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## WEATHER

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## Firefighters taking local donations

Big Spring Professional Fire Fighters Association will be taking donations to help provide relief from the tragic events in New York and Washington, D.C.

According to Big Spring Fire Marshal Carl Condray, those wishing to donate can take the money to any Big Spring Fire Station. The money will be forwarded on to the International Association for Fire Fighters.

At this time Big Spring Fire Fighters can only handle financial donations, Condray said.

Condray said those wishing to find out how to help with donations can e-mail the IAFF at assistance@iaff.org.

## WEEKEND TICKET

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.

□ The Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. A one-time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens are encouraged.

□ Dance, 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third. Members and guests welcome.

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## Hansen, family members just ready to return home

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
Managing Editor

A late night on the town may have been all that saved Howard College executive vice president Terry Hansen and three members of his family from being among the list of the thousands missing in the wake of Tuesday



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mornings collapse of the World Trade Center's towers as a result of a terrorist attack.

Hansen, his wife, Jan; her mother, Helen Worthan; and his mother, Lela Hansen, were in New York on vacation Tuesday.

In fact, the group had plans to visit Wall Street and could well have found themselves at the World Trade Center had it not been for having gotten a late start on the day that morning.

"I guess you'd have to say it was a God-send," Hansen said Thursday

afternoon from his hotel room in Manhattan. "We were just about 15 minutes away from heading down to Wall Street and I was watching television when the attacks happened.

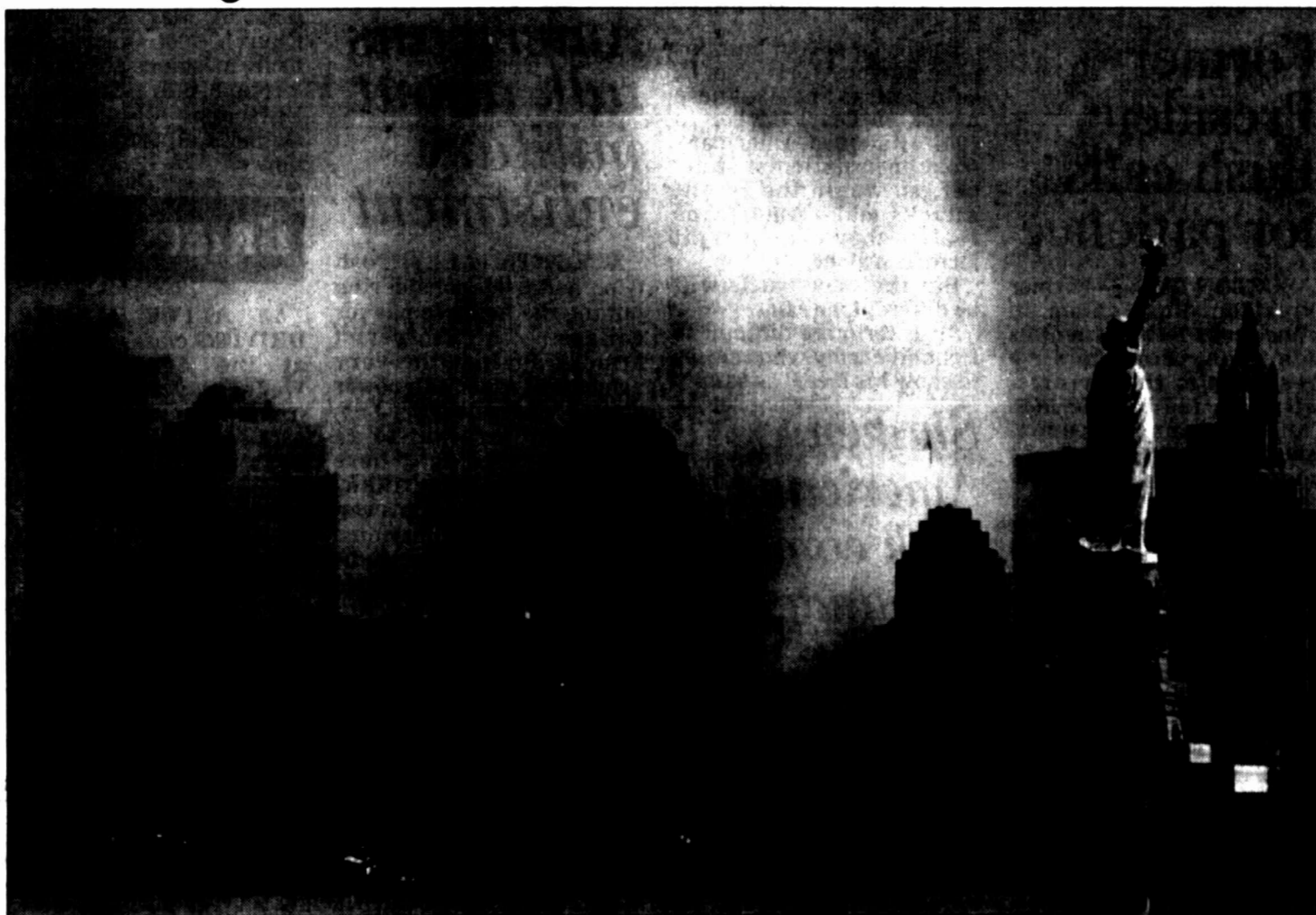
"We'd been out late the night before ... got in about 3 a.m. and were getting a pretty slow start," he added. "If it hadn't been for that, we very well could have been down there when it happened. I don't know that we'd have been at the World Trade Center, but we had plans to be down in that area."

Thursday the group was able to get to within about a mile of the collapsed towers, Hansen said, adding that his experience in the last two or three days has been nothing short of astounding.

"We've got a room overlooking Broadway and there were no vehicles on the streets," he said, recalling the first few hours after the attack. "The only traffic moving was emergency vehicles coming to and from the scene."

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# Day of remembrance



AP Laserphoto

Dense smoke and dust from the terrorist attacks that destroyed the World Trade Center's twin towers casts a gloomy pall over the Manhattan skyline Thursday. The dust that has plagued rescue crews in New York the last three days was not a problem this morning. However, rescue workers faced a new problem in rain storms that are drenching the rubble.

## Rain new obstacle in rescue effort

NEW YORK (AP) — Rescuers racing against the clock in a desperate attempt to find survivors in the World Trade Center's rubble faced a new obstacle Friday: rain that turned dust to muck and made footing treacherous.

"Three's no question they're hampered by it," said Mayor Rudolph Giuliani. "At the same time, they're going on, because there is still a strong hope that we'll be able to recover people."

Rescue teams have been digging through the massive ruins since Tuesday's terror attacks, but hopes of finding survivors were dwindling. There were 184 confirmed dead, and more than 4,700 were reported

missing. The rain fell off and on throughout the morning.

"The rain made the footing a little more dangerous," said Richard Coppo, a rescue volunteer. "We thought that maybe the rain would settle the dust and make things better, but actually it stirred it up."

The entire financial district of lower Manhattan has been closed since the attacks, but Giuliani announced plans to reopen Wall Street on Monday. He also said the Staten Island ferry, which serves the southern tip of Manhattan, would resume service Monday.

Giuliani and his aides detailed a series of hoaxes, thefts and other petty

crimes that have hampered the recovery effort and unnerved New Yorkers. He warned anyone making false bomb threats that they face arrest, and urged the media to double-check any reports that might raise false hopes or kindle unwarranted fears.

He also reported that telemarketing swindlers were calling people to request donations to aid victims' families, and asked for help in tracking down and arresting those responsible.

Police Commissioner Bernard Kerik said a woman was charged with reckless endangerment, obstructing fire operations and filing false reports after she came to a police station dressed in medical scrubs

and hysterically insisted she had just gotten a phone call from her husband trapped in the wreckage.

"It was all fake," Kerik said. "There was no husband. There was no phone call."

Kerik said several people had been arrested for using phony identification or pretending to be volunteers, then committing crimes in the cordoned-off disaster zone.

On Thursday evening, authorities detained about a dozen people of Middle Eastern descent in two separate groups at two New York airports. Giuliani said investigators determined none of them had any con-

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The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Chapel doors of the First Baptist Church in Richmond, Va., opened for prayers and solace as dawn broke today on a national day of remembrance for the victims of the terrorist attacks.

"We will pray for our city, we will pray for our nation and we will pray for all the people whose lives have been lost," the Rev. Peter Jamer Flammig said.

At the Dallas Baha'i Center, they will recite a "Prayer for America." On the corner of Valley and Hopyard Avenues in Pleasanton, Calif., they will wave flags and sing "God Bless America."

At the Islamic Center of Long Island, N.Y., they will say prayers for the dead and missing.

"We want people to feel empowered. We want them to feel positive," said Janis Mulhall, an evangelical Christian organizing the memorial in Pleasanton.

Mulhall has been scouring stores for tiny American flags and plans to distribute them to everyone who attends.

In proclaiming today a national day of prayer and remembrance, President Bush urged community groups and places of worship nationwide to hold noontime memorial services, ring bells and set aside time for candlelight vigils. He also encouraged employers to let their workers off to attend.

"All our hearts have been seared by the sudden and senseless taking of innocent lives," Bush said. "We pray for healing and for the strength to serve and encourage one another in hope and faith."

In Dallas, people will be asked to hold hands and sing at the Baha'i Center and recite the prayer that a Baha'i leader wrote after he visited the United States in 1912. It asks God to "confirm this revered nation" and "make it precious and near to thee."

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## Residents of Crossroads band together in patriotism

By LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

Attacks on two of the nation's cities meaning to strike terror at the hearts of Americans have resulted in citizens across the country uniting in patriotism and resolve to help the victims of New York and Washington, D.C.

Residents in the Crossroads area were no different.

Big Spring High School will hold a short memorial before tonight's 7:30 Steer football game at Memorial Stadium.

"We are holding a memorial for the International Firefighter's Association," said principal Mike Ritchey. "We want to memorialize the rescue workers that have fallen as well as the victims."

Ritchey said the event is also to remember those rescue personnel still working

at the sites and for the citizens of New York and Washington, D.C.

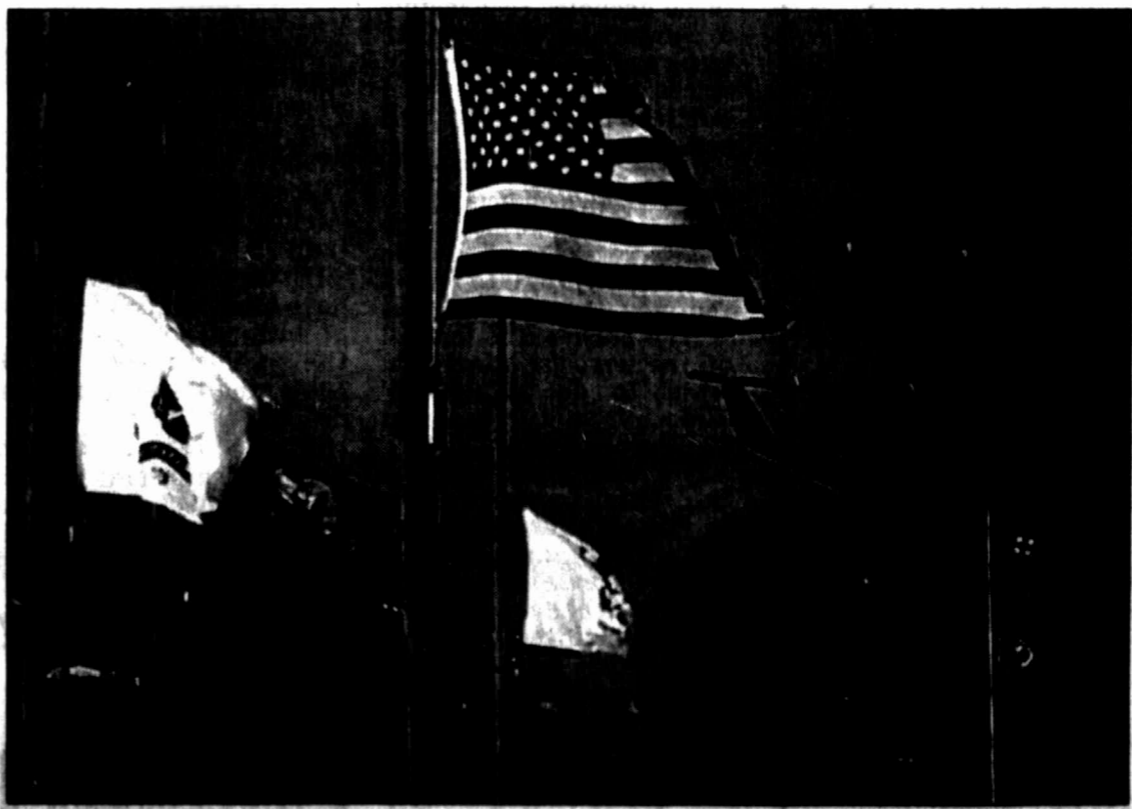
"We are going to involve both our school and Hereford's," Ritchey said. "The football teams, bands, cheerleaders are all going to integrate to depict that we are all Americans. We are going to stand tall and proud and we are going to fight for our freedom."

BSISD superintendent Murray Murphy encourages people to arrive a little earlier than normal for the game and to bring out the Stars and Stripes.

"Bring those flags. We want to see that," Murphy said. "They have taken a lot of freedoms from us but we can still show our patriotism."

Area churches have been holding prayer meetings during the week to pray for those impacted by the attacks and the emergency

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HERALD photo/Regis Cline

Old Glory and the service flags all fly at half-mast at the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial in tribute to victims of Tuesday's terroristic attacks in New York and Washington.

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"There were just thousands and thousands of people walking down the middle of the streets," Hansen added. "People were just looking around with 1,000-yard stares.... they didn't say anything, they'd just have these looks that seemed to say, 'What do we do now?'"

Hansen and his relatives were not the only people in New York at the time of the terrorists' attack. In fact, he said he'd met several people from Big Spring during their stay.

And for another Big Spring family, Hansen's presence in New York proved to be beneficial.

"John O'Brien's son, Jason, and his wife were here on their honeymoon," Hansen noted. "After the attack, John couldn't get in touch with Jason. They called us and we were able to find them and make sure they were O.K. Then we were able to call them back and tell them Jason and his wife were fine."

Now, all Hansen and his family wants is to come home.

That, of course, is easier said than done.

"Until today, most everything that wasn't absolutely essential had been shut down here in Manhattan," Hansen explained. "They basically sealed the island. Right now, it doesn't look like we're going to be able to get a flight out tomorrow."

Whether or not they can get a flight, however, Hansen says his group will be coming home today.

"If we can't get a flight out, we're going to buy a car and drive home," he explained. "Believe me, this has made Big Spring look very, very good. It just lets you know what we have in Big Spring is very special. We're ready to be home... very ready."

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workers attempting to rescue survivors and clear the rubble left.

On Saturday, First Church of the Nazarene, located at 1400 Lancaster, will join with more than 1,000 churches across the United States via satellite downlink for America Prays, a 1 1/2-hour time of prayer, support and direction.

The event will feature Christian leaders Bruce Wilkinson and John C. Maxwell, both authors, James and Shirley Dobson, both of Focus on the Family and Franklin Graham, CEO of Billy Graham Evangelical Association.

The event is from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. and is free to the public of every denomination.

After the tragic events at the World Trade Center and Pentagon, area business and

organizations lowered flags to half-mast in honor of those victims from the attack.

The Stars and Stripes began appearing displayed at housing and flown on car antennas around town as many shops in the United States began to sell out of the nation's flag.

On Thursday morning, eight members of the Big Spring Rotary Club lined Gregg Street with American flags before the work day began.

Hundreds of area residents attempted to help the victims of New York and Washington by lining up to donate much needed blood, some waiting as much as five hours to give a pint.

The United Blood Services of San Angelo collect almost 100 pints of blood in two days with 150 people more signed up to donate at future drives, said Sherry Morton, community relations representative of UBS.

President George W. Bush called for a national day of prayer today and a prayer vigil was held at the Heart of City Park during the lunch hour.

Former President Bush calls for patience

BOSTON (AP) — Former President Bush called on Americans to be patient as his son considers a response to the terrorist attacks, adding the acts "clearly cannot go unanswered lest we encourage more such horrible attacks."

"The American people want instant action," Bush said Thursday, addressing an energy industry conference at a downtown hotel. "It's going to take time against this faceless enemy just as it took plenty of time to stand down Saddam Hussein in the Gulf many years ago."

Bush said he speaks frequently with his son. He said his son has a "fantastic" national security team and is doing the right thing by reaching out to Congress and allies around the world. "I know that George is strong," Bush said. "He does know what he's doing."

Bush said he was annoyed at the criticism aimed at his son for adhering to security procedures and avoiding Washington in the immediate aftermath of the attacks. Instead of returning to Washington from Florida, President Bush took a six-hour flight to secret locations in Louisiana and Nebraska before returning to the White House.

He said some people have called to apologize after new reports that there was specific evidence of threats to the White House and the president.

Bush, a former director of the CIA, said the United States should beef up its intelligence system in the wake of Tuesday's terror attacks in New York and Washington.

"The world we live in today is very different than the world we lived in when this week began, very different indeed," he said. "We should make sure that these agencies responsible for protecting American citizens against terror are not forced to fight this critical battle with one arm tied behind them."

White House press secretary Ari Fleischer declined to address the former president's remarks about the shortcomings of U.S. intelligence.

"The president is focused on the terrorist attack and what to do about it," Fleischer said. "He is not focused on the past."

The elder Bush said the U.S. intelligence system should be allowed to work more freely, and officials should review whether Internet technology threatens the intelligence community.

"You've got to always respect the privacy and right of an American citizen, but I think they ought

to take a hard look now at whether they've gone too far in denying the people that run the intelligence community access to human intelligence," he said.

By "human intelligence," Bush said he was referring to people who could effectively work for the United States, even if some found them distasteful. He mentioned as an example former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega, who was a CIA source when Bush was CIA director.

Bush urged Americans not to react based on prejudice, after federal authorities claimed they had identified more than a dozen hijackers of Middle Eastern descent in Tuesday's attacks.

"We should be mindful that these were not acts of all Muslims, who like Christians and Jews believe in a God of love and mercy," Bush said. "These were senseless murders committed by religious extremists who kill out of hate."

Bush, a Navy bomber pilot during World War II, said just as the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941 awakened Americans from an isolationist slumber, so would the recent attacks make Americans realize they cannot fight terrorism alone.

But this new battle will be different, he said. "It is far more difficult to fight an enemy who refuses to show his face," he said.

Shaken Americans seek comfort in handguns

BOSTON (AP) — The terrorist attacks in New York and Washington have deepened worries about personal safety, spiking sales of handguns and ammunition, according to dealers and a trade group.

"People in Peoria don't have to go out and buy a handgun to protect themselves from a stolen 747, but people are afraid, and they go out and look for something that will make them feel better," said Andrew Molchan, director of the Professional Gun Retailers Association in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He said some dealers sold out their whole stock this week.

In the Boston area, some people were nervous about the possibility that terrorists who helped plan the attacks might be hiding nearby. The two hijacked airliners that flew into the World Trade Center towers Tuesday took off from Boston.

"People are saying, 'Jeez, if the government can't protect us, then we're going to protect ourselves,'" said John Costa, who sells handguns at his sporting goods store in Raynham, 25 miles outside Boston.

He normally expects to sell one or two handguns a week, but said he had sold six in the three days since the attack. He said he is selling about 15 boxes of ammunition a day, compared to the usual one or two.

In North Hollywood, Calif., Rick Garcia, who manages B&B Sales, said he was handling about twice as many customers.

"I wouldn't say it was a hysteria or panic," he said. "I'd say it's just a calculated, just-in-case type of mentality."

Historically, gun sales have often swelled in times of national distress. After the social turmoil of the 1960s, the boom lasted for decades.

Since the terrorist attacks, the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms has advised dealers to be especially careful to keep their guns safe.

While not surprised by the spike, gun control advo-

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cates fretted about what it portends. "A handgun purchased for self-defense is more likely to be used against yourself, your friends or your family than to kill a criminal or to stop a terrorist," said Josh Sugarman, director of the Violence Policy Center in Washington, D.C.

Activists said they fear the industry will seize on people's fears over terrorism as a marketing opportunity.

But in Fresno, Calif., gun shop owner Bill Mayfield said he was advising customers not to stockpile guns or ammunition as a reaction to the attacks. "I can think of a lot of reasons to buy firearms," he said. "This simply isn't one of them."

Angry Americans talk about military enlistment

ATLANTA (AP) — Josh Gipe had been considering joining the Army to pay for college. The terrorist attacks against the very symbols of American power steered his resolve.

He went straight to an Army office here Wednesday morning, filling out paperwork and answering recruiters' questions. The 24-year-old hopes to be in basic training in two weeks.

"As an American, I feel like I owe something to my country," Gipe said. "Our freedom has been put in jeopardy, and I want to be someone who helps defend that."

Across the country, military recruitment offices reported a jump in visitors and phone calls in the hours after the New York and Washington attacks. Recruiters heard from angry teen-agers as well as somber veterans just wanting to know how they could help.

An Army major in Florida called it a "patriotic swell" among Americans whose first reaction, after the horror wore off, was an urge to enlist to defend their country.

In Bakersfield, Calif., the Army recruitment office took dozens of calls and walk-ins Tuesday and Wednesday — three to four times the normal activity, station commander Warren K. Hurley said.

At the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga, students who had once opposed a military draft said the sight of the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks had changed their minds.

"I'd be happy to go to the draft now," said Zach Smith, 20.

Calls poured in to Marine Corps recruiting offices in Colorado and Wyoming, with citizens saying they felt a responsibility to their country and wanted to know what they could do.

"People need to realize that freedom is never free, and I think that this has really brought that to the forefront of everybody's minds," said Maj. Mark Aeplli.

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•Narcotics Anonymous, 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

•NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

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BRIEFS

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# Small private plane ordered to land after flying in vicinity of Bush ranch

CRAWFORD (AP) — A small private plane flying unauthorized in the vicinity of President Bush's ranch near Crawford was ordered by the military to land Thursday, a sheriff's deputy said.

Also Thursday, military jets forced a small plane down in Wood County.

In Crawford, the 71-year-old pilot and his son were detained for routine questioning by the U.S. Secret Service, said Chief Deputy Randy Plemons of the McLennan County Sheriff's Department.

The incident, which occurred shortly before 10 a.m., may have been a misunderstanding, Plemons said.

"I can't even confirm if he was even close to the ranch," Plemons said. From what investigators have conveyed, Plemons said, the pilot went up for a "joy ride" in his small Cessna.

"Obviously, bad timing," he said.

The FAA declared that the plane was unauthorized and ordered its occupants detained, Plemons said. At that point military officials,

flying in two jets beside the plane, got on the pilot's radio frequency and ordered the Cessna to land.

"At this point we don't have any information that we can release on that," said Staff Sgt. Ruth Lewis with the 301st Fighter Wing public affairs office.

The plane landed on a private landing strip near State Highway 6, about eight miles from the Bush ranch.

The name of the pilot and his son were not immediately being released. It was unclear whether any charges would be filed.

The sheriff's department began receiving 911 emergency calls immediately about the plane because residents believed no planes were supposed to be flying.

"We're just trying to ease the fears of people here," Plemons said.

Crawford Mayor Robert Campbell said the town of 705 is beginning to return to its normal routine after terrorist attacks on Washington and New York City. There have been no indications of threats against Crawford, even though it's the site of Bush's

ranch, he said.

"Basically, things are quiet. Naturally, we're keeping our eyes and ears open like everybody else," Campbell said. He added that local officials are keeping a more visible police presence in town.

School in Crawford had been called off Tuesday, but by Wednesday children returned to class.

In Wood County, Sheriff's senior Dispatcher Rodney Mize said a private plane was forced down by two military pilots in A-10 Warthog jets about 11:30 a.m. The jets

flew one above and one below until the private plane's pilot landed at Wisener Field near Mineola.

"I can tell you it sure spooked a lot of people this morning. Everyone is on edge right now and this guy was doing some afternoon flying," Mize said.

Tyler Pounds, Field Airport Air Traffic Controller Jerry Head said the skies remain closed to general aviation until further notice.

Mize said the pilot was not fined or charged with any crime.

## TEXAS BRIEFS

### McAllen firefighters suing city

EDINBURG (AP) — The McAllen Professional Firefighters Association is suing the city over stalled contract negotiations.

Firefighters hope the lawsuit will force the city into an agreement before the current contract expires Oct. 1. Negotiations have already trudged on for more than two months and the union's president says suing is the only option.

"The city, by its refusal to engage in mediation or arbitration, has now forced the firefighters to look to a district court for assistance in finalizing the agreement," said President Amado Cano.

The city and the firefighters' union had already negotiated for 60 days when the lawsuit was filed Aug. 31. State law allows the parties to seek mediation or arbitration at that point, but Cano said the city rejected that option.

The group has been unable to agree on 22 of the 40 items in the contract, which controls hours, duties and salary.

### Lawyers being asked to delay lawsuits

HOUSTON (AP) — The Association of Trial Lawyers of America is urging its members to hold off on filing lawsuits arising from Tuesday's terrorist attacks.

It's the first time that the 55-year-old national support group for plaintiffs' lawyers has enacted a moratorium on filing lawsuits.

"Now's the time to let the government with its multiple resources unleash a manhunt for the terrorists. When we're further along, we can revisit it," said Leo Boyle, a Boston lawyer who serves as president of the organization. "First, we must do nothing that hurts the victims or their families. This has broken everyone's heart."

Boyle said lawyers should encourage their clients to wait to file lawsuits until more of the facts of Tuesday's events are brought to light.

### Texans donate to help relief effort

LUBBOCK (AP) — From pennies in piggy banks to a \$1 million donation, Texans are stepping up to help relief efforts for this week's terrorist attacks on the East Coast.

Some Lubbock students are emptying their piggy banks and tapping their creativity for the cause.

"It's not a ton of money," Kathy Rollo, principal at Murfee Elementary School in Lubbock, said about the piggy bank donations. "But it's a lot to them, and just knowing that it's helping is good for them."

Youngsters at Lubbock schools also are making American flags out of construction paper to sell for 25 cents. Others decided they could get money to donate if they checked beneath and between couch cushions at home.

# Federal agents exploring North Texas ties to reported terrorist organizations

DALLAS (AP) — Federal agents scouring Texas for connections in the terrorist attacks along the East Coast were doing the same as their peers across the nation on Thursday — exhausting all leads in the massive investigation.

Law enforcement officials who spoke on condition of anonymity said the terrorists had possible ties to countries including Saudi Arabia and Egypt, and Saudi fugitive Osama bin Laden was a top suspect.

In Texas, FBI officials said they are seeking the former spiritual leader of the Islamic Society of Arlington for questioning.

Moataz Al-Hallak, 40, has been under scrutiny for several years because of his link to Wadiah el Hage, a member of Al-Hallak's former mosque and a Lebanese-born U.S. citizen from Arlington who earlier this year was convicted of conspiring with bin Laden for his role in the bombings of two U.S. embassies in Africa. The FBI would not elaborate.

Al-Hallak was questioned last year before a New York federal grand jury investigating bin Laden's activities.

San Antonio lawyer Wayne Fagan, who represented bin Laden's brother, Salem, from 1982 until his death in 1988, said agents likely are concerned about further attacks by supporters of those responsible for Tuesday's attacks.

"If I were the perpetrator

of this action, or if I were an admirer of the perpetrators, I really would be working real hard right now figuring out how to commit another act," Fagan said. "It would put the country in chaos, to send the message that it's not just the guys on that airplane and no place is safe."

A federal official speaking on condition of anonymity told The Dallas Morning News that federal law enforcement were finding Dallas a fruitful avenue of investigation "in terms of leads and information."

In Fort Worth, federal authorities were holding two men possessing box cutters and \$5,000 cash. They were removed from an Amtrak train and detained by federal officials.

The men — Ayuh Ali Khan, 51, and Mohammed Jaweed Azmath, 47 — were being held on suspicion of entering the United States

with fraudulent documents.

In the Rio Grande Valley, the FBI looked through medical records of Middle Eastern students who had been trained at a now-defunct aviation school.

Jorge Cisneros, a spokesman for the FBI's McAllen office, confirmed that the FBI was in a Mission doctor's office as part of its international investigation into Tuesday's attacks.

Dr. Robert Pate said that the agents were looking through records of students who had attended the South Wind aviation school in 1996 and 1997. Pate served as an examiner for the Federal Aviation Administration and performed pilot's exams for many of the flight school students.

Last week, records were seized from the Dallas-area Holy Land Foundation in an anti-terrorism investigation

led by the FBI. The Richardson organization provides relief to Palestinians.

The U.S. Department of Commerce suspended the export privileges of InfoCom Corp. Inc., an Internet-services business with close ties to Holy Land, because of alleged illegal shipments to Libya and Syria.

A federal grand jury also subpoenaed records from Holy Land and other groups that did business with InfoCom.

No charges have been brought against InfoCom or Holy Land. Both deny any link to terrorists.

Dallas FBI spokeswoman Lori Bailey cautioned against linking last week's events with this week's attacks.

"All are separate individuals, separate investigations, separate incidents," she said.

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# Air traffic system begins halting steps toward operating in skies again

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

A few jetliners roamed the nation's skies Friday, carrying small numbers of edgy travelers as airlines resumed limited schedules three days after terrorists attack New York and Washington.

At the handful of major airports that reopened, passengers found long waits due to intense new security measures, including bans on seemingly every conceivable weapon — even nail clippers and plastic knives. And there were numerous delays and cancellations.

In Boston, a few passengers showed up Friday morning with luggage at the

still-closed Logan Airport after several airlines erroneously told passengers their flights would be leaving. Airport officials called the airlines and instructed them to tell passengers not to show up at Logan until the airport officially opened.

Logan was where terrorists boarded two jets that were hijacked Tuesday and crashed into the World Trade Center. The airport won't reopen until stricter safety measures are in place, Federal Aviation Administration Administrator Jane Garvey said. The airport was under investigation for possible security breaches before the attacks.

"There's going to be confusion on various fronts for the next few days," said Ron Wilson, spokesman for San Francisco International Airport.

At Los Angeles International Airport, people lined up at ticket counters as early as 4:30 a.m.

A few planes were flying Friday from the nation's second busiest airport, Chicago's O'Hare International. Airline workers offered help to travelers and the Red Cross passed out bananas, orange juice and breakfast biscuits.

Despite the delays and other problems, people waiting in a food court at Portland International in

Oregon cheered as the first jet departed.

"People in this country have a hang-up about having their personal space invaded. But when you're in this situation, you have to sacrifice some of your individuality," said Kevin McArthur, a business consultant waiting at Denver International Airport for a flight to Chicago.

The New York area's three major airports — Kennedy International, LaGuardia and Newark International — had some landings on Thursday but then abruptly closed as the FBI detained at least 10 people of Middle Eastern descent for questioning. They were later cleared

of any connection with the attack, authorities said.

Washington's Reagan National Airport remained closed indefinitely. Washington-Dulles International Airport, the origin of the hijacked flight that hit the Pentagon, reopened on a limited schedule.

Officials at airports across the country said it could be late next week before commercial service is fully restored. Chances of getting a flight out of the nation's smaller airports remained slim Friday, and private flights were still banned.

Travelers were met with long lines and delays. Philadelphia International

Airport was at half of normal operations Friday morning.

"We hope that stays for the rest of the day, or gets better," airport spokesman Mark Pesce said. "It changes from moment to moment."

At the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, about 25 cots were set up with pillows, and some people were still sleeping at 8:50 a.m.

Before flights could begin operating, airports were required to implement new security measures, including banning curbside check-in and limiting access to ticketed passengers beyond security screening points.

## Peres now in attack

JERUSALEM

Setting a new Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres Friday that leader Yasser Arafat an end to terror before truce talk held, a Peres aide said.

Peres' decision into doubt the meeting, tentatively set for Sunday.

Secretary of State Powell spoke Thursday and Peres-Arafat meeting Peres spokesman Dori.

Peres told Powell, "Arafat is not in immediate danger before the meeting, and we will take the necessary steps to calm the situation, according to the Israeli charges."

Peres has not taken steps in militants, and members of his forces take part against Palestinians who are responsible for violence because of continuing occupation of the West Bank and its restricted Palestinian. A denounced suicide attacks in Israel.

The meeting, working out a truce, nearly a Palestinian-Israeli truce, was to be held Sunday at International Airport.

In the wake of terror attacks in States on Tuesday, Cabinet ministers

## Bush gives Pentagon authority to call up 50,000 reservists

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush on Friday gave the Pentagon authority to call 50,000 reservists to active duty for "homeland defense" and other missions in response to the terrorist attacks on New York and Washington.

A brief Pentagon announcement said the military services have thus far identified requirements for 35,500 reservists: 13,000 in the Air Force, 10,000 in the Army, 3,000 in the Navy, 7,500 in the Marine Corps and 2,000 in the Coast Guard.

No further breakdown was provided.

The Pentagon did not say exactly when the reservists would be put on active duty.

The reservists will be assigned to the following missions: port operations, medical support, engineer support, general civil support and homeland defense.

The order signed by Bush authorizes what is known as a partial mobilization of the nation's military reserves. That means the Pentagon could put as many as 1 million citizen soldiers on active duty.

"This partial mobilization demonstrates the vital role of reserve forces in our national military strategy," the Pentagon announcement said.

In all, the United States has 1.3 million people in the reserves.

The last time a partial mobilization of the reserves was authorized by the president was on Jan. 18, 1991 at the outset of the Gulf War. In that instance 265,322 members of the National Guard and Reserve were activated.

Bush acted on the recommendation of Donald H. Rumsfeld, who presented the proposal during a Cabinet meeting at the White House Friday.

Bush had planned to announce the move after the Cabinet meeting, but the photo opportunity was canceled at the last minute. Two government officials familiar with the president's plans said he still planned to go forward with the move.

They stressed that the call-up was not part of a military mobilization aimed at the terrorists who struck Washington and New York Tuesday. Instead, Rumsfeld wants the troops, the largest number called up since the 1991 Persian Gulf War, to support air patrols over New York and Washington and

remain alert elsewhere in the country.

The troops also would help with homeland defense, the officials said, such as recovery and security efforts in the affected areas.

Air National Guard reserve pilots are needed to man fighter jets that are on 15-minute alert at 26 bases across the country to protect commercial planes.

Rumsfeld said combat planes are flying over the New York-Washington corridor to protect flights.

Bush prepared for the call-up as the Pentagon weighed how to eradicate the terrorists who hit New York and Washington as well as the states and organizations that support them.

The military strike options go far beyond the short-term cruise missile assaults of years past in Afghanistan and Sudan and isolated airstrikes against sites in Iraq.

Instead, they involve the potential lengthy use of military forces on the land, at sea and in the air. Options include the covert insertion of elite special forces and long-range bomb strikes from manned aircraft, said senior military and administration officials, all speaking on condition of anonymity.

In the most explicit description yet of the Bush administration's intentions, Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz said Thursday the retaliation would be continued until the roots of terrorism are destroyed.

"These people try to hide. They won't be able to hide forever," Wolfowitz said. "They think their harbors are safe, but they won't be safe forever. One has to say it's not just simply a matter of capturing people and holding them accountable, but removing the sanctuaries, removing the support systems, ending states who sponsor terrorism."

Said Navy Secretary Gordon England: "This is not going to be a short program."

The huge number of dead and the vast destruction wrought by Tuesday's strikes has caused a different mindset to take hold among senior Defense Department officials, a ranking military official said.

"If you are really going to do war, you do it with all assets — political, economic and military, and that's what they want to do," the officer said.

## Stranded witnesses testify via videoconference

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Stranded by the Federal Aviation Administration's ban on commercial air traffic, two out-of-state witnesses testified Thursday by videoconferencing in a capital murder trial.

Jurors in the trial of Jimmy Dean Harris were moved to the Oklahoma Bar Center and linked to the Houston law firm of Vinson & Elkins, where the witnesses waited to testify.

The Oklahoma Bar Association donated the use of the video equipment and created a makeshift courtroom in the center's boardroom.

District Judge Virgil Black said he believes this is the first time video technology has been used in an Oklahoma County criminal case. Black agreed to allow the videoconferencing testimony instead of delaying the trial.

Harris, 44, is being tried for the Sept. 1, 1999, shooting of his wife, Pamela Harris Schmidhuber, and the slaying of her boss, Merle Taylor, 63.

Taylor died after he tried to protect Schmidhuber when Harris showed up at AAMCO Transmissions in northwestern Oklahoma City.

Ronald Weiss and Melton Hausler testified by video. They own transmission shops in Houston where the Harrises worked for six months during a two-year

period beginning in 1996.

After the jury was transported back to the courthouse, the defendant's daughters, 24-year-old Dena Harris and 22-year-old Delisha Peterman, testified.

The daughters lived with their father and Schmidhuber part of the time while they were growing up.

The Harrises have an 18-year-old daughter, Christine.

They testified that their father smoked marijuana, drank and occasionally took his wife's prescription for Valium.

"They had verbal arguments every day. Pam always started it," Dena Harris told jurors. "She

degraded him all the time. She called him a loser. She called him stupid."

Harris' attorneys contend that their client was the one who was abused — both verbally and mentally.

They also claim he suffered from alcohol and drug abuse, and was mentally ill at the time of the shootings.

Prosecutors Connie Pope and Patty High say Schmidhuber was the victim of domestic abuse. She earlier testified that she was abused by the defendant, and lived in fear for 20 years.

On Wednesday, five AAMCO Transmission employees testified, identifying Harris as the gunman in shootings.

the loving kindness/compassion meditation prayer and the six syllable jewel-in-the-lotus mantra.

"It's in memory of the victims and the sufferings of all and a plea not to perpetuate even more violence," Das said.

"It's a plea for restraint, moderation and reason and healing and praying for peace."

## PRAYER

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"All the members who are moved to say prayers can stand and say prayers," said Kambiz Rafraf, a Baha'i spokesman.

The religion, with roots in Iran, focuses on spiritual growth and solving society's ills.

Members of the Islamic Center on Long Island, N.Y., were also present.

stunned by the many revenge assaults on Muslim-Americans since Tuesday, will hold the second of three services for victims of the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

They also will collect donations for the American Red Cross.

"We're hurting, too, and we're also Americans," said Arshad Majid, a member of the center.

the center. "There were Muslim lives lost in that building, as well. We're all human and we need to get together."

While Bush prays at the National Cathedral in Washington on Friday, Lama Surya Das of the Dzogchen Center, plans a Buddhist service in Cambridge, Mass.

The program will include

trying to persuade reporters to print or broadcast the names and photographs of relatives they could not find.

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## EFFORT

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nection to the terrorist attacks.

Friday's rainstorm followed a disappointing 24 hours. No survivors were found, only false hope. Reports of five firefighters recovered alive in a buried SUV were carried by television stations and news agencies, including The Associated Press. Authorities were ecstatic. The story wasn't true.

The accurate report: Two firefighters had been temporarily trapped in an underground air pocket and freed by other rescue workers.

Volunteers, running on adrenaline and faith, were evacuated from a damaged office tower across the street from the Trade Center when the top 10 stories appeared unsteady. Workers fled, sprinting down the street.

No buildings fell. Giuliani said inspections Thursday found the buildings still standing were structurally sound.

Even the New York area's three busy airports suffered fits and starts. After being opened for the first time since Tuesday, they were abruptly closed after the detentions at the airports and remained shut down Friday.

Worries spurred evacuations across the city — at Grand Central Terminal, the Port Authority Bus Terminal and CNN's midtown offices, among other locations.

Tens of thousands of residents in lower Manhattan remained homeless. From trendy TriBeCa to working-class Chinatown, investigators turned the five-square-mile area into a giant crime scene. Some lucky residents were allowed to retrieve a few belongings before being

hustled out because of safety concerns and power outages.

At an armory, in hospitals and on the streets of Manhattan, thousands of distraught families searched for the missing. Almost every sentence began the same: "Have you seen ...?" And nearly every plea ended the same: "If you know anything, please call ..."

More than 2,500 people stood in line at the armory on 26th Street and Lexington Avenue, waiting to complete missing-persons reports. At St. Vincent's Hospital, where many of the victims from Tuesday's World Trade Center attacks were taken, relatives waited to find out if their loved ones had been admitted.

Others stood on the street,

trying to persuade reporters to print or broadcast the names and photographs of relatives they could not find.

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Saturday, Sept. 15

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# Peres-Arafat meeting now in doubt after attacks on America

JERUSALEM (AP) — Setting a new condition, Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres demanded Friday that Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat order an end to terror attacks before truce talks can be held, a Peres aide said.

Peres' decision threw into doubt the long-awaited meeting, tentatively set for Sunday.

Secretary of State Colin Powell spoke to Peres on Thursday and pushed for a Peres-Arafat meeting, said Peres spokesman Yoram Dori.

Peres told Powell that first, "Arafat must issue immediate instructions, before the meeting, to stop terror acts, and he must take the necessary steps to calm the situation," according to Dori.

Israel charges that Arafat has not taken steps to rein in militants, and that some members of his security forces take part in attacks against Israelis. Palestinians charge that Israel is responsible for the violence because of its continuing occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip and its restrictions against Palestinians. Arafat has denounced suicide bombing attacks in Israel.

The meeting, aimed at working out a truce to end nearly a year of Palestinian-Israeli violence, was to take place Sunday at Gaza International Airport.

In the wake of airborne terror attacks in the United States on Tuesday, Israeli Cabinet ministers have

been taking a tougher line against the Palestinians, and moderates have been joining hard-liners in opposing a meeting.

Palestinians charge that Israel is using the terrorism in the United States as a cover for stepping up its attacks against them.

The Palestinian Cabinet said in a statement issued after a Thursday session that Israel is "using all kinds of aggression to sabotage" international efforts to bring an end to the violence.

After the attacks in the United States on Tuesday, Israel sent tanks and troops into two West Bank towns, Jenin and Jericho, and two villages, destroying Palestinian police buildings and other structures. After several hours, the tanks withdrew to the outskirts of the two towns, but remained in Palestinian territory.

Since Tuesday, 15 Palestinians have been killed, most of them in clashes during the incursions.

The Yediot Ahronot daily said the incursions were part of a new army plan, called "Tightening the Grip," to increase military pressure on the Palestinian Authority.

Peres has said that a series of meetings would be necessary to reach a truce. Peres has met Arafat several times and cease-fire agreements have been reached in the past, but none have been implemented. Each side blames the other for the failures.

# Millions around world pray for U.S.

LONDON (AP) — In cathedrals and schools, shops and stock exchanges, U.S. embassies and military bases, much of Europe fell silent this morning at the death and destruction in New York and Washington.

The organ and congregation thundered the American national anthem at St. Paul's Cathedral in London, where Queen Elizabeth II and Prime Minister Tony Blair led more than 2,000 in prayer. Thousands more were turned away by police.

Among the throngs outside, Heather Robinson, an American who lives in England, said she did not know anyone who was killed but felt she had to come to pay her respects.

"I can't even go home now," she said, sobbing on the shoulder of her English husband. "I feel very helpless."

Tariq Muhammad Dhamial, a native of Pakistan, stood out in traditional Sunni Muslim black garb, a green head band and long beard. "I am here to show as a Muslim that we condemn these acts," he

said.

Most European nations observed a three-minute silence in the morning or at noon as floral bouquets swelled outside American embassies. One exception was Serbia, the dominant republic of Yugoslavia, where authorities called no period of mourning. The smaller Yugoslav republic of Montenegro did declare a day of mourning.

From Germany to Greece, television stations switched to religious ceremonies or broadcast black screens. In Paris, French President Jacques Chirac stood to attention in front of a military honor guard at the Elysee Palace, where the Republican Guard also played "The Star-Spangled Banner."

The somber mood ran particularly deep on American military bases and naval vessels abroad, whose personnel wondered when they might be ordered to strike back.

"It has been a roller coaster of emotion over the last few days, from the initial shock and horror of the event to the more somber

mood which you see today," said Air Force Col. John Brennan, commander of Lakenheath air base south of London, where 15,000 service personnel and families make it the biggest American base in Europe.

"Now we have to get back to work," Brennan said after services capped by a wailing rendition of "Amazing Grace" by a lone bagpiper. "We have to resume our training and focus on our combat readiness — and we are ready to go."

The global day of grief began in Asia, where sirens blared for one minute in South Korea and young children appeared outside the American Embassy in Seoul. Some knelt before the building, closed their eyes and prayed silently, alongside a few adults accompanying them. Others placed flowers to honor the unknown thousands who died in Tuesday's suicide attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

"I prayed to God so that the people who died would go to heaven and live happily there. When I saw people

jumping out of the window, I felt pity and sorrow," said Kim Min-ee, 13.

In Europe, stock exchanges from Norway to Austria stopped business for three minutes, and other lives paused in the most trivial of ways. In Britain, lottery ticket sales halted in convenience stores, and pubs delayed their usual 11 a.m. opening. In Finland, cabbies pulled to the side of the road. In Iceland, fishermen stood in silence at the Reykjavik docks.

In Ireland, the government ordered most offices and businesses to close for the entire day.

At St. Mary's Catholic Cathedral in Dublin, plaintive harps and violins accompanied messages from Catholic and Protestant leaders together.

"Ireland is brokenhearted and grieving deeply at the unconscionable waste of life which we have witnessed this week," said President Mary McAleese, who led the congregation in prayers for world leaders to show wisdom "so that justice and mercy may prevail in our world."

# Workers beginning next stage of Kursk salvage

MOSCOW (AP) — Preparations for attaching cables that will lift the sunken nuclear submarine Kursk from the sea floor began today after salvage workers successfully cut off the vessel's bow.

The 26 holes cut in the main body of the submarine are being cleaned so that guides can be installed on its exterior hull for plugs to hold the cables, said Larissa Van Seumeren, spokeswoman for Dutch consortium Mammoet-Smit

International. The consortium has been contracted by the Russian government for the \$65 million salvage operation.

Cutting off the front section of the Kursk, completed Thursday, was a key step before further salvage work could continue. The submarine is set to be lifted around Sept. 25 from the bottom of the Barents Sea, where it sank on Aug. 12, 2000 with 118 men aboard.

Divers were dismantling pipes and other parts of the

submarine that could interfere with installation of the cables, Navy spokesman Igor Dygalo told the Interfax news agency. He said they were focusing on the fourth section of the submarine where the greatest number of holes, 10 of the 26, are located.

The original plans to raise the Kursk on Saturday were put off because of delays caused by bad weather, according to Russian officials.

To lift the submarine —

once one of Russia's largest and most modern — the cables will be attached to a barge with hydraulic lifting devices and hoisted to the surface. The submarine will then be towed to a shipyard near the Russian port of Murmansk, where it will be put in a dry dock.

Russian officials said the front part of the submarine, mangled in the explosions that sank the Kursk, had to be removed to reduce the risk of unexploded torpedoes detonating.

## HOROSCOPE

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Sept. 15:

You express yourself directly, and leave no questions unanswered. Sometimes you come off far more assertive than you realize. If others react strongly, pull back and try a softer approach. Don't keep your caring and loving feelings all locked up. Express them. You will want plenty of downtime to recycle and center. You could opt to change fields, perhaps doing something more rewarding and nurturing. If you are single, you have a push-and-pull quality. Look for someone who can offer friendship as well. If you are attached, express your vulnerability more often, and follow through with your actions. VIRGO is a soul mate.

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)\*\*\*\* Transform good feelings into strong actions. Aries, the pioneer, likes acting more than talking and emoting. Here comes your chance. Pitch in and help a loved one or friend who needs your help. Volunteer for a favorite charity. Tonight: Rent a movie.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)\*\*\*\* Express your tenderness and gentleness to a loved one or family member before you make plans. Caring evolves into action. If single, you might want to go out and participate in a favorite pastime or sport. If attached, romp on out together. Tonight: Ever playful.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)\*\*\*\* Speak to a friend

directly. Make plans in the morning that involve a luxury or a treat. Catch up on news over a lengthy meal. Spend time at home, perhaps curled up with a good book or even raking the leaves. Don't do anything you don't want to do. Tonight: Order in. Be a couch potato for a change!

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)\*\*\*\* Balance your checkbook before you decide to spoil someone with a major expenditure. What you are doing comes out of caring. The cost of the gift doesn't necessarily reflect anything but your wallet. Go out and browse. Tonight: Dinner with atmosphere.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)\*\*\*\* Clearly someone cannot resist you. Slow down and enjoy what is going on around you this morning. Don't allow yourself to run

off. Rather, take in the moment of peace and caring. March on out the door in the afternoon, and take care of an errand. Some might opt to work. Tonight: Your treat.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)\*\*\*\* Understand how important your feelings are. You also could be more vulnerable than you realize. Don't take another's comment personally, or you could go on the warpath. Use your unusually high energy to do something constructive. Tonight: Party the night away.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)\*\*\*\* Call a friend or loved one for brunch. Get together and chat. Both of you enjoy each other's company and add a happy tone to each other's life. Use the afternoon to clear out a long-overdue project. Take out your frustration with

some physical activity. Tonight: Use this time for you.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)\*\*\*\* You're in the limelight, enjoying the moment. Someone compliments you and means it. Your whole mood changes as a result. A friend invites you to join in. Network. Meet new friends. Express your physically dominant side through a game of golf or tennis. Tonight: Wherever you are, the action is.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)\*\*\*\* Hop in the car, or at least pick up the phone. A loved one cares a lot and needs contact. Your caring flows, and you relax well together. Take action concerning a parent or work situation. Let someone know that when you stomp your feet, you mean business. Tonight: All eyes turn to you.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)\*\*\*\* Dedicate more time to a key partner or loved one. Opt for a little indulgence. Take off with a friend later in the day. Consider going to visit a friend in the country or taking in the foliage. You smile more when you're out of town. Tonight: Try something different.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)\*\*\*\* Don't say "no" to a caring gesture. What starts as light and easy becomes intense. If you're available, you might want to take another look at this person. Let others make the first move. Tonight: Thoughtfulness works.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)\*\*\*\* Take it easy this morning. Center your plans on friends or on going out where people are. Another's strong statement puts you a couple steps back. Tonight:

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

Each week, the *Herald* salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play.

This week we salute:

- **BIG SPRING ROTARY CLUB MEMBERS** JOHN BRYANS, JIMMY ANDERSON, JOEL DE LA GARZA, CARLOS DIMIDJIAN, DARRELL HENDRICKSON, BILL JENNINGS, JERRY KILGORE and JO AN HYER, who with the help of a Cox Communications bucket truck put out American flags along Gregg Street to honor those lost in Tuesday's terrorist attacks.
- **THE MANY INDIVIDUALS**, who turned out to give blood during drives conducted by United Blood Services at StarTek and Big Spring City Hall.
- **CANTERBURY RETIREMENT HOMES, CORNERSTONE CHURCH, TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH, HILLCREST BAPTIST CHURCH, FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH, SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH, EAST FOURTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND MT. BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**, for conducting special prayer services for the victims of Tuesday's terrorist attacks and their families.
- **ED MOUGHON**, chief executive officer at Big Spring State Hospital, on being named to a new advisory task force for the Texas Board of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.
- **CANTERBURY RETIREMENT HOMES**, on conducting its fifth annual Senior Health Fair.
- **STUDENTS AT KENTWOOD AND ELBOW ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS** for their early observances of Grandparents Day.
- **BIG SPRING MODEL AIRPLANE ASSOCIATION** on conducting its eighth annual Don McKinney Float and Fly at Comanche Trail Lake.

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Americans now ready to accept the cost

Great events make great presidents, and George W. Bush has his event. The terrorist attack on the United States is the most horrific tragedy to unfold on American soil since the Civil War. The Bush administration will be tested and defined by this terrible act.



JACK ANDERSON

The most significant development is the overnight change the attack brought in our thinking about military casualties. Ever since the end of the Vietnam War, Americans have imposed upon their political leaders a fear of sending service people into harm's way. Americans have always placed a high value on human life, and the loss of one person — military or

civilian — is appropriately viewed as a tragedy. But the military exists to protect the nation. It exists to protect the civilian population, and a reluctance to use it can have terrible consequences.

As a result, except for the Gulf War, all of America's military actions since Vietnam have been surgical in nature, designed to achieve objectives with the least number of casualties — always an appropriate goal. But, in the course of such thinking, we have come to place objectives and casualties on the same plane.

In fact, anticipated casualties must be a factor in deciding whether or not a given objective is worth the cost. The question is whether, since Vietnam, America has been willing to properly assess those objectives and costs.

Then came the Gulf War in 1991. Saddam Hussein was running amok, and Middle Eastern oil resources were threatened. Americans were braced to

expect between 30,000 and 50,000 casualties — albeit, we considered our numerous advantages and wrote at the time: "The war will last as long as it takes a tank to drive to Baghdad, and American casualties will be under 500." In fact, 143 American lives were lost in the war because our allies and we employed overwhelming force backed by technologically superior weaponry.

In the 10 years since that war, America fell back into its casualty-averse attitude, only to witness the loss of thousands of lives — mostly civilian — on September 11. Suddenly, America was awakened. Just as it took the attack on Pearl Harbor to motivate Americans to accept the obvious truth that the country had to fight the evil instigators of World War II, who had been overrunning much of the world for two years, so September 11 has awakened us to the reality that we cannot play defense in the war against international terrorism.

Now America will do what it should have done years ago. It will root out the terrorists and their governmental sponsors at the source. Americans will accept the prospect of military casualties because the objective requires it. The problem is that the objective required it before September 11.

We can hope and pray for the young men and women who are about to risk their lives for us and our nation's future, but we must see this thing through. It is time to stamp out terrorism, whether it originates from Afghanistan, Sudan, Iraq, Iran, Lebanon, Syria or Libya. It is time to bring an end to the threats posed by Osama bin Laden, Saddam Hussein and Moammar Khadaffy. And we are going to lose brave people in the process.

The alternatives — including terrorist attacks with chemical, biological, or even nuclear weapons — are too gruesome to contemplate.



Stern days are here again

By DON FEDER  
Guest Columnist

On Dec. 7, 1941, Winston Churchill called President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. "What's all this about Pearl Harbor?" the prime minister asked.

"It's quite true, they bombed us," FDR replied. "We're all in the same boat now."

Today, it's America and Israel that occupy the same small craft in a storm-tossed sea. September 11, 2001, was another day of infamy — New York's World Trade Center demolished by two hijacked planes, while another crashed into the Pentagon — with thousands dead.

Now, the American people know what Israel has endured for the past year — cars exploding in residential neighborhoods, mortar rounds lobbed at apartment buildings, a sniper shooting a baby in its father's arms.

Since Arafat's make-believe peace at Oslo in 1993, 632 Israelis have died. Based on Israel's population, that's the equivalent of 34,600 dead Americans.

Israel is on the front lines, as England was in 1940. But the Jewish state is far from the only target.

Islamic militants hate America and everything it represents — democracy, freedom of conscience and religious tolerance. The Palestinian Authority regularly calls on the Arab

world to avenge itself on the Great Satan.

"Attack U.S. interests," urged Farouk Kaddoumi, chief of the PLO's political department. The Palestinian Authority's official newspaper declared, "Conflict with the U.S. is the only way to achieve our goals."

The festivities weren't confined to the West Bank. Reuters reported, "Ordinary Egyptians said Tuesday the United States deserved the wave of deadly attacks toward its cities, saying justice was being served for Washington's 'bias' toward Israel and against the Arabs."

Analogies have limits. Unlike Pearl Harbor, this time we were on notice. In 1993, Sheik Omar Abdel Rahman's crew bombed the World Trade Center, killing seven, wounding 500.

Americans were outraged. Americans were up in arms. And when the smoke had cleared, Americans went back to sleep. We were the last remaining superpower, secure in our invincibility.

Terrorism was something that happened elsewhere and to others. Why couldn't Israel just negotiate with those people? End the occupation. Give them the land.

Because human life means nothing to those people. Because their malice, their demonic hatred of all who aren't like them, is limitless. Because they recognize no differences between soldiers and civil-

ians, combatants and office workers.

After Tuesday's dead are buried and the mourners comforted, what then?

After the crippling blow they dealt the U.S. Seventh Fleet, the Japanese expected us to go into shock, allowing them to run rampant over the Pacific.

Major miscalculation. That's the impact the Osama bin Ladens, Yasser Arafats, and leaders of Hamas and Islamic Jihad are hoping Tuesday's atrocities will have.

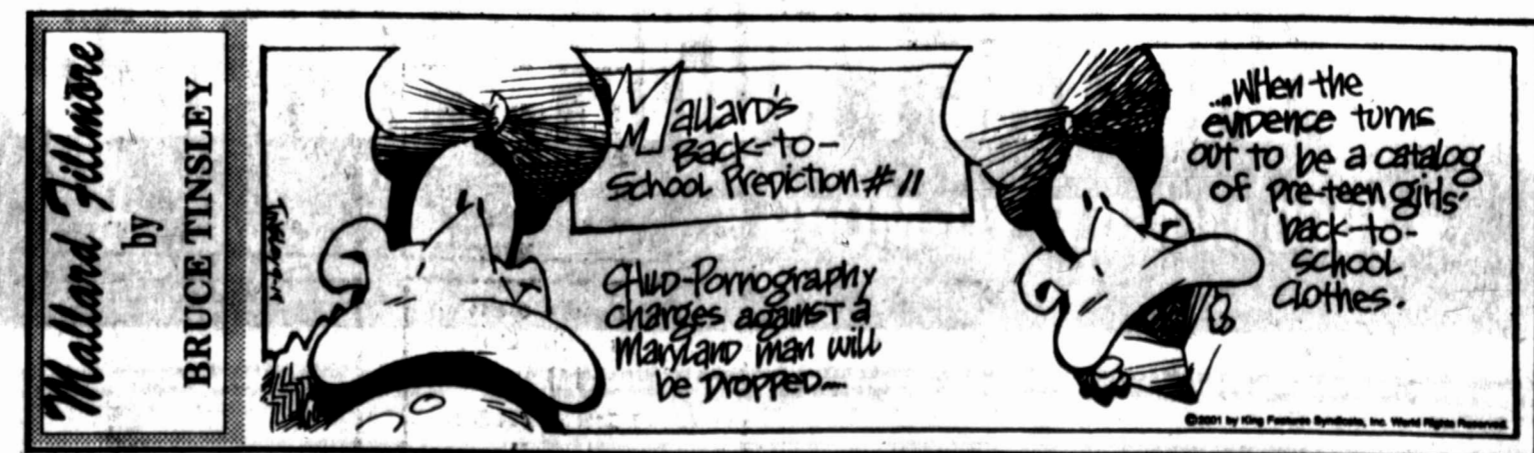
They are looking for a white flag. They think that if they kill enough of us and strike fear in the hearts of the rest, we'll walk away from the Middle East, allow them to finish off Israel and our other allies in the region, and then come after America in their own good time.

Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto, Japanese naval chief of staff who planned the attack on Pearl Harbor, could have set them straight. After the raid, Yamamoto observed that Tokyo had "awakened a sleeping giant and filled him with a terrible resolve."

A month before Pearl Harbor, when Britannia stood alone, Churchill told the boys at Harrow: "This is the great lesson: Never give in. ... Never yield to force. ... Do not let us speak of darker days; let us rather speak of sterner days." Mettle is burnished in the fires of conflict.

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Was there something in history that singled this date out for such a deadly attack? Some how we tend to believe that even terrorism must be following some kind of understandable script.

Twenty-one years ago this past April we watched another tragic but perhaps more understandable tragedy unfold when Mt. St. Helens erupted.

Many lives were lost, property was destroyed and familiar landmarks were gone.

However, in that tragedy, we had many weeks of warning and preparation.

But on Tuesday at approximately 8:45 a.m. EDT, the destruction in New York and Washington, D.C. arrived without warning. No one had time to get ready.

Mt. St. Helens exploded early on an otherwise quiet Sunday morning when most people were far away, but Tuesday morning...

Many of life's tragedies do not give us time to get ready. For most of them, we could never feel fully prepared.

A professor friend and I once compared our personal tragedies. Each of us had lost a child.

For months he had watched his adult son slowly die with cancer.

He son was surrounded with the best medical care that could be found. There was time to say last things, to make some attempt to "get ready."

When our daughter died there was no time to "get ready."

There was only a brief violent 15 minutes or so and then she was dead. Mom and dad were over 100 miles away.

In his second letter to the Corinthians, Paul spoke of his own crisis, of an unfolding and unmanageable and overwhelming circumstance.

He wrote these words to describe that experience.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God."

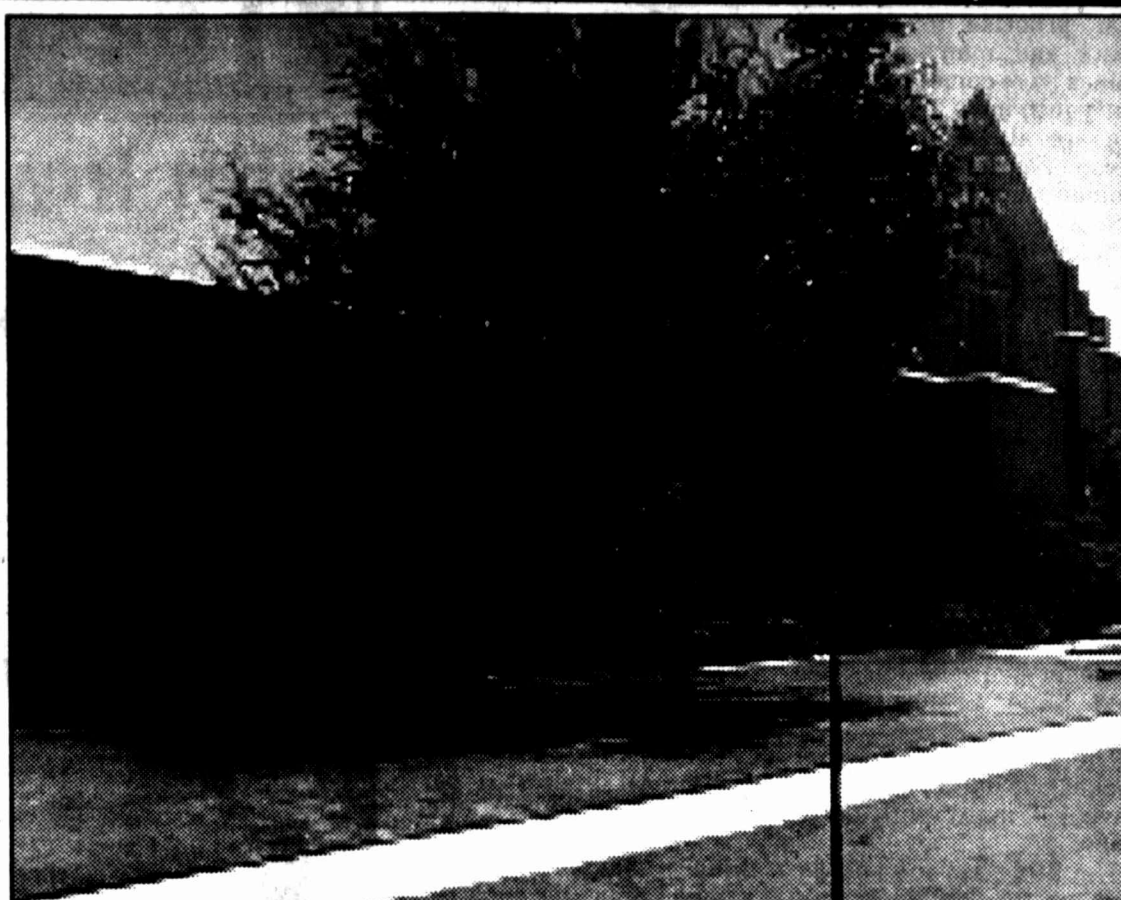
A few verses later, he allows us to know something of his own state-of-mind, when he wrote, "For we do not want you to be unaware, brethren, of our affliction which came to us in Asia, that we were burdened excessively, beyond our strength, so that we despaired even of life; indeed we had the sentence of death within ourselves in order that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God who raises the dead; who delivered us from so great a peril of death, and will deliver us, and will deliver us, He on whom we have set our hope," (1:3-4, 8-10b).

Paul's word to us is not that God always delivers us from tragedy, but that He is able to deliver us through tragedy. Our preparation for life's unexpected tragic events is never complete until we come to trust the Lord Jesus to carry us through that which is well beyond our ability to cope.

When our daughter was unexpectedly taken from us, we were neither brave nor strong.

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**CHURCH NEWS**

**St. Mary's Episcopal**  
Everyone is welcome to attend St. Mary's Fall worship services. The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated each Sunday at 8 and 10:30 a.m. St. Mary's also has Sunday school for all ages at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew will have their monthly meeting and breakfast on Saturday, Sept. 22, starting at 8 a.m. in the chapel.

St. Mary's Annual Sunday School Bowling Party will be next Sunday, Sept. 16. All the Sunday school students and families should meet at Bowl-A-Rama at 1 p.m. For more details, please contact Barbara Harris.

The Vestry will hold their meeting on Monday, Sept. 17 at 5:30 p.m.

The Episcopal Church Women's Courtyard Sale will be on Sept. 22. They will be pricing items for the sale and getting things ready Wednesday, Sept. 19 and Friday, Sept. 21 at 6 p.m. Any parishioner's help will be very much appreciated.

**Coahoma United Methodist**

The United Methodist Church has designated September as Open House Month and has taken Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors as a slogan, especially to declare that our doors are always open!

Below are some of the activities that Coahoma United Methodist Church has scheduled for our Open

House celebration for September:

Sept. 23 (fourth Sunday) - Our youth will lead the service. This has been our regular practice for several years and many powerful things have come from what our youth have to say to us! We are all very proud of these young men and women who love the Lord.

Sept. 30 - This is the fifth Sunday of the month and one in which we celebrate by services of praise, sometimes with guest groups. This fifth Sunday the Paige Sisters will lead our worship.

We invite all who might be interested to come to these services and to any others at any time.

**First Assembly of God**  
"What does the future hold" is pastor R.T. Havener's special message this Sunday morning at 10:40.

The terrorist attacks that rocked our nation this week have left many with questions.

The Bible has the answer and pastor Havener will examine this subject from the prophetic view of the Scriptures.

In the evening service at 6 pastor Havener will be continuing his series of messages on the book of Revelation.

On Wednesday nights the church is studying "favorite chapters" from the Bible.

The congregation of First Assembly of God located at Fourth and Lancaster invites you to join them for this outstanding day in the presence of our Lord.

**First Christian**  
The Christian Church

Loyce Phillips.

**Coahoma Lodge 992**  
Coahoma Lodge 992 will have a called meeting Sept. 14 at 7 p.m. A Fellowcraft Degree will be conferred on Brother David Sellers.

All members are encouraged to attend and all Masons are welcome.

**Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association**

The Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, Sept. 17, in the Cactus Room at Howard College. Lunch will be served at 11:30.

(Disciples of Christ) is an ecumenical church that practices open communion every Sunday.

We invite everyone who does not already have a church home to visit with us this Sunday.

Dr. Jimmy Watson will preach the sermon, "Is God's grace available even for the terrorists?" at the morning worship service beginning at 10:45 a.m.

Sunday school classes are held for all ages beginning at 9:45 a.m. Nursery is provided. Our weekly study and prayer time is Wednesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

We are now studying the Cane Ridge Revival of 1801, led by Barton Stone.

Cane Ridge is of special interest to its particular spiritual and theological descendants found in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), the Churches of Christ and the Christian Churches/Churches of Christ. All interested persons are welcome to attend.

**Baker's Chapel**

Don't plan to cook on Saturday, Sept. 15. Baker's Chapel is having one of it's famous barbecue fund raisers!

Located at 911 N. Lancaster at the fellowship hall.

Henry will be in the kitchen from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

On the menu will be barbecue brisket, ribs and sausage with all of the trimmings.

Single meat plate is \$5.50, double meat plate is \$6 and a triple meat plate is \$6.50. Take outs, dine ins and delivery's welcome.

The program, Circle of Health, will be presented by Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

On the agenda are plans for the District XVIII Fall Convention in Odessa on Sept. 24.

All retired school personnel are invited to attend the meeting.

**Big Spring Art Association**

The Big Spring Art Association will meet Tuesday in the basement of the Howard County Library. Judy Gibbs will host the meeting.

Everyone is welcome to attend the open meetings.

**Country Singer Kenny Chesney has close call with terrorist attack**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Country singer Kenny Chesney had a close call with the terrorist attack in New York.

The singer had been scheduled to film a video for his single "The Tin Man" on Tuesday, the day the World Trade Center was destroyed. It was to have been filmed a few blocks from the downtown towers.

"God works in mysterious ways," Chesney, 33, told The Tennessean for Wednesday's editions. "I'm certainly glad I wasn't there — and I feel terrible for all the families who have been affected by this."

The video shoot was canceled because executives at BNA Records decided the

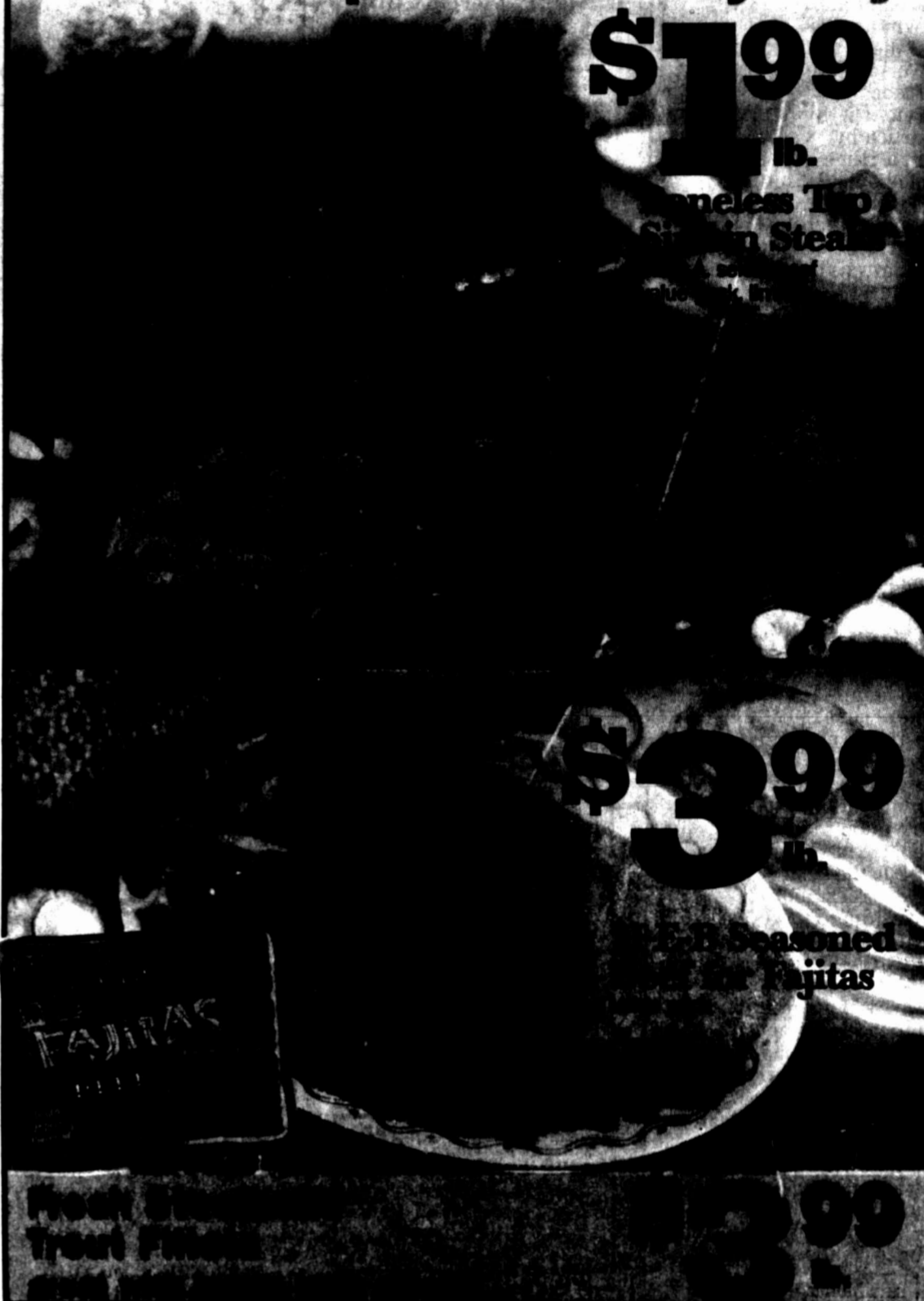
song was doing so well that a video wasn't needed to promote it.

CLEVELAND (AP) — Rafael Vinoly, whose credits include Princeton's football stadium and a new home for the Philadelphia Orchestra, will design a \$170 million Cleveland Museum of Art expansion.

Rafael Vinoly Architects of New York designed the renovation of the Queens Museum in New York and has been involved in planning convention centers in Boston and Pittsburgh.

The museum's board of trustees chose Vinoly on Monday. Other finalists were Beyer Blinder Belle of New York, Foster and Partners of London.

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**CLUB NEWS**

**Beta Kappa Chapter**

Beta Kappa Chapter, the local chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, an honorary society for women teachers, met for a fall coffee in the home of past president Sherri Key.

The large group of members were welcomed by the chapter president, Linda Long and other officers Glenda Hendrickson, Kathleen Liggett, Pam Walker, Joy Burnsed and

**MINISTER**

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We were overwhelmed to the point of despair.

Like Paul, we learned that God is well able to deliver us through whatever we faced.

We did not stand, we were so helpless that we just had to let ourselves be carried.

This week many thousands have had their world and their security torn away.

They are "burdened excessively, beyond their strength so that they despair"... yet He will deliver those who trust Him.

Dwayne Wheat is pastor of Berea Baptist Church.

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**Lady Steers loss on the**

Thursday Spring High squad traveled making up match that was during the terrorist's acts in and Washington.

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She said would be worried ready to rival and Andrews at Gym this Saturday at 2 p.m. junior varsity.

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**SANDS MUST DISTRICT: 7 RECORD: 0-0 DISTRICT: 0-0 TODAY: vs. B Hornets, 1-0 HEAD COACH Lowry S, Duane RADIO: None KICKOFF: 7:30 LAST YEAR: 1**





SPORTS EXTRA

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

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	Prev
1	Miami(40) 2-0	1,749	1	1
2	Florida(14) 2-0	1,715	2	2
3	Oklahoma(11) 3-0	1,638	3	3
4	Nebraska(2) 3-0	1,521	4	5
5	Texas(4) 2-0	1,490	4	4
6	FloridaSt. 2-0	1,426	6	6
7	Oregon 2-0	1,294	7	7
8	Tennessee 2-0	1,263	8	8
9	VirginiaTech 2-0	1,227	9	9
10	GeorgiaTech 3-0	1,092	10	10
11	FresnoSt.(1) 3-0	973	19	19
12	KansasSt. 1-0	970	12	12
13	Washington 1-0	947	15	15
14	UCLA 2-0	895	14	14
15	LSU 2-0	856	13	13
16	Northwestern 1-0	676	16	16
17	MississippiSt. 1-0	615	18	18
18	SouthCarolina 2-0	580	21	21
19	Clemson 2-0	536	20	20
20	Michigan 1-1	510	11	11
21	Owens 1-0	508	24	24
22	Oregon St. 1-1	212	22	22
23	Notre Dame 0-1	211	17	17
24	BYU 3-0	148	—	—
25	Louisville 3-0	129	—	—

Other receiving votes: Purdue 98, Toledo 87, Colorado 48, 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-Astrors, Wednesday, postponed; Rangers-Athletics, Wednesday, postponed; NFL: Cowboys-Detroit, Sunday, canceled. All other NFL games, canceled.

College football:  
Big 12 (Baylor, Texas, Texas A&M, Texas Tech), canceled Saturday. Decision expected Thursday on Texas Tech game.  
Conference USA (Houston, TCU), TCU game canceled, Houston postponed.  
WAC (Rice, SMU, UTEP), Texas Tech at UTEP to be decided Thursday morning. Tulsa at Oklahoma postponed. 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.  
Lone Star Conference (Abilene Christian, Angelo State, Midwestern State, Tarleton State, Texas A&M-Commerce, Texas A&M-Kingsville, West Texas A&M), all scheduled games postponed.  
American Southwest Conference (Austin College, East Texas Baptist University, Hardin-Simmons, Howard Payne, Mary Hardin-Baylor, McMurry, Sul Ross State, Texas Lutheran), all scheduled games postponed.  
Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (Trinity), Trinity has canceled its game.  
NAIA (Southwestern Assemblies of God), pending decision of individual schools.  
Southwest Junior College Football Conference (Blinn, Cisco, Kilgore, Navarro, Ranger, Tyler, Trinity Valley), will play all scheduled games.  
ULI: Pending decision of individual schools.  
Race tracks:  
Lone 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.  
Horse racing:  
NASCAR Craftsman Trucks Silverado 350, canceled Saturday, qualifying canceled.  
Indy Racing League Chevy 500, canceled Sunday, qualifying canceled.

# NFL cancels games, others follow suit, including SEC

NEW YORK (AP) — The NFL's decision to cancel Sunday's games was a simple one.

Players were distracted. They didn't want to fly. Some said they wouldn't have played even if the rest of the league did.

"It really came down to the loss of life and the ability of players to absorb what we've all been through," commissioner Paul Tagliabue said Thursday after calling off Week 2. "We felt it was right to take a week to reflect and to help our friends, families and people in the community who need our support."

Tagliabue's decision to cancel because of the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington had the

full support of owners, coaches, players and, he said, even fans. Calling off the games changes the NFL season dramatically as did the strikes in 1982 and 1987, the only other time the league wiped out games.

There are two options for the rest of the season:

— Thirty teams would play 15 games and San Diego would play 16: the Chargers were scheduled to be off this week.

— Wild-card games would be canceled and this week's games would be played on wild-card Sunday, Jan. 6. That would put eight teams instead of 12 in the playoffs — the six division winners and one wild-card in each instead of three.

Even if the league had played, three teams would not have — the New York Giants and Jets, the Washington Redskins — what the league called "the teams at ground zero." There opponents were Green Bay, Oakland and Arizona.

Far removed from the rubble in New York and Washington, all Emmitt Smith can do is watch, mourn and pray. There is one other thing he says he could've done to help a nation in need of a respite from sadness: Play football.

The NFL took that opportunity away by putting off this weekend's games. While Smith supported the decision, he also wondered whether the league missed a chance to provide a pleasant distraction.

## Houston-Georgia game postponed

HOUSTON (AP) — Saturday's scheduled college football game between Houston and Georgia at Athens, Ga., was postponed because of this week's terrorism attacks, the schools announced Thursday.

Arthur K. Smith, president and chancellor of the University of Houston System, and the president of the University of Georgia, Michael Adams, mutually agreed not to play the game "in respect to the country's national mourning."

It's the first time since 1963, in the wake of the Kennedy assassination, that the University of Houston has put off playing a football game.

No makeup date for the Houston-Georgia game was announced.

## SIDELINES

"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 player Josh Schmitz has a family 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 to an MRI appointment," Lowry explained, adding that running back Gilbert Ibarra had a nagging knee injury that doc-

tors decided to check further for safety. It is the third Mustang to need an MRI this season for Sands.

"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 advise, 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."

## NFL made the right call

Finally, the NFL made the right call Thursday. I am glad the college football world followed suit and I hope we can all take time to reflect on the many blessing we have and the freedom we enjoy. Life may change in hundreds of little ways as a result of the horrific, cowardly acts that still seem to be unbelievable to me on a personal level. Somehow, it seems like a a worst nightmare come true. As I watched the replays this week, I wondered how it could be that this was true. It still seems like a computer generated movie advertisement to me. Maybe Americans will take a step back from the violent media world they have seemed to crave for years and spend a little more time counting their blessings and being kind to a neighbor or helping a less fortunate person instead of rushing to the next blockbuster about how the world is going to end. The end is coming soon enough without rushing it. I think I agree with coach

Butler. I am proud that we live where we do and that I will be watching high school football in West Texas tonight. There will be a memorial service tonight at the Big Spring game and I suspect that all games will take time to honor Americans and freedom. Instead of watching games on Saturday and Sunday, I suggest we all take time to hug our families and let folks know we love them and care about them. Perhaps it is time to show that love instead of say that love.

## This week's picks...

Normally, I will be prognosticating who I think will win on Friday nights. This week, it will be brief and incomplete.

I believe Big Spring will win, but Hereford has probably got the better team, so I'm picking this one with my heart — not my head.

Coahoma will clobber the Eagles who are mired in a 30-game losing streak. It will be 31 by the end of the first quarter, but the Eagles will put up a fight.

McCamey has its best chance in a long time to get a win over Mark Cotton and his Stanton Buffaloes. Cotton is all business, but the Badger have a good punch. This will be another close one and my heart says go with the Buffaloes.

Forsan may have a real tough time with the Plowboys when Steve Park

takes his Buffaloes on the road to Roscoe. The Plowboys are ranked No. 2 in the state for a reason. Forsan will find out why.

Garden City could score 100 points tonight, but Wade Wesley and his Bearkats have too much class for that. Curtis Eggemeyer and his varsity teammates will watch most of this game from the sidelines at Water Valley when the Bearkats play mostly freshmen early and often against the struggling Wildcats, who have only 12 players left from a 16-man squad. Even the water boy has suited up. Shame on the superintendents who forced Water Valley to play its original schedule, preventing the team from taking a drop to six-man football.

Sands will get another serious test tonight at Blackwell. The Hornets and Mustangs just scrimmaged two weeks ago, so both should be ready, but the Mustangs will respond to last week's loss at home with a win on the road. Meanwhile, Grady has a huge rival game on the road for its season opener. This is like a double edged sword, so the Wildcats could be in trouble, but my heart says go with Grady and make them prove you wrong.

Good luck to all our area teams this and certainly, we wish all teams safe traveling.

See Sunday's  
**Big Spring Herald**  
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## FOOTBALL

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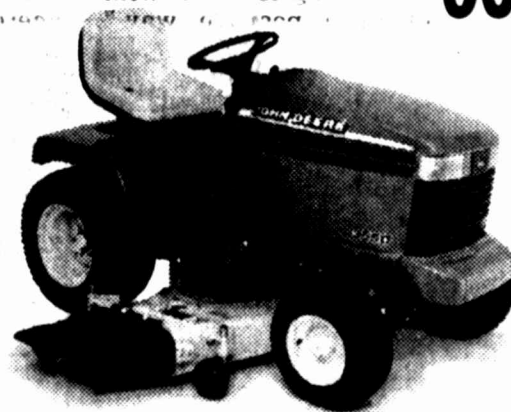
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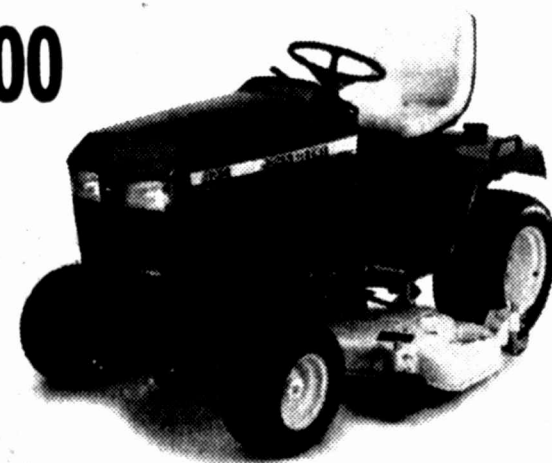
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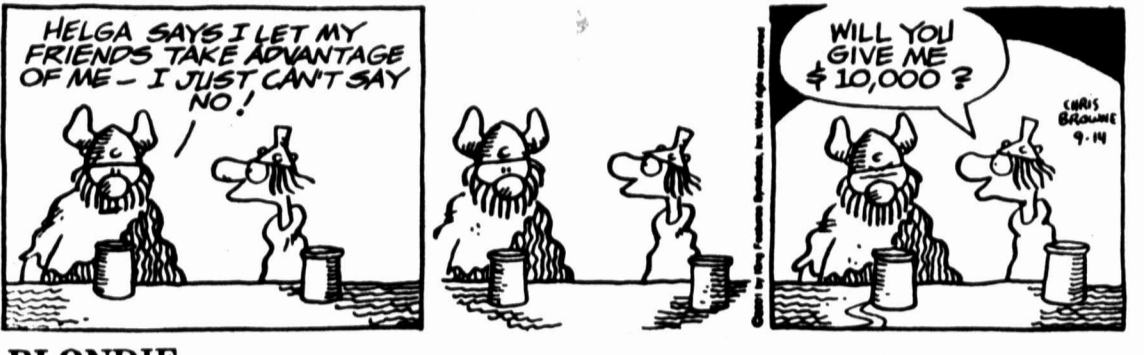
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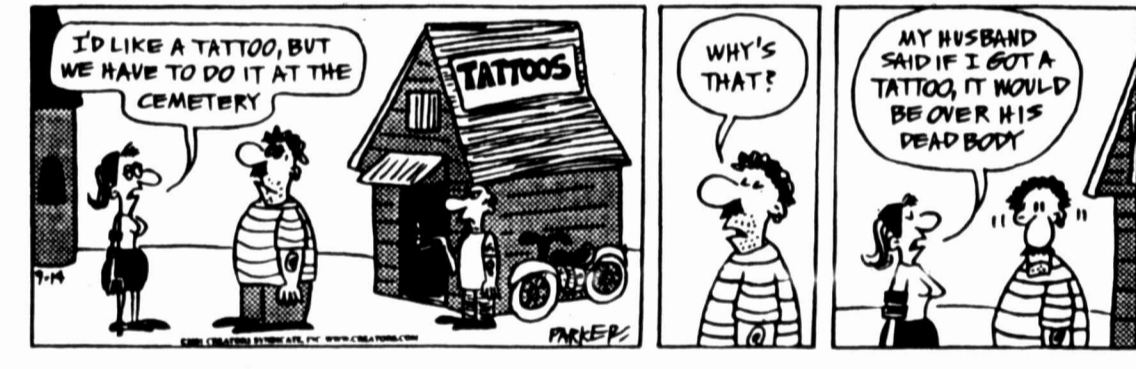
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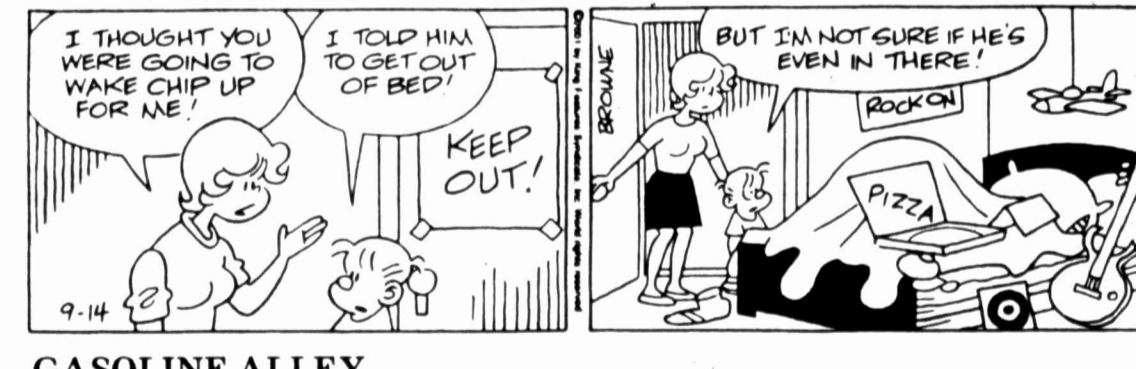
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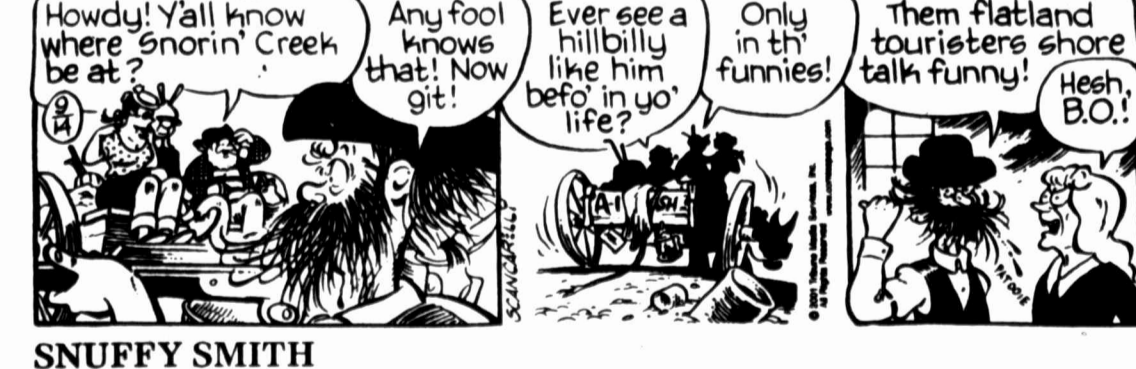
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Friday, Sept. 14, the 257th day of 2001. There are 108 days left in the year.  
Today's Highlight in History:  
One-hundred years ago, on Sept. 14, 1901, President McKinley died in Buffalo, N.Y., of gunshot wounds inflicted by an assassin. Vice President Theodore Roosevelt succeeded him.  
On this date:  
In 1814, Francis Scott Key wrote "The Star-Spangled Banner" after witnessing the British bombardment of Fort Mchenry in Maryland.  
In 1847, U.S. forces under General Winfield Scott took control of Mexico City.  
In 1927, modern dance pioneer Isadora Duncan died in Nice, France, when her scarf became entangled in a wheel of her sports car.  
In 1940, Congress passed the Selective Service Act,

providing for the first peacetime draft in U.S. history.

In 1948, a groundbreaking ceremony took place in New York at the site of the United Nations' world headquarters.

In 1959, the Soviet space probe Luna Two became the first manmade object to reach the moon as it crashed onto the lunar surface.

In 1975, Pope Paul VI declared Mother Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton the first U.S.-born saint.

In 1982, Princess Grace of Monaco, formerly actress Grace Kelly, died at age 52 of injuries from a car crash the day before.

In 1982, Lebanon's president-elect, Bashir Gemayel, was killed by a bomb.

In 1986, President Reagan and his wife, Nancy, appeared together on radio and television to appeal for a "national crusade" against drug abuse.

Ten years ago: The government of South Africa, the African National Congress and the Inkatha

Freedom Party signed a national peace pact.

**Today's Birthdays:**  
Actress Zoe Caldwell is 68. Actor Harve Presnell is 68. Feminist author Kate Millet is 67. Actor Walter Koenig is 65. Actor Nicol Williamson is 63. Singer-actress Joey Heatherton is 57. Actor Sam Neill is 54. Singer Jon "Bowser" Bauman (Sha Na Na) is 54. Singer Barry Cowill is 47. Rock musician Steve Berlin (Los Lobos) is 46. Actor Joe Penny is 45. Actress Mary Crosby is 42. Singer Morten Harket (a-ha) is 42. Country singer John Berry is 42. Actress Faith Ford is 37. Actor Dan Cortese is 33.

**Answer to previous puzzle**

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Newsday Crossword CANINE COMMENT by Patrick Jordan Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS**  
1 Puccini opera  
6 Con job  
10 Valentine sentiment  
14 Islamic chieftains  
15 Hot-porridge bear  
16 Balladeer Burl  
17 Taboos for toddlers  
18 Last word of the Bible  
19 Dinghy implements  
20 Start of a quip  
23 Agree (with)  
24 Secured  
25 Canned-goods wrappers  
28 Part 2 of quip  
33 Build a pile of  
34 Scottish bogs  
35 Vast stretch of time  
36 Stuff in a dryer trap  
37 Starts to develop  
38 Clove hitch, e.g.  
39 Farm resident  
40 Gooseflesh-raising  
41 Misanthrope  
42 Part 3 of quip  
44 Affliction  
45 Render assistance to  
46 Comet's head  
47 End of quip  
54 Check for style  
55 Spain's longest river  
56 Implied but unspoken  
57 Leading With My Chin author
- DOWN**  
1 Look after  
2 Type sequel  
3 Musical gathering  
4 Most ill-humored  
5 Launches an attack on  
6 Sudden outpouring  
7 Emanated (from)  
8 Pinnacle  
9 Store executives  
10 GoodFellas star  
11 Elliptical  
12 To a great degree  
13 Slalom curve  
21 LP successors  
22 Dairy herd  
25 Harry Hamlin series  
26 With 51 Down, protein builder  
27 Swahili's language group  
28 Namely  
29 Perfect, as a skill  
30 Busybody  
31 Sought the favor of  
32 Contest submission  
34 Painter  
37 Drive an empty truck  
38 African desert  
40 Pop star  
41 Gerbil relative  
43 Oklahoma city  
44 22 Down sound  
46 Big bill  
47 Mental glimmer  
48 Sawyer's pal  
49 "Waterloo" group  
50 Expel, with "out"  
51 See 26 Down  
52 Of \_\_\_ and Men  
53 Greek vowels  
54 Scary cinematic street