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INSIDE TODAY



GAME DAY

The Lady Steers continue their quest towards a state volleyball tournament this weekend while the Steers focus on securing a playoff berth on the gridiron. For those stories and more, check out today's Game Day.

BRIEFLY

GOLIAD PLANS SALUTE

Goliad Intermediate School will be observing Veteran's Day on Monday.

There will be a 30minute assembly in the gym beginning at 2 p.m. Students will be involved the pledge of allegiance, an Introduction of veteran guests amd patriotic

poetry. Fifth and sixth grade students will also be participating in the making of a Memorial Wall to honor all local veterans.

H-E-B and Goliad's Jr. Classics and Cavaliers will be honoring veterans with a long-stem flower and refreshments after the program.

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Teen murder suspects may face grand jury

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Some or all of five teen suspects in recent local murders may face the Howard County Grand Jury today.

In October after the final juvenile suspect, 15-yearold Michael Scott Jackman, was certified to stand trial as an adult, District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson said the teens would probably face the grand jury today.

Three of the teens are juveniles who have been certified to stand trial as adults, while two are at least 17 years old.

A spokesperson for the district attorney's office would not comment this morning on whether the suspects were scheduled to face the grand jury today.

Jackman has charged along his brother Terrell L. Jackman, 19, and Pedro Castillo, 16, with the Aug. 5 murder of 16-yearold Lennon Lane of Big Spring. Bond for Castillo and Michael Jackman has been set at \$150,000 apiece, while bond for Terrell Jackman has been set at

Lane's body was discovered the afternoon of Aug.

\$200,000.

been 5 in a field north of the intersection of 19th and State streets. Autopsy results determined the teen died of blunt force trauma.

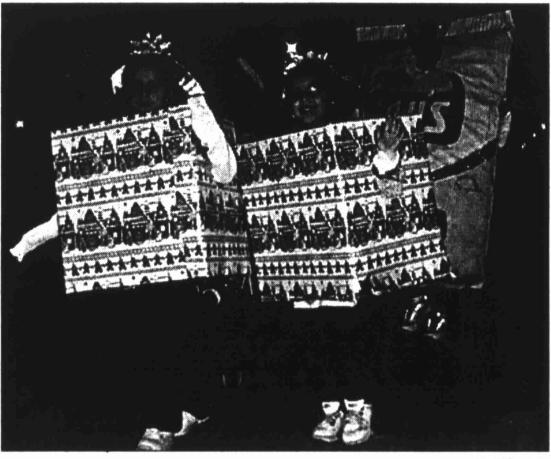
Tommy Rodriguez, 16, and Melanie Castenada, 17, are charged with the July 30 murder of 70-year-old Harlan Jene Patton of Big Spring. The two are being held in lieu of \$150,000 bond each.

Patton's body was discov-

Entries mounting up

House Road on July 30. Preliminary results of an autopsy ordered by Justice of the Peace Marilyn Carson indicate that the cause of death was asphyxiation by strangulation.

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at newsdesk@crcom.net



The Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade features all types of entries each year, from individuals decked out in unique costumes to groups with elaborate lighted floats. Parade entries are due by noon Friday, Nov. 20. Forms can be picked up at the Herald, 710 Scurry. The parade is set for Saturday, Dec. 7.

for annual parade; deadline drawing near

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor Scouts, churches, businesses, service organizations — even individuals have already signed up for the Big Spring Herald Community Christmas

Parade. "We've received a lot of good entries already and that's real encouraging," said Elizabeth Flores, the Herald's parade coordinator. "That means people are already getting excited about it.'

Perhaps that's because the parade, which first wound its way up Gregg Street in 1986, is in its 17th year of providing fun and pagentry for the

WHAT TO DO

1. Plan now to enter the Big Spring Herald **Community Christmas** Parade.

2. Fill out an entry form obtained from the Herald and return it no later than noon on Friday, Nov. 20.

3. Over the next few weeks, put your entry together. You still have plenty of time.

4. Join in the fun on Saturday, Dec. 7 as we celebrate our 17th parade.

Crossroads area. "It's become quite a tradition, one that our com-

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Area author to sign copies of 'The Son Rises in Texas'

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Like the dawn after nighttime in West Texas, Thomas Posey has a new book out.

The Big Spring author has penned "The Son Rises in Texas," the sequel to his first novel, "Nightfalls Texas.'

Posey, a science teacher at Stanton High School, said the inspiration for his writing is the

events surrounding the deaths of Peyton and Dalton Harbour in the Mustang Draw flood two and a half years ago.

"If my books do nothing else but reinforce the notion of just how precious life is and how short our time on Earth may be, then I feel like I will have accomplished my goal," he said.

While his books don't center

on those events - they follow the lives of a fictional circle of friends in a small West Texas town — Posey is a cousin of the Harbour children by marriage.

Another part of the original spark for his writing was the high school football novel "Friday Night Lights," which Posey considered to be inaccurate in its portrayal of West Texas life.

"It was ripe with embellishments, over-exaggerations and half-truths," Posey said. "So I decided to write a book of my own."

Posev will be signing copies of "The Son Rises in Texas" from 2 to 4 p.m. Friday at Wal-Mart and from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Dec. 6 at Barnes and Noble bookstore in Midland.

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by email at newsdesk@crcom.net

Dolls ready to be picked up, dressed for annual auction

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Calling all area fashion mavens!

It's time to start thinking small — small clothes that is. The deadline to have your dressed doll in to the Salvation Army is less than a month away.

"We need people to pick up dolls," said Salvation Army Capt. Linda Keeney. "I think we've only had three picked up so far."

The deadline to have dolls back to Salvation Army headquarters fully garbed is Nov. 29, she said.

The contest will include the same seven categories as last year: Bridal, Formal, Casual, Country, Career, Sport and Ethnic.

"The award winners, the ones that place are sold in the doll auction," Keeney said. "The oth-

"We're trying to use the idea that people can buy these dolls at the auction as a unique and creative gift for

someone they care about."

Capt. Linda Keeney Salvation Army

ers are given to needy children." Last year's contest featured 78 dolls, including several wearing patriotic garb in honor of Sept.

The doll auction this year will be Dec. 5, a change from past years, Keeney said.

See DOLLS, Page 3

Herald corrects volume number with today's issue

HERALD Staff Report

Longtime readers of the Herald may notice a change in the volume number of the paper today. It's the 'A' that's different.

In doing the math as we near our 100th anniversary, things weren't adding up. So we did a little research. What we discovered was that for some reason the volume was changed on Dec. 7, 1998, from 95 to 96. It's an obvious error that didn't get noticed at the time, and was never corrected until now.

See VOLUME, Page 3



Recovering from serious injuries resulting from a one-vehicle roll over in September, radio personality Chris Moore and her morning co-host Spencer **Bennett of Lite Rock KODM 98**, broadcast from Moore's home on Crestilne in Big Spring this morning. Moore has continued to serve as cohost for the morning show by calling in each morning even when she was limited to bed rest only. Several guests traipsed in and out of Moore house this morning as she featured Big Spring on today's show.

Obituaries

Verlin Knous



Verlin Knous, 75, of Big Spring, died on Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2002, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8, 2002, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Dennis Teeters, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mr. Knous was born on Oct. 8, 1927, in Chireno, Texas, and married Edith Christian on Aug. 16, 1947, in Big

Mr. Knous came to Big Spring in January of 1947. He was a diligent worker for Meals-on-Wheels and was working for West Texas Opportunity at the time of his

He was a member of First Baptist Church. A Master Mason for 48 years, he was a life member of Big Spring Lodge No. 1340, A.F.&A.M., where he served as Master and received the Golden Trowel Award. He was a member of the York Rite, Scottish Rite bodies, Eastern Star and the Suez Shrine Temple where he was Potentate in 1986. He was also a member of the Big Spring Motor Patrol and Fire Brigade.

Survivors include his wife, Edith Knous of Big Spring; three sons and daughters in-law, Richard and Beverly Knous of Del Rio. David and Gail Knous of Odessa and Jerry and Debbie Knous of Midland; two sisters, Mary Lee Fitzgerald Lemmon of Malakoff and Freddie Butler of St. Augustine; seven grandchildren, Melanie and Dwayne Harris of Monahans, Heather and Doug Morris of Lubbock, John and Cheryl Knous of Houston, Rodney and Melanie Knous of Dallas, Nickole and Roy Keenan of Lubbock, Jeremy Knous of Lansing, Mich., and D'Lynn Knous of San Angelo; and two great-grandchidren, Krysta Whitehead and Aubrie Harris both of Monahans.

Pallbearers will be Dave Smelser, James Campbell, O. L. Clark, Wayne Ulrich, Ron Yeager and Dave Martin. All Past Potentates are considered honorary pallbearers

The family suggests memorials to: Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children, 610 Texas Ave., Galveston 77550.

The family will receive friends from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Thursday at the funeral home.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home of Big Spring. www.npwelch.com

Carolyn Webb

Funeral service for Carolyn Webb, 58, of Big Spring are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Ms. Webb died at her home on Wednesday, Nov. 6,

Records

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Take note

☐ The Class of 1992 is looking for the following stu dents for their upcoming reunion - Valarie Akin, Ben Chau, Christina Cox, Gary Flynn, Jason Gonzales, Michael Hauser, Brian Jones, Kimberly Miers, Jo Beth Neighbors, Jeremy Pope, Cynthia Resendez, Kris Ryan, Kevin Stansel, Daniel Vera, James Ward, Belinda Banks, Ortencia Chavera, Sidney Dixon, Michael Gamboa, Zybou Gonzalez, Darius Hill, Roger Kilgora, Hilary McGuire, Jason Mills, Joey Perez, Kati Reagan, John Richardson, Valorie Samora, David Valencia, Patrick Walker, Amy Weaver, Jason Beddow, Pat Chaverria, Kayla Donica, Sheila Gamboa, Amanda Gorrondona, Eric Johnke, Willie Kimvle, Debra McMillan, Wanda Peterson, Lance Reeves, Teresa Ross, James Soles, Anthony Vera, and Amie Walters.

If you have any information about these classmates' please contact Brooke Everet at 268-9742.

→ Big Spring Junior High School science department is selling live, miniature Christmas trees. The trees are fully decorated and in four-inch pots.

Each tree is \$6 and must be paid in advance. The trees should arrive between Dec. 2-6.

Students are not selling door to door. To purchase a tree, contact a seventh or eighth grade student or a junior high science teacher.

Funds raised will go to enhance the Big Spring Junior High School science program.

Police blotter

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

 ASSAULT CAUSING BODILY INJURY was reported in the 1200 block of Dixie Avenue

· SHOTS FIRED was reported in the 600 block of Donley Street.

 LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported in the 1300 block of Virginia Avenue.

 DISTURBANCE OR FIGHT was reported at Big Spring Junior High School in the 600 block of East Sixth Street and 1200 block of Dixie Avenue MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1500 block

of Virginia Drive, the 800 block of West Third Street BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1500 block of Avion Street. Someone reportedly pried open a front window to gain access to the home before stealing computer hardware and software worth \$1,450 and recordings worth \$60.

• CREDIT CARD ABUSE was reported at Wal-Mart. THEFT was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson Road. Items worth \$20 were reported stolen.

Support groups

☐ Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.; Women's meeting; 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Non-Smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

☐ Fibromyalgia/Chronic Fatigue Support Group meets at noon at the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation

☐ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 615 Settles. Noon Open Big Book Study Meeting, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

☐ Open Discussion Meeting, 615 Settles 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Open Podium/Speakers Meeting 615 Settles 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. Open Birthday Night No Smoking Meeting Celebrating AA Sobriety Yearly Birthdays, 615 Settles the last Saturday of every month covered dish supper at 7 p.m. Birthday meeting at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

Closed discussion meeting, 615 Settles 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Open discussion meeting, 615 Settles 7 p.m. to 8

Narcotics Anonymous 8 p.m., St. Mary's Church, 🕶 🛥 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager).

☐ TOPS Club TX 21 (take off pounds sensibly), weigh in at 5:30 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m. at Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 West Third.

☐ Encourager's Support Group (all widows and widowers are invited); 6 p.m., Branding Iron, S. Highway 87. For more information call, 398-5522

☐ Encourager's Support Group (all widows and widowers are invited) will meet Oct. 21, at 6 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church located at Seventh and Runnels (enter through the north door). There will be a covered dish dinner and fellowship. For more information call 398-5522.

☐ New Voice Club is a support group for laryngectomees and their families. No dues. For more information, call 267-2800.

☐ Military support group meets at 6 p.m. at the VA Medical Center in room 212 the first Monday of every month. Contact Wanda Gamble at 263-7180 or Treva Hall at 263-8574.

☐ Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates and times of upcoming groups

☐ Bereavement Support Group meets at 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at Community Care Hospice

☐ Surviving Pregnancy Loss meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library Committee Room. Call 631-4430 for more information.

☐ Alcoholics Anonymous meets from noon to 1 p.m. at 615 Settles. Open meeting on fourth floor at VA Medical Center from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

☐ AA Open discussion meeting, 615 Settles 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Closed podium meeting, 615 Settles 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

☐ TOPS Club TX 1756 (take off pounds sensibly), weigh in at 5:30 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m. at Birdwell Lane Church of Christ, 11th and Birdwell.

☐ Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

☐ Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, closed meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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Bulletin board

Herald Features Desk at 263-7331, ext. 238 or ema imoseley@crcom.net.

TODAY

The Big Spring High School Choir Boosters will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the BSHS Choir Room. All parents of choir students are encouraged to attend.

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

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

SATURDAY

Free used eyeglasses for adults will be distributed from 9 a.m. to noon at Bob's Custom Woodwork, 409 E. Third St.

MONDAY

Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. People over 50 are invited to particate.

For more information call 268-4721.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensiblly), will host an open house by TOPS No. TX 21, at 6 p.m., Dora Roberts Rehad Center, 306 W. Third.

Concerned Citizens meet at 7 p.m. in the Fiberflex conference room on Bethel St. in the Airpark. The public is invited.

Howard County ARC meets at 806 East Third at the Bingo Hall. For more information call 264-0674.

Archeology Society for Howard and Borden Counties meets at 7 p.m. in the Library basement community

For more information call 270-2615.

Big Spring Chapter and Council RAM meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic building, 221 1/2 Main.

TUESDAY

Intermediate line dance classes at 9 a.m. at the Senior Citizen's Center.

For more information call 267-1628.

Big Spring Rotary meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

Evening Lions club meets at noon at the Senior Citizens Center.

WEDNESDAY

Big Spring Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. at the Howard College Cactus Room.

Senior Circle Stretch and Tone meets at 9:30 a.m. at the Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom

Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

The West Texas Republican Club will meet for their regular monthly meeting today at noon at La Posada Restaurant. Interested Republicans and candidates are welcome to attend.

Line dancing at 1 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center located in the Industrial Park.

For more information call 398-5522 or 267-1628.

Duplicate Bridge Club meets Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at 1 p.m. at the Big Spring Country Club.

Lottery

Here are Wednesday's Texas Lottery game results: Lotto Texas: 2-19-22-31-33-34 No jackpot winner. Saturday night's estimated jack-

pot: \$27 million.

Cash Five: 2-12-13-26-33 Pick 3 Wednesday night: 9-3-0 Pick 3 Wednesday afternoon: 7-2-0

Do you have a favorite holiday memory? The Herald is seeking stories from our readers about her most memorable Christmases in their own words.



Send mailed submissions to Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring 79720 or by e-mail them to newsdesk@crcom.net or to jmoseley@crcom.net

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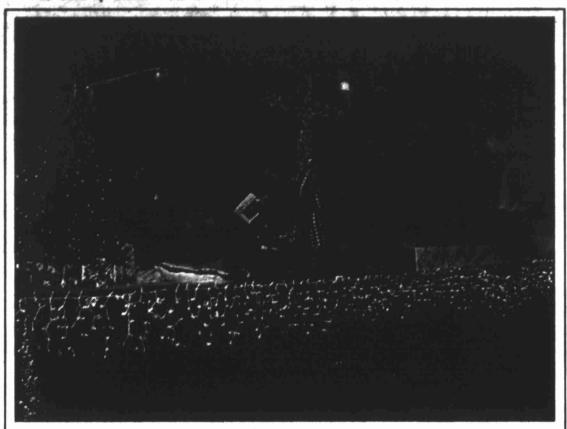
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Staff Writer



A local church displays a theme of world peace during last year's Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade. Entries for this year's event are due by noon Friday, Nov.

PARADE

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munity seems to really enjoy and look forward to each year," said Fiores.
This year's parade is

set for Saturday, Dec. 7, and just like the past five, will feature lighted entries. It will get under way at 5:30 p.m. Firstplace plaques will be awarded in four categories: Lighted float, school or church, commercial and manufacturing, and civic organiza-

The theme is "Home for the Holidays," which encompasses just about any idea float organizers would like to try.

Among those already entered are Western Ward's Container, Western Wear, East Side Baptist Church, Goliad Cavaliers, La Vedera Club, The Dance Gallery, AG Service/C&M Garage. Big Spring High School Cheerleaders, Big Spring Bass Club, Big Spring Shrine • Club, KBYG Radio, Lakeview Head Start and the Texas

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entries in. We just want to remind everyone that the entry deadline is noon Friday. Nov. 20."

> Elizabeth Flores parade coordinator

Department Transportation. Others include individuals. Scout troops and, of Harley course, the Owner's Group. Invitations have been sent to bands at Big Spring, Coahoma and Forsan High School and at Big Spring Junior High School.

"We know a lot more groups are planning to participate but haven't gotten their entries in. We just want to remind

everyone that the entry deadline is noon Friday. Nov. 20," said Flores.

The reason for the entry deadline is because it takes time to plan and coordinate the parade, which over the past few years has included 70 or more entries and well over 1,000 participants.

"The earlier we know what people plan on doing, the better prepared we can be when it comes time to line up the entries that afternoon,' Flores said.

Parade entry forms are available at the paper's offices located at 710 Scurry.

Entries should be mailed to the Herald at P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79721-1431 For additional information concerning the parade, contact Flores at 263-7331, ext. 246.

To contact News Editor Bill McClellan, call 263-7331, ext. 235. He can be emailed newsdesk@crcom.net

busted out and a pretty good quantity of blood on the ground and on the A Big Spring version of Shakespeare's famous

The homeowner told the balcony scene left the officers what had happened.

Injured man may be charged with assault

"He said a subject had come up there, a subject known to him, and was knocking on the windows trying to get the attention of a person inside," Sweatt' said. "The homeowner went out there and told him, 'Hey, don't be knocking on the windows,' and they got in a midnight this morning, fistfight. The suspect said Sgt. Roger Sweatt of pulled out a stick or the Big Spring Police something like that and hit him a couple of times, "The officers got a call then turned around and punched out the win-Sweatt said. "They were

dispatched to a residence Sweatt said the suspect in the 1200 block of Dixie was trying to get the in reference to a fight. attention of the daughter They got up there and of the victim before the they found a window fight started.

dow."

"He messed himself pretty good because they ended up taking the suspect to the hospital and he's going into surgery today to repair what he did last night when he punched out the window," Sweatt said. "It was a pretty good cut. Theyfollowed the blood trail across the street and found the suspect under a truck hiding, holding onto his wrist to stop the bleeding."

Police were unable to find the alleged weapon at the scene, he added.

Sweatt said the homeowner received minor bruises in the fight and the suspect will possibly be charged with class A misdemeanor assault.

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Stenholm's office accepting nominations

HERALD Staff Report

The deadline to apply to any service academy through U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm's office only a month away.

Stenholm's office has announced that the final day to apply is Dec. 1. Interested individuals are encouraged to contact his Washington office as soon as possible.

Applicants must be at least 17 but not past their 23rd birthday and need to have graduated from high school by June 30, 2003. They must also be single with no dependents and be a legal resident of the 17th District.

Applicants should also be in the top 15 percent of their class. Other requirements include SAT scores above 550 verbal and 600 math or ACT scores of 26 English and 27 math. Involvement in extra-curricular activities, including school and communiorganizations and sports as well as full- or part-time employment, is

also in the applicant's officers are encouraged to favor.

Rep. Stenholm will be making nominations for appointments to the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colo.; the Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.; the Naval Academy at Annapolis, MD; and the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, N.Y.

The academies offer a one-of-a-kind opportunity to earn a bachelor's degree and earn a salary. An education at an academy also guarantees a career upon graduation as an officer in the U.S. Armed Forces.

Applicants who wish to serve as commissioned

Your Fashion Headquarters 111 E. Marcy 267-8283

20515. will Nominees announced in late December.

Congressman Stenholm's

Washington office at 202

225-8119, 1211 Longworth

HOB, Washington, D.C.

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24th & Johnson 267-8288 Carolyn Webb, 58, died Wednesday. Services are pending.



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Big Spring State Hospital cancels Fall Festival parade son has always been the The parade takes the par-

HERALD Staff, Report

Spring Big Hospital's Fall Festival parade — postponed Oct. 31 because of cold, damp weather - will not be rescheduled.

The parade, which long has been a festive occasion ushering in the beginning of the fall sea-

highlight of the year for the hospital's patients, said Billie Russworm, community relations director.

Rescheduling the parade would have been difficult for all parties involved, according to Valerie Avery, public information coordinator.

is used to purchase dolls

for the next year and to

buy toys for the Salvation

Army's annual Christmas

For more information

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call the Salvation Army at

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267-8239.

ticipation of the patients. hospital employees and many community volun-

"So many people had put so much time into planning and preparing the floats for the parade, we wanted to give them the opportunity to show off their handiwork."

Avery said. "But it would have been difficult to pull it off, considering the amount of work it takes into scheduling the event in the first place."

Patients celebrated Oct. 31 with a costume contest and carnival that afternoon and capped it off with a dance evening.

DOLLS

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"We're trying to use the idea that people can buy these dolls at the auction as a unique and creative gift for someone they care about," she said. "For a child or maybe someone who just likes to collect dolls.'

The auction will start at 11:30 in Garrett Hall, and will include a roast luncheon prepared by the Salvation Army. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$6 at the door.

"We are serving pot roast, potatoes, salad, dessert, tea, rolls and a vegetable, probably green beans," she said.

Money from the auction

For the sake of accuracy, we've decided to recti-

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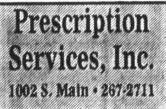
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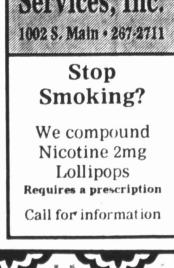
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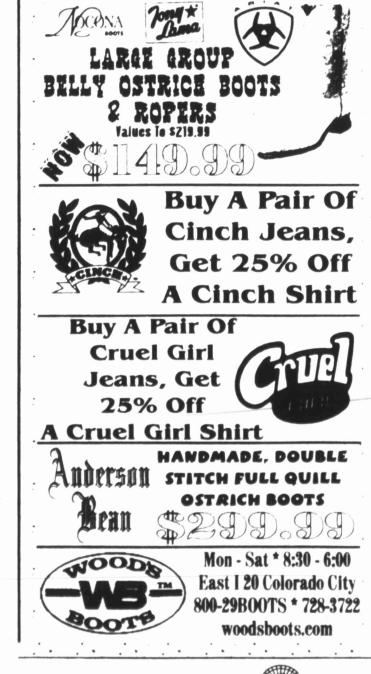
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OUR VIEWS

Encouraged by United Way progress so far

e are encouraged by the progress United Way of Big Spring and Howard County has made toward its goal of \$250,000.

The money pledged so far — about half of the total — means that Howard County businesses, civic organizations, churches and individuals are again opening their pockets to help this worthwhile effort.

The 14 agencies assisted by United Way dollars touch almost everyone in some way. If you or anyone in your family has ever participated in scouting, if you have been helped by Red Cross or the Salvation Army, if you've needed counseling, rehabilitation or therapy following a mishap, if you've needed child care or participated in activities at the YMCA, then you have benefited from United Way dollars.

The list of agencies is impressive. They are the Northside Community Center, Victim Services, West Side Community Center, West Side Day Care Center, the Boys Club of Big Spring, Council on Aging, Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, the Humane Society Pet Therapy Department, Isaiah 58 and the aforementioned Red Cross, YMCA, Salvation Army and Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts..

Some of these agencies would not be able to continue providing services if it were not for the United Way. Others are less dependent upon United Way funds but rely on them nevertheless. The point is, these funds go for services used by you, your family and your neighbors. They aren't sent off to Washington, Los Angeles or Dallas. We think that's important.

There is still a lot to be done before the campaign wraps up. If you, your organization or businesses has somehow been overlooked, we invite you to get involved and participate in United Way. To contact a United Way representative, call 267-5201.

It's for all of us.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Dear Lord, as we count our many blessings we earnestly thank you. Amen

Scare tactics not working for Democrats

he Democrats were big losers Tuesday night, and not just because they lost a

seats in the House and their slim grip on the Senate. What this election proved is that the politics of fear isn't working. anymore. Over the last three nation-

al elections.



CHAVEZ

Democrats have tried to scare Americans into voting for them, especially blacks. But fear isn't a viable political platform, as Republican candidates proved on Election Day.

The Democrats hoped that fear over the economy would hurt Republican chances in several key races. The fact is, the economy is in better shape than either the Democrats or the media would have you believe. Interest rates are at historic lows, inflation is virtually non-existent, and unemployment is low. When it comes to individu-

als, these are the numbers that matter most. Houses are more affordable because of low interest rates; inflation isn't eating up family paychecks; and most people aren't in imminent danger of losing their jobs. While the economy is not expanding as quickly as it did through much of the 1980s and '90s, it is still growing, at roughly 3,1 percent in the third quarter. So the Democrats had a hard time convincing voters that breadlines were just around the corner if they voted for the GOP.

Scare tactics didn't work as well as they have in the past with blacks, either. In ... 2000, the Democrats frightened many blacks into thinking the Republicans would repeal the civil rights laws if they took control of the White House and kept the House and Senate. The NAACP which is supposed to be nonpartisan but often acts as an adjunct of the Democratic Party - ran-a series of disgusting ads during the presidential election that laid blame on George W. Bush for the vicious murder of a black man in Texas while Bush

was governor. James Byrd was dragged to his death tied to the back of a pickup truck driven by three white supremacists who were excons.

The men who killed Byrd were caught, prosecuted, convicted and sentenced to death. Nonetheless, the ad featured the dead man's daughter claiming that Gov. Bush's failure to sign a flawed hate crimes bill was like having her father killed all over again. Democrats used similar tactics in other races that year, as well as in 1996 and 1998. Using vivid images in their ads of the Ku Klux Klan and black churches burning, the Democrats implied that the GOP was somehow to be blamed. The tactic worked — to a point. Black turnout went up as many blacks feared that if Republicans were in power, the entire nation would turn into Mississippi in the darkest days of racial discrimination in the 1930s.

But George W. Bush has proved a lousy bogeyman for the Democrats. Not only is he likable, but in the wake of the September 11 attack on the United States. he has proven himself a

real leader for all Americans. But without scaring blacks and others, the Democrats seem to have nothing to offer. Even their much-vaunted get-outthe vote effort seems to have backfired this time

around. In Maryland, for example, high turnout in an off-year election helped the Republican gubernatorial candidate Bob Ehrlich win a historic victory over Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, the first for a Republican candidate in 36 years. Four years ago, the Maryland Republican nominee, Ellen Sauerbrey, was defeated in large part because of Democratic efforts to portray her unfairly - as anti-black. But it didn't work this time, in part because Ehrlich picked black attorney and former state Republican Party chairman Michael Steele as his running mate.

With the GOP now in control of both Congress and the White House, Republicans now have the chance to prove that the only thing Americans have to fear is Democrat fearmongering politics

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They were stupid and dangerous, too

snipers finally caught in the Washington, D.C., area say more about stupidity than about Islam or terrorism or ideology. Most

Americans grossly underesti mate how very danger ous stupid people can

We know they were stupid because they wanted the police to wire \$10 million to

REESE a stolen credit-card account, long since canceled. There was neither rhyme nor reason for the murder spree. They were just wandering about

and killing people oppor-

CHARLEY

tunistically Being stupid per se doesn't make people dangerous, except perhaps to themselves. But if you combine frustration, bitterness and a psychopath's disdain for other human lives with stupidity, then you have a dangerous person. You have to get between a mobster and his money or his

liberty before organized crime will hurt you. A stupid person will shoot you for no good reason at all.

It is stupid, for example, to risk the death penalty by killing a clerk in order to steal \$50 from an all-night store. You can make more than that in one day begging outside any post office. It is stupid to settle marital difficulties or love affairs with gunfire. Smart people just get divorced and say "See ya." Divorce lawyers are a lot cheaper than criminal defense lawyers. Besides, only stupid people believe you can coerce someone into loving you, and only very stupid people would wish to live with someone who despises them.

It's interesting that during the period of time when snipers killed 10 people, ordinary stupid people killed 18 in the district. These were what are called "traditional murders." They rarely get much press coverage. They make up the overwhelming majority of the 18,000 or so homicides recorded in a year's time in this country. Most of them involve sour love affairs or arguments over petty subjects or idiots failing to pull off a crime.

There is even a TV show called "America's Dumbest Criminals.'

Stupid people cannot think clearly and therefore often cannot solve problems that beset every one of us. The older suspected sniper, John Muhammad, had failed at everything he tried - the Army, marriage, business, parenting. He found himself at 42 with no job, no home, no family and no prospects. This would put most people in a bad mood.

Stupid people have difficulty in foreseeing consequences and therefore often act on impulse. It is never a good idea to act impulsively when the consequences can be your own death or long imprison-

Stupid people, when they turn to religion, will inevitably misunderstand it and latch on to some simplistic and often distorted version of it. They are suckers for every con game in town. Even kind but stupid people are difficult to help, because no matter what you do for them, they go right on getting themselves into more trouble. Stupidity is a lifetime affliction.

Now, even the smartest

people occasionally do stupid things. I'm talking about the chronic kind of stupidity. We need not get into-the argument over whether intelligence is genetic or a result of nurturing. Suffice it to say that it is now an established scientific fact that the human brain is wired during the first five years of life. If that wiring is crossed up because of neglect or abuse or malnutrition, there is not much that can be done to salvage the person later on in his or her life.

Sending a monthly check to a stupid mother will not help the children. And you know the mother is stupid if she ends up with six or seven kids and 15 or 20 possible but missing fathers. We as a society should do everything we can to discourage sexual promiscuity, especially among teenagers. Sluts and drug gies don't make good mothers. And we should track down the men and hold them accountable. But money cannot replace love and nurture and a healthy

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Dallas.

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BILLIE RUSSWORM Bodin, and staff members Woody Jumper,

Robinson. Carlos' Restaurant donated a meal for two to employee costume contest winner Connie Ramirez in ATD. ATD administrative assistant Carlla McCullough won \$10 from the council for second place. The council also awarded \$10 and \$5 to two patients for first and second places.

Claudia Polyniak and Katrina

A big thanks goes out to the Big Spring High School Key Club and Howard College students for their help with the fun and games. And our "house band made up of CEO Ed Moughon, Dr. Michael Murray, **Information Support Services** technician Iain Sloan, Chief Financial Officer David Osterhout and LVN Chris Lopez sounded great.

Our fall dance made its return that evening. Patients always enjoy an evening of music, dancing and refreshments. Any community band that wishes to perform for a dance in the future, please contact our office. Dances can be scheduled throughout the year if groups offer to entertain.

Final plans for the Volunteer Services Council's Luncheon and Craft Bazaar and Open House are being finalized for Thursday, Nov. 14, in the Allred Building auditorium. **Hospital Quality Oversight** Director Marilyn Clark will be

our guest speaker. Following the luncheon.

guests will view the newlycompleted, volunteer-sponsored projects coordinated by Jay Jarmes, who oversaw the renovation of two courtyards, a youth recreation area and construction of a walking track.

Our crafts bazaar is undergoing a much-anticipated makeover with a plethora of available crafts designed by Suzanne Markwell and her diligent corps of volunteers.

Plenty of yummy homemade cookies will be available at our "Cookies by the Pound" booth.

Dorothy Sheppard needs volunteers to bake cookies. If you don't have time to bake holiday cookies, buy several pounds and freeze them for last-minute guests and school parties for the upcoming Christmas season.

This year's hand-crafted quilt, designed by Murline Williams and the gracious women of the Ackerly Baptist Church, is simply gorgeous. Chances to win the quilt are available at the Community Relations Office for \$1 or six

chances for \$5. Anyone wishing to purchase \$10 or more in tickets, call 268-7536 and we will do our best to deliver the tickets.

Thanks to Judy Jarmes for displaying the quilt at a local business and selling tickets. If your business would be willing to display the quilt and sell tickets for a week give us a call at 268-7536 before Nov. 23.

Craft items will be sold during a special Saturday craft sale on Nov. 23 at the Community Relations office from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

WANTED: Our patients need jackets and coats for the chilly winter ahead. Bud vases and baskets are needed for our Valentine fund-raiser. We also need "Pillow Pal" construction workers. We appreciate the Big Spring High School and Coahoma High School sewing classes volunteering for this rather large, ongoing project.

Volunteer Shirley Bodin is knee deep in Christmas gifts for the patients. She and her team of many volunteers have been shopping and wrapping jogging suits and toiletry items. Every room in the Community Relations office is bulging with gifts thanks to Cyneather Woodruff, Betty Lee, Sandra Cox, Dorothy Sheppard, Karen Brewen, Suzanne Markwell and Judy

ALON-USA employees again have agreed to come to our rescue the day before the Christmas parties begin to lend a helping hand.

The State Employee Charitable Campaign for the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County is progressing with the many bake sales and special fund-raisers. Co-chairmen Sue Marquez and Bobbie Hansen are busy encouraging payroll deductions and assisting with fund-raisers to ensure that the hospital meets its \$7,000 goal to help the many charitable organizations in our community.

Billie Russworm is director of community relations at Big Spring State Hospital.

Couple builds drive-in theater in back yard big hit with friends and

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT WORTH - Now showing at the Astro The Drive-In, Big Lebowski. Or if another film has been scheduled. Not The Big Lebowski.

"That way I don't have to buy as many letters," says Lance Carson, who maintains the sign he built for the drive-in movie theater in his back yard. Carson and his wife, Jennifer, live in a rural suburb south of Dallas, a town so small they don't want to use their real names, fearing the town constabulary will shut down their noncommercial, by-invitation-only establishment.

The drive-in is real enough. There's a big white screen and the traditional metal speakers, two of which hang on either side of the regulation-size drive-in pole. Lance Carson had them retrofitted with Bose speakers, so the sound is actually quite good, a departure from the usual crackling noise produced by vintage drive-in speakers. There is a snack bar that dispenses candy and popcorn. Especially true to form is the Astro Drive-In's sign, in a very '50s atomic style, that Carson built using salvaged airplane parts. The support piece is an upside-down tail section, and the torpedo-shaped main body is a wing fuel tank. The name "Astro" pays homage to the last drive-in movie theater in Dallas.

Carson is a devotee of the genre. When the Astro closed in 1998 after its snack bar burned, he felt his life was not complete. So he began building his own drive-in. This was not a stretch for Carson,

who builds sets and props for photography studios. He was up to the creative challenge.

It helps that his suburban lot encompasses almost two acres, large enough that Carson and his friends can drive their cars through the side yard and around to the back, where they park in front of the screen. The Carsons use their drive-in like some people use their pools, as a Saturday-night venue for entertaining.

The candy counter and a microwave, for making popcorn and nachos, are Jennifer stashed in Carson's potting shed, and the hood of a '67 Volkswagen Beetle functions as a buffet table for serving more sophisticated fare from Eatzi's.

The Carsons' drive-in premiered last Thanksgiving and was a

family. There were many showings of The Big Lebowski through the winter. "It's the perfect drive-in movie. There's lots of bowling," says Carson, as if that explains it all. They closed the drive-in for the summer because, he says, it was "too hot." Now that cooler temperatures prevail, the microwave in the shed is popping popcorn again, and relatives and friends are finding their way to

nice evenings, Carson will park his prized 1953 Ford Country Squire woody station wagon with its back end to the screen. That's the way you watch drive-in movies from a station wagon: You drop the tailgate and stretch out.

the back yard.

was growing up in Missouri, going to driveins was a regular family activity. He distinctly remembers the evening Chitty Chitty Bang Bang was playing on one screen, but if he turned his head around real slow so his mom wouldn't notice, he could catch a few seconds of nudity on the opposite screen.

Jennifer had never been to a drive-in when she met Carson. He took her to her first show before they were married. She was 35. Now she, too, has a sentimental attachment to drive-ins.

On a recent evening, the Carsons and their guests, Bill and Brooke Wilson, gathered for yet another showing of The Big Lebowski. Wilson pulled his new Porsche Boxster Carson is an old hand at around to the back yard drive-in style. When he and parked it next to the Country Squire.

Arts, crafts, quilting club meeting slated

If you like arts and crafts and quilt or would like to learn to quilt, here is your opportunity. I am looking to start up a

Howard County Arts, Crafts and Quilting Club. If you are interest ed in joining

this club

please contact me at the Extension Office by calling 264-2236.

KATIE

WALKER

We will have our first meeting at noon on Friday, Nov. 22. The meeting will be held the

first time at the Extension Office. If we have enough people interested in this club and the Extension Office will not hold all of us. we will move it to another location.

If your are interested in this program, but cannot attend the first meeting, let me know.

The first meeting will be a brainstorming session. Make sure to bring some fun and crafty ideas with you.

I am looking forward to meeting you and hope that you can attend this club meeting.

Katie Walker is a **Howard County** Extension agent. Her column appears each Thursday.

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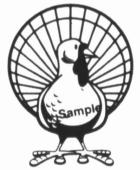
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Thursday, November 7, 2002

chapter is looking for individuals interested in serving as referees for area basketball games this season.

For more informa-tion contact Adam Rodriguez after 4 p.m. at 263-8731 or contact Mandy Rodriguez during business hours at 264-4135.

Lady Steers to open hoop season Monday The Big Spring High School girls basketball team will open its 2002-2003 season Monday in Odessa. The BSHS girls, under new head coach Gary Miller, are slated to tip-off against the Permian Panthers

beginning at 6 p.m. The Lady Steers will make their final preparations for the game Thursday with a scrimmage in the BSJHS gym against Permian, Coahoma and Borden Co.

Cardinals, Falcons to vie for CLFL crown The Coahoma

Cardinals and the Falcons will square off for the Crossroads Little Football League championship Saturday afternoon.

The Packers and Steers will vie for their respective division crowns, as well.

Games will begin at 10 a.m.

Boys basketball

boosters to meet The Big Spring High School boys basketball booster club will be holding a meeting at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 11, in the Big Spring High School library.

The meeting will be held to discuss upcoming events.

Parents of all freshmen, junior varsity and varsity players are encouraged to attend.

For more information contact Myrna Russell at 267-6891.

HC Psych Club to host tournament

The Howard College Psych Club will he holding a 24-hour ragball tournament on Nov. 8-9.

For more information contact Rusty McLouth at (915) 264-5134.

Hoops fans can see

HC teams for free Howard College will admit all persons free of charge to its Nov. 12 men's and women's basketball games in an effort to raise public awareness of the value of a college education.

All area youth and their families to watch the Hawks and Lady Hawks in their season openers and receive free hot dogs and drinks.

Music will also be provided by several area high school bands during the games, the first of which starts at 6:00 p.m."

The event is being held to encourage Texans to visit their local community colleges and universities to participate in campus activities.

for more informaon on the Nov. 12 mes, call (915) 264-

NCAA places UT baseball program on probation

World Series champion baseball team, especially Texas was put on two years' probation by the NCAA on Wednesday for illegal job benefits given to a former volunteer assistant coach.

The NCAA determined that assistant Richard Couch took a \$40,000-a year marketing job at a distributorship beer owned by former university regent Lowell Lebermann but never did any work. Instead, Couch spent all his time working

recruiting.

NCAA rules prohibit volunteer coaches from being on an athletic department's payroll or receiving preferential treatment in an outside job arranged by the department.

They are allowed to have jobs but must do the work they're paid for. By not working, Couch violated NCAA standards of honesty.

recruit who signed with Couch, it concluded that he gave Texas a competitive advantage by spending all of his time on baseball and dozens of recruiting trips.

It also said Texas failed to monitor whether Couch was going to his job, which was arranged with help from head coach Augie Garrido.

The Longhorns won their fifth national title and first in 13 years by Although the NCAA's beating South Carolina

▲USTIN (AP) — College on activities related to the report attributed only one 12-6 at the College World Series in June. Couch left the team in October 2001 and was not with the Longhorns last season.

> of the NCAA Division I Committee on Infractions and chairman of the Athletic Colonial Association, said the violation was considered "major."

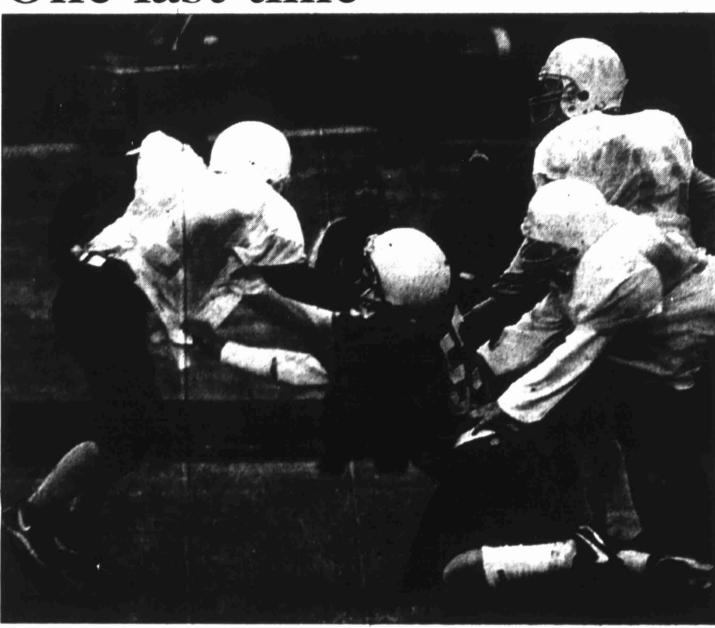
The NCAA accepted Texas' self-imposed penalty to prohibit Garrido from recruiting off campus until August 2003.

The team also will have one fewer scholarship for the 2003-04 school year, and only one assistant coach will be allowed to Tom Yeager, chairman recruit off campus until next August.

The penalties do not keep Texas from playing in the postseason.

Texas Athletic Director DeLoss Dodds said the school stands by Garrido and that UT officials believed the violation to be "secondary" in nature, which would have brought a lesser rehalty.

One last time



Members of the Big Spring Junior High School Steers will close out their 2002 season tonight against the Andrews Mustangs. The Big Spring seventh graders will host Andrews beginning at 4 p.m. at Memorial Stadium. The BSJHS

Angels' Scioscia, Cardinals' LaRussa honored as baseball's top managers

Angels manager Mike Scioscia's April following the team's worst start in its 42-season history.

eighth grade teams will travel to Andrews.

Now, in the wake of the Angels' first World Series triumph, Scioscia is the AL Manager of the

"It's very flattering to even be considered for awards like this," he said on a conference call Wednesday. "It's an award that reflects the 25 tough guys we have in our clubhouse.

In balloting conducted before the start of the postseason, Scioscia received 17 first-place votes, 10 seconds and one third for 116 points

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Anaheim Writers' Association of America.

Art Howe, who left Oakland after job was reportedly in jeopardy last—the season to become manager of the New York Mets, was second with 74 points, followed by Minnesota's Ron Gardenhire (59), who in his first season as manager just didn't give into it." led the Twins to the AL Central

> St. Louis Cardinals manager Tony La Russa, who had to overcome tragedies that struck his team off the field, won his record fourth Manager of the Year award — his first in the NL.

The Cardinals won the NL Central title during a season in which they were traumatized by the deaths of pitcher Darryl Kile from a panel of the Baseball and longtime broadcaster Jack Frank Robinson (23).

"Nothing will describe how sad and how deeply affected everyone was with Darryl, Jack," La Russa said. "I think this award is recognition our club, our organization,

La Russa, who earned the AL award with Chicago in 1983 and with Oakland in 1988 and 1992. joined Bobby Cox as the only managers to win the award in both

leagues. La Russa received 22 first-place votes, six second-place votes and one third for 129 points. Cox, who led Atlanta to its 11th consecutive division title, was next with 93 points, followed by Montreal's

Baker decides to leave **Giants**

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) Dusty Baker felt unwanted. The Francisco Giants didn't think their manager wanted to return.

Now, each can try to find a better fit.

Less than two weeks after losing the World Series and just hours before his contract expired, the Giants said Baker would not be back - the culmination of an acrimonious relationship between the manager and owner Peter Magowan.

,"I never thought it was going to come to this," general manager Brian Sabean said Wednesday.

Baker became the first manager to leave a team right after reaching the Series since Williams retired following Oakland's 1973 championship.

Chances are. Baker won't be out of work for

The Chicago Cubs are likely to express interest in the three-time NL Manager of the Year. They are among 10 teams that will have new managers next season.

"At this point, the door's been swung open, and we'll be listening to interested organizations," said Baker's agent, Jeff Moorad. "We have not had any discussions with any organization thus far.

"I know there's been a lot of speculation about Chicago. As much as we would like the process to be a quick and expeditious one, I also want Dusty to take his time and choose his next organization carefully."

The Seattle Mariners. who also have an opening, said they are not interested in hiring

A-Rod takes name off the bachelor's list

DALLAS (AP) A-Rod is off the market.

Texas Rangers shortstop Alex Rodriguez married longtime girlfriend Cynthia Scurtis last weekend.

Rodriguez, 27, and Scurtis were married Saturday in a small ceremony in Dallas, the Rangers said. A reception was conducted at his home in Highland Park. Among the guests were former Baltimore star Cal Ripken Jr., Rodriguez's boyhood idol.

Rodriguez signed a \$252 million, 10-year deal with the Rangers in December



Bowling league action continues to heat u at the Big Spring Bowi-A-Rama. League action continues through-

Heat co-owner drops out of bid for Charlotte team

- The candidates pursuing an NBA expansion team for Charlotte narrowed to two Wednesday after Miami Heat coowner Bob Sturges withdrew from consideration.

Sturges was thought to be third on the list of potential ownership candidates, said Belkin, a Boston-based businessman trying to land a franchise, along with a group that includes Larry Bird.

"Bob called me this morning and told me he was going to pull out and wished us good luck." Belkin said. "I felt he was probably in third place,

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) and I kind of expected he would pull out at some point."

Belkin said Sturges' investment group "was working on other opportunities.

Sturges did not return a call for comments

The other known ownership candidate is Black **Entertainment Television** founder Robert Johnson.

NBA spokesman Tim Frank said Belkin and Johnson are the only two applicants at this time. The NBA has set Friday as the deadline.

The city has been without a team since the Hornets moved to New Orleams earlier this year.

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Mavericks are NBA's

road with a perfect record. Only one was left tanding at the end of the

Dirk Nowitzki had 28 points and 13 rebounds as the Dallas Mavericks beat Toronto Wednesday to improve to

Michael Finley added 22 points for the Mavericks, who also have victories over Memphis, Phoenix and Golden State.

"I almost consider us slumping right now at 4-0," Steve Nash said. "We're going to play a lot of teams that are going to cause us a lot more problems than the teams we've faced thus far. The Raptors had a lot of

injuries." The Raptors kept it close until the fourth quarter. when the outscored Mavericks

Toronto 26-17. "We're a step slow on defensive rotations, and we're not as fluent on offense," Bradley said. "It's a different thing each night, but we have veterans that are able to fight through it."

Bucks 99 Nets 93

At Milwaukee, Ray Allen scored 29 points and Toni Kukoc added 26 as Milwaukee prevented the defending Eastern Conference champion Nets from starting 5-0 for the first time in franchise history.

The Bucks shot 12-of-20 from 3-point range.

Hornets 84 SuperSonics 84

At New Orleans, Baron points in 24 minutes.

Three teams hit the Davis had 23 points, 10 Cettics 91 rebounds and nine assists for the Hornets (3-1), who have won all three games in their new home.

Davis got the best of his showdown with fellow All-Star guard Gary Payton, who had 29 points and nine assists.

Knicks 95

At New York, Lee Nailon scored 10 of his 20 points in the fourth quarter as New York handed Sacramento its first threegame losing streak in two seasons.

Allan Houston scored 21 for the Knicks, who won for the first time this season after four losses.

Chris Webber scored 22 and Peja Stojakovic 19 for the Kings, who were playing their fourth road game in five nights.

76ers 101 Clippers 99, OT

At Philadelphia, Allen Iverson scored six of his 34 points in overtime to lead Philadelphia over Los Angeles.

The 76ers have won three straight since losing their opener. The Clippers have dropped three of four.

Wizards 107 Cavallers 100

At Washington, Jerry Stackhouse scored 35 points and Washington never trailed in snapping a two-game losing skid.

Michael Jordan avoided the first scoreless game of his career with a jumper and an acrobatic move for a layup down the stretch. He finished with six

At Chicago, Antoine Walker scored a season high 22 points, and Paul Pierce added 17 for Boston.

The Celtics led the entire way as they got payback for last week's season-opening loss to the Bulls. The Eastern Conference finalists have won two straight.

Pistons 80 Jazz 78

At Salt Lake City, Jon Barry hit a 3-pointer with 22.3 seconds left as Detroit took advantage of a rare night off for Karl Malone.

Richard Hamilton had 28 points and Ben Wallace added 15 rebounds as the Pistons sent the Jazz to their second 1-4 start in as many seasons.

Malone missed a game for just the 10th time.

Suns 93

Hawks 88 At Phoenix, Penny Hardaway scored 16 of his 20 points in the fourth quarter to rally Phoenix from a 14-point deficit.

Shawn Marion had 26 points and nine rebounds to help snap Atlanta's three-game winning streak.

Trail Blazers 94 Grizzlies 88

At Portland, Ore., Rasheed Wallace had 18 points and eight rebounds as Portland overcame a spate of injuries to beat Memphis (0-5), the NBA's only winless team.

Derek Anderson left with a concussion in the first quarter.

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search for a new Texas Oklahoma," said Coca-A&M athletic director is nougher, dean emeritus getting a boost from for- of the Lowry Mays Eight College and Graduate Big Chuck School of Business. Commissioner Neinas, according to a "Neinas knows the people broadcast report Tuesday. and will help the search Benton Cocanougher, committee identify who chairman of the A&M the outstanding candidates are."

search committee, told Neinas is executive Houston television station KRIV that the panel hired Neinas to help find a replacement for Wally Groff, who is stepping down on Dec. 31.

"Chuck Neinas has director. "Texas A&M is a unique great experience handling searches for major uniinstitution in terms of

director of Chuck Neinas Sports Services in Boulder, Colo., and former College Football Association executive

ers," Neinas said.

Texas A&M president Bill Gates has asked the search committee to provide him with one to three candidates, with a goal to fill the AD's post by early next year.

Groff, who has been the Aggies' AD since 1993, announced in August meeting with Gates that he would resign so Gates could pick his own management team. But Groff said he agreed to stay on past the end of the year if a replacement has not been found.

FISHING REPORT

AUSTIN (AP) - Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Nov. 7. (Report is also available on Web as www.txfishing.com.)

CENTRAL BUCHANAN: Water stained; 67 degrees; 1017.93'; black bass to 6 pounds are fair on 4" or 6" Texas-rigged watermelon/red Scoundrel worms along bluffs and creek ledges or brushpiles in 3-10 feet, and pitching Snap-Back Creature baits and 1/4 oz. Rat-L-Traps on stump flats. Striped bass are fair to good on drifting live bait, vertically jigging 1/2 oz. Pirk Minnows, and trolling 1/2 oz. Curb's striper jigs from Flag Island to Lighthouse Point in 24-40 feet. White bass are good on 2" Lit'l Fishie Shads, 1/4 oz. Pirk Minnows, and Spin Traps over flats. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on

PROCTOR: Water murky; 72 degrees; 1163.39; black bass are slow. Striped bass are slow. White bass are slow. Crappie are fair but small on minnows Channel and blue catfish are slow Yellow catfish are slow.

AMISTAD: Water fairly clear; 7.0 igrees; black bass are fair on watermeion seed soft plastics, topwaters and spinnerbalts around grass in 5-25 feet. Striped bass are fair on topwaters, striper jigs, and slabs. White bass are fair on topwaters, striper jigs, and slabs. Crapple are slow on live minnows. Channel and blue catfish are good on cheesebalt in 7-40 feet. Yellow

ALAN HENRY: Water clear; 63 legrees; black bass are slow in Big and Little Grape Creeks. Crapple are fair on

ARROWHEAD: Water stained (from wind); 58 degrees; 7.2' low; black bass are fair on jigs around the bridge (8.75 pound bass caught Oct. 30th). Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs suspended around piers and derricks. White bass are fair. Catfish are slow.

COLORADO CITY: Water clear: 75 degrees; 9' low; black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are slow. Redfish are slow. Catfish are slow Fishing is extremely slow due to a toxic golden algae bloom. FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 70

degrees; 6' low. Black bass are fair. Crapple are fair. White bass are good on minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair on HUBBARD CREEK: Water lightly stained: 66 degrees: 14' low; black

bass are fair on crankbaits and live bait. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs suspended. White bass and hybrid striper are slow. Catfish are slow. NASWORTHY: Water lightly stained; 70 degrees; black bass are fair on minnows. Crappie are fair on minnows and

jigs. Redfish are fair. White bass and striped bass are good on minnows. Catfish are fair on shad and perch. OAK CREEK: Water lightly stained; 67 degrees; No boat ramps open. Black bass are fair. Crapple are fair near docks on minnows and jigs. Catfish are

fair on live and prepared baits. OH. IVIE: Water lightly stained; 67 degrees; 19' low; black bass are fair. Crapple are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are good on minnows Smallmouth bass are fair. Catfish are good on trotlines baited with minnows and cut liver

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; 60 degrees; 4.1' low; black bass are fair. Crapple are fair. Small white bass, striped bass and hybrid striper are good. Small catfish are good fished from the shore.

SPENCE: Water stained; 71 degrees 57' low; black bass are slow. Crappie are fair. Small white bass are fair on topwaters and worms. Striped bass and hybrid striper are slow on live balt

Small catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live bait. Fishing is generally slow due to golden algae bloom

STAMFORD: Water lightly stained; 69 degrees; 2' low; black bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs White bass and striped bass are fair or crankbaits and minnows. Catfish are fair on trotlines baited with shad and stinkbait.

SWEETWATER: Water lightly stained; 68 degrees; 19' low; black bass are slow on live bait and crankbaits Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs White bass are fair on minnows Catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live bait and liver.

THOMAS: Water is muddy, 58 degrees. Fishing good on chad, trot line red horse minnows. Perch good on trot line. Bass on platic worms, rattle traps Crappie fair on jigs. Catfish in river River is running

WHITE RIVER: Water lightly stained. 65 degrees; 19.5' low; black bass are fair. Crapple are fair on minnows and jigs. Walleye are fair on crankbaits and live bait. Catfish are fair on minnows and shad

WICHITA: Water lightly stained (from wind); 55 degrees; normal pool; Crappie are slow. White bass are fair along the dam on minnows. Hybrid striper are slow. Catfish are fair on minnows and prepared baits along the shoreline.

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BY JACQUELINE BIGAR HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Nov. 7, 2002:

You make waves this year, both at home and at work. Others will learn to trust your innate unpredictability. You instinctively zero in on what appears to be right. A domestic change could prove most beneficial financially. Your money base builds because of your extraordinary and professional work.

Communication also proves to be one of your many strengths. If you are single, you will meet people with ease. You will plunge into an important relationship late in your birthday year. If you are attached, your relationship will grow because of your willingness to share. Help a partner understand you better by explaining. Sometimes he or she is negative. CAPRI-

CORN likes you.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic: 4-Positive: 3-Average: 2-So-so: 1-Difficult ARIES (March 21-April 19) **** Laugh and work with the unexpected. A surprise proves to be delightful. Accept diversity and new possibilities into your schedule. So what if you need to reschedule a meeting or two? Work with what others offer right now. Tonight: Put up your feet, before someone asks you for a favor.

TAURUS (April 20-May

Horoscope

20) ***** An associate supports a wild authority figure in your life. You find that going along for the ride is far easier, even if sometimes you might think you're at the top of a roller coaster heading down. Enjoy the many options life offers. Tonight: Pay bills.

Check out a possible trip. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) **** Others present many options. You might need to revamp plans, as one grabs you as a distinct possibility. Don't underestimate the importance of flexibility, even if you feel like you are being pulled like a rubber band. Give a little more. Tonight: Do what you want first, then check in with a loved one or a friend.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) *** You push hard to please a specific associate. Recognize the unpredictability of this person. Work with others as only you can. Sensitivity to your limits might also be important. Fatigue could set in. Consider cloning yourself! Tonight: Get some extra R and R. Screen your calls.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** Others delight in teasing you. Unexpected developments might feel off-kilter. Allow your creativity to ease your workload. Handle a personal matter during lunch or after work. Use your talents where they are needed. Tonight: Work as late as you need to.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** If you can work from home, do so. Test out ideas with associates or those with common interests. If you must go to work, add that homey touch to your environment. Demonstrate caring to those you work with. A relationship builds in intensity. Tonight: Make weekend plans. Think free-

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Others seek you out, provoking some interesting ideas. Weigh the pros and cons before you leap. Your creativity mounts right now, when others feel out of control. Focus on getting the job done. Your efficiency does count. Tonight: Organize mail, bills, etc. Think long-term budget.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **** Keep reaching for and seeking out answers. Your inquiring mind distinguishes you from the majority. You could opt to reverse direction about an investment or expenditure. A partner might not be happy. Do explain where you're coming from. Tonight: Dinner at a favorite spot. Help cheer up a loved one.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** You run a hard bargain. Taking risks seems to be innate to your sign, yet you could surprise others with the direction you decide to head in. Remember, ultimately, the person you answer to is you. Open up to the possibilities. Tonight: Treat a depressed friend to dinner.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** Listen to others' reasoning, but ultimately take responsibility for your finances. You make strong decisions in this realm, anyway. A change in how you view your responsibilities could help. Claim your power this afternoon. Tonight: Know when to leave work.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** Clear as much work as you can during the daylight hours, when success naturally comes your way. You might not need to explain your actions. Still, it might be a nice thing to do. A child or loved one could be out of sorts.; Tonight: Do your thing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) **** Take your place in the limelight. Others seek you out. Your spontaneity now helps you with the boss. Remember that no matter what, you have responsibilities. Schedule a meeting later in the day, when everyone can relax more. Tonight: Work as a team.

BORN TODAY

Evangelist Billy Graham (1918), actors Jason and Jeremy London (1972), child star Dana Plato (1964)

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Mother-in-laws belching extremely annoying

Dear Annie: My 72-yearold mother-in-law recently moved in with my husband and me. Mom takes several medications daily. One of them apparently causes her to belch constantly. I've clocked her at six belches per minute.

Mom sits in her recliner reading novels and belching. She particularly seems to enjoy the very loud ones. She sounds like a bullfrog. Mom is an intelligent woman and has good manners in other espects, so it is surprising that she makes no effort to restrain herself

We asked her to talk to her doctor about it, and she did, but apparently she told him the belching is "not a problem" for her. The doctor is completely unconcerned, which means nothing is going to be done. Mom said we may as well get used to it.

It is unbearable to be in the house doing chores, taking care of her and my family while listening to her

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belch gleefully for hours. It also embarrasses my children when their friends are over, so they tend to socialize at other kids' houses.

Mom is very defensive about the topic and refuses to discuss it further. I have

tried to play music or provide some other audio diversion, but she complains that this disturbs her reading. If there truly is nothing that can be done medically, we will do our TOO LATES

PUBLIC NOTICE

INVITATION TO BID Bids for the construction of Demolish Auditorium Howard College

Big Spring, Texas will be received at the Howard College Board Room located in the Student Union Building at 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, Texas until 2 00 p.m. time on Thursday November 21, 2002 Bids will be opened and read aloud at Bids will be addressed to

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mandatory Conference will be held at the Howard College Board Room located in the Student Union Building, 1001 Birdwell Lane Big Spring, Texas on Wednesday, November 13, 2002 at 10 00 a m This will be a single lump sum contract and shall include all

electrical mechanical work Make proposals on unaltered proposal forms furnished by the Architect Fill in all blank spaces and have the proposal signed by a legal officer of agent authorized to bind the Bidder to a contract Each Bidder shall deliver their bid in a sealed envelope to the Owner or to the bid opening Drawings and Specifications may be examined at the office of J. Phillip Furqueron. Architect, 500 Johnson Street Big Spring, Texas 79720, 915 267-3794 Copies of these documents shall be available at the office of the Architect in

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best to tolerate it, but in return, we expect Mom to make an effort to hide the noise instead of reveling in her resonance

Do you have any suggestions for handling her excessive effervescence?

Bubbles' Daughter-in-

Law Dear D-I-L: Call your mother-in-law's physician, and explain that Mom's belching is causing friction

at home. You can also speak to her pharmacist and ask if there are alternative medications that will not cause the same side effects. If there is no way to alleviate the problem medically, you will have to grit your teeth and make the best of it. Buy a portable CD player with

headphones, and tune her

out. Dear Annie: I have been dating "Wilson" for nine months. He's a great guy and lots of fun. He treats me like a queen and always tells me how beautiful I am. So what's the problem? Wilson is 35 and acts like he is 16. He watches a lot of television and plays videogames. He's never been married, and although he has a decent job, he still lives at home with his parents. His mother cooks his meals, cleans his room, cuts his toenails and does his laundry. I can understand that he wants to save money by living at home,

and he refuses. I love Wilson, but is it normal for a 35-year-old man to behave like this? —

but I have offered to let him

stay at my place rent-free,

Not Sure in North Carolina Dear Not Sure: Mom cuts his toenails??? Wilson sounds like a case of arrested development. If you are looking for a good time and a fun companion, Wilson's your guy. If you want a mature relationship, look elsewhere.

Dear Annie: I was invited to a bridal shower back in January. Many people gave money, and others gave lovely gifts. The bride-to-be called off the wedding two months later, and she kept the money and gifts. I'm sure she's spent all the money by now. Should she have returned everything, cash included?

Wondering in Ohio Dear Ohio: This girl has no class. When a wedding is cancelled, any gift that has not been used should be returned (except monogrammed items). If an item cannot be returned, the giver should be off the hook the next time around. (Cash, by the way, is generally not an appropriate

shower gift.) Dear Annie: I am writing in response to "Good Driver in Hamilton, Ontario," who worried that the child in the car ahead of her was not buckled up.

Last year, my husband and I visited our daughter, her husband and their 18month-old baby, "Emily." While riding in the car, Emily began screaming her head off, wanting to get out of her car seat. I talked to my daughter, explaining that when I was a child, we never had car seats and we all did just fine. I said I would hold Emily in my lap.

daughter My adamant that Emily remain in her car seat, no matter how much she yelled. When we stopped at the next light, we suddenly heard the sound of screeching brakes, and a pick-up truck smacked into our car from behind. Annie, if I had been holding Emily in my lap, she would have flown out of my arms and right through the windshield. There was no way I could have protected her.

Thank God no one was seriously injured, but it sure made a believer out of

I am grateful my daughter had more sense than her mother that day. I will never again consider taking my grandchild out of her car seat. - Emily's Grandma in Kentucky

Dear Grandma: You were lucky to learn a lesson without anyone being hurt. A lot of readers said their parents never needed car seats, but the truth is, plenty of children were injured in those days. All it takes is one small accident to destroy a family. A car seat is a small inconvenience for saving your child's life.

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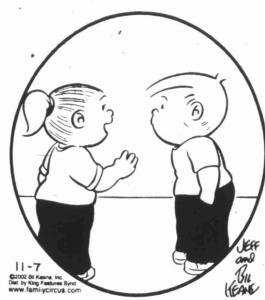
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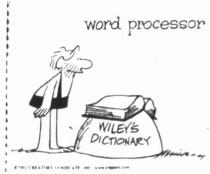
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Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 7, 1893, the state of Colorado granted its women the right to vote.

On this date: Republican In 1916, Rankin of Jeannette Montana became the first woman elected to Congress.

In 1940, the middle section of the Tacoma Narrows Bridge in Washington state collapsed during a windstorm.

In 1944, President Franklin Roosevelt won an unprecedented fourth term in office, defeating Thomas E. Dewey

In 1962, former first lady Eleanor Roosevelt died in New York City.

In 1962, Richard M. Nixon, having lost

California's gubernatorial race, held what he called his "last press conference," telling reporters, "You won't have Nixon to kick around anymore.

In 1972, President Nixon was re-elected in a landslide over Democrat George McGovern.

In 1991, basketball star Magic Johnson stunned the country as he announced that he had tested positive for the AIDS virus, and was retiring.

Ten years ago: Former Czechoslovak leader Alexander Dubcek, whose failed attempt to loosen the Communist grip on his country became known as the "Prague Spring," died at age 70.

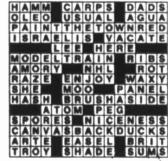
Five years ago: In a rising war of words, the Clinton administration warned it was considering military options, including a cruise missile strike, if Iraq carried out its threat to shoot down UN surveillance planes.

One year ago: The Bush administration targeted Osama bin Laden's multimillion-dollar financial net-

works, closing businesses in four states, detaining U.S. suspects and urging allies to help choke off money supplies in 40 nations. At the White House, President Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair, allies in the war on terrorism, confidently offered back-to-back pledges of victory, no matter how long it took.

Today's Evangelist Billy Graham is 84. Opera singer Dame Joan Sutherland is 76. Singer Mary Travers is 65. Actor Barry Newman is 64. Singer Johnny Rivers is 60. Singersongwriter Joni Mitchell is 59. Singer Nick Gilder is 51. Actor Christopher Knight ("The Brady Bunch") is 45.

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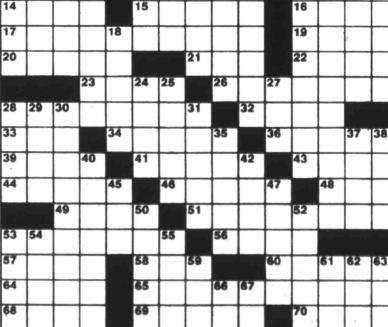
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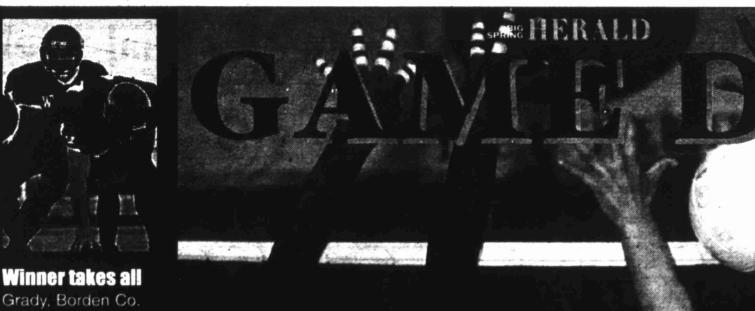


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Grady, Borden Co. face off for one playoff berth.



Who's next? Playoff picture still murky heading into final week of the regular season.



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Playoff questions abound in fina

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final Friday night on the 2002 high school football. Isn't the playoff picture supposed to be a little clearer by now?

Other than eliminating the also-rans, the playoff scenario throughout the Crossroads is just as puzzling as it was when we started this whole she-bang more than three months ago. In all, four area teams enter Friday night's finale with postseason hopes.

Of all the possibilities, the District 4-4A scene is the most jubbled. With one game to go, there are three teams, including the Big Spring Steers, Andrews Mustangs and San Angelo Lake View, looking to grab the district's final two playoff berths. Frenship has already clinched the Large School berth.

All three have legitimate shots — although the Steers have the inside track, if there is such a beast. Currently, Big Spring is second in the standings with a 3-1 mark. Andrews and Lake View are

Here's a look at the playoff possibilities.

Scenario 1: Lake View beats Estacado tonight and Big Spring beats

Andrews.

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Outcome: This would scenario give the Steers the district's No. 2 seed and allow Lake View to advance as the No. 3.

It gets tougher from here, howev-

Scenario 2: Big defeats Spring Andrews, but Estacado somehow defeats

Lake View. Outcome: The Steers would advance as the district's runner-up, while Lake View would earn the third-place

berth by virtue of its 13-3 win over Andrews. Scenario 3: Andrews beats Big Spring by exactly 10 points. Lake View defeats

Lubbock Estacado.

Outcome: All three teams

would finish District 4-4A slate with 3-2 marks and in a tie for second place. If Andrews wins by more than eliminated from the mix. If Andrews wins by less than 10, the Mustangs, despite the win, get an early start on bas-

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Scenario Estacado beats Lake View. Andrews beats Big Spring.

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Outcome: Andrews and Big Spring would finish the season tied for second place. The Mustangs would advance as the district runner-up and Big Spring as the

No. 3 team.

TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Geez, perhaps its better to just wait, and see. Clearly, though, Big Spring holds its own fate in its hands.

The playoff picture in District 3-2A isn't quite as confusing. Crane and Colorado City are already in. Crane can claim the outright district title with a win over Coahoma.

Seagraves can earn the No. 3 berth with a win over Stanton. Should Stanton upset Seagraves, there is a slim - albeit very small chance Forsan could sneak in through the back door.

In District 3-5A, Abilene Cooper is in. They can finish with a win over Odessa High tomorrow

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Abilene High and Midland High can wrap up the No. 2 and No. 3 berths with wins Friday. If Midland Lee beats Midland High, the Rebels could go as the third-place representative.

In District 3-3A. Snyder is in. Sweetwater and Merkel can do the same with wins over Seminole (5-4) and Lamesa (2-7), respectively.

In District 7-A, you can pencil in top-ranked Iraan as a playoff team. Wink and McCamey will duke it out for the No. 2 and No. 3 seeds Friday.

In six-man play, the only certainty is the Sands Mustangs, who clinched a playoff berth two weeks ago with a 53-8 win over rival Grady.

The Mustangs, the District 5 champions, close out the regular season tonight against old rival Klondike.

They will face the winner of the Fort Davis-Balmorhea matchup next week in the bidistrict round of the six-man playoffs.

The Grady Wildcats and Borden County Coyotes will settle the District 5 runner-up berth tomorrow in Gail. The winner of the showdown will advance to face Sanderson next week.

The Ira Bulldogs can clinch the District 6 championship tomorrow with a win over the Highland Hornets. With a win. Ira will advance to face Rule, the District 7 runnerup. Highland, should they lose, will face Aspermont.



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Steers ready to renew Andrews rivalry



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Big Spring special team's standout Mike Ornales smiles as he walks of the field after returning a kick 78 yards for a touchdown. Ornales and the Steers can clinch the District 4-4A runner-up playoff berth with a win over Andrews Friday. Big Spring enters the game with a 6-3 record.

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Coaches always say the game at hand is the most important.

For the Big Spring Steers, Friday night's showdown with longtime rival Andrews truly is the most important game they will play this season.

It could determine their very playoff fortunes

Big Spring head coach Dwight Butler wouldn't have it any other way.

"This is what you play whole year for,' said Butler. "There's no question this is a big game for us. We control our own destiny. It's up to us, we don't have to depend on anyone else and that's the way it should be.

It should also be one of the top games in West Texas. The ageold rivalry deemed by some as one of the best in the state - will determine

playoff fortunes of three teams. Big Spring, currently sitting in second place in the Distrct 4-4A standings. can nail down its fifth playoff berth in the past six seasons with a solid showing against Andrews.

For Andrews, the situation is much more of a do-or-die dilemma. The Mustangs must win by at least 10 points in order to keep their slim playoff hopes alive. A 10-point win would force a three-way coin toss with Big Spring and San Angelo Lake View for the district's two remaining

That 10-point cushion isn't something Butler wants to worry with. He would much rather the Steers win the playoff berth outright rather than stake see it stake its chances on a coin toss.

"We know they're going to be fired up about playing us," said Butler. "If we don't come out and match their intensity it could be a long night for us. This is Andrews. They would love nothing better than to beat us.'

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> Dwight Butler BSHS head coach



In the Mustangs, Big Spring will be facing a team desperately trying to keep its playoff hones alive Andrews, which enters the showdown at 4-5 overall and 2-2 in district, must win by at least 10 points or be eliminated. View, by virtue of a 13-3 win over Andrews in the second week of district play. would advance as the third-place representative.

"This is a big game for both of us." said Butler. "It's a big rivalry in that these young men have played each other since the seventh grade. Plus, it has playoff implications.

The Mustangs enter tomorrow's showdown as a vastly different team than most Big Spring fans will remember. Andrews, under first-year head coach Blaine Springston, abandoned the I-formation in favor of a more pass-oriented one-back set this

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We're Always There

Lady Steers face big challenge in Hereford

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The big games keep coming for the Big Spring Lady Steers.

Fresh off of playoff victories over the El Paso High Lady Tigers and No. 10-ranked Canyon Randall, the BSHS girls will get their stiffest test of the season Saturday afternoon in a regional quarterfinal showdown with defending Class 4A state champion Hereford. The two teams are scheduled to play at 3:30 p.m. in the Rip Griffin Center on the campus of Lubbock Christian University.

In Hereford, Big Spring will be facing one of the premier volleyball squads in Texas. The Lady Whitefaces enter the showdown sporting a 30-4 record and ranked No. 2 in the latest state poll. Over the past five years, the HHS program has captured four state titles, winning in 2001, 2000, 1998 and 1997.

Hereford's latest win came Saturday when they ousted El Paso Burges from the playoffs by pounding out a 15-0, 15-5 victory in the secondhalf of a double-header that featured Big Spring and El Paso High.

Their success on the court doesn't

Regional Quarterfinals Playeff Big Spring vs. Hereford

When: 3:30 p.m.
Where: Rip Griffin Center, Lubbock
Radio: KBST 95.7

have Herd head coach Brenda Kitten over confident as she heads into the bout with Big Spring.

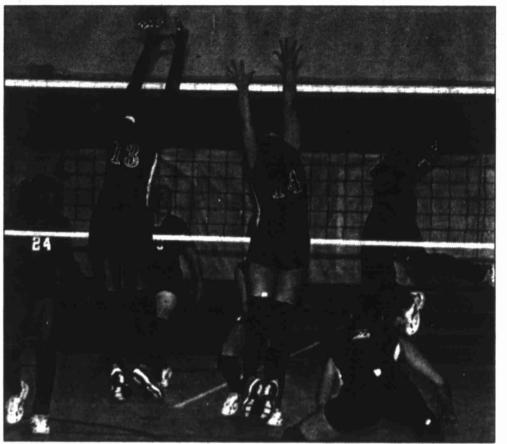
"We're scared to death of them," said Kitten after watching the Lady Steers beat El Paso High. "They're very athletic and they have a bunch of girls who can get off the floor.

"We know we can't come in and rest on our laurels. We're going to have to be at the top of our game against them. They (Big Spring) have a solid program."

The Lady Whitefaces, the District 3-4A champions, are led into Saturday's game with a potent inside attack that is keyed by 5-foot-11 middle blocker Sarah Griffin. A senior, Griffin dominated the Burges defense at the net, blocking 11 shots and recording nine kills.

Catherine Beville, a 5-foot-6 senior,

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The Big Spring Lady Steers, now 23-11, will face No.2-ranked Hereford Saturday in the Class 4A bi-district playoffs at 3:30 p.m. at Lubbook Christian.

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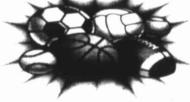
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Offensively, the Herd is led from the service line by Griffin and senior Meagan Daniel.

Seniors Tiffany Koenig and Tiffany Mercer give Hereford two solid defensive players. Both recorded several key saves in the Lady Whitefaces' win over El Paso Burges.

Hereford had little trouble in downing Burges, the District 1 runner-up. The Lady Whitefaces reeled off 15 unanswered points in the first game and then cruised to an easy win in the second.

. Hereford probably won't have as an enjoyable time with the Lady Steers, who, unlike Burges, have three go-to players on the front line

LaKenya Wrightsil, Ka'Rissa Magers and Krystle Long give Big Spring one of the top lines in West Texas. The three combined for 26 kills against El Paso High.

Magers, the niece of former Olympic volleyball standout Rose Magers-Powell, has stepped up her

PLAYOFF ROSTERS **Big Spring Lady Steers Lady Whitefaces** 30-4 Overall 23-11 Overall Area Champions Area Champions No. Player 3 Sarah Griffin 10 Erica Stewart 4 Celeste Guzman 11 Sterling Burchett 13 Timmi Blackshear 14 Stornie Huff 20 Krystle DeLeon 23 Ka'Rissa Magers

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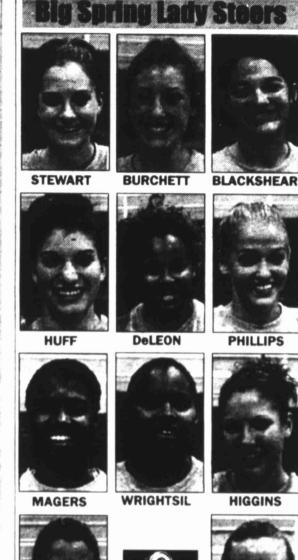
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offensive game in the playoffs. In the Lady Steers' two playoff wins, she has recorded more than 20 kills

Sterling Burchett and Lindsay Phillips serve as setters. Both have recorded more than 18 assists in Big Spring's first playoff wins since 1977 - when Magers-Powell helped guide the BSHS squad to the first of back-toback trips to the Class 5A state tournament.

The Lady Steers' playoff victories are the first by a BSHS squad in 25 years.



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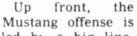
The change has paid big dividends for the Mustangs. Andrews sports the second-best offense among District 4-4A squads, averging nearly 300 yards a night.

Ryan Newbrough leads the Andrews offensive attack. The 3-year starter has adapted to the Mustangs' new passing scheme. Through Andrews' first nine games, he has thrown for 1,224 yards and nine touchdowns. For the season he has completed 126-of-216 attempts while tossing just five interceptions.

Newbrough has a pair of talented receivers to throw to on the outside. Wideouts Eddie Carrasco and Elton Powell have each caught more than 30 passes this fall.

Joining Newbrough in the AHS backfield is J.J. Hayes. a speedy run-

ning back that gives the Mustangs a potent rushing attack in the same fashion as Big Spring tailback Josh Mathews. Hayes has rushed for more than 700 yards this season.



led by a big line.
Andrews' front five averages better than 240 pounds per man. Tackle Jared Long, a 6-foot-3,

man. Tackle Jared Long, a 6-foot-3, 285-pound two-year starter, leads the group. . Jared Neighbors gives the Mustangs

Jared Neighbors gives the Mustangs another scopring threat. The AHS placekicker has booted several field goals thius season, including a 39-yard against state-ranked Midland Greenwood.

Defensively, the Mustangs are among the best in in the area. They held Frenship to just 19 points last week before a last-minute 90-yard fumble return enabled the Tigers to escape with a 25-20 victory.

As a team, Andrews is allowing opponents only 220 yards a night.

"They're a very physical team that likes to stunt a bunch and try to make you do things wrong," said Butler, who has split his last 10 games against Andrews.

The Andrews defense is led by Alex

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If we have to motivate our young men for this game, we don't need to go (to the playoffs). This is Andrews.

> Dwight Butler BSHS head coach

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Torres, a quick defensive tackle, and linebacker Sergio Robles. With Torres and Robles in tow, the Mustangs have held opposing offenses to less than 150 yards rushing this season.

Defensive back David Kessler anchors the AHS secondary.

"They have a lot of weapons," said Butler: "We're going to have to be on the top of our game against them."

Andrews isn't the only team sporting an impressive arsenal of weapons. Big Spring heads into the contest with the area's top-rated passing offense and a resurgent defense.

Quarterback Tye Butler leads a BSHS offense that turned in a stellar effort against Lubbock Estacado. Big Spring rolled more than 360 yards of offense — rushing for 183 and passing for 185.

Butler has been phenomenal this fall, completing 106-of-195 attempts for a district-leading 1,668 yards and 18 touchdowns. He has thrown just five

interceptions in nine games.

Brandon Mendoza and Curtis Woodruff highlight the BSHS receiving corps. Mendoza is the top passcatcher in the region, having averaged 17.5 yards per reception. For the year, he's rolled up 39 catches and 681 yards.

Woodruff, who leads the team in touchdown receptions with eight, had 29 catches for 540 yards.

Mathews has also been solid this season. He enters the regular season finale needing just 194 yards to reach the 1,000-yard plateau. Thus far, he has gained 806 yards and nine touchdowns on 136 attempts.

The X factor in the game could be a Steer defense that has come into its own over the past month.

"It's been very encouraging for us," said Butler of the defense's improvement. "Over the last month, we've had three good games by them. They've been finding a way to stop people recently."

Much of the credit for the Steers' improvement is directly related to the push the team has developed up front from Jarod Boyd, David Lopez and Jeremy Jones. The three linemen have combined for five sacks in the past three games.

How to reach Andrews Ligh's Mustang Bowl

Big Spring fans attending the Steers-Mustangs showdown on Friday can reach Andrwes' Mustang Bowl by several ways.

By taking Andrews Highway north, follow the road (which changes into Broadway) to the intersection with 13th Street. Turn right onto 13th and proceed to Ave. G or Ave. H. Both enter the Mustang Bowl parking facilities.

Fans can also arrive at the stadium by following the Mustang Drive loop upon entering the city.

Lopez leads the team in quarterback sacks, having recorded 10 in the Steers' first nine games. Boyd has four and 10 quarterback pressures.

Dustyn Beauchamp and Jared Phillips lead the team in tackles. Beauchamp has accumulated 92 stops this season. Phillips has 77.

Motivation isn't a problem, Butler aid.

"If we have to motivate our young men for this game, we don't need to go (to the playofs). This is Andrews," he said.



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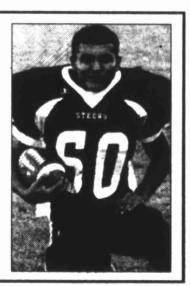
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Forsan hoping to nail down first playoff berth since 1989 with win

This time last week, the Forsan Buffaloes were riding high, and seemed in total control of their own destiny.

How the playoff picture turns.

After losing to Seagraves last week, however, the Buffaloes must depend on some help from Stanton — and play almost a perfect game themselves against the Colorado City Wolves in order to have any hope of a shot at the promised land.

Forsan, 4-5 on the season and 2-2 in district, heads into game without the services of quarterback Josh Helmstetler, who was injured in the game two weeks ago against Coahoma. Sophomore John Martinez will step in and lead the Buffalo offense.

The new quarterback will likely mean a heavier load for running backs Wes Longorio and Billy Acosta. Longorio is already shouldering much of the FHS Load, having rushed for more than 400 yards in the past two weeks.

Should Martinez need to throw the ball, David Lee and and junior tight end Brandon Burleson will likely be his top targets.

The Buffalo defense has been stingy this season, thank, in part, to the play of linebackers Chance Rainer and H

Colorado City vs. Forsan When: 7:30 p.m.

Where: Forsan Radio: 94.3 FM

Cory Reyna.

In the defensive secondary, Longorio is leading the team in interceptions, while Matt Ellis, a 6-foot-200 pound defensive end, is among the team leaders in tackles.

Colorado City, 7-2 on the year and 3-1, is trying to rebound from a heart-breaking loss to Crane last week. Despite the loss, the Wolves are in the playoffs as the District 3-2A runner-up.

The Wolves are powered by a strong running game, led by David Leanos and Kenneth Scott, a 5-foot-9, 205-pound freshman. Quarterback Johnathan Spear guides a CCHS offense that has rolled up big numbers all year.

David Salazar has been one of Spears favorite targets from his wideout position.

Defensively, Colorado City has allowed less than 20 points per game this fall.

Forsan will face off with Colorado City beginning at 7:30 Friday night in Forsan.

Coahoma will try to stop Crane run

On paper, it this looks to be a mismatch. History, however, says "Don't believe the hype."

Crane, for a perennial 3A power in West Texas, will get a chance to nail down the District 3-2A title against the team that captured the

honors a year ago – Coahoma.

The Cranes have basically bowled over any opposition in the pursuit. Crane enters the game at 9-0. Coahoma, on the other hand, is reeling a year after the schools first district championship in 29 years.

The Coahoma defense, which has suffered several

key injuries this season such as the loss of Kelby Kemper and J.C. Watts, is still a formidable squad. The Bulldogs held Stanton to just two points a week ago.

The defense gave up just 166 total yards in their victory over Stanton, and more importantly, stymied the Buffaloes on several scoring threats late in the game to seal the win. Defensive tackle Andrew Brown came up big for Coahoma late, making a



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Coahoma at Crane

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tackle on 4th-and-2 play from deep in Bulldog territory to prevent a

Offensivley, the Bulldogs are paced by quarterback Sam Tindol. Since the injury to Kemper, he has been the team's leading rusher and passer.

Former lineman Billy-Bob Walker has helped take up the slack in the running game. A running back who was moved to the offensive line and then back into the backfield due to

injuries, Walker rushed for 65 yards on 23 carries against Stanton. He set up the Bulldogs' only touchdown of the game with a 65-yard run.

What can you say about Crane?

The Golden Crane's enter the game with the top-rated offense and defense in the district. Crane has averaged more than 300 yards a game this season, while allowing opponents less than 150.

Regular season closes with two key matchup

There remains only one more their first losing season since 1973. week of district games for teams ranked in the Associated Press high school poll as they gear up for the first round of the playoffs.

But two games that don't involve any ranked teams will be the ones that capture the eyes of Texas, as Pilot Point coach G.A. Moore attempts to become the state's winningest coach and Midland tries to end Class 5A's longest playoff absence against crosstown rival Midland Lee.

Moore takes his Bearcats to Van Alstyne on Friday night, hoping to clinch District 9-3A's third playoff berth and surpass Gordon Wood as Texas' all-time leader in wins. To clinch Moore's 397th career victory, Pilot Point will have to beat a team that was a finalist in last year's Class 2A Division I championship.

If Moore can pull off the win, he will return his alma mater to the postseason after it missed the playoffs last year for the first time in 22 years.

Meanwhile, Midland High and Midland Lee will meet Friday night in a showdown for District 3-5A's final playoff spot at the district's new Grande Communications Stadium.

If Midland wins, they can end Class 5A's longest playoff drought at 51 years, and end Lee's winning streak over MHS at 13 straight games.

If Midland Lee wins, the Rebels will earn a playoff berth for the 10th straight year and will avoid

Those two games will likely be the premier games on the final weekend of the regular season, obscuring two matchups involving ranked teams: 4A No. 4 Ennis against 4A No. 5 Terrell in the battle for the District 16-4A title, and 2A No. 9 Garrison against 2A No. 10 Hemphill for first place in District 23-2A.

In 5A. No. 1 Galena Park will play host to Pasadena Dobie, and No. 2 Waco will travel to Copperas Cove, which is fighting for its playoff life after being forced to forfeit four wins, including two in district, for using an eligible play-

Also, No. 4 Austin Westlake will play host to San Marcos, which opened the season with eight straight wins before losing 20-7 to Austin Bowie last week.

Highland Park will try to defend its No. 1 ranking in Class 4A for the first time at West Mesquite on Friday night.

And in 2A, McGregor will continue its run to an undefeated season as the state's top-ranked team.

McGregor hasn't qualified for the playoffs since 1991, but the team has done very well after dropping from 3A during the University Interscholastic League's biennial realignment. The Bulldogs are coming off last week's 26-22 win over then-No. 2 ranked Rosebud-Lott.

Area coaches are asked to fax their results and season stats to the Big Spring Herald at 264-7205



The Coahoma Cardinals and the Falcons will square off for the Crossroads Little Football League flag football champion this Saturday. The two teams are scheduled to highlight a full day of CLFL playoff action beginning at

Grady, Borden Co. to decide playoff berth

Best Wishes For A Winning Football Season

This is the way that it is suppose to end. The last bullet in the last

Grady Wildcats and Borden Co. will get a chance to live on Friday night when they square off for the District 5 runner-up playoff berth. Both teams enter the game at 3-1 in loop play.

The Wildcats head into the game on a high note. Grady needed just under three quarters of football to dispose of the Cougars 54-6.

Sophomore Andrew Villa runs the high-powered offense. Last week, he accounted for 156 yards on the ground and scored three touchdowns.

Grady at Borden County

When: 7:30 p.m. Where: Gail.

Senior Eric Tunnel has came back from an early season injury to contribute as well, throwing a 15-yard pass to Jason Brackens late in the first half.

Borden Co. rolls into the game riding the crest of a 26-25 comefrom-behind victory over the Loop Longhorns.

Derek Rodriguez secured the win for the Coyotes with a 6-yard scamper with only 49 seconds left in the

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