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THURSDAY

November 6, 2003

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Tonight:



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Dine Out for UW

Cowboys is the restaurant of the week for Dine Out Day for United Way. On Friday, a portion of the restaurant's sales will go to United Way to benefit 14 local agencies.

The series of restaurants continues next Friday with both Sonic drive-ins in Big Spring. Spanish Inn will be the following Friday, Nov. 21. The Dine Out Day for United Way series ends on Nov. 25 with Domino's Pizza.

BSHS choir boosters

The Big Spring High School Choir Boosters Club is holding a pancake supper on Friday from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the high school cafeteria, 707 11th Place.

Tickets are \$3 for students and \$5 for adults.

ALON Refinery receives Employer Excellence Award

HERALD Staff Report

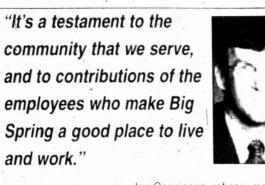
ALON USA's Big Spring Refinery has been selected as winner of the Texas Workforce Development Board's Employer Award of Excellence for 2003.

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Representatives from ALON are scheduled to receive the award on behalf of the refinery during the seventh annual Texas Workforce Conference, which is scheduled for Nov. 20 at the Westin Galleria Hotel in Houston.

According to Virginia Belew, area director of the Workforce Network in Big Spring, the purpose of the award is to honor one business in each workforce development area for its contributions to the Workforce Network and the local community. Each workforce



Joe Concienne, refinery manager

development board designates one business to receive the award.

"The Big Spring Refinery seemed like a natural candidate for the award, especially

in light of its 75 years of service to this community," Belew said. "The refinery has been instrumental to the Permian Basin and vital to oil and gas producers throughout Texas and the Southwest. We nominated the refinery because it has not only been an exemplary employer, but also for its contributions toward local economic development and corporate citizenship."

The refinery's nomination also highlighted its efforts to develop employee training programs to help workers achieve professional certification.

Those certification programs were coordi nated with Howard College, Belew noted, and

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HEALTH **TRTA** asks members to 'take steps' By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Retired teachers across Texas have decided to do something about the cost of rising health care get healthier.

The Texas Refired Teachers Association is promoting a healthy lifestyle through fitness expert Robert Sweetgall's "Walks-A-Million" pedometer program.

"What we want to do is get all our members to walk a million steps." said TRTA District. 18 Chairman Loma Jean Wynn, a Coahoma rosi dent.

Members



The meal will consist of freshly made pancakes, sausage, bacon and milk or juice.

Tickets can be purchased at the door or from any high school choir student. Money from the event goes to support the choir program.

CHS band boosters

The Coahoma Band Boosters will be sponsoring a tail-gate party on Friday. This is the last home game for the Bulldogs and will also be Parent's Night.

The tail-gate party will begin at 6 p.m. at Bulldog Stadium next to the home side concession stand.

The menu will be hamburgers or cheeseburgers, all the trimmings, chips, cookies and a drink for \$5 per person.

Purchase a ticket from any band booster club member, at the gate that night or by calling Dale Pittman at 432 267-9555 or 432 517-0348.

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Father James Liggett, pastor of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, blesses the pets of congregational member Mary Nix, middle, while friend Vanessa Hernandez observes. Members brought their dogs, cats and fish to the annual blessing of the animals held Wednesday evening in the church's courtyard.

aged to use a pedometer to help keep track of the amount of steps they take through the day, whether exercising or out doing errands, Wynn said.

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Games galore mark **PTA's Fall Festival**

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer Students at Coahoma Elementary School will be getting into the seasonal mood this weekend, as they get ready to present Coahoma the annual Parent

Teacher Association Fall Festival.

The event will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday.

PTA Board Member Laura Martin said

the fall festival will give the organization and students a chance to raise muchneeded funds for school year activities.

"The money raised by renting out the booths will go to the PTA," said Martin. "The funds actually raised by the groups running the booths is kept by that organization. All of the different grades will have a booth, so they'll get the chance to raise money for things like parties and field trips.

Martin said several outside organizations will also have booths.

"The Lions Club will have a booth," she explained. "They're going to be running the jail,

which is a really popular booth every year.

"People will be able to pay to have people arrested and thrown into the jail. Those that are under arrest can either pay to get themselves out or pay have

to someone "It's going to be a lot else arrested. It's a lot of fun, so we hope of fun and everyone will come out has been a real hit at and help support the our students and the school."

Laura Martin,

PTA board member

events. According to Martin, those in attendance will also get the chance

past

to exact some revenge on school faculty members and students.

"The pie throw is also a really popular event," she said with a laugh. "We'll have the coaches and some students set up for that. They'll stick their heads through a special hole, and everyone will get the chance to throw a pie at them."

Martin said there are a number of games and events planned for the festival, including turtle hop-scotch, a cake walk, ring toss, football throw, balloons and darts, just to name a few. "The sixth grade class will be doing a car smash," she added.

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Big Spring High School senior Jessie Garza tries on his senior ring Wednesday with the help of Herff Jones representative Alan Williams: The company was on campus to give out rings that had been ordered.

Big Spring to bring out the 'hogs' for rivalry with Andrews Friday

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer Calling all 'hogs'.

Big Spring High School plans to rev up Friday afternoon for the Steers final home football game against the Andrews Mustangs with a parade of Harley Davidson motorcycles roaring into Blankenship Field.

"We're going to be hon-

extra-curricular activities," said Principal Michael Ritchey.

The unique community pep rally will b gin at 2:50 p.m. at the field, located on the school campus, 707 11th Place

"Since Andrews is our biggest rival, we decided we needed to do something special," Ritchey

oring all our students said. "We did this two who are participating in vears ago and we'd like to continue to do this when we play Andrews at home.

> Ritchey invites anyone with a Harley motorcycle to participate in the parade.

"Last time we had 43 Harleys and we'd love to have more," Ritchey said.

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Obituaries

Josie Hale

Josie Hale, 81, of Big Spring died at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2003, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center after a long illness. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. Kevin Parker, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church, officiating.

She was born Oct. 8, 1922, at Vincent. She was the daughter of Lula McDaniel Payne and Hirem Walker Payne: Mrs. Hale was a homemaker and a Baptist.

She is survived by two sons, Lloyd Hale and Robert Hale, both of Big Spring; two daughters, Josie Painter and Janie Miller, both of Big Spring, 12 grandchildren; 21 great grandchildren; and five great-great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, P. C. Hale; two children: June Lorraine Hale and Donnie Hale; three grandchildren: Steven Painter, Carla Hale and Kristie Hale; and one great-great-grandson: Kayden Keith

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Rev. John G. "Jack" Harrison

Rev. John G. "Jack" Harrison, 83, of Big Spring, died at 8:20 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2003, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Take note

□ A FUND HAS BEEN set at State National Bank to help defray medical costs for Elsie Hinojosa of Stanton, a cancer patient. She is a relative of Patsy Padilla of Big Spring.

□ THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, which delivers to the elderly and homebound, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, you are needed.

About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered to recipients within the city limits of Big Spring.

If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

ROAD TO RECOVERY DRIVERS WANTED.

Volunteer drivers are needed to transport cancer patients to and from treatments. If you can spare a few hours each month, please consider volunteering to drive somebody along the Road to Recovery. For more information about volunteering or if you are a cancer patient in need of the service, call La Wanda Hamm, 263-7827.

SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy.

Distribution is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

LOCAL

Police blotter

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

• FORGERY was reported at the police department. • BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported at the Dallas Morning News building on Benton St. where \$1,300 worth of computer equipment was reported stolen.

• THEFT, more than \$50 but less than \$500, was reported in the 1200 block of Douglas and at a residence in the 600 block of FM 700.

• **THEFT**, **less than \$50**, was reported in the 2600 block of Gregg, 400 Birdwell Lane, 1100 Lamesa, 1700 block of FM 700, 300 block of Owen, 2300 block of Wasson, 1500 block of Fourth Street, the 900 block of Willa, the 1200 block of 11th Street and at Dollar General on Gregg St. where consumable goods worth \$25 was reported stolen.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 2500 block of Dow where jewelry, precious metals worth \$50, \$25 in cash and drugs worth \$10 were reported stolen.

• **DISORDERLY CONDUCT** was reported at Barcelona Apartments.

Sheriff's report

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

• **STOLEN DOGS** was reported in the 100 block of Broken Bow.

• **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 1200 block of West Cr. 32.

Weather

Tonight...Cloudy with a 70 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 40s. Northeast winds 5 to 10 mph.

Friday...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs around 50. Northeast winds 5 to 15 mph.

Friday night...Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers. Lows in the mid 40s.

Saturday...Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers. Highs in the mid 50s.

Sunday...Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers. Lows around 50. Highs in the upper 60s.

Monday through Veterans Day...Mostly cloudy. Lows in the upper 50s. Highs in the lower 70s.

Wednesday...Mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s. Highs in the mid 60s.

Support groups

THURSDAY

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 12 noon to 1

Bulletin board

BIG SPRING HERALD

Thursday, November 6, 2003

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald news room at 263-7331 or email editor@bigspringherald.com

TODAY

Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane, 267-6479.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring Country Club, Driver Road.

Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7 p.m., Howard Country Library, 500 S. Main.

Masonic Lodge 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

The Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas, workshop over the challenges of a 21st century family for clergy and church employees, 9 a.m. to noon, West County Road 116, near the Midland International Air Terminal. The workshop is free. Seating is limited. To make a reservation, call 432-563-4144 or 800-329-4144.

Greater Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

AMBUCS, noon, La Posada, 206 NW Fourth St.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring Country Club, Driver Road.

Big Spring Choir Booster 6th annual Pancake Supper, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Big Spring High School cafeteria, 707 11th Place. Cost is \$3 for students and \$5 for adults. Tickets can be purchased at the door or from any high school choir student.

Spring City Senior Citizens Center Country & Western Dance, 7:30 p.m. 10:30 p.m., 1901 Simler. All area seniors or invited.

The Coahoma Band Boosters tail-gate party, 6 p.m. at Bulldog Stadium next to the home side concession stand. The menu will be hamburgers or cheeseburgers, all the trimmings, chips, cookies and a drink for \$5 per person.

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SATURDAY

Howard Country Scottish Rite club, 7:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 21st St. and Lancaster.

Free eye glasses, 9 a.m.-noon, Bob's Custom Woodwork, 409 E. Third St.

Hangar 25 Air Museum, McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

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BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING counties are in critical need of foster families.

Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected.

For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 9-18-31-32-37. Number matching five of five: 1.

Prize per winner: \$45,038.

Winning tickets sold in: Mesquite, Exxon #60446, 1325 N. Peachtree St./Gross.

Matching four of five: 138. Prize: \$147. Matching three of five: 4,329. Prize: \$11. Matching two of five: 44,034. Prize: \$2. Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday night.

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 2-12-20-25-34. Bonus Ball: 19.

Number matching five of five, plus Bonus Ball: 0. Number matching five of five: 3. Prize: \$16,104. Number matching four of five, plus Bonus Ball: 28.

Prize: \$1,566.

Number matching four of five: 903. Prize: \$104. Number matching three of five, plus Bonus Ball: 857. Prize: \$97.

Number matching three of five: 35,828. Prize: \$5. Number matching two of five, plus Bonus Ball: 10,658. Prize: \$5.

Number matching one of five, plus Bonus Ball: 47,981. Prize: \$3.

Estimated jackpot for Saturday night drawing: \$29 million.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 8-4-6



HENRY BACKES

p.m.; Women's meeting; 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Non-Smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

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

❑ Alzheimers Support Group meets at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at The Texas State Veterans Home, 1809 North Highway 87. For more information call Orand Carroll 268-8387.

FRIDAY

□ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Noon Open Big Book Study Meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

□ Open Discussion Meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open Podium/Speakers Meeting 615 Settles 8 to 9 p.m. Open Birthday Night, No Smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

□ Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 to 6 p.m

□ 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.

TUESDAY

□ Area Agency on Aging of the Permian Basin will hold a self-help support group for care givers in Howard County on Tuesday.

The meeting will be held at Canterbury Retirement Homes Inc., 1700 Lancaster, from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. For more information, call Raynetta Williams, caregiver coordinator, at (432) 563-1061 or (800) 491-4636 or locally call Debbie Read at Home Hospice at (432) 264-7599.

This group is open to the public and funded by the Texas Department on Aging.



Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historical home, 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

SUNDAY

Hangar 25 Air Museum, McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, 1:30 p.m.-4 p.m.

MONDAY

Senior Circle Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics, 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 W. 11th Place. People age 50 and older are invited to participate, 268-4721.

Coahoma's Lions club, 6 p.m., Coahoma Community Center on North Avenue.

Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., La Posada, 206 NW Fourth Street.

Big Spring Band Boosters, 6:30 p.m., Big Spring High School band hall, 707 11th Place.

Archeology Society for Howard and Borden counties, 7 p.m., Howard Country Library, 500 S. Main.

Big Spring Commandery No. 31, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 219 Main, 6:30 p.m. for dinner.

Big Spring Assembly No. 211, Social Order of Beauceant, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 219 Main; 6:30 p.m. for diner.

TUESDAY

Intermediate Line Dance classes, 9 a.m., Spring City Senior Center, 1901 Simler, 267-1628.



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STATE BRIEFS

Grid operators plan expansion

AUSTIN (AP) — Operators of the state's electric grid, the Electric Reliability Council of Texas Inc., plan an expansion that includes almost doubling the size of their 24hour operations center.

Managing Texas' electric grid, a job that has become more complex since the state's power market was deregulated almost two years ago, is also prompting ERCOT officials to add 100 employees by late next year.

Agency officials will break ground by January on a 75,000-square-foot expansion of its control center in Taylor, allowing 150 other employees at rented offices and trailers to move to one central location.

"It means creating more jobs, retaining existing jobs and the construction of facilities adds to the tax base," Taylor City Manager Frank Salvato told the Austin American-Statesman in Thursday's online edition. "We're very excited it worked out for Taylor."

The agency, which manages the flow of electricity across the state's 37,500-mile transmission grid in the aftermath of deregulation, is also responsible for switching customers to new retail providers. The Texas Public Utility Commission regulates ERCOT, whose members are investor- and city-owned utilities, cooperatives, generators and retail providers.

Contractor drops construction

AUSTIN (AP) — One of the state's largest construction contractors has dropped a contract to build a Planned Parenthood facility where abortions would be provided, about six weeks after the start of a locally organized boycott of the project.

Danielle Tierney, spokeswoman for Planned Parenthood of the Texas Capital Region, said San Antonio-based Browning Construction Co. pulled out of the project Tuesday.

Tierney called the boycott organized by Austin area subcontractors who oppose the facility a "campaign of harassment and intimidation" and vowed the building would be completed.

"We knew full well there would be harassment," she said. "We will get it done."

Browning owner James Browning did not immediately return a telephone message

seeking comment Wednesday.

Deliberations begin in Rubio trial

BROWNSVILLE (AP) - The fate of a man who confessed to suffocating, stabbing and beheading three young children is in the hands of a South Texas jury.

The panel was to begin deliberations Thursday in the capital murder trial of John Allen Rubio, whose defense attorneys argue was legally insane at the time of the March 11 attacks.

Both Rubio, 23, and his common-law wife Angela Camacho have confessed to the crimes. Camacho, a Mexican national, is awaiting a hearing on whether she is mentally competent to stand trial.

If jurors return guilty verdicts to the threecount capital murder charge against Rubio, prosecutors said they will likely be asked to consider the death penalty.

During closing arguments Wednesday, prosecutors and the defense reminded jurors of their civic duty in the case.

Lawmakers reach compromise

WASHINGTON (AP) - Dumping material dredged from the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway would be restricted to sites the Army Corps of Engineers recommended in a September report, according to a measure sponsored by Republican Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

Hutchison's provision is part of the 2004 Energy and Water appropriations bill that emerged from conference committee late Wednesday. The bill now returns to the House and Senate for approval.

The provision prohibits using any money to deposit dredge material along the Laguna Madre portion of the waterway, except for the locations identified in the Corps report.

Although it does not specifically mention it, the provision is intended to protect the vast, South Texas King Ranch. Hutchison, R-Texas, had tried to put stronger language in the spending bill in October, but that proposal drew opposition from Rep. Solomon Ortiz, D-Corpus Christi. The ranch and part of the waterway are in his district.

A spokesman for the King Ranch could not be immediately reached late Wednesday.

White, Sanchez gear for runoff

HOUSTON (AP) - The campaign for Houston mayor began all over again Wednesday for finalists Bill White and

Orlando Sanchez, who started gearing up for next month's rematch a day after they earned spots in the runoff by topping a field of nine candidates.

White, the millionaire former chairman of the Texas Democratic Party, used his personal wealth as part of a record \$6 million yearlong spending spree but fell short of the 50 percent needed to win the mayor's job outright in Texas' biggest city.

By finishing second, Sanchez, a former city councilman, made the runoff scheduled for Dec. 6 for a second straight mayoral election. He lost two years ago to incumbent Lee Brown, who was barred by term limits from seeking a fourth two-year term.

White collected 112,866 votes, or 38 percent, while Sanchez had 98,565, or 33 percent. Eliminated Tuesday was seven-term state Rep. Sylvester Turner, another Democrat, who had 87,238, or 29 percent, and six other candidates who collected only a handful of votes.

"A lot of people called into the office today who had supported Mr. Turner and Mr. Sanchez saving we wanted to see you win in this runoff and bring this city together," White said Wednesday. "I want the endorsement of anybody here in the city."

El Paso council renames statue

EL PASO (AP) - A three-story statue under construction of the man who named El Paso and opened the area to colonization will be renamed "The Equestrian" after protesters argued that conquistador Don Juan de Onate was a killer and doesn't deserve recognition.

Although the El Paso City Council on Tuesday agreed to change the statue's name, it denied requests to kill the project. The council voted to award \$713,000 to help sculptor John Houser complete the statue and transport it to El Paso.

Some of the pieces — the statue depicts Onate on his horse — are in Houser's studio in Mexico City.

The project ran out of money with about 70 percent of the work completed, members of 12 Travelers, the project's sponsor, told the council. About \$1.25 million in private money already has been spent.

Texas Rep. Norma Chavez, D-El Paso, and about 20 others argued the project should be killed. Historian Leon Metz and a half-dozen supporters urged the council not to abandon the effort, which began in 1992.

Samaritan sets Friday work session **Herald Staff Report**

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The Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will offer a workshop over the challenges of a 21st century family for clergy and church employees

The free workshop will be held Friday from 9 a.m. to noon at the center, West County Road 116, near the Midland International Air Terminal.

Workshop presenters Dr. Ron Meyer and center Clinical Director Angela Peterson will discuss the issues of a blended family, children and technology, the sandwich generation and the geriatric challenge.

Seating is limited. To make a reservation, call 432-563-4144 or 800-329-4144.

HOGS

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Motorcycle owners planing to participate in the rally should meet behind the physical education gym on 10th Street at 2:30 p.m. Friday.

For more information about the event, call the school office at 264-3641.

The Big Spring-Andrews game will be held Friday at Memorial Stadium, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

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OUR VIEWS

It takes each of us to make a United Way

seems like it was only weeks ago that the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County held its kickoff luncheon. Now, the campaign is already in its final weeks, with the board and directors hoping to announce that the goal of \$265,000 was attained.

At the midway point, organizers were able to report that more than half of the funds had been raised. That's good news, because typically at mid-point in the past, less than half of the funding has been secured.

Of course, we all know that this has not been accomplished in such a short period of time. As in every year a lot of work goes on before the drive gets under way. Those efforts, by dedicated, hard-working individuals, are to be commended.

Also to be commended are the compassionate citizens of Howard County. All of the pleas in the world do no good if they fall on deaf ears. This year, as in the past, your dollars will go to help 14 local organizations that provide a tremendous number of services - everything from child care to counseling, food, clothing, mental and physical assistance and on and on. Those organizations are the American Red Cross, West Texas Chapter; Boy's Club of Big Spring: Buffalo Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America; Council on Aging; Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center; Humane Society; Isaiah 58; Northside Community Center; Salvation Army; Victim Services; Westside Community Center; Westside Day Care Center; West Texas Girl Scout Council; and YMCA of Big Spring.

Democrats ready to sell out on war

ast week, the Pentagon announced that more American troops - 115 had sacrificed their precious lives in combat since President Bush announce . major combat operations

were over in Iraq on May 1 than had died in the war between March 20 and the end of April.

The news comes as public support for the war in Iraq seems to be wavering. The latest Harris poll found that 47 percent of Americans want to bring most U.S. troops home from

Iraq within the next year and 46 percent want to keep the troops in Iraq until there's a stable government.

Of course support for the war is slipping - every Democratic presidential candidate has hurled an endless barrage of one of two messages: 1) The war in Iraq was all wrong, or 2) the war is being done all wrong. During the candidates' debate, Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., said that Bush had failed to "do it right." Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C. charged that Bush had "no plan." All agreed that the war would be going better if only Bush had put together an international coalition.

The Democrats have a right to criticize Bush, but the very notion that the war would be cleaner following a different PowerPointdetailed plan, that the pitfalls

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could have been foreseen, or that there would be an end in sight to American involvement if only there were Frenchmen fighting side by side with U.S. soldiers, well, it reveals a naivete unbecoming of a White House hopeful.

Top Dems apparently forgot that America fought a war with a broad international coalition in 1991 and that it ended when an eager-to-please President George H.W. Bush dropped the ball of victory in Iraq by withdrawing U.S. troops too soon.

Implicit in the criticism of George W. Bush is the illusion that U.S. troops could have invaded Iraq, overthrown Saddam Hussein and worked to install a new representative government. and that the whole agonizing ordeal wouldn't have been as prolonged and messy — if only there had been better planning.

Rebuilding Iraq always was going to be grueling, and so, alas, it is. There is no efficient, low-risk way to fight an enemy who kills civilians rather than confront an army. As Bush noted in his press conference, "That's what terrorists do. They commit suicide acts against innocent people and then expect people to say, 'Well, gosh. better not try to fight you anymore."

That's what happened when President Clinton pulled U.S. troops from Somalia after an al Qaeda raid left 31 Americans dead. It's what happened in 1983 in Lebanon when President Reagan withdrew troops after a terrorist bomb killed 241 Marines

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Terrorists learned that killing American soldiers paid off.

Yet the anti-war crowd argues that the best way to support American troops is to bring them home – even though virtual surrender would make every U.S. soldier or sailor serving abroad a more inviting target.

If, on the other hand. American and allied efforts prevail, if a representative government is installed, if young men in the breeding grounds of terror see determined Iraqis survive the vicious attacks designed to destroy their ability to live, work and move freely and then go on to build their own nation, then terrorism loses.

There's always room for improvement in how any war is waged. But when I hear Democrats carp at Bush as if there would be markedly different results in Iraq with better planning or more allies, well, that's where I see deliberate deception about the war

Victory in Iraq will not hinge on three-step proposals or international coalitions. One quality alone will spell the difference between victory and capitulation in Iraq: will.

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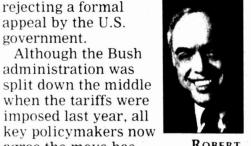
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Bush political adviser Karl Rove would go along, but sources now say he is on board for repeal.

The steel tariffs are regarded inside the administration as having done more harm than good, both politically and economically. Whatever help they gave the ailing steel industry was overridden by damage to steel-purchasing manufacturers - especially the auto parts industry.

House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi, a Californian, was upset Wednesday when she found that her meeting with Gov.-elect Arnold Schwarzenegger included a key California Republican: Rep. David Dreier, head of the new governor's transition team.

The word on Capitol Hill is that Pelosi was steaming because her meeting with Schwarzenegger was held in the House Rules Committee offices of Chairman Dreier, with Dreier sitting in. Dreier is being urged by party leaders to run against Democratic Sen. Barbara Boxer next year.

A footnote: A reception for Schwarzenegger and a Pelosi fund-

raiser were held in the same Capitol Hill building at the same time Wednesday night. Several Democratic House members from California dropped into the Schwarzenegger event, but not Pelosi. Also on hand for the Republican governor-elect's victory celebration were several of his Kennedy in-laws, including Eunice Shriver, Ethel Kennedy, Kathleen Kennedy Townsend and Caroline Kennedy Schlossberg.

Bush ready to roll back steel tariffs

The bipartisan consensus among high-level Florida politicians is that Sen. Bob Graham, having ended his run for the Democratic presidential nomination, will seek a fourth term in the Senate next vear.

Graham, though weakened by his poor presidential campaign. would be favored to keep his Senate seat. The only Florida Republican given an edge over him is Gov. Jeb Bush, who has no intention of leaving the governorship after last year's re-election.

A footnote: The only other incumbent senator whose 2004 intentions are still in doubt is Democrat John Breaux of Louisiana. He would be a sure winner for a fourth term, but his retirement would open the way for a Republican takeover.

President Bush is being pressed by his two closest European allies to award the contract for the U.S. presidential helicopter to the Anglo-Italian Augusta Westland company, replacing Connecticutbased Sikorsky Aircraft Corp.

Britain's Tony Blair and Italy's Silvio Berlusconi, who have supported military action in Iraq. have lobbied Bush for the Marine One contract. Augusta Westland

has hooked up with Bell Helicopter and Lockheed Martin to compete for construction of the president's helicopter fleet, which is due for replacement

Sikorsky, which has produced and maintained Marine One since 1957, has put over \$500 million of its own funds into the new model. VH-92. Augusta Westland's US-101 is heavily subsidized by the British and Italian governments,

Rep. Charlie Norwood, a back bench conservative Republican from Georgia, this week lashed out against a Democratic candidate for president and the Republican mayor of New York City for attacking his bill to encourage local enforcement of immigration laws.

Sen. Joseph Lieberman recently assailed the Norwood bill in a speech to the Latino Peace Officers Association. Mayor Michael Bloomberg put Norwood on his blacklist of House Republicans. Norwood accused Bloomberg of seeking "a safe har bor for the 80,000 criminal aliens living within our borders." The congressman accused Lieberman of "tired and empty rhetoric

'A footnote: House Republicans were amazed by Bloomberg's enemies list of four GOP congress-/ men, urging New Yorkers not to contribute to any of them. In addition to Norwood, they include House Majority Leader Tom DeLay of Texas, Mark Kennedy of Minnesota and Tom Tancredo of Colorado.

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News Briefs

Righteous Brothers' Hatfield dies

KALAMAZOO, Mich. (AP) - Bobby Hatfield, who with partner Bill Medley pioneered "blue-eyed soul" as the Righteous Brothers with hits like "Unchained Melody" and "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling," died Wednesday night of undetermined causes at a hotel, his manager said. He was 63.

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Hatfield's body was discovered in his bed at 7 p.m. EST, a half-hour before the duo was to perform at Miller Auditorium on the Western Michigan University campus, manager David Cohen said.

"It's a shock, a real shock," Cohen said during a telephone interview. Medley, who teamed with Hatfield 42 years ago, was "broken up. He's not even coherent," Cohen said.

The Righteous Brothers were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame earlier this year.

Their signature 1964 single, "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling," has been cited by numerous sources as the most-programmed song in radio history. Later 1960s hits included "Soul and Inspiration" and "Unchained Melody.

Robert Lee Hatfield was born Aug. 10, 1940 in Beaver Dam, Wis.

Cash wins three CMA awards

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - Johnny Cash won the Country Music Association's album of the year, single of the year and video of the year awards Wednesday — capturing his first CMA awards since 1969 and tying Alan Jackson for most wins during the night.

Cash, who died Sept. 12 at age 71 of complications from diabetes, was nominated for four awards and won all but one: vocal event of the year.

The announcements drew a standing ovation at the CMA's 37th Annual Country Music Awards.

Jackson won three awards, including vocal event of the year for his hit duet with Jimmy Buffett, "It's Five O'Clock Somewhere." Jackson also won male vocalist of the year and entertainer of the year.

Plan calls for reduction in troops

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Pentagon's plan for rotating U.S. troops in Iraq next year includes a return of the Marine Corps and a net reduction in the total American force, officials say.

Marine Gen. Peter Pace, vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said Wednesday the number of U.S. troops should be cut to about 100,000 by May from the current 130,000.

The reduction contrasts with calls from some in Congress for increased force levels. The Bush administration says it can improve security and stability in Iraq with fewer U.S. forces because it is rapidly increasing the number of Iraqis trained for security missions.

Pace said the number of trained Iraqis, now about 100,000, will reach about 170,000 by May.

The Pentagon has been working for months on a

Ridgway pleads guilty to killing 48 women

eight minutes for the names of 48 women to be read aloud. Each time, Gary Leon Ridgway calmly said "guilty," admitting to being the nation's most prolific serial killer as part of a plea deal that keeps him off the state's death row.

"In most cases, when I killed these women, I did not know their names," Ridgway said in a statement read in court. "Most of the time I killed them the first time I met them, and I do not have a good memory of their faces.'

Ridgway, 54, a short figure with glasses, thinning hair and a sandy pleaded mustache, guilty Wednesday to being the Green River killer, who over decades strangled women on the edges of society.

"Choking is what I did and I was pretty good at it," he wrote in his statement, adding that he killed "so many women I have a hard time subdued voice. keeping them straight."

Relatives who packed the courtroom hoped to emphasize that Ridgway's victims were more than numbers on a gruesome list. Some held their slain relatives' photographs; others wore buttons with their likenesses.

"It's very important to us the world know she was a person," said Kandice Watt, whose sister, Roberta Hayes, was 21 when she was last seen alive in 1987. "First and foremost, she was my sister,

SEATTLE (AP) - It took almost my brother's sister, and she was loved ones had never even been important to us."

> Beginning in 1982, Ridgway picked up prostitutes, strangling them and molesting their bodies. which he left in the Green River and other inconspicuous dump sites around Seattle. Nearly 20 years passed before DNA evidence linked him to the crimes.

"Choking is what I did and I was pretty good at it."

Green River Killer Gary Ridgway

For a half-hour Wednesday, he listened in court with an utter lack of expression as his own accounting of how he picked up each victim and where he dumped the body was read aloud.

In the most matter-of-fact way, he confirmed the details, responding "yes" over and over in a clear but

At a later news conference, King County Prosecutor Norm Maleng said his first reaction to striking a deal that would take the death penalty off the table was no: "If any case screams out for the death penalty, this was it."

But he said he finally agreed to bring a resolution to dozens of unsolved cases. Investigators had evidence to pursue charges in seven cases but had exhausted their leads in the others, and the victims' families — including those whose

found – deserved answers, Maleng said.

Some family members disagreed. "He don't deserve to live another day," said Debra York of Seattle, whose 17-year-old niece Cynthia Jean Hinds was killed in 1982.

As part of the agreement, Ridgway must lead task force detectives to evidence, answer all their questions and submit to lie-detector tests. He led them to the bodies of four women in recent months.

Ridgway's statement opened an extraordinary window on the twisted mind of a serial killer.

"I wanted to kill as many women as I thought were prostitutes as I possibly could," he wrote.

He wrote he strangled many of the women, mainly runaways and prostitutes, during sex, and that he left some bodies in "clusters" and enjoyed driving by the sites afterward, thinking about what he had done. He said he sometimes stopped to have sex with the bodies "for two or three days ... till the flies came." Victims' relatives wept quietly in the courtroom.

In questioning Ridgway last summer, one detective asked him to rate himself one to five on a scale of evil.

"I'd say a three," Ridgway replied. "Three?" the detective said.

Ridgway answered: "For one thing is, ah, I killed 'em, I didn't torture 'em. They went fast.'



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Robert D. columns, ate web n NDICATE, troop rotation plan. It is based on a commitment to keep troops in Iraq for no more than a year at a time. Officials said Marines will return to Iraq as part of the rotation. They played a key role in the capture of Baghdad and then left Iraq in September.

Veterans' death benefits addressed

WASHINGTON (AP) - As the U.S. death toll rises in Iraq, Congress has approved doubling the death benefit for the families of fallen troops and more tax breaks for military personnel involved in the war against terrorism.

Wednesday's 420-0 vote in the House sends the package of enhanced military benefits to President Bush just a few days ahead of Veterans Day.

Under the bill, families of soldiers killed while on active duty would get a \$12,000 tax-free payment, up from the current \$6,000.

The increased death gratuity, meant to offset the cost of a funeral and other immediate expenses, combines with benefits already available to the survivors of soldiers killed in war. Families typically get payment from a \$250,000 life insurance policy.

Active duty and reserve personnel on standby and on their way to war would benefit from the bill's other changes, which lower taxes on military benefits and expenses.

Soldiers deployed away from home would find it easier to take advantage of tax breaks on capital gains when they sell their houses. The bill suspends a rule that requires homeowners to live in the house during two of the past five years to qualify for the tax break.

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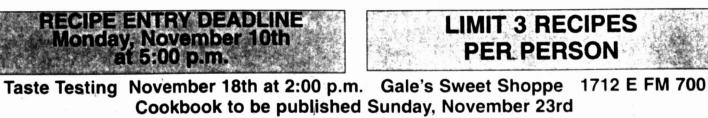
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Ryan Newman's pit crew changes tires during a stop in the Pennsylvania 500 in July.

COURTING THE CREW Winston Cup teams try to lure talented pit crew members

BY JIM UTTER Knight Ridder Newspapers

hen it comes/to successful Winston Cup teams, often when you win, you ose. All teams crave wins and championships, and the teams that are successful often become the targets of the teams that are not.

Winning drivers are courted by other car

onship Saturday at North Carolina Speedway in Rockingham.

Owners and crew-chiefs say the key to retaining good personnel is providing a work environment that entices them to stay where they are, not take the highest offer from a competitor.

'It's always going to be a problem," Hendrick said. "You'll have a guy who is a good tire changer and you have an owner who needs a good tire changer, and people offer them money to switch



THIS WEEK'S RACE

Where: North Carolina Speedway, a 1.017mile banked paved oval located in Rockingham. When: Sunday at 1 p.m. (all times ET).



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Saturday's Target House 200. Brian Vickers is third, 21 behind Riggs. The top five drivers in points are separated by 60 points. The annual World Pit Crew Competition, open to the Top 25 teams in car owner points, is 3:30 p.m. Saturday at Rockingham. The NASCAR Truck series is off this weekend. The season finale is

Worth mentioning: Jeff Gordon has qualified in the top 10, including two poles, in 16 of his 21 Winston Cup races at Rockingham yet has not qualified in the top 15 in his past three

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

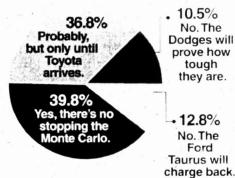
Mark Martin's No. 6 Roush team and Ricky Rudd's No. 21 Wood Brothers bunch are. swapping crew chiefs. Who benefits most?

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Will Chevy continue to dominate the Nextel Cup next season?

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12.8% No. The Ford Taurus will charge back STOP 'N' GO RANDOM THOUGHTS A list of who's hot and who's not in Winston Cup racing. WHO'S HOT Jeff Gordon has posted seven consecutive top-10 finishes, including two victories. **Jimmie Johnson** has five consecutive top-10 finishes WHO'S NOT **Sterling Marlin** has not posted a top-five finish this season. **Ricky Craven** has finished 19th or worse in the past five races. - Jim Utter **BY THE NUMBERS** WINSTON CUP POINTS LEADERS

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owners. And even more frequently, teams that suffer on pit road go after crew members who excel in that area.

In recent years, trading pit members has become a high-dollar bidding war. In fact, one of the most difficult tasks for many teams at the end of a season is retaining its existing crew.

Pit crews have made tremendous gains over the years, while shortening the amount of time they spend completing a typical pit stop: four tire changes and a refueling.

"It's really unbelievable how important pit crews have become and how much time and effort you have to put into putting together good crews for your teams," said Rick Hendrick, who owns one Busch and four Winston Cup teams.

And one team courting another team's crew members is certainly not a new phenomenon. At the end of the 1999 season, Robert Yates

Racing hired twe members of Jeff Gordon's famed "Rainbow Warriors" over-the-wall crew in an effort to improve driver Dale Jarrett's pit road stops.

After driver Matt Kenseth's pit crew won the World Pit Crew Competition the past two seasons, two of his pit crew members were lured away to other teams this season. Kenseth's team goes for its third consecutive pit crew champi-

"You have to give these guys a good place to work and give them good pay. You offer incentives to help. The one thing you an't control is injuries, and as a team you have to be prepared. for that as well."

Matt Borland, crew chief for driver Ryan-Newman, who leads the Cup series with eight wins this season, said money isn't always the deciding factor when pit crew members consider their future.

"Ninety percent of the guys aren't there to make more money. They want to be in a situation where they are contributing to wins and make the whole team look better," Borland said.

"To keep guys motivated, they know we're going to be running for championships and wins and running for poles. That fuels the fire in competitive guys."

Robbie Loomis, crew chief for four-time Winston Cup champion Jeff Gordon's No. 24 Chevrolet, said contracts have become as commonplace with crew members as with drivers.

"With a contract, you can't be wooed by another team as easily," he said. "It's too bad it comes to that sometimes, but if you have a team that works well together, that is awfully hard to replace.

1 JEFF SINER KRT Matt Kenseth's crew, which set a record

at the World Pit Crew Competition in 2002, at a pit stop in May.

WHO'S THE BEST?

WHAT: Union 76 World Pit Crew Competition WHERE: North Carolina Speedway, ... Rockingham, N.C

WHEN: 3:30 p.m. Saturday.

WHO: Top 25 Winston Cup teams, in owner points

THE DETAILS: Each crew empties 14-gallons of gas (two cans that hold seven gallons each) and changes both leftand right-side tires. Time penalties are assessed for various infractions, including loose lug nuts, fuel spills and fuel left in the gas cans. The team with the fastest time wins \$30,000, plus an extra \$10,000 if it sets a new record.

WORLD RECORD: Matt Kenseth's No. 17 Ford crew, 2002, 16.823 seconds. — Jim Utter

RANKINGS

THAT'S RACIN'S TOP PICKS

1. Matt Kenseth (car No. 17): Team needs 143 points to clinch the title. It could get 180 with a win at Rockingham. Last week: 1.

2. Ryan Newman (car No. 12): He's now led a significant number of laps = 10 or more — in 14 of the past 17 races. Last week: 2 (tie).

3. Jimmie Johnson (car No. 48): ould be first since Bill Elliot ('83 84) to finish top five in points in first two full years. Last week: 2'(tie).

4. Dale Earnhardt Jr. (car No. 8): Phoenix post-race jubilation showed just how much this team wanted nonplate race win. Last week: 7

5. Jeff Gordon (car No. 24): No third straight win, but eight top-10 starts and eight top-10 finishes in past nine races. Last week: 2 (tie).

6. Kevin Harvick (car No. 29): Just so there's no misunderstanding, this week we're saying it. The points race? It's over. Last week: 2 (tie).

7. Tony Stewart (car No. 20): Couldn't push top-five streak to seven races but his car was good before it got wrecked. Last week: 2

8. Kurt Busch (car No. 97): Gets top-five finish after nine-race drought. Not streaking down stretch as he did in '03. Last week: 9.

9. Bill Elliott (car No. 9): Made first career Cup start at Rockingham. Could this weekend be his last one there? Last week: 8

10. Jamie McMurray (car No. 42): Your rookie-of-the-year elect has an average finish of 9.8 over his past 11 starts. Last week: 11.

> For the rest of the top-40 rankings, go online and visit www.thatsracin.com.

manufacture it artificially there has been no drama in the points race since.

In the 11-race stretch beginning with Bristol, however, there has been a core group of teams performing at a high level. Ryan Newman and Jimmie Ichnson have each had nine top-10 fin ishes in those 11 races. Jeff Gordon has eight and Earnhardt Jr., Kevin Harvick and rookie Jamie McMurray have seven each. Tony Stewart and Matt Kenseth have six apiece.

Elliott's six top-10 finishes in the same

"We've finally gotten our stuff polthe same for a lot of people.'

Maybe not for a lot, but certainly for the best.

The top-40 drive	ers as of Nov. 2:
Rank/Driver Points	Rank/Driver Points
1. M. Kenseth (17) 4828	21. R. Rudd (21) 3408
2. D. Earnhardt Jr. (8)	22. W. Burton (22) . 3369
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3. J. Johnson (48) 4587	24. J. Nemechek (25) 3226
4. J. Gordon (24) 4528	25. D. Jarrett (88) 3224
5. R. Newman (12). 4499	26. R. Craven (32) 3212
6. K. Harvick (29) 4477	27. J. Benson (10) . 3207
7. T. Stewart (20) 4260	28. D. Blaney (77) 3033
8. B. Labonte (18). 4055	29. J. Spencer (7) 2933
9. K. Busch (97) 3983	30. K. Wallace (23) . 2894
10. B. Elliott (9) 3966	31. S. Park (30) 2756
11. T. Labonte (5) 3912	32. T. Bodine (54) 2731
12. M. Waltrip (15) . 3842	33. J. Green (43) 2507
13. J. Burton (99) 3842	34. T. Raines (74) 2498
14. J. McMurray (42) 3769	35. C. Mears (41) 2492
15. R. Wallace (2) 3757	36. K. Schrader (49) 2396
16. R. Gordon (31). 3680	37. K. Petty (45) 2347
17. M. Martin (6) 3665	38. J. Andretti (1) 2269
18. G. Biffle (16) 3508	39. M. Skinner (01). 1914
19. S. Marlin (40) 3477	40. J. Sprague (0) 1284

GRAND NATIONAL POINTS LEADERS

20. J. Mayfield (19). 3411

The top-20 drivers as of Nov. 1:

Ränk/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. S. Riggs	4373	11. M. Bliss	3668
2. R. Hornaday	4356	12. A. Lewis	3519
3. B. Vickers	4352	13. M. Wallace	3319
4. D. Green	4351	14. S. Hmiel	
5. J. Keller	4313	15. C. Gibbs	3079
6. B. Hamilton	Jr 4248	16. K. Harvick	2806
7. S. Wimmer.	3871	17. T. Bodine .	2657
8. J. Sauter	3833	18. M. Waltrip	2463
9. K. Kahne	3815	19. K. Grubb	2395
10. S. Compton	3678	20. L. Gunselm	nan 2291

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The top-10 drivers as of Oct. 31:								
Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points					
1. B. Gaughan	3721	6. B. Hamilton.	3442					
2. T. Musgrave	3695	7. R. Crawford	3403					
3. T. Kvapil	3687	8. C. Edwards.	3329					
4. D. Setzer	3682	9. T. Cook	3082					
5. J. Wood	3512	10. C. Chaffin	3009					

NEXT RACE: Nov. 14, Ford 200, Homestead, Fla.

Before 2003 Winston Cup season ends, 2004 begins

e know that the 2003 Winston a NASCAR official cut Cup season will end after two more weekends. It's a little more difficult to pinpoint when the 2004 season began

Yes, there will be a Daytona 500 in February to kick things off officially. But it's clear that for the past several weeks, a lot of what has been going on in NASCAR's top series is focused more on next season than this one.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. was certainly looking forward Sunday after winning the Checker Auto Parts 500 at Phoenix International Raceway. It was his first non-restrictor plate win since September 2001 at Dover.

"I am so proud of my team," Earnhardt Jr. said in victory lane. "They are just so much fun to work with. And I am going to tell you, if they stick around next year, every single one of them, we'll win the championship, I guarantee you."

For reasons known only to himself,

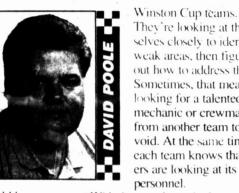
short the post-race interview with Earnhardt Jr. But in the brief remarks that were allowed. Earnhardt Jr. tempered that guarantee somewhat.

"I feel like the team is getting better and that we can compete next year for the championship," he said. "The only thing I don't like about Winston

Cup racing right now that could hamper my ability to be as competitive next year is loyalty

"I feel like I have a pretty good group of guys and if they maintain their strong bond and loyalty for what we're trying to accomplish, then we can step it up again and again each year. I hope everybody understands the opportunities we have and that they stick around to make it happen."

This is a volatile time of year for top



They're looking at themselves closely to identify weak areas, then figuring out how to address them. Sometimes, that means looking for a talented mechanic or crewman from another team to fill a void. At the same time, each team knows that oth ers are looking at its key personnel.

"With the people we had on our team last year, we struggled and just had a hard time on pit road," Earnhardt Jr. crew chief Tony Eury Sr. said.

"Our pit crew was holding us back so we made changes on pit road. It's a lot better than it was, but we still don't have it fixed. ... It's just hard to get people who can perform under pressure." Matt Kenseth led the points stand-

ings by 329 points going into Bristol, and despite television's best efforts to

That's 59 top-10 finishes among just

eight teams in 11 races. Add Bill

stretch, and that leaves just 45 for everybody else.

ished up now and we're getting ready for a championship push for next year," Johnson said after finishing second to Earnhardt Jr. on Sunday. "I think it's

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Glenn enjoying big season in Dallas, for Parcells

can't explain the drops. By his count, he's already had six or seven this season after only five his entire career.

"I don't drop balls, man," he said. "I don't drop balls."

Glenn was smiling when he said it. He's full of grins these days because the Dallas Cowboys are tied for the best record in the NFC and Glenn knows he's a big reason for it.

"I feel comfortable. I feel at home," Glenn said Wednesday. "I feel like I'm a part of what's going on, I feel like I need to be a part of what's going on for us to be successful and I'm happy

about that. I want it.' Glenn was the first player the Cowboys acquired after Bill Parcells was hired as coach.

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IRVING (AP) — Terry Glenn Dallas traded a conditional draft pick to Green Bay to get him, a cheap price for a two-time 1,000yard receiver coming off a strong season.

> Glenn caught 56 passes for 817 yards and was quiet off the field, avoiding the problems that cost him his job in New England early in the Patriots' Super Bowl championship season.

Non-football issues have dogged Glenn since his rookie season, when Parcells, then his coach in New England, referred to him as "she.'

Parcells was angry because Glenn was hurt, and because the team drafted the receiver when the coach wanted someone else. While that also led to Parcells' departure, he and Glenn ended up becoming close friends.

Glenn proudly says no coach carry was a 47-yard gain on a has ever gotten as much out of reverse in the final minutes this him as Parcells did their one season together. Parcells often says he cares more about Glenn as a lead. person than as a receiver, respecting how Glenn overcame a rough upbringing.

So far, their reunion is working out for everyone.

"I love it," Glenn said. "He gave me an opportunity. That's what it's always been about for me. Green Bay didn't give me enough opportunities.'

Glenn leads Dallas with 32 numbers are even more impresin two of the first three games.

Glenn also has run three times for 55 yards. His most important injured reserve last week.

past Sunday against Washington that let Dallas protect a 21-14

The biggest stat is 6-2, the Cowboys' record. They already have more wins than any of the last three seasons and are leading the division.

"Any time you can win when people don't expect you to, it's always a fulfilling feeling," Glenn said. "It's good to see coach Parcells have that glory."

In other Cowboys news, Dallas catches, 432 yards and five touch-signed OL Bill Conaty, who downs, three in one game. Those played six years for Buffalo and went to training camp with New sive considering he was shut out England. Conaty becomes the backup center, replacing Gennaro DiNapoli, who went on

IN BRIEF **Baseball boosters to** meet Nov. 13 at ATC The Big Spring High

School Baseball Booster Club will hold a meeting on Nov. 13 at the **BSHS** Athletic Training Complex.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m.

For more information contact John Sparks at 263-8527.

New classes now forming at YMCA

Registration for classes in gymnastics, swimming, martial arts and women's weights is now being held at the Big Spring Family YMCA.

Gymnastics classes include Kidnastics for preschoolers, ages 5 and younger, and regular gymnastics and tumbling classes for boys and girls 6 and older.

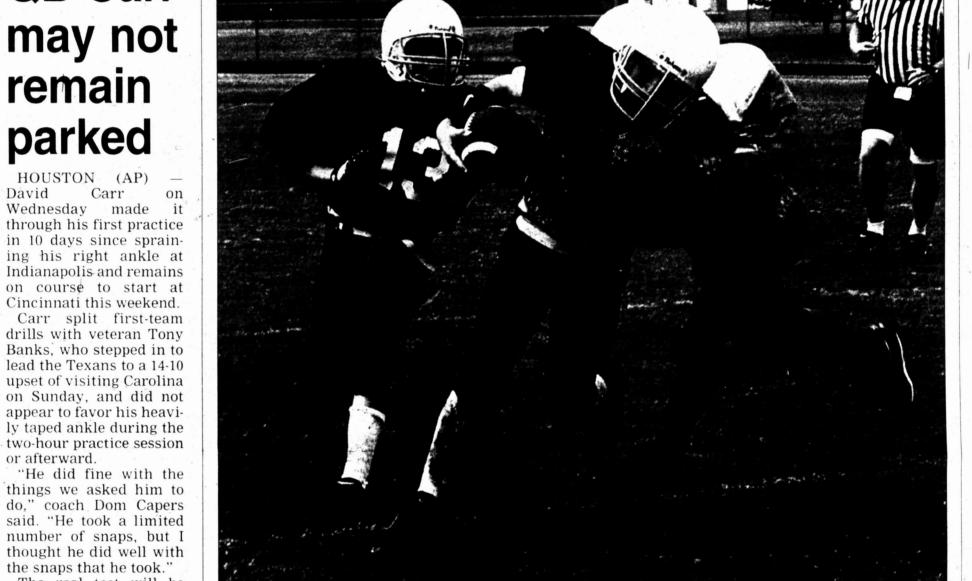
Swim lessons include beginner classes for pre-schoolers, ages 5 and under, and beginner and intermediate classes for children 6 and over."

For more information contact the YMCA at 267-8234.

Steers Booster Club to hold skills clinic

The Big Spring Steers Boys Basketball Boosters will be holding a skills clinic for area vouth in grades K-4th on Saturday, from 10 a.m. through noon in the west gym of Big Spring Junior High.

The cost of the clinic is \$30 per individual.





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things we asked him to do," coach Dom Capers said. "He took a limited number of snaps, but I thought he did well with the snaps that he took."

The real test will be how Carr feels Thursday, Capers said, although he remains on pace to start for the Texans (3-5).

"We'll probably increase his load a little (Thursday) and hopefully increase it a little more on Friday," Capers said. Carr, last year's No. 1

overall draft choice, took every snap for Houston as a rookie and started the franchise's first 23 games until Banks led the Texans to victory last weekend.

In seven games, Carr has completed 60 percent of his passes for six touchdowns and eight interceptions. He is averaging 212 yards per game and has taken only 11 sacks in seven games this season. Last season he was dumped a record 76 times.

Frogs win shootout with Cards

Kenny Hayter scored on a 1-yard run early in the fourth quarter Wednesday night and helped the No. 13-ranked TCU Horned Frogs hold off upset-minded Louisville, 31-28, in an offensive showcase.

The two teams combined for 1,049 yards in the contest - including 457 by Louisville quarterback Stefan LeFors. As a team, the Cardinals rolled up 580 yards in a losing effort.

LeFors, who rushed for a 9-yard score late to pull Louisville to within three, completed 31 of 49 passes.

TCU, 9-0, had 462 total yards on offense.

File photo The Big Spring Junior High School seventh grade Steers will try and complete a perfect season this afternoon when they face the Andrews Mustangs at Blankenship Field. Big Spring heads into the 5 p.m. kickoff sporting an unblemished 8-0 record.

McCalister, junior high Steers try to finished perfect season

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

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The Big Spring Junior High School seventh grade Black team is just four quarters away from a place in Big Spring athletic history.

Move over Nolan Ryan, the Steers are looking for perfection.

The unbeaten Steers will try and complete a perfect season this evening when they face the Andrews Mustangs in their season finale. The Steers, who are a perfect 8-0 on the year, are sched**Big Spring Junior High Football** Andrews Mustangs

VS **Big Spring JH Steers** 5 p.m. at Blankenship Field.

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uled to begin play at 5 p.m. at Blankenship Field.

Big Spring added the latest piece to its run at the history books last Thursday by downing Midland Greenwood by a 14-8 clip.

The Steers picked up solid performances from several players in the victory. Turning in standout

efforts were Lloyd Morgan, Cade Hollandsworth, Kadrian Groage, Sydney Parker, Surge Patel, Justin Puente and Josh Urias.

Darius McCalister got the **BSJHS** offensive machinery going early against Greenwood. He hauled in an 8-yard scoring pass from quarterback Nathan Doporto to give the Steers a quick lead. Doporto added the two-point conversion with a short run.

Big Spring iced the win later in the contest when Doporto sliced his way through the Greenwood defense for 15 yards and a score.

Arenas helps Wizards snap Mavs' three-game streak

WASHINGTON (AP) immediately disclosed. Gilbert Arenas had 25 Playing without Nash, points, 12 rebounds and who leads Dallas in 10 assists, and the assists and ranks third in Washington Wizards capiscoring, the Mavericks talized on a shoulder fell behind by 16 at half-Dallas time.

The game drew 17,455 on a rainy night, ending the Wizards' run of 83 straight sellouts – a streak that began during the Michael Jordan era in Washington.

Arenas, signed as a free agent in August, recorded Washington's first triple- Dallas closed to 81-70

double since Rod Strickland in April 1999. Larry Hughes scored 19 points, and Christian Laettner had 13 points and 12 rebounds in Washington's first home win against Dallas in six tries since March 1997.

Antawn Jamison scored 21 points off the bench and Antoine Walker had 18 for the Mavericks.

Washington opened the second half with a 9-2 run to go up 68-45. After

early in the fourth quarter, Juan Dixon hit a driving layup, Hughes made a jumper and Jarvis Hayes added a 3-pointer for an 88-70 lead.

After that, the only suspense was if Arenas would complete the tripledouble. He did it with an assist on a dunk by Hayes with 3:48 remaining.

Arenas scored 12 points on 6-for-9 shooting in the first quarter to help the Wizards take a 30-25 lead. It was 34-29 before Dixon

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YMCA swim team spots available

The Big Spring YMCA swim team has positions open for interested athletes.

For more information call Dolline Budke at 264-8252 or 263-4505.

Basketball officials needed for season

Basketball officials are needed for the upcoming season.

Persons interested in officiating local games this fall should contact Adam Rodriguez at 263-8731 (home) or 517-0300 (cell).

Crossroads league to hold board elections

The Crossroads Little Football League will be holding elections to fill three positions on its board of directors at the CLFL championship games on Nov. 22.

Persons interested in becoming a candidate for any one of the three vacant positions can sign up at the CLFL concession stand, located at the American League baseball field.

Westbrook JH to open hoops Monday

. Westbrook The Junior High S hool Wildcats will tip off their 2003-2004 basketball season Monday with a bout in Blackwell.

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Big 12 media tabs Jayhawks as men's preseason favorite

DALLAS (AP) - Two- cover the conference. time defending Big 12 champion Kansas has been tabbed as the favorite to win this season's title in a vote by media who regularly

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Mavericks guard Steve

Nash in a 100-90 victory

Nash played only seven

minutes, contributing two

points and two assists

before leaving in the first

quarter with a strained

left shoulder. The extent

of the injury was not

Wednesday night.

The media poll differs from last week's poll by the coaches, who picked Missouri as their preseason favorite. Missouri was picked

lowing by Texas, which returns four starters from its team that went to the NCAA Final Four last season. The coaches had

second by the media, folthird. Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, Colorado, Texas Tech, Kansas State, Texas A&M, Iowa Nebraska and Baylor Texas second and Kansas rounded out the poll.

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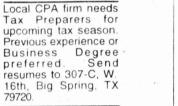
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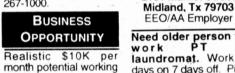
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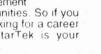
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vour own! ARIES (March 21-April 19). The temptation is to find ways of getting out of work especially the downright yucky tasks. Instead, embrace the thing that gunks up your schedule. You can bet that you are the best one for the job.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). A conservative strategy yields the best results at work. Concentrate on the quality of your work. as the boss will give you extra time to ensure that everything is done right. Family members try to make decisions for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Today, you express yourself so well, it doesn't make

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Try and remember some of last night's weird dreams. There's a message in there for you. Use your creativity to further learning. So what if you don't do it like others do? Your flaws are endear-

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Organize your time to the minute, as you are extremely busy right now. When you run out of steam, the needs of people in your family fire your ambitions. Ask what's on their mind these days, and listen up.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Added responsibility can be stressful, but don't let that stop you. There's no glory for the one who hangs back and hopes that the real work goes to someone else. Just be willing. You'll be trusted with what you can handle.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 Dec. 21). In matters of friendship, attend to what others do, not what they say. Conflict can be avoided. A relative is still trying to play matchmaker -- how annoying, until it leads you right to your one and only.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Relationships heal. All you have to do is communicate, and a problem gets better immediately. New friendships are more valuable than new love now, so don't discount people just because they're not, ready for

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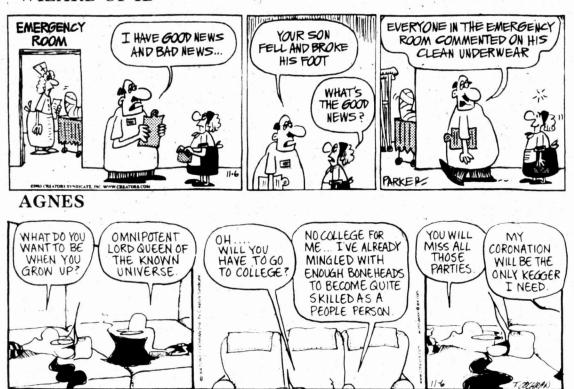
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Nov. 6, the 310th day of 2003. There are 55 days left in the year.

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Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 6, 1888, Benjamin Harrison won the presidential election. defeating incumbent Grover Cleveland with enough electoral votes, even though Cleveland led in the popular vote.

On this date: In 1860, former Illinois defeated three Lincoln

beating Democrat William Jennings Bryan.

In 1906, Republican Charles Evans Hughes was elected governor of New York, defeating newspaper William publisher Randolph Hearst.

In 1928, in a first, the results of Herbert Hoover's election victory over Alfred E. Smith were flashed onto an electric sign outside the New York Times building. 1956, Président In Eisenhower won re-election, defeating Democrat Adlai E. Stevenson.

In 1962, Democrat Edward M. Kennedy was elected senator from Massachusetts.

In 1976, Benjamin L. Hooks was chosen to be the congressman Abraham new executive director of

fight in Las Vegas; the match was interrupted in the seventh round when an intruder, using a paraglider, tried to fly into the ring. Five years ago: Two suicide bombers were killed when they set off blasts in a crowded open-air market in Jerusalem, injuring a couple of dozen bystanders.

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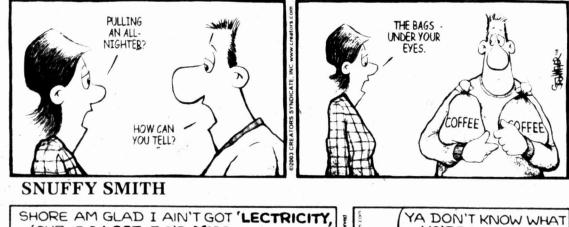
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In 1893, composer Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky died in St. Petersburg, Russia, at age 53.

President 1900, In McKinley was re-elected,

the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, succeeding Roy Wilkins.

In 1977, 39 people were killed when an earthen dam burst, sending a wall of water through Toccoa Falls Bible College in Georgia.

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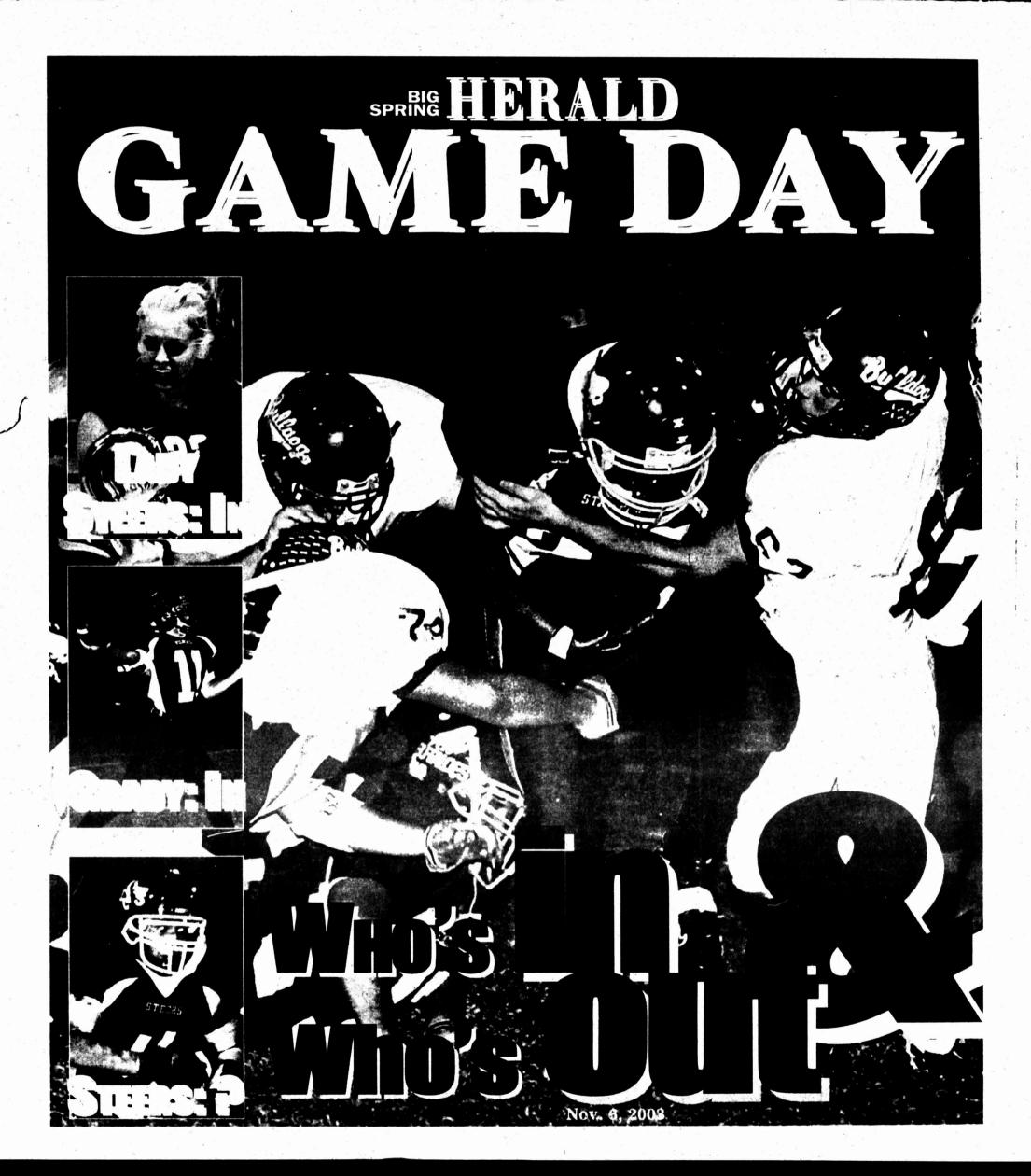
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Is there life after Friday?

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Area teams still have playoff hopes in Week 10 By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

f, for some unknown reason, you thought it would be safe to put away the giant "We're No. 1" foam hand and the blanket because football was through in the Crossroads, well ...

You had better think again - and fill the thermos with hot chocolate. The are still plenty of scenarios that could send as many as three local team to the state football playoffs. They may be slim chances, but chances they are.

The team facing the longest odds at making a postseason appearance could be the Big Spring Steers. A perennial force, the Steers must get some help from an unlikely source Thursday and then knock off stateranked Andrews on Friday. Stranger things have happened.

The Steers find themselves looking to sneak in through the District 4-4A back door due to a district-opening loss to San Angelo Lake View. Despite tying the Chiefs in the standings at 2-2, the Steers find themselves short in the tie-breaker because of the loss.

Phase I of the Steers' playoff hopes happens tonight. Should Lubbock Estacado stun Lake View for a second year in a row, the Steers' game with Andrews would hold playoff implications. A Lake View win at home eliminates Big Spring.

While the District 4-4A picture involves just three teams, the District 3-2A scenario is still a bit fuzzy — even though all three playoff positions have been secured.

The team that finds itself in the catbird seat as Week 10 gets under way is the Crane Golden Cranes. A win Friday over Coahoma would give Crane the 3-2A crown for the second year.

A loss, combined with a win by Forsan over Colorado City, could see

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The Grady High School Wildcats can nail down the District 5 championship Friday night by defeating rival Borden County in Gail. Grady, which clinched its first playoff berth in six years, will face either Fort Davis or Sanderson in the first round.

Bulldogs last won the district championship in 2001 — ending a 29 year drought.

If Coahoma happens to unseat No. 4-ranked Crane and Colorado City (8-1) defeats Forsan (1-8), the 3-2A race would end in a three-way tie between the Bulldogs, Cranes and Wolves.

A coin-toss would be used to determine the playoff seeding should a three-way tie result.

The only area team not having any say in the 3-2A playoff scenario this week is the Stanton Buffaloes, who Coahoma gain only its second out- are scheduled to face Seagraves. The

right district crown in 30 years. The two teams were eliminated from postseason consideration last week and will be playing for fourth place honors.

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Perhaps the toughest district to come out of is District 7-1A - especially if you happen to be the McCamey Badgers.

Depending on how the final week of the regular season shakes out, the Badgers could head into the playoffs as the district champion or miss the postseason entirely.

The Badgers, 5-3 overall and 3-0 in loop play, can secure the crown by

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Win, lose or draw, Andrews is ...



The Big Spring Steers look to bring the Andrews Mustangs down to Earth Friday night when they renew their rivalry with Andrews at Memorial Stadium. Andrews enters the game at 9-0 and ranked eighth in the 4A polls.



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By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor



orget, if you can, the Big Spring Steers' playoff situation. Forget the record and anything

to do with statistics. Instead of numbers, imagine a game of (you pick the sport) with that one co-worker you'd like to beat the most. Yeah, the guy who always gets the raise. The winner gets to a date with Britney and

Christina. Now you can understand the emotional state of the Big Spring Steers when they walk onto the field tomorrow night at Memorial Stadium to face the Andrews Mustangs. This game is personal, baby.

Knowing that, you would also know that it wouldn't hurt the Steers' feelings one iota if they could add to Andrews' statistical numbers — especially since it would help their own.

"This game means a lot to our young men," said Big Spring head coach Dwight Butler. "It seems it always comes down to us or them at the end of the year, plus this is the longest running rivalry we have left.

Sands to end '03 campaign tonight

The Sand Mustangs will try and put a positive finish on their 2003 season tonight when they face rival Klondike in District 5 play.

The Mustangs, 3-6 overall and 2-2 in district play, can clinch third in the District 5 standings with a win over the Cougars, 4-5 and 1-3.

"This is *the* game for a lot of people in both places," he added.

For the second straight year, the Steers' showdown with Andrews means a ton — especially to the Steers. A win over Andrews would validate what has been a tough season for Big Spring — on and off the field.

A win would also spoil Andrews' bid for a perfect record during the regular season and, in all likelihood, knock the Mustangs from the state's top 10 heading into the playoffs. It could — depending on what the Lake View Chiefs do against Lubbock Estacado tonight — have playoff implications for the Steers.

Should Lake View stumble against Estacado, Big Spring could earn a playoff berth with a win over Andrews.

"We know we have our backs against the ball," said Butler. "We know things are stacked against us and that we're going to be playing the football gods' favorite son. I guarantee you though, we're going to show up."

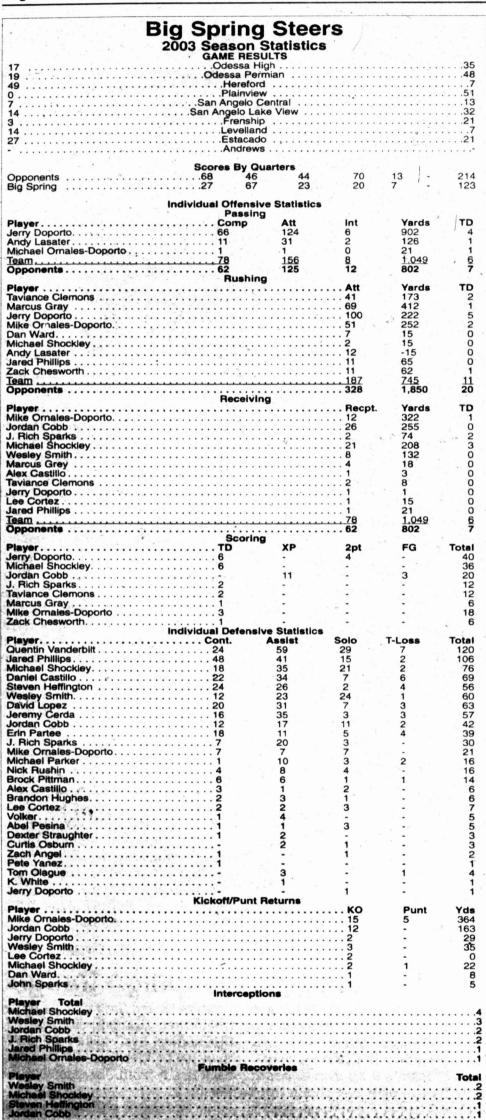
Butler is hoping the Steers' defense also shows up. A solid performance by the Big Spring defensive squad will be the key to the

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Sands is led into the game by linebacker Brandon Woods. The SHS senior has racked up more than 100 tackles this fall. Running back Brady Timmins also keys the Mustangs.

The two teams will begin play at 7:30 p.m. in Patricia.

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Steers' success — or lack of it — against an Andrews squad that has averaged nearly 40 points a game this fall.

"The key for us is going to be the same thing it has been for the last three weeks. We're going to have to make it as short a game as possible by controlling the ball and not turning it over. Defensively, we're going to need for our defense to step up and keep it a low scoring game.

"If we can get to the fourth quarter with the score close, we have a chance," he said.

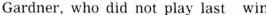
Controlling the ball has been something the Steers offense has managed to do over the past three weeks since shifting into the I-formation. Big Spring has held the ball offensively almost twice as long as their opponents in each of their last three games. In that span, the Steers have rushed for almost 400 yards.

Last Thursday, the Steers used a hybrid attack en route to collecting a wild 27-21 three-overtime win over Lubbock Estacado. Big Spring rushed and passed for more than 20 times in the game and rolled up more than 300 yards,

The win also marked a first for Big Spring. Prior to that game, the Steers had never played in an overtime contest.

Andrews is led into the game by quarterback Matt Gardner and a talented cast of seniors. Gardner has rolled up more than 1,500 allpurpose yards this year.

"They're a very talented team that is loaded with seniors," said Butler. "They have got some pretty gifted athletes."





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year when the Mustangs upended Big Spring in the final game of the year, is among them.

"He's a decent passer and a great rusner," said Butler. "We have to make sure we contain him quickly on defense."

Anchoring the Mustangs' receiving corps are wideouts Aaron Hamilton and Elton Powell. A first-team all-district receiver a year ago, Powell has caught more than 25 passes this season for 400plus yards and seven touchdowns. Tailback Isaac McQueen leads

the Mustangs' rushing attack. He has gained more than 800 yards in Andrews' first nine games. Gardner has rushed for more than 500.

Defensively, Gardner is also a key, He started at linebacker two weeks ago and racked up more than 15 tackles in the Mustangs' win over Frenship. A Big S

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This one is for all the marbles

The Coahoma Bulldogs achieved one of their goals for the year last week when they defeated the Stanton Buffaloes by a 38-7 margin to secure themselves a spot in the postseason. With their second playoff spot in the past three years wrapped up, the Bulldogs can now turn their attention to Goal No. 2: A share of the district championship.

Only one thing stands in the contain a methodi Bulldogs' way of landing district championship hardware for only the second time in three decades - yards a game this fall. - state-ranked Crane. To have a chance, th

Crane, which is ranked fourth in the Class 2A polls, set up a championship showdown between the District 3-2A's last two title winners by dispatching the Colorado City Wolves, 28-20, last week. A Coahoma win would throw the district into a three-way logjam at Friday Night Football Crane Golden Cranes vs. Coahoma Bulldogs 7:30 p.m. at Bulldog Stadium

the top and split the district crown between Coahoma, Crane and Colorado City.

Getting past the Golden Cranes will be no easy order to fill.

The Bulldogs, 7-2, 3-1 in loop play, will have to depend on a defense lead by defensive tackles Sam Seavey and Andrew Brown to contain a methodical Crane offense that has averaged well over 30 points and more than 350 yards a game this fall.

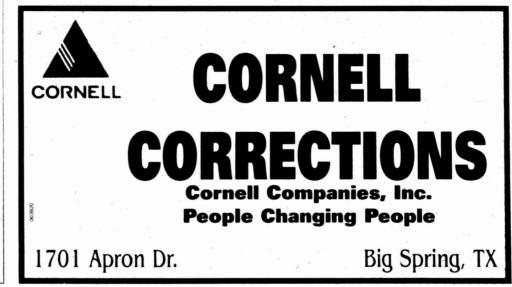
To have a chance, the Bulldogs' defensive end tandem Trevor Bibb and Adam Padron will have contain the Cranes' running game while a CHS secondary that consist of Kelby Kemper, Korley Bennett, Clint Walker, and Derek

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The Coahoma Bulldogs will tray and nail down a share of the District 3-2A title Friday when they face state-ranked Crane. Should Coahoma beat the Cranes, the Bulldogs would force a three-tie at the top of the loop standings.



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Area Football Standings

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Last week - Andrews 25, Frenship 14; San Angelo Lake View 28, Levelland 27,(OT); Big Spring 27, Lubbock Estacado 21 (3 OT)

This week - Estacadoat Lake View (Thurs.); Andrews at Big Spring; Levelland at Frenship

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This week - Iraan at Garden City; McCamey at Wink; Rankin is open.

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z-Borden Co4	0	5	4	.555	
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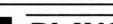
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Loraine	. 1	3	5	4	.555
Trent	1	2	3	6	.333
Hermleigh		4	2	6	.250
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Trent 0 This week - Hermleigh at Loraine:

Highland at Ira; Westbrook at Trent



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PLAYOFFS

Continued from Page 2 downing No. 8 Wink.

A loss, combined with a win by Iraan (7-2) over Garden City (2-7), would eliminate the Badgers altogether and send Wink and Iraan into the playoffs.

McCamey would also claim a playoff berth if Garden City upsets Iraan.

In the six-man ranks, all appears to be pretty well settled — except for who will be advancing as the No. 1 and No. 2 seeds in District 5 and District 8.

In District 5, the Borden County Covotes and the Grady Wildcats both head into Friday's showdown in Gail sporting perfect 4-0 records in loop play. The winner of the contest will advance to the state playoffs to face state-ranked

Buffs hoping to finish strong

By BRANDON HALLFORD

Special to the Herald

nothing better to end their 2003 season a high note Friday night. Unfortuately, it won't be easy.

The Buffaloes, 1-8 on the year, will close the season against a Colorado City Wolves team that will be looking to preserve its district title hopes. The Wolves, who suffered a 28-21 loss to Crane last weekend, can still earn a share of the District 3-2A title with a win over Forsan and a Coahoma win over Crane.

Forsan's mission will be even simpler. The Buffs will have to stop the Wolves 1-2 combination of Jacobie Russell and Kenneth Scott. Scott, a 200-pound sophomore, had just 34 yards last week against Brandon Burleson in putting on

Crane but scored two touchdowns. Forsan, on the other hand, comes The Forsan Buffaloes would like in trying to save a little face on what has been otherwise a disappointing year. First-year head coach Tommy Thomspon is building for the future and will look for big performances from the underclassmen.

> The Buffaloes have 14 players set to return next year, including receivers Johnathan Wright and Trey Paredez and running backs Justin Forshee and Adam Johnson.

For senior Josh Helmstetler. Friday will be the final game of his high shcool career. He joins fellow seniors Ben Breyman, Mitchell Hooper, Chance Rainer, Codie Barraza, Jermy Bedwell, and the Buff uniform for the last time.

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The Coahoma Bulldogs nailed down the first-place honors in the Big Spring Youth Soccer Association's Under 10 division this past weekend. Coahoma completed the year with just one loss. Members of the team include (back row) Devin Thompson, Anna Scott, assistant coach John Scott, Payton Parker, Ambra Hill, Coach Adolf Gutierrez, Brandie Gutierrez, Royce Dickerson, (bottom) Dustin Fontana, Devin Barbee, Tobi Robinson, Noel Martinez, Mathew Horvatich, Calvin Gibbs. Not pictured are Albert Rodriguez, Taylor Johnson and assistant coach Emery Horvatich.

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Sanderson in the opening round. The loser will advance to meet Ft. Davis, the top team out of District 6.

Sands, last year's district champ, can clinch third in the final standings with a win tonight at Klondike.

The Highland Hornets, 9-0, and Ira Bulldogs, 8-1, will decide the District 8 title Friday when they face off in Ira. Both teams enter the final week of the regular season sporting perfect 4-0 record in loop play.

The Westbrook Wildcats can clinch third in the final standings with a win over Trent. The Wildcats, a squad sporting no seniors, heads into the game with a 4-5 record. Trent. which was blanked 46-0 last week by Highland, is 3-6.

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Associated Press Writer DALLAS (AP) — Shiner's first loss of the season sent the Class 1A

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

team tumbling all the way out of the Associated Press high school poll from their second place spot. Shiner received 184 points in the

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last poll and only managed 34 this week in the poll of 20 writers and broadcasters from across the state after a 7-0 loss to Falls City on Friday.

The win by Falls City put the team in the poll for the first time this season at No. 9.

Shiners' drop allowed Anton, Thrall, Windthorst, Chilton and Albany to each move up a spot in places two through seven. Stratford and Wink flip-flopped positions despite both picking up wins Friday. Sunray keeps its 10th place ranking after entering the poll there last week.

West Sabine remains the unanimous No. 1 pick in Class 1A and has a 9-0 record after a 49-0 win over High Island.

One-time Class 2A No. 1 team Rosebud-Lott fell out of the poll from No. 5 last week after a 53-22 loss to then No. 9 McGregor. The win vaulted McGregor up to sixth place.

Jewett Leon, which entered the poll last week, moved up one spot to ninth place. Centerville, a new entrant to the poll. took over 10th place after a 27-6 win over Grapeland.

Newton re-enters the Class 3A poll as No. 10. The team was ranked as high as fifth before a week seven loss to then-unranked Jasper knocked it out of the poll.

remain the same, with Burnet in first place with all but one first place vote.

District 11-5A continues to wreak havoc in the Class 5A poll. Tyler Lee, which beat then No. 1 Lufkin two weeks ago to move up to fourth place, lost to Longview 22-21 Friday to drop all the way to No. 10. Lufkin beat Tyler John Tyler, which is winless in district, 15-7 Friday to move from sixth to fifth place.

The Woodlands retains the No. 1 spot it gained last week and got 12 inched up a spot to No. 6 through first place votes. Southlake Carroll No. 9 after weekend wins.

Herald Photo/Bruce Sci The Andrews Mustangs are ranked

No. 8 in the AP Class 4A state polls. The Mustangs are 9-0 for the year.

All the other places in Class 3A and Arlington Lamar are second and third again this week.

> Galena Park North Shore is in fourth place, up from fifth last week. San Antonio Roosevelt, Aldine Eisenhower, Dallas Carter and Mansfield Summit all climbed a spot in the poll in places six through nine.

Ennis again received all 20 first place votes in Class 4A after beating then No. 6 Corsicana 42-10. Corsicana fell to No. 10 following the loss. Denton Ryan, Bay City, Andrews and Highland Park all

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Here is The Associated Press high school poll with first place votes in pare theses, records, points based on 10-9 7-6-5-4-3-2-1, and the team's ranking last week's poll:

Class 5A

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	2. Southlake Carroll (5) 9-0)	181	2
	3. Arlington Lamar (3)9-0	С	158	3
	4. GP North Shore9-0	С	127	5
	5. Lufkin	1	105	6
	6. SA Roosevelt 9-	С	93	7
	7. Aldine Eisenhower .8-	1	69	8
	8. Dallas Carter	С	55	9
	9, Mansfield Summit9-	0	53	10
	10. Tyler Lee	2	27	4
	DROPPED OUT: None.			

Also receiving votes: Longview 1 Katy 8, Smithson Valley 8, Allen Edinburg Economedes 3, El Pas Montwood 3, Leander 2. Abiler Cooper 1, DeSoto 1, Klein Forest San Marcus 1, Schertz Clemens 1.

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	7. Bay City	3. Thrail
	8. Andrews	4. Windthor
	9. Highland Park 81 43 10	5. Chilton
	10. Corsicana	6. Albany
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3	Waco Connally 3, Atlanta 3, Cuero
5	Marlin 1, Sweetwater 1.
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	6. McGregor
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	10. Sunray
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2	Harleton 5. Crosbyton 1



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GAME DAY

First loss sends Shiner packing from Top 10

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Crossroads teams heading into final weekend

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Forsan Buffaloes, Big Spring Cowboys, Coahoma Bulldogs and Big Spring Steers are all right where they wanted to be when the Crossroads Little Football League season began — in the playoff picture.

Forsan, Coahoma and the two Big Spring squads will make their final playoff tuneup appearances this weekend in the final week of regular season Division II play in the Crossroads Little Football League. All four teams have already clinch postseason berths and look to this weekend decide the final seeding.

СОАНОМА

Continued from Page 5 Martinez attempts to ground Crane's receivers.

The Coahoma offense, which has scored less than 20 points only once this season — in Week 8 against Colorado City — has found some balance over the past three weeks. The Buldogs, employing a one-back, four-receiver set, has rushed for more than 400 yards in its last three outings. That newfound ground game compliments one of the state's top-rated passing attacks.

Running back Clay Grant has came on like a house on fire in the last two weeks, rushing for more than 200 yards in that span. He has also accounted for five touchdowns.

Sam Tindol leads the Bulldogs' high octane aerial game at quarterback. Through the Bulldogs' first nine games, he has passed for more than 2,500 yards and 20 touchdowns.

Making Tindol's life easier is the fact he has the luxury of choosing from a bevy of talented receivers everytime he drops back to throw the ball.

Tindol's favorite target for most of the season has been senior Kelby Kemper. He has hooked up with the speedy wideout more than 50 times this fall. In the last couple of weeks, however, Lance Roberts has came on strong. In Coahoma's last two games, he has garnered 14 catches for more than 300 yards.

Coahoma finds itself in the driver's seat heading into Saturday's finale against the Cowboys. A win would give the Bulldogs the division title and the No. 1 seed in the first round of the playoffs.

A Cowboys' win, however, could throw the division into a flux. Should the Cowboys upend Coahoma, the two would finish the regular season with identical 6-2 records and — should Forsan get past the winless Packers in their final outing — create a three-logjam at the top.

A win by Coahoma — and wins by the Buffaloes, would likely drop the Cowboys to third overall and place them in a first round show-

Juniors Adrian Abrego and Caden Hall have also shown the ability to make teams pay should they shower too much attention Kemper and Roberts. In last week's victory over Stanton, Abrego hauled in four receptions for 57 yards and a touchdown.

In Crane, the Bulldogs find a team that has simply steamrolled its way through the season. The Cranes sit atop the district standings with a perfect 4-0 mark. For the year, the Cranes are 9-0.

Quarterback Alfredo Franco leads Crane's offense. Hunter Seaborn receives most of the attention 'when the Cranes need to throw.

The bulk of the Golden Cranes' offense revolves — as it has for many years — around the running game. Daniel Graza shoulders much of the rushing attack this fall, having gamed more than 1,000 yards

For the most part, the Crane defense has been stifling. The Cranes has given up 20 points just once this season — that being last week against Colorado City.

Leading the way for Crane is a massive defensive line that is highlighted by 280-pound tackle Eliseo Galindo. As a unit, the Cranes' defensive line averages approximately 240 pounds per man.

Should Coahoma win Friday, it would share the 3-2A crown. A loss sends the Bulldogs into the postseason as the No. 3 seed against either Idalou or Lubbock Roosevelt

Crossroads Little Football League Regular Season finales

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down with Forsan. Coahoma would face the Steers, who clinched the No. 4 seed last week with a 26-0 win over the Packers. In Division I play, Monte Anderson and the Forsan Buffaloes could nail down the division's regular season crown this weekend with a win over the Texans.

Games begin Saturday at 9 a.m. at the CLFL field.



Herald Photo/Bruce Schooler The Coahoma Buffaloes can clinch first place in the CLFL standings with a win Saturday in their final regular season outing.



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