

"Some of them have already been harassed. People have been quite awful to them," said Alfson, an academic adviser to roughly 150 students.

In a show of patriotism, 45 people from Tampa, Fla.'s Islamic community registered with blood services.

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OUR VIEWS

Normalcy will defeat terrorism

A return to normalcy ... that's what everyone seems to be wanting today. We want our nation to continue to be the "land of the free and home of the brave," to stand up in front of the world and make it clear that those who trade in terror will not prevail.

We are convinced that, given time, the United States will do exactly that. We will get back to normal.

Clearly, things will never be the same as they were prior to Tuesday morning's terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, D.C., but the American way of life will endure.

Just as evident in the face of those attacks is that America is more than just buildings and money ... more even than her people.

More than anything the United States of America is a belief system — one that values freedom above all. No terrorist bomb, no hijacked plane can change that.

Although we mourn the lives lost in Tuesday's attacks collectively as a nation, each of us defeats the terrorists' intent as we return to living our lives each day as only Americans can.

High school football games will be played throughout West Texas on Friday night, because that's what we do here on Friday nights.

And a city council meeting, originally scheduled for Tuesday, will take place in the council's chambers at city hall Friday.

Many are expecting fireworks during that meeting, following very vocal opposition to a proposed tax increase, rise in trash collection rates and the hiring of an airport manager.

What we need to remember, however, is that no matter how contentious an issue seems ... no matter what final decision is reached ... we are all citizens of Big Spring and need to work for the betterment of our entire community.

After all, that's the American way.

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O'Connor cousin recalls Flannery

Nothing deader than a train graveyard. The sun is setting behind the historic Central of Georgia Railway shops, a fiery-red ending for a sizzling day. The roundhouse where trains once limped in to be mended is backdrop, a statuesque pile of maroon bricks that melt together in the fading light.



RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

Sixteen first cousins stand shoulder to shoulder, ready to be executed — or have their picture taken. "Say 'Flannery,'" someone quips. Then everyone laughs or smiles, and the official portrait of the O'Connor Family Reunion is relaxed.

If Georgia writer Flannery O'Connor were still living, she'd have been eligible to pose in this group of first cousins. And no doubt she would have admired and remembered the eerie setting, which

might have come straight from one of her stories. Mary Flannery was the only child of Edward O'Connor and Regina Cline, and the granddaughter of Edward O'Connor, son of Irish immigrant Patrick O'Connor. Patrick left County Wexford and its poverty at age 18 to make a better life for himself.

And he did. At his death, Patrick O'Connor owned a large wagon-and-buggy factory in Savannah.

The legendary writer Flannery O'Connor was born here in 1925. She died in 1964 in Milledgeville of lupus.

But maybe, if she had lived past age 39, she, too, would have been here in this railroad-repair-shop-turned-museum, 76 years old, hugging her cousins, wearing a name tag.

Or, maybe not. "They don't give a damn for your graciousness," an unhappy son says to his mother in the O'Connor short story "Everything That Rises Must Converge." "Knowing who you are is good for one generation only," the son says.

Flannery O'Connor might or might not have come to this family reunion, but

she would have been most welcome here, that is certain. There is a palpable pride amongst her kin. Who can blame them?

Nobody wrote as directly, or as well, as Flannery O'Connor, who changed forever the genteel image of Southern females with typewriters.

In a Paris hotel lobby a few years back, Flannery's double first cousin Peter Cline of Smyrna, Ga., opened a French newspaper. In the arts section, there was a big picture of his famous writer relative above a two-page spread.

Sandy O'Connor of Baton Rouge, La., recalls discovering during his college days that his Vanderbilt English professor was a good friend of Cousin Flannery's. As he handed in an essay, he made a flip remark about Flannery getting all the talent in the family.

Without missing a beat, the professor agreed.

In one way, this is a family reunion like most all others, with double first cousins and squealing youngsters and a cookbook that includes Regina O'Connor's recipe for "Kisses."

But it is impossible to

view this as just another family of genial Irish-Catholics gathered to eat, drink and talk about Cousin Mary. Some of these people knew Flannery O'Connor when she was just an odd, straight-speaking child.

Patricia O'Connor Anderson of Nashville has a remarkable tape of Flannery reading her story "A Good Man Is Hard to Find" to a University of Chicago audience in 1959.

Her voice sounds much older than her years, as Southern and soft as Rosalyn Carter's. Flannery told her audience that a good story is literal — she pronounced it "lit-rull" — as a child's drawing.

To hear that soft drawl and biting wit is to hear the heartbeat of the rural South, both the good and the bad of it, with its big gardens and small minds, its generous spirit and parsimonious allowance for change.

And something in the voice makes you think she might have made the reunion, were she around. Yes, she might have been here, if only for the adventure of learning more about herself.



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YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

Our city council needs to show a little more maturity. The excuse for going up on trash collection sounds like the way my kids used to give excuses, every one else is doing it so I thought it must be all right.

The truth is this just gives them a little more of our money to spend. We need to see more bang for our bucks, not more bucks for the same bang.

As for airport management, any one who has ever been involved in rental properties will tell you that 95 percent occupancy is an outstanding job. Maybe you should just give the present managers a little raise for a job well done. Why spend \$60,000 when you don't have room for improvement?

PAUL HOOD
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

The Big Spring Lady Steers Booster Club would like to thank all of the sponsors of the 2001 T-shirt cannon project. The cannon will be seen at various athletic events. The booster club will use the cannon to launch T-shirts throughout the

games to build spirit and community participation.

Many thanks to Scenic Mountain Medical Center for sponsoring our cannon, KBST for donating the T-shirts and other merchants for their sponsorship: All Star Sports, Southwest Stylin Station, Karat Patch, Western Container, The Masters Touch, Spencer Coating, Vision Makers, HEB, Harris Lumber, State National Bank, Earthco, Big Spring Professional Fire Fighters Asso., Sonic, Phillips Fabrication Inc. and Neighbors Convenience Store.

LAJEAN BAILEY
LADY STEERS
BOOSTER CLUB

TO THE EDITOR:

I am one of the individuals on record as having spoken out against another round of "tax and spend" local governance at the Aug. 29 school board meeting.

Concern over what downward educational and economic tares will be reaped as a result of alarmingly non-chalant public spending spurred my comments, not any anti-Hispanic bias!

As this was my first school board meeting, I

was not familiar with many of the players: most interesting is the fact that prior to Aug. 29 I had no knowledge of the existence of an administrator named Aguirre, and, thankfully, until Sunday's letter to the editor, one Mrs. Pat Griffith.

In light of this let me state categorically that Mrs. Griffith's assertion, "...It is because she is a Hispanic woman at the administrative level that they voiced opposition to pay raises" could not be more removed from the truth as far as my motives were concerned. I spoke because it is my estimation that students and taxpayers alike would more benefit from old fashion pencil and paper tuition as opposed to the spending atop spending measures on new technology whose functional brevity might be superceded only by a hypothetical school building which side-straddles a healthy ravine.

Also, BSISD board members Dawson and Furqueron are a commendable change of elected official. They walked the walk of fiscal responsibility, as well as adequately informing the naturally autonomous-leaning

"Administrative tall" that it is to be wagged, not do the wagging.

AUBREY WEAVER JR.
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

The Heritage Museum would like to give a special thanks to the community for the outstanding support we have received in the past few months. Several people and businesses throughout Big Spring and West Texas have given their own time and resources to assist us with our renovation projects and special events.

We are currently in the process of building a new retaining wall for the museum block. We would like to thank the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for providing us with the man power to demolish the old retaining wall.

Our ice cream social, which was held on the museum patio, was also a success. Blue Bell donated ice cream for the event, and the band, The Paige Sisters, entertained all. Thanks for supporting the Heritage Museum!

BETH PURCELL
CURATOR
HERITAGE MUSEUM

Mallard Fillmore by BRUCE TINSLEY

Ballard's Back-to-School Prediction #10

Pens and Pencils will be banned in many school districts...

Not only because they could be used as weapons...

Just because they hurt the self-esteem of students who are unable to use them any other way

Hepatitis just one of several strains

There are several different strains of hepatitis and this week we will address the signs and symptoms as well as the modes of transmission of hepatitis B.

Hepatitis is a matory condition of the liver, characterized by yellow color of the skin (jaundice), abdominal enlargement (hepatomegaly), appetite (anorexia), abdominal discomfort, abnormal liver function, and dark stools and urine.

It may be caused by bacterial or viral infection, parasitic infection, alcohol, drugs, transfusion of blood.

Hepatitis B is transferred by exchange of body fluids, sexual contact, the sharing of needles, by accident.

The infection is severe and prolonged illness, liver cirrhosis or death.

The disease is mild and brief but fulminant (a frequently fatal acute hepatitis) life-threatening.

The liver is unable to regrow severe hepatitis to cirrhosis (liver age) and chronic dysfunction.

The hepatitis is given in a series of three doses which are recommended to immunity.

The vaccine is particularly advised for those who are likely to have contact with blood of affected persons such as nurses, dentists, hygienists and personnel.

The hepatitis was made mandatory for school age children and also in the series of the

After the infection is given one later and the fifth months later.

Children born the years of 19 should be inoculated before entering school. Any children born then are inoculated.

Side effects are rare and the vaccine is effective.

However, some effects that may occur and should be reported to your doctor include difficulty breathing, wheezing, pale skin, rash or fever.

These symptoms occur, but if they should be called child transport emergency room.

The child's infection record should be taken to the health Department should be notified. Information is available from the Texas Department of Health located at College Park Center and Medical Dictio

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ANDREA MEDLIN

Hepatitis is an inflammatory condition of the liver, characterized by a yellow color of the skin (jaundice), abnormal enlargement of the liver (hepatomegaly), loss of appetite (anorexia), abdominal and gastric discomfort, abnormal liver function, clay-colored stools and tea-colored urine.

It may be caused by bacterial or viral infection, parasitic infestation, alcohol, drugs, toxins, or transfusion of incompatible blood.

Hepatitis B can be transferred by the exchange of blood or body fluids, sexual contact, the sharing of contaminated needles or, among healthcare personnel, by accidental needle sticks.

The infection may be severe and result in prolonged illness, destruction of liver cells, cirrhosis or death.

The disease may be mild and brief or severe, fulminant (a rare and frequently fatal form of acute hepatitis B) and life-threatening.

The liver is usually is able to regrow tissue, but severe hepatitis may lead to cirrhosis (liver damage) and chronic liver dysfunction.

The hepatitis B vaccine is given in a series of three doses which is recommended to achieve full immunity.

The vaccine is particularly advised for people who are likely to have contact with blood or fluids of affected people, such as nurses, physicians, dentists, dental hygienists and laboratory personnel.

The hepatitis B vaccine was made mandatory for school age children this year and also includes the series of three shots.

After the initial shot one is given one month later and the last is given five months later.

Children born between the years of 1988 and 1992 should be inoculated before entering school. Any children born after then are inoculated at birth.

Side effects are rare and the vaccine is very effective.

However, some side effects that may occur and should be reported to your doctor immediately are difficulty breathing, wheezing, paleness, weakness, rash or fast heart-beat.

These symptoms rarely occur, but if they do 911 should be called and the child transported to the emergency room immediately.

The child's immunization record should be taken to the hospital and the Department of Health should be notified.

Information for this column was provided by the Texas Department of Health located at the College Park Shopping Center and Mosby's Medical Dictionary.

Texas medical professionals join nationwide effort to help victims of terrorist attacks in Washington and New York

DALLAS (AP) — Texas health-care providers joined medical professionals nationwide in offering assistance to victims of Tuesday's terrorist attacks in New York and Washington.

In Dallas, the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center sent skin grafts from its tissue bank to help burn victims injured in the Pentagon attack.

The grafts, totaling 70 square feet of skin donated from cadavers, will treat about 10 patients at Washington Hospital Burn Center, which issued a call for assistance.

"That's a huge amount," said Ellen Heck, director of transplant services for the Dallas center. "It was just fortuitous we had that much."

Because air travel was halted Tuesday, UT-Southwestern packed the skin in boxes of dry ice, driven by two transplant technicians 1,300 miles to Washington. The shipment was expected to arrive Wednesday afternoon.

In San Antonio, medical personnel boarded two military planes headed for New York.

More than 100 people left Wilford Hall Medical Center late Tuesday to

assist with rescue and relief efforts, a Lackland Air Force Base spokeswoman told KENS-TV.

Public service agencies and medical centers statewide hosted blood drives, where hundreds of donors lined up Wednesday.

In South Texas, the tiny Los Fresnos Police Department hosted one of the Red Cross blood drives, where by midmorning every chair was full and people were lined out the doors.

"We have a lot of trouble for some reason getting people in the Valley to donate," Red Cross volunteer Toni Sanchez said, "but not today, not yesterday."

Rebecca Herrera, a 24-year-old florist, said she was donating blood for the first time in years.

"We're called the United States for a reason. To take care of one another," she said, balling her fist and stretching her arm out for the needle. "We better strike back."

At the White House, President Bush asked his staff to give blood to aid victims of Tuesday's terrorist attack. But around the country, many blood banks flooded with donors said national supplies are at capacity — and urged would-be

donors to come back in a few weeks.

The American Red Cross said so many donations have flooded in that it will begin the unusual step of freezing some blood, which will be needed as hospitals restock supplies in treating attack survivors.

In El Paso, a blood drive at an automobile dealership drew so many people that some donors waited hours or rescheduled for later in the week.

David Veloz of United Blood Services said the donations likely will remain in El Paso, which must bring blood in to meet its needs.

Xochitl Mercado said she wasn't surprised by the response in El Paso.

"It is the only thing that I can do for the people who need it, except maybe pray," Mercado said.

The Instrumentation, Systems and Automation Society, which was holding its annual convention in Houston, hosted a daylong, citywide blood drive at the George R. Brown Convention Center. The organization was providing transportation assistance through its extensive shuttle network established for show attendees.

The American Medical

Association has joined in a nationwide call for medical professionals, especially those with critical-care specialties.

"We knew there would be blood shortages and a need for medical expertise," said Dr. Edward Hill, chairman-elect of the AMA's board of trustees.

He said more than 800 members had volunteered by Wednesday morning.

"The calls are coming in so fast, we can't keep up with the phone lines," he said. "The outpouring of help has just been amazing."

The AMA will offer a list of volunteers, categorized by specialty, to authorities responding in New York and Washington, including the Health and Human Services Department.

On Tuesday, HHS activated a national medical emergency system that would dispatch roughly 7,000 volunteer doctors, nurses, pharmacists and other medical staff to areas affected by Tuesday's attacks.

HHS Secretary Tommy Thompson said all of the agency's 80 disaster teams, based at various locales nationwide, are ready to go where needed.

Study: mushrooms may waste muscles; mushroom toxicologist not convinced

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

A wild mushroom popular across both Europe and the United States may dissolve the muscles of people who eat it for meal after meal, according to a study in The New England Journal of Medicine.

Twelve people had to be hospitalized for severe weakness and muscle loss after

eating the mushrooms, and three of them died, wrote Dr. Regis Bedy of the poison center of University Hospital Pellegrin in Bordeaux, France.

The only connection among the cases, which occurred from 1992 through 2000, was that all 12 — seven women and five men — had eaten at least three straight

meals of Tricholoma equestre, he wrote.

The mushroom, which has a bright yellow cap, is known in the United States as "man on horseback" or "yellow-knight fungus" and in France as "bidaou" and "canari."

Bedy said he confirmed the mushroom's toxicity by feeding extracts to mice and

feeding extracts to mice and measuring creatine kinase, an enzyme produced during muscle breakdown, in the blood.

It's an intriguing but not completely convincing article, said Dr. Denis Benjamin, chair of the North American Mycological Association's toxicology committee and author of "Mushrooms: Poisons and

"Mushrooms: Poisons and Panaceas," a book for physicians.

"It raises as many questions as answers, at least in my mind," said Benjamin, a pathologist at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth, Texas. "I'm not denying that there may be an association. But I think it's very, very far from proven."

PUBLIC NOTICE
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NOVEMBER 6, 2001

PROPOSITION 1
(HJR 52)

Proposition 1 would amend the constitution to allow the state to acquire certain disputed land in Bastrop County. The amendment would confirm legal title to that land, excluding any mineral interests, to the individuals who hold a disputed title to the land. The amendment would prevent a loss of title by people who bought and paid for property that was never transferred by the state because of faulty surveys.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the clearing of land titles by the release of a state claim of its interest to the owners of certain land in Bastrop County."

PROPOSITION 5
(SJR 32)

Proposition 5 would amend the constitution to allow a municipality to donate outdated or surplus equipment, supplies, or other materials used in fighting fires to an underdeveloped country. Current state law does not allow anything of value belonging to the state or its political subdivisions to be donated to another nation.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing municipalities to donate outdated or surplus firefighting equipment or supplies to underdeveloped countries."

PROPOSITION 2
(SJR 37)

Proposition 2 would amend the constitution to establish the process for issuing up to \$175 million of state general obligation bonds and notes to provide aid to counties for access road projects to serve border colonies. Generally, a colony is an economically distressed geographic area with inadequate public services (such as water supplies, sewer services, or paved roads) in a county without adequate resources to provide such services. These projects could include the construction of access roads, the acquisition of materials used in maintaining those roads, and projects related to the construction of those roads, such as road drainage. The Texas Transportation Commission, in consultation with the Governor, would be authorized to determine what constitutes a border colony for purposes of selecting the counties and projects that would receive assistance.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of state general obligation bonds and notes to provide financial assistance to counties for roadway projects to serve border colonies."

PROPOSITION 6
(HJR 45)

Proposition 6 would amend the constitution to require the governor to call a special session of the legislature so that the legislature can appoint presidential electors when the governor determines that it is reasonably likely that the outcome of the election for a presidential candidate's electors will not be clearly determined in time for the appropriate electors to meet before the federal deadline to cast their votes. Under current law, when the people vote for a particular candidate for president, in reality they are voting for that candidate's electors who will meet to cast their votes for president. If the electors are not determined by the certification date, no electoral votes may be cast for the state. The proposed amendment ensures that the state's electoral votes will be cast.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment requiring the governor to call a special session for the appointment of presidential electors under certain circumstances."

PROPOSITION 3
(SJR 47)

Proposition 3 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to exempt green coffee and raw cocoa held in Harris County from property taxes in order to qualify Harris County as an exchange port for coffee by the New York Board of Trade. The authorization of exemption would not apply to any other county.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation raw cocoa and green coffee that is held in Harris County."

PROPOSITION 7
(HJR 82)

Proposition 7 would amend the constitution to authorize the Veterans' Land Board to issue and sell up to \$500 million of additional general obligation bonds to finance additional home mortgage loans to veterans. Additionally, the proposed amendment would authorize the Veterans' Land Board to use assets from the land and housing assistance funds to create, operate, and improve veterans' cemeteries.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue up to \$500 million in general obligation bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for veterans' housing assistance and to use assets in certain veterans' land and veterans' housing assistance funds to provide for veterans' cemeteries."

PROPOSITION 4
(HJR 1)

Proposition 4 would amend the constitution by setting the term of the fire fighters' pension commissioner at four years. The constitution currently provides that the duration of all offices not otherwise fixed by the constitution may not exceed two years.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for a four-year term of office for the fire fighters' pension commissioner."

PROPOSITION 8
(HJR 97)

Proposition 8 would amend the constitution to allow the legislature to authorize the Texas Public Finance Authority to issue and sell up to \$850 million of general obligation bonds. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds would pay for construction and repair projects or for the purchase of needed equipment by the General Services Commission, the Texas Youth Commission, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, the

Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, the Parks and Wildlife Department, the adjutant general's department, the Texas School for the Deaf, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Public Safety, the State Preservation Board, the Texas Department of Health, the Texas Historical Commission, or the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of up to \$850 million in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for construction and repair projects and for the purchase of needed equipment."

PROPOSITION 9
(HJR 47)

Proposition 9 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to provide for filling vacancies in the legislature without an election if only one person is a qualified candidate in the election to fill the vacancy. Under current law, a special election must be held to fill a vacancy in the legislature even if there is only one qualified candidate.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the filling of a vacancy in the legislature without an election if a candidate is running unopposed in an election to fill a vacancy."

PROPOSITION 10
(SJR 6)

Proposition 10 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to exempt certain items of personal property from property taxation by political subdivisions of the state if the property is warehoused temporarily in a location in Texas to be assembled, stored, manufactured, processed, fabricated, or repaired and then forwarded to another location inside or outside Texas. The proposed amendment would authorize a political subdivision that imposes ad valorem taxes, at its option, to tax this type of property after a local public hearing on the matter.

PROPOSITION 11
(HJR 85)

Proposition 11 would amend the constitution to allow a schoolteacher, a retired schoolteacher, or a retired school administrator who serves as a member of a governing body of a school district, city, town, or other local governmental district, including a water district, to receive compensation for serving on such a governing body. Currently, such employees or other individuals who are compensated directly or indirectly from state funds are barred from receiving a salary for such service.

PROPOSITION 12
(HJR 75)

Proposition 12 would amend, repeal, or relocate several sections of the current constitution to improve the clarity, organization, and consistency of the constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to eliminate obsolete, archaic, redundant, and unnecessary provisions and to clarify, update, and harmonize certain provisions of the Texas Constitution."

PROPOSITION 13
(SJR 2)

Proposition 13 would amend the constitution to allow the legislature to authorize a board of trustees of an independent school district to donate real property and improvements formerly used as a school campus in order to preserve that property. The board may make the donation if the board determines that the property has historical significance, that the donation will help to preserve the property, and that the school district no longer needs the property for educational purposes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to authorize the board of trustees of an independent school district to donate certain surplus district property of historical significance in order to preserve the property."

PROPOSITION 14
(HJR 44)

Proposition 14 would amend the constitution to allow the legislature to authorize a taxing unit, other than a school district, to exempt travel trailers from property taxation as long as the travel trailers are lawfully registered with the state and are not held or used for the production of income.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to authorize taxing units other than school districts to exempt from ad valorem taxation travel trailers that are not held or used for the production of income."

PROPOSITION 15
(SJR 16)

Proposition 15 would amend the constitution to create the Texas Mobility Fund, which would be administered by the Texas Transportation Commission. The Fund would finance the construction, acquisition, and expansion of state highways and would pay a portion of the costs of public toll roads and other public transportation projects. The legislature may reserve specific sources of state revenue for the Fund and may authorize the Commission to guarantee the payment of any obligations or credit agreements with the full faith and credit of the state. The attorney general shall determine the legality of any such obligations or credit agreements.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas Mobility Fund and authorizing grants and loans of money and issuance of obligations for financing the construction, reconstruction, acquisition, operation, and expansion of state highways, turnpikes, toll roads, toll bridges, and other mobility projects."

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(HJR 5)

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(HJR 53)

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PROPOSITION 18
(SJR 49)

Proposition 18 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to create a program to consolidate and standardize the collection, deposit, reporting, and payment of criminal and civil court fees. If the legislature creates such a program, any new fees imposed by the legislature may not take effect before January 1 of the following year, unless an earlier effective date is approved by a vote of two-thirds of the members of each house of the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to promote uniformity in the collection, deposit, reporting, and resulting of civil and criminal fees."

PROPOSITION 19
(HJR 81)

Proposition 19 would amend the constitution to allow the Texas Water Development Board to issue up to \$2 billion of additional general obligation bonds. The Board issues bonds to pay for water supply projects, water quality enhancement projects, flood control projects, state participation in water and wastewater facilities, and projects for economically distressed areas. Current law limits the amount of bonds that the Board can issue.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$2 billion."

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authorize the conversion and refinancing of a personal property lien secured by a manufactured home to a lien on a homestead.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment prescribing requirements for imposing a lien for work and material used in the construction, repair, or renovation of improvements on residential homestead property and including the conversion and refinancing of a personal property lien secured by a manufactured home to a lien on real property as a debt on homestead property protected from a forced sale."

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Movies, TV shows with terror plots now on hold

LOS ANGELES (AP) — At least two films about terrorism and several TV programs with anti-American plots won't reach audiences as originally scheduled.

Arnold Schwarzenegger's "Collateral Damage," in which a Colombian terrorist bombs a Los Angeles high-rise, was to have opened Oct. 5. The opening has been postponed indefinitely out of respect for victims of the terrorist attacks Tuesday in New York, Washington and Pennsylvania, Warner Bros. executives said.

All commercials, posters, print ads and a Web site for the film have been temporarily shelved. The promotional materials feature newspaper headlines about the deadly fictional attack.

Disney's Touchstone Pictures postponed the release of the Tim Allen comedy "Big Trouble," about Miami residents who tangle with gunrunners and street thugs. One scene involves a bomb on a plane, though the characters manage to avert disaster, said studio spokeswoman Vivian Boyer.

The film had been scheduled for release Sept. 21.

Sony Pictures removed a trailer from theaters and the Internet for the adventure "Spider-Man," which contains a scene in which a helicopter carrying fleeing robbers gets trapped in a giant spider web strung between the World Trade Center towers.

The trailer was created only for the ad and not the final film, which opens May 3, Sony spokeswoman Susan Tick said.

Release of the Internet game Majestic, an interactive mystery involving conspiracies and bombings, was also postponed.

"Given the recent national tragedy we feel that some of the fictional elements in the game may not be appropriate at this time," a statement released by game creator Electronic Arts said.

ABC canceled a showing Saturday of the George Clooney movie "The Peacemaker," about nuclear terrorists. Fox will replace "The X-Files" on Friday and "Independence Day" on Sunday with comedies, spokesman Scott Grogm said.

In "Independence Day," the White House and Empire State Building blow up.

ABC, CBS and NBC and Fox canceled all programming after Tuesday's attacks for round-the-clock news coverage. They planned to stay with the story continuously at least through Wednesday.

NBC also announced it would push back the start of its new fall TV season, set to begin Monday, at least one week, regardless of the show content. Other networks were considering similar delays.

Entertainment events around the country were postponed or canceled. The Emmy Awards show, scheduled for Sunday, was postponed.

Broadway shows, closed for two days, will resume performances Thursday evening. Jed Bernstein, president of the League of American Theatres and Producers, said that before the curtains rise, the theaters will dim their marquee lights to honor the attack victims.

Other cancellations included tapings for the "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno" at the NBC studios in Burbank and "Late Night With Conan O'Brien" in New York. A concert by Madonna on Tuesday night was rescheduled for Saturday. Singer Britney Spears also canceled a promotional news conference planned for Thursday in Sydney, Australia.

The Leno and O'Brien shows will be dark all week, NBC officials said. CBS said David Letterman's "Late Show" was slated to be dark this week.



By BETTY DEBNAM

It's Cool to Learn...

How to Settle Differences



Every day, people have disagreements. It is hard to go through life without them. It's cool to grow up learning how to handle conflict by seeing how others handle it.

Some of us learn from parents, friends or even TV. But in many schools, kids are taking lessons in conflict resolution.

By learning these skills now, they become better citizens who know how to settle things. They have learned a better way.

Conflict is not always bad. Conflict often brings about changes. Often these changes are for the best.

The Mini Page thanks consultants: Robin Amann Leavin, elementary guidance specialist, and Steven Bernit Nordford, coordinator, Writing and Speaking Program, Montgomery County, Md., Public Schools; Joseph O'Brien, professor of social studies, University of Kansas; Federal Mediation Conciliation Service, and the Association for Conflict Resolution (Web site address for adults: www.screolution.org).

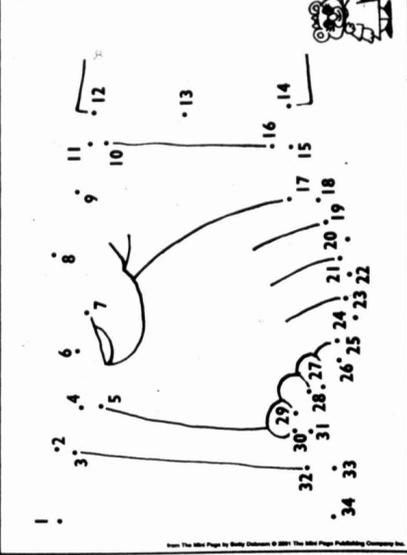
Mary ruined Bill's new computer game. They were good friends until this happened. Now they aren't speaking.

A conflict is a disagreement between one or more people. Resolution is a settlement between them.

How do you handle conflicts? Put a check in the box if you:

<p>SHE REALLY DIDN'T MEAN THAT.</p> <p>Do nothing because you realize that the problem is temporary and you will just let it go away.</p> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>THAT IS FINE WITH ME.</p> <p>Decide to just give in and accept the changes someone wants.</p> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>SOMETIMES THIS IS BEST.</p> <p>Run away and try to avoid the person or the situation.</p> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>I DON'T CARE IF I'M NOT INVITED.</p> <p>Pretend that the problem is not there and does not bother you when it really does.</p> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>I NEED HELP.</p> <p>Go to a parent, teacher or principal and ask them to help you settle it.</p> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>I DON'T CARE IF I'M NOT INVITED.</p> <p>Fight and argue. Unfortunately, some kids are growing up thinking this is the best way to settle things.</p> <input type="checkbox"/>

Go dot to dot and color what we often do when we settle differences.



Rookie Cookie's Recipe Super Spaghetti

You'll need:

- 1 13-ounce jar spaghetti sauce
- 1/4 cup olives, chopped
- 1 cup mushrooms, chopped
- 2 cups chicken, cooked
- 1 8-ounce box spaghetti, cooked
- 1 cup Mozzarella cheese, grated

What to do:

- In a large saucepan, cook spaghetti sauce, olives and mushrooms over medium heat 15 minutes or until heated. Stir often.
- Stir in chicken and spaghetti. Mix well. Heat 5 minutes.
- Place in a serving dish. Sprinkle cheese evenly on top. Serves 4.

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Birthdate: 5-29-56 Birthplace: Fenton, Mo.

Ken Schrader loves to drive fast around a race track! He is one of the best in car racing. He has been racing stock cars since 1985, when he was named Rookie of the Year.

In his career, Ken has raced in more than 500 races and has finished in the top five 64 times, including four wins. He has won more than \$17 million.

Ken learned about cars and racing from his father, who was a racer in the Midwest. As a child, he would drive a go-cart around the family's back yard.

He lives with his wife, Ann, daughter, Dorothy Lynn, and sons, Sheldon and Bradley, in Concord, N.C. He likes collecting old cars and trucks.

Meet Raquel Lee

Raquel Lee is one of the stars of "The Amanda Show."

She has been in show business since she was 9 and has been in several commercials, including one with basketball stars Cynthia Cooper and Lisa Leslie. She has also been in several TV shows, including "Malcolm and Eddie."

She grew up in Los Angeles, the youngest of five children.

In her free time, she likes writing, singing, dancing, swimming, going to the movies and the mall, and talking on the phone with her friends.

The Mighty FUNNY'S Mini Jokes

All of the following jokes have something in common. Can you guess the common theme or category?

Kanu: What do raindrops always say?
Henry: "Two's a company, three's a cloud!"

Dennis: What happened when the couple tried to kiss in the dense fog?
Sally: Oops! They mist!

Sylvanio: What do tornadoes fight in?
Shelly: Whirl wars!

Conflict Resolution TRY 'N FIND

Words that remind us of conflict resolution are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward. See if you can find: SETTLE, DIFFERENCES, CONFLICT, PARENTS, RESOLUTION, PEOPLE, DISAGREEMENT, FRIENDS, ASK, LEARN, TEACHERS, STOP, SKILLS, CITIZENS, CHANGES, AVOID, ACCEPT, WIN.

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Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and Basset Brown are making up after a disagreement. They've both learned something. See if you can find:

- number 8
- man in the moon
- kite
- number 7
- pig's face
- caterpillar
- umbrella
- number 3
- cat
- ruler
- question mark
- olive
- bell
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How to Talk Things Out

A. Get ready

DID HE REALLY SAY THAT?

Talking things out is another way to settle differences. Even before you try to settle things:

- think about what really happened.
- We sometimes have silly thoughts that keep us from getting a true picture.

I AM UPSET. **I AM EMBARRASSED.**

B. Get set

IS NOW A GOOD TIME?

Pick a good time to talk. Agree that you both want to try to settle things.

OUR RULES

- NO NAME CALLING
- CALM VOICE
- GOOD EYE CONTACT
- NO PUTTING UP WITH LISTEN POLITELY

C. Go

First person

I WAS VERY UPSET WHEN ...

1. Talk about yourself and your feelings. Don't attack the other person. It only makes him angry, and he'll try to defend himself. Give your version of what happened.

The other person

YOU WERE ANGRY BECAUSE ...

2. To show that he was listening, the other person retells his version of your side of the story. Then he gives his version of what happened.

First person

THIS IS HOW YOU SAW IT ...

3. To show that you have been listening, you repeat the other person's view.

Both people

4. You both search for solutions.

CAN WE TRY THIS? **HOW ABOUT THIS IDEAS?**

For the solution to work, it must be:

- something you both can do.
- something that is not harmful to yourself or others.
- something that settles the problem so it will not happen again.

Both people

I WON'T DO IT AGAIN. **LET'S GET TOGETHER SOON.**

5. You agree to a solution.

6. You build a future relationship that enables you to get along peacefully as family members, classmates, friends or neighbors.

Next week, The Mini Page visits the state of Washington.

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Conflict resolution tries to get you to: **I'M IN BIG TROUBLE IF I DO THIS ...**

- stop and think about the consequences before you do something.

When you have a problem with someone, you should:

- AM I PARTLY TO BLAME?** try to figure out if you are a part of the problem.
- I SEE YOUR POINT.** realize that you don't always have to win an argument. You can learn to settle things so both people get something of what they want. We call this a "win-win" solution.
- I SEE YOURS, TOO!**

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IN BRIEF

Football teams will play Friday night

In response to the attacks in New York and Washington, D.C., Big Spring High School postponed both the tennis and volleyball matches that had been scheduled for Tuesday.

"It was so shocking that we postponed our games for today out of respect," Big Spring athletic director Dwight Butler said Tuesday. "This is a real tragedy and we just don't think it is right to be playing ball today."

Butler reported that Tuesday's volleyball match at Snyder had been rescheduled for today and he indicated that Tuesday's tennis match had been rescheduled for Oct. 16. He said the seventh-grade football games would be played today at Andrews at the normal time and that the varsity game at home vs. Hereford will be played unless something further develops.

All other area football coaches said their games will go on as planned.

"We're trying to go on as normal, even though we know it's not (normal)," Stanton coach Mark Cotton said.

"We will continue to look at the situation if anything else happens, but right now we will go ahead because of the playoff schedule. We're not like college with the time to reschedule, we have to go ahead if we can, but this is not a district game, so we'll look at it closely."

Butler went on to say that he cut football practice short yesterday.

"We took a step back to try and use this event to teach our kids about life and respect for others."

PREP SLATE

TODAY

VOLEYBALL
BIG SPRING — at Snyder, 6 p.m. Was postponed Tuesday and has been rescheduled for today.

TENNIS
BIG SPRING — at Sweetwater vs. Abilene Wylie has been rescheduled from Tuesday to Oct. 16.

FRIDAY

FOOTBALL
BIG SPRING —vs. Hereford, 7:30 p.m.
COAHOMA — at Grape Creek, 7:30 p.m.
FORSAN — at Roscoe 8 p.m.

GARDEN CITY — at Water Valley, 8 p.m.
GRADY — at Wellman, 7:30 p.m.
SANDS — at Blackwell, 7:30 p.m.
STANTON — at McCamey, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

CROSS COUNTRY
BIG SPRING — at Lubbock, Mae Simmons Park 10 a.m.
COAHOMA — at McMurray Invitational Meet, Seabee Park, 10:50 a.m.

FORSAN — at Concho Valley Classic, San Angelo, 9 a.m.
GARDEN CITY — at Concho Valley Classic, San Angelo, 9 a.m.

TENNIS
BIG SPRING — at Lake View in San Angelo, TBA.

VOLEYBALL
BIG SPRING — at Greenwood Invitational Tournament, TBA.

ON THE AIR

Television
GOLF
10 a.m. — USGA, U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Championship, ESPN.

Nebraska's game with Rice postponed

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — No. 4 Nebraska's game against Rice was postponed Wednesday because of the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington.

Instead of Saturday, the game will be played at 6:30 p.m. CDT next Thursday because of air travel concerns and a national state of shock caused by the attacks, Nebraska coach Frank Solich said.

"They definitely did not feel comfortable with playing this Saturday at all," Solich said. "They're the ones that have to get on the plane to fly here. If there's

Texas Tech vs. Texas El Paso delayed today

any indication from them that they don't want to play this Saturday then the game should definitely not be played."

After the attacks, Rice postponed or canceled all athletic events through Sunday. Both Nebraska and Rice are off next weekend, but Rice is scheduled to travel to Hawaii the following Tuesday, Sept. 25. Flying from Lincoln back to Houston after a night game Saturday, then boarding another flight for a lengthy trip two days later was too

much travel for Rice. Next Thursday was the only option.

"It appears everybody has that same feeling — that as devastating as this was, we have to get people back on track and we move forward," Solich said.

Big 12 officials approved allowing each of its schools to play Saturday, but after Rice's request to delay Nebraska agreed to moving the date.

"We are dealing with circumstances we have never had to deal with before, and

hope and pray that we will never have to deal with again," Nebraska athletics director Bill Byrne said. "We feel the best solution will be to play on Thursday of next week."

The game was scheduled to be televised by Fox Sports Net, but as of Wednesday night no TV coverage was scheduled.

If the game had been canceled altogether, the Huskers would have had three weeks in between games. After Rice, Nebraska visits Missouri on Sept. 29.

"We basically told them that this was what the choice was: Either play Thursday or no game," Solich said. "They just nodded their head and were ready to move forward."

Wingback John Gibson said playing next week was the right thing to do.

"I'm sure a lot of people don't want to get on a plane any time soon. After that if they can delay it as long as possible I'm sure they'd want to," Gibson said. "Moving it to Thursday is probably a good idea."

See page 2B for more on Big 12 and SEC football plans.

Bulldogs ready for road win

By JEFF MORRIS
Sports Editor

Bulldogs' Glance

What: Prep Football, 2A
Where: Coahoma at Grape Creek
When: Friday
Time: 8 p.m.
Records: Coahoma 2-0, Grape Creek 0-2
Notable: Grape Creek's last win was 21-14 at Coahomain 1998. The Eagles are 0-30 since.



Robert Wood

The last time Grape Creek High got a football win was at Coahoma. The Eagles flew away with a 21-14 win in 1998.

The next year, Robert Wood took over the Bulldogs' prep program and began restoring order with a 20-14 win in 1999. He and his 'Dogs earned a one-sided 41-9 win last season, en route to Coahoma's first playoff appearance in 28 years.

Despite last season's lopsided win, Wood and his

Bulldogs are looking at Friday's trip to Grape Creek as a challenge to start the season 3-0, rather than 2-1.

"We're taking it like we've got 11 guys and they've got 11 guys and we need to go down there with a business-like approach," Wood said

Wednesday after the Bulldogs finished what Wood called a "pretty good practice."

Meanwhile, Grape Creek's Eagles are mired in a 30-game losing streak at 0-

2 this season, hosting the 2-0 Bulldogs after Coahoma clobbered Class 3A Shallowater last week and seems set to try and match its 5-0 start in 1999.

Despite having only 26 players and a 30-game skid looming over his Eagles' air space, Grape Creek coach Paul Michalewicz sounded an upbeat note, saying he — like Wood — expects a close, hard-hitting slobber-knocker Friday night in San Angelo. Both pointed to turnovers and mental mistakes as a likely key to the game.

"Don't be surprised if we

do better than people expect us to do this week, because we've got good kids who are working hard and making progress — and our kids have a great attitude," Michalewicz said Wednesday.

"They (Coahoma) have some size and they run right at you, so we'll have to stop their running game between the tackles to start with and try to control the ball offensively."

While Wood agreed with Michalewicz's assessment, both coaches mentioned turnovers as a likely signal for success.

"Don't be surprised if Grape Creek plays us tough, they are always tough. I see the key match up on the line, especially our offensive line against their defensive line. We have to play assignment football and limit our mistakes and our turnovers. We'll need to read our keys against their option and play the dive, the pitch and the quarterback because they are well coached. I expect them to be ready," Wood said.

After combining for more than 250 yards rushing last week, Coahoma running back Cory Hill and quarterback Chase Ward will direct the potent Bulldogs' offense that has scored 82 points in two weeks. Meanwhile, Wood will be looking for a sustained effort from his defensive unit that has allowed only 35 points against Hawley and Class 3A Shallowater.

J.C. Watts, Billy Bob Walker and Brandon Haile lead the Bulldogs, defensively, so Wood said they would be among the players to watch this week.



The Coahoma High Bulldogs took the field in a hurry for the first game of the season, beating Hawley, 40-12, before adding Shallowater to the win column with a 42-23 whipping last week. The Bulldogs travel to Grape Creek Friday.

Smith focused on tragedy

IRVING, Texas (AP) — If NFL games are played this weekend, Emmitt Smith could provide football fans with a special moment. With 64 yards rushing, Smith would pass Barry Sanders and become the second-leading rusher in league history.

Smith, though, doesn't think milestones are what the nation needs right now.

"A record don't mean a hill of beans when you are talking about peoples' lives," Smith said Wednesday. "That's something that comes and goes. A record don't have anything to do with healing the country."

"This is bigger than a record, this is bigger than anything Emmitt Smith could possibly do in the NFL. So it's not about me. It's about this country and I think this is where the focus needs to be on, what this country really needs."

Smith spent most of Tuesday glued to the TV watching tragedies unfold in New York and Washington. When the president spoke, he made sure his two daughters were watching, even though they're too young to understand what was happening.

Smith knew some people who worked near the World Trade Center. He found out that one friend got away

just in time. However, he also was with someone Tuesday who had a friend on American Airlines Flight 11.

"I've seen the shuttle blow up, seen the Oklahoma City bombing," said Smith, who was among the Dallas players that visited the bombing site about a week later. "I've never seen nothing of this type of devastation upon our homeland."

NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue will decide as soon as Thursday whether to let games be played this weekend.

Many NFL players are urging him to call them off, out of sympathy as well as fear. They don't want to travel and want to be sure stadiums will be safe for such large gatherings.

"I'd be lying if I said it didn't cross my mind," Cowboys receiver Wane McGarity said. "Playing is also a way for me to not think about it."

"I prefer to play," said defensive end Greg Ellis. "I think the president said he wanted things to go on as normally as possible to help America keep going. I think that's one of the things we have to do."

Cowboys coaches heard what was happening in New York and Washington before they arrived at Valley Ranch to put together

the game plan for Sunday. They tried keeping focused on their work, but it wasn't easy.

"Our coaches, in my opinion, did an excellent job of looking at Detroit, which they had to do, but at the same time they had the TVs on, which they had to do also," coach Dave Campo said. "I think that combination, we handled it well. But I don't think anyone was 100 percent into preparing for Detroit."

The scenario reminded Campo of his sophomore year in high school, when he was walking down the hall and heard over the loudspeakers that President Kennedy had been killed and 23 years later he was in another high school on a recruiting visit when he learned the space shuttle Challenger had exploded.

Campo's high school team played a game the day after the Kennedy assassination.

"I'm not sure that everybody was 100 percent ready to play," Campo said, "but we played."

Similar sentiments were felt Wednesday. "It's hard to think about football realizing something like that has happened to so many people. It's hard to go out and want to even practice," Ellis said. "You just want to sit down and think about it."

NFL still pondering situation, decision expected soon

NEW YORK (AP) — Neil O'Donnell, the probable starter at quarterback for Tennessee on Sunday if the NFL decides to go on with its games, is not yet ready to think about football.

O'Donnell, a New Jersey native, knew four people who worked near at the top of the destroyed World Trade Center towers.

"I got a couple tough calls this morning," O'Donnell said Wednesday. "We'll wait and see. The people who I knew up top didn't have a chance from what I'm told."

O'Donnell is one of many NFL players and coaches who found it difficult to concentrate on his job the day after the terror attacks in New York and Washington.

Commissioner Paul Tagliabue was pondering whether to call off Sunday's games with the announcement probably to come Thursday. Tagliabue spent Wednesday conferring with owners, aides, and members of the Bush administration. Gene Upshaw, the president of the NFL Players Association, who

also spoke with the commissioner, said he thought the final decision would be based on what the president advised Tagliabue to do.

Upshaw, who saw in person the damage done to the Pentagon, said he talked with all 31 player representatives, almost all of whom wanted Sunday's games called off.

The NFL faced a similar decision in 1963, when President Kennedy was assassinated. The games were played and commissioner Pete Rozelle later said it was the worst decision he made in his 29 years on the job.

Tagliabue has several factors to consider.

One is the Rozelle-Kennedy factor, which the league has been trying to live down for 28 years.

Another is that there is no off week between the championship games and the Super Bowl this season, making it unlikely for the league to make up games. That could mean that 30 teams would play 15 games with San Diego, which is scheduled off this week, playing 16.

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SPORTS EXTRA

COLLEGE POLL

The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Sept. 8, total points based on 25 points for a first place vote through one point for a 25th place vote and previous ranking.

Rank	Team	Record	Pts	1st Place Votes
1	Miami(40)	2-0	1,749	1
2	Florida(14)	2-0	1,715	2
3	Oklahoma(11)	3-0	1,638	3
4	Nebraska(2)	3-0	1,528	5
5	Texas(4)	2-0	1,490	4
6	FloridaSt.	2-0	1,426	6
7	Oregon	2-0	1,294	7
8	Tennessee	2-0	1,263	8
9	VirginiaTech	2-0	1,227	9
10	GeorgiaTech	3-0	1,092	10
11	FreeSt(1)	3-0	973	19
12	KansasSt.	3-0	970	22
13	Washington	1-0	947	15
14	UCLA	2-0	895	14
15	LSU	2-0	856	13
16	Northwestern	1-0	876	16
17	MississippiSt.	1-0	615	18
18	SouthCarolina	2-0	580	21
19	Clemson	2-0	536	20
20	Michigan	1-1	510	11
21	OhioSt.	1-0	258	24
22	Oregon St.	1-1	212	22
23	Notre Dame	0-1	211	17
24	BYU	3-0	148	25
25	Louisville	3-0	129	—

Others receiving votes: Purdue 98, Toledo 87, Colorado 49, Auburn 46, Michigan St. 30, Georgia 22, Wisconsin 19, Iowa 18, Stanford 16, Illinois 15, Maryland 11, N.C. State 11, Southern Miss. 11, Southern Cal 9, Texas A&M 8, Alabama 7, East Carolina 5, Washington St. 4, Arizona St. 3.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

A status report on various sports teams, leagues and venues in Texas:

Major League Baseball
Giants-Astros, Wednesday, postponed
Rangers-Athletics, Wednesday, postponed
NFL
Cowboys-Detroit, Sunday, pending NFL decision

College football
Big 12 (Baylor, Texas, Texas A&M, Texas Tech), will play Saturday. Decision expected Thursday on Texas Tech game.
Conference USA (Houston, TCU, UCI game canceled, Houston scheduled to play.)
WAC (Rice, SMU) UTEP, Texas Tech at UTEP to be decided Thursday morning, Tulsa at Oklahoma scheduled to play, SMU at North Carolina and Rice at Nebraska are postponed.
Sun Belt (North Texas), decision expected Wednesday.
Southland Football League (Stephen F. Austin, Sam Houston State, Southwest Texas State), scheduled to continue weekend play.
Southwestern Athletic Conference (Texas Southern, Prairie View A&M), will play all scheduled games.
American Southwest Conference (Austin College, East Texas Baptist University, Hardin-Simmons, Howard Payne, Mary Hardin-Baylor, McMurry, Sul Ross State, Texas Lutheran), will play all scheduled games.
Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (Trinity), Trinity has canceled its game.
NAA (Southwestern, Assemblies of God), pending decision of League Chevy 500, will run Sunday, qualifying canceled.
Southwest Junior College Football Conference (Blinn, Cisco, Kilgore, Navarro, Ranger, Tyler, Trinity Valley), will play all scheduled games.

Racing
Pending decision of individual schools
Race tracks
Love Star Park, closed Wednesday, will reopen Thursday.
Gulf Greyhound Park, opened for simulcast and live racing Wednesday.
Sam Houston Race Park, canceled simulcast, horse racing Wednesday.
Auto-racing
NASCAR Craftsman Trucks Silverado 350, will run Saturday, qualifying canceled.
Indy Racing League Chevy 500, will run Sunday, qualifying canceled.

BOWLING RESULTS

WEDNESDAY NITE TRO RESULTS, Sept. 11
Big Spring Collision Center 8-0, Whippersnappers 8-0, Timeless Design over KC Kids 6-2, Loan Stars over Sharp Image Drilling 6-2, BSI over Cossacks MCM 6-2, Team 4 over American State Bank 5-2, hi sc team game Timeless Design 5-74, Loan Stars 5-72, Cossacks MCM 5-59, Team 4 5-59; hi sc team series Loan Stars 16-77, Team 4 15-84, BSI 15-80; hi hdp team game Timeless Design 74-2, Team 4 71-1, Cossacks MCM 69-8; hi hdp team series Team 4 20-40, BSI 20-24, Loan Stars 19-77; hi sc game men Norvin Hamlin 225, Adrian Brown 223, James Rawls 217; hi sc series men James Rawls 608, Adrian Brown 590, Jim Garner 564, Bill Bodin 564; hi hdp game men Norvin Hamlin 271, Adrian Brown 259, Bill Bodin 244; hi hdp series men Adrian Brown 698, Bert Hilliger 692, Norvin Hamlin 677; hi sc game women Pattie Hill 203, Mary Ann Rocha 184, Alice Ewing 182; hi sc series women Pattie Hill 556, Cathy McMurry 525, Carolyn Coatney 490; hi hdp game women Marilyn Woodall 261, Mary Ann Rocha 261, Victoria Boyajian 247; hi hdp series women Kay Hendricks 704, Cathy McMurry 702, Carolyn Coatney 700.

STANDINGS-Big Spring Collision Center 15-0, Loan Stars 12-4, BSI 10-6, Team 4 8-8, Timeless Design 8-8, Cossacks MCM 8-8, BSI Whippersnappers 6-10, KC Kids 6-10, Sharp Image Drilling 4-12, American State Bank 2-14.

WEDNESDAY NITE TRO RESULTS, Sept. 6
Loan Stars over Timeless Design 6-2, BSI Whippersnappers over Team 4 6-2, BSI split with KC Kids 4-4, Big Spring Collision Center over American State Bank 8-0, Cossacks MCM over Team 9 6-2; hi sc team game Loan Stars 5-88, Team 4 5-61, Cossacks MCM 5-54; hi sc team series Loan Stars 16-43, KC Kids 15-25, Cossacks MCM 15-16; hi hdp team game Loan Stars 708, Timeless Design 706, Team 4 702; hi hdp team series Loan Stars 2003, BSI Whippersnappers 1966, Big Spring Collision Center 1929; hi sc game men James Rawls 258, Jim Gaitner 238, Ricky Washburn 232, Bill Bodin 232; hi sc series men James Rawls 643, Ricky Washburn 620, Jackie Lecroy 602; hi hdp game men James Rawls 291, Bill Bodin 289, Jim Gaitner 277; hi hdp series men James Rawls 742, Bill Bodin 729, Monty Hendricks 705; hi sc game women Pam Brown 230, Pattie Hill 205, Alice Ewing 173; hi sc series women Pattie Hill 525, Pam Brown 505, Alice Ewing 494; hi hdp game women Pam Brown 287, Pattie Hill 245, Mary Ann Rocha 219; hi hdp series women Pam Brown 676, Pattie Hill 645, Alice Ewing 629.

STANDINGS-Big Spring Collision Center 8-0, Loan Stars 6-2, BSI Whippersnappers 6-2, Cossacks MCM 6-2, KC Kids 4-4, BSI 4-4, Timeless Design 2-6, Team 4 2-6, American State Bank 0-8.

Big 12 gives schools OK to play, but some will not

DALLAS (AP) — The Big 12 Conference was willing to play a full football schedule this weekend, but ended up with one postponement: No. 4 Nebraska and Rice pushing back their game to next Thursday.

At least eight other games will be played Saturday. A decision on Texas Tech against Texas-El Paso, delayed from Thursday because of the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, will be made Thursday.

The Cornhuskers had to find a new date because Rice postponed or canceled all athletic events through Sunday. The schools have rescheduled their football game for Sept. 20. Both had Saturday, Sept. 22 open, but Rice was leaving for a road game against Hawaii a few days later. Before they settled on Thursday, there was even talk of canceling the game.

"We are dealing with circumstances we have never had to deal with before, and hope and pray that we will never have to deal with again," Nebraska athletic director Bill Byrne said. "We feel the best solution will be to play on Thursday of next week."

Big 12 commissioner Kevin Weiberg said the NCAA and others were consulted before the league decided to go through with its schedule. The only other obstacle was securing travel plans.

"Our campuses have remained open through this tragedy and we feel it is very important that we demonstrate that we can move forward with our events," Weiberg said in a statement. "President Bush has encouraged a return to normal activities as being an important part of our response to this great tragedy and we want to do our part in that effort."

The league also is doing its part to help by announcing a \$1 million donation to disaster relief funds. Each school also will make "appropriate recognition of this disaster at each campus and within the athletic events that occur during the remainder of the year."

Getting transportation for some games should be easy, such as the in-state meetings of No. 3 Oklahoma at home against Tulsa, and Iowa State at Iowa.

Texas Tech, however, was having trouble setting up plans to get to El Paso to play UTEP. The Red Raiders were hoping to know by noon Thursday whether they'd be able to make the trip.

The most difficult arrangements were the longer trips, such as Colorado at Washington State, and Baylor at Minnesota.

The rest of the schedule includes Louisiana Tech at No. 12 Kansas

State, Missouri at Michigan State, Wyoming at Kansas, and Northern Arizona at Oklahoma State.

No. 5 Texas and Texas A&M have the weekend off.

This was the second time this year tragedy has shaken the Big 12 schedule.

In January, 10 people died when one of three planes carrying the Oklahoma State men's team crashed while flying home from a game in Boulder, Colo. Among the victims was Jared Weiberg, a student manager and the nephew of league commissioner Kevin Weiberg, who made the decision to play football this weekend.

The Cowboys returned to action nine days later, postponing one game and delaying another by two days. The rest of the league continued play as scheduled.

SEC goes ahead with games, pledges a million bucks

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — The Southeastern Conference will proceed with its football games this weekend "to bring our people together" in grieving for the victims of terrorist attacks in New York and Washington.

SEC officials said in a statement Wednesday the conference also will donate \$1 million from weekend receipts and TV fees to help victims of the attacks. There will be a pre-game ceremony remembering the victims at each venue.

SEC schools "mourn the tragic loss of lives, bodily injury and condemn the acts of destruction which occurred yesterday in this nation," the statement said.

But, the statement said, the games "present a meaningful opportunity to bring our people together in a

common expression of sympathy and mourning."

Fans at each event will be encouraged to make donations to the funds for victims.

The league said the schedule could change if warranted by events.

Auburn coach Tommy Tuberville praised the decision — even if it could mean an eight-hour bus ride for his team.

"It's been a tough time for everyone," said Tuberville, whose team plays at LSU Saturday night. "We probably need to go ahead and play, but we're concerned about fans and families traveling. Some players have shown concern about flying."

"I think we need to get on with our lives, just like with any other disaster."

All 12 SEC teams are slated

to play this weekend, including three conference games. By far the biggest is No. 8 Tennessee at No. 2 Florida, a game that could have national championship implications.

At least two of the games would seem to require air travel, as Houston is to visit Georgia and Brigham Young plays at Mississippi State. Vanderbilt already planned to go by bus to Mississippi. The only game not hosted by a league school is Kentucky at Indiana.

SEC officials said the individual schools will determine how they will travel to their games.

The other games scheduled this weekend: Southern Mississippi at Alabama, North Texas at Arkansas and Bowling Green at South Carolina.

Despite more than three dozen postponements, some teams will play on

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — More than three dozen college football games were postponed because of terrorist attacks on New York and Washington D.C. But a number of schools will be back on the field — including the entire Southeastern Conference.

The SEC said Wednesday it decided to go forward with its games Saturday "to bring our people together." The league will donate \$1 million from weekend receipts and TV fees to help victims of the attacks.

"We just feel very strongly that this was the appropriate decision to make," SEC commissioner Roy Kramer said.

The Atlantic Coast and Big East conferences postponed games, and the Big Ten, Big 12 and Pac-10 were divided internally — with each of those conferences playing some games and putting off others.

Eight games involving 10 of the Top 25 teams have been postponed or canceled.

In a Wednesday conference call of the 10 major I-A conference commissioners, the group was unable to come up with a plan all could accept.

"I'm sure everybody's preference would be for life to be normal and therefore play the games that were scheduled," ACC commis-

sioner John Swofford said. "But life isn't normal. These are extremely extenuating circumstances, and consequently those circumstances have been very impactful."

Among the dozens of games suspended were two marquee matchups in the state of Florida — No. 13 Washington at No. 1 Miami and No. 10 Georgia Tech at No. 6 Florida State.

A third game — No. 8 Tennessee at No. 2 Florida — will be played in Gainesville.

The Big 12 originally announced its teams would play Saturday provided travel arrangements could be worked out.

But later in the day, No. 4 Nebraska said its game against Rice was postponed and rescheduled for Thursday, Sept. 20.

The conference also will donate \$1 million to disaster relief funds.

The NCAA executive committee, which will donate \$5 million to relief funds, recommended that schools hold a moment of silence before this weekend's games.

"The White House has conveyed to the NCAA that it is encouraging a return to normalcy across the country," NCAA executive committee chairman Robert Lawless said.

Wide receiver reinstated by arbitrator

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — An arbitrator overturned Terry Glenn's season-long suspension Wednesday, allowing him to rejoin the New England Patriots for their fifth game.

The fourth leading receiver in team history still must complete a four-game NFL suspension for violating the league's substance-abuse policy. His agent, James Gould, said there are no plans to appeal that now.

"We are very gratified," Gould said in a telephone interview from his Cincinnati office. "Terry's looking forward to returning to the club and is excited about the prospect of contributing to the team's success."

Glenn is not allowed to practice or play with the team during his suspension.

The arbitrator's decision cannot be appealed unless the team challenges it in

court, said Richard Berthelsen, general counsel of the NFL Players Association.

The Patriots weren't inclined to do that.

Coach Bill Belichick, who suspended Glenn after he stayed away from training camp without permission, said in a statement, "We hope that his desire to be reinstated is a positive sign and evidence of his willingness to contribute to the team this season."

Still unresolved is how much Glenn will be paid. The ruling means Glenn will get his \$480,000 salary and performance bonuses, possibly decreased by the four games he must miss.

The parties also are at odds over how much of his signing bonus Glenn should get, but Berthelsen said that case "is not likely to be heard for some time."

Arbitrator Richard Bloch

ruled after holding a 13-hour hearing last Thursday at Foxboro Stadium. The deadline for making the decision was Tuesday, but its release was delayed because of the terrorist attacks.

Berthelsen, one of three NFLPA lawyers at the hearing, said he wasn't surprised by the decision against the season-long suspension.

"It's such a draconian measure to use against a player that I think any neutral arbitrator's going to err on the side of the player," Berthelsen said.

Glenn left camp Aug. 3 when he was notified of the four-game suspension imposed by the NFL. The team sent him a letter as prescribed in the collective bargaining agreement saying it could suspend him after a fifth day of unexcused absences.

Houston high school football player dies

HOUSTON (AP) — Authorities were trying to find out why a Houston high school freshman died while preparing for football practice.

Miguel Ramirez, 14, a student at Houston's Aldine Ninth Grade School lost consciousness while he and his teammates were stretching prior to practice Tuesday, school district spokesman Mike Keeney said.

Assistant coaches went to the player's aid and a train-

er was summoned to administer emergency breathing procedures while paramedics were called. The player was pronounced dead at a hospital.

Keeney said the student had no history of seizure disorders or serious medical condition. About 15 to 20 minutes before his collapse,

Ramirez had suffered a hand injury during pre-practice drills, received treatment and had returned to the practice field.

Heat, a factor in several football deaths in recent weeks, was not believed related to Tuesday's fatality. Temperatures were in the mid 80s with low humidity.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Sept. 14:

Keep a low profile this year. Rather than give out information and news, gather facts and make decisions for yourself. Some might not understand your new attitude, but they will understand if you explain yourself. Use your strongly developed intuition on your finances, personal life and work. Your happiness evolves as a result. Others will seek you out often for your insight. Never share more than another can handle. If you are single, avoid anything covert or a bit shady. Know the person well before you enter into a relationship. If you are attached, spend more downtime together. Share yourself. Plan on a special retreat together. LEO understands you.

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)**** Take a stab into the unknown. Decide to schedule a weekend away, not to the same old place but somewhere unexplored. Hop on the Net; talk to associates. Impulsiveness puts you in the right spot at the right time. Tonight: Greet the weekend with cheers and smiles.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**** Your thoughtfulness and ability to interact keep the peace on the home front while allowing you to handle all work-related material as well. An associate or partner shares unusual insight about finances and feelings. Ponder this idea. Tonight: Go for easy with a friend at home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**** Return calls. You might not be able to focus as much as you would like. So much keeps happening! Relax with the present pace. Others change their tune, which pleases you to no end. Let go of being overly serious or businesslike. Tonight: Frolic away, my dear Twin.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)**** Grasp what you need to enhance your financial structure and feel more secure. Someone lets you know how much you offer. Get past your insecurity. Not everything is linked to money. Clear out work, then indulge in a stress-buster. Tonight: You don't have to do anything!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**** Others are drawn to you as if you were a magnet. Attraction soars between you and another. Think before you leap. Emphasize what you want in the long term. Set sail for that objective while the winds blow in your favor. Ask questions on the way. Tonight: Whatever makes the Lion smile.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**** Information gained

leads you in a new direction. Your sixth sense kicks in with both money and work. Settle down with a family member or roommate. Discuss an opportunity with this person. For now, play it low-key. Tonight: Get some sleep. You will need it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**** Your self-expression brings admirers and others. You're unusually insightful and witty. Use a meeting to establish more of a presence. Though you like to be charming, you might need to take a more forceful stand. Make an important call late in the day. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**** Never doubt your leadership capacities. Investigate a financial matter with care. You might reverse a decision or change your tune about an expenditure. A partner looks for other ways to make a long-term desire possible. Take charge where another can't. Tonight: All eyes turn to you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**** Reverse your opinion all you want, especially as new information pours forth. Your ability to digest new facts and make sense of the whole picture marks you as a leader. Make calls. Reach out for those at a distance. Tonight: Take off ASAP.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**** Teamwork brings more contentment and fulfillment than you'd anticipated. You might have to rethink many of your ideas. A boss or authority figure shares your insight. Opt for mental rather than physical work, if possible. Factor in fatigue. Tonight: Follow another's advice.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**** Defer to others. You'll gain as a result -- both personally and professionally. Someone appreciates your flexibility, though you might need to totally alter your plans. A child or loved one might be upset at your priorities. Make it up to him later. Tonight: Out.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**** Build on another's knowledge. You might not appreciate another's decisions but you need to follow through. A partner gives you feedback. Information gained gives you insight. Defer plans by making a call in the late afternoon. Explain your priorities. Tonight: Off to the gym.

BORN TODAY
Psychologist I.P. Pavlov (1849), golfer Clayton Moore (1914), actress Faith Ford (1964)

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Mother's obsessive behavior puts crimp in dad's visitation

Dear Ann Landers: I am a recently divorced man with a 10-year-old daughter. As part of the custody agreement, I settled for a lot less visitation than I wanted because I felt it was best for my daughter if her mother and I got along. I try to overlook her mother's "peculiarities," and I never say a bad word about the woman. There is one thing, however, that annoys me to no end.



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Whenever I take my daughter on vacation (once a year), I always tell my ex-wife where we are going and for how long. I give her the phone number at our location if I have it, and she also has the number for my cell phone, which is always with me. My daughter calls her mother regularly to check in. Somehow, none of this satisfies the woman.

On our last vacation, we stayed at a lovely beach house that had no phone. My ex-wife insisted on having the name and phone number of the real estate agent who rented us the house. This time, my daughter and I are traveling around the country and will be at several different places, including the homes of friends. Not all of our arrangements have been made in advance, and I am not certain where we will be at any given moment.

My ex-wife has gone totally bonkers over this trip. She wants the names, addresses and phone numbers of every hotel at which I am considering booking a room, along with the names, addresses and phone numbers of every friend I may visit, whether I actually see them or not.

I think the woman has gone off the deep end, and I am sick and tired of trying to humor her. She can easily contact me through my cell phone, and I see no reason to subject every friend, relative and hotel around the country to her obsessive behavior. I would never think of asking her to account for every second of my daughter's day when the girl is not with me.

Is she a control freak, or am I out of line? I've had it. -- Up to Here in Pennsylvania

Dear Up to Here: You are NOT out of line. You are being more than fair. Is there a reason your ex-wife is so irrational? If not, you are under no obligation to cater to her crazy demands.

Try to spend as much time with your young daughter as possible. She will need your steady influence to counterbalance the erratic behavior of her nutty mother. An observant 10-year-old will be able to sense the situation, so rest assured, she will be on your side.

Dear Ann Landers: I have been married to "Judd" for 22 years, and I think he may be cheating on me. Please tell me if I have enough evidence.

A friend told me Judd had tickets to an upcoming concert and that he hoped I would enjoy it. I knew nothing about a concert. When the date arrived, Judd lied and said a co-worker had an extra ticket at the last minute and asked him if he could go. Another time, Judd offered to help a female friend move. He was gone more than 10 hours and didn't call. I drove by the woman's place and saw his truck out front. When he came home, he made up a story about how the van driver had the wrong address.

I want to keep this marriage together, even though I suspect he has been cheating on me. Please tell me what to do, Ann. -- Unsure and Afraid

Dear Unsure: It appears that Judd has not been totally straight with you. Tell him you want to keep the marriage together, but from now on, he must be completely honest because you refuse to settle for less. And keep your word.

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