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ON THE SIDE

Annual talent show set Saturday night

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

Big Spring teens will put their talents to the test Saturday night when the Big Spring High School annual Talent Show Contest gets under way.



"We had lot of people come last year, and we expect a large crowd this time," said Senior Shelley Key, Fox Key Club spokesperson.

Proceeds collected from the event will go toward funding trips planned by the high school choir and the Key Club, which is a civic organization sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Big Spring.

Entertainment for the evening will feature performances by local bands, singers and comedy acts.

The event will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium, 707 11th Place. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

Refreshments will be on sale during the two-hour event.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234.

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Long-time Big Spring educator steps into newly created counseling position

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

Long-time educator Susan Palmer is stepping into the newly created role of district wide special education counselor for the Big Spring Independent School District.

"We're not just excited about the district-wide special education position. We're excited about



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having Susan fill this position," said BSISD Special Education Coordinator Bobby Waldrop. "She's worked with our students not only in the classroom as a teacher, but also as counselor at Goliad

(Intermediate School), so she'll know many of these students.

"When many of these students see Mrs. Palmer, they have a glow on their face," Waldrop continued. "She's going to be an invaluable asset, not just to our district, but to our students."

Big Spring ISD trustees

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Board OKs change in distribution of non-school literature by adults

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

A change in policy approved Thursday by the Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees will allow teachers to place sign-up slips for non-school, athletic organizations, primarily for youth younger than 19 years old, in the back packs of students.

The major change of the

policy revolves around the distribution of non-school literature by an adult at an after-school event.

It follows a recommendation by Texas Association of School Boards in response to a court case between a school district and a group of parents over the issue of freedom of speech.

"In the case, adults were

at a public hearing on math curriculum, and a group of parents were distributing information on why the current math curriculum was not good," explained BSISD Superintendent Michael Downes following the board's monthly meeting. "The school objected to that. Parents filed suit and the end result was a

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Big Spring Herald sales representative Roman Hines considers his choice of Girl Scout cookies while Joyce Wilson, mother of Girl Scout Julia, awaits Hines' order Wednesday afternoon. Area Girl Scout troops will be wrapping up cookie sales this weekend.

COOKIETASTROPHE!

Area Girl Scouts to stop making sales after Sunday

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

Crossroads area residents have just a few days left to purchase those famous Girl Scout

cookies, so girls will be out in force Saturday and Sunday at two local businesses hawking them.

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Big Spring Police Department Animal Warden David Hodges removes a dog from one the department's animal control trucks Thursday morning, following an accident at the intersection of Birdwell Lane and 11th Place. The driver of the animal control truck involved in the accident, Animal Control Warden Ed Sternadel, was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center Emergency Room with what Police Chief Lonnie Smith described as a cut on his forehead. Smith said the accident occurred when the animal control truck, which was traveling west on 11th Place, struck a Trinity Baptist Church van that was traveling south on Birdwell. No other injuries were reported.

HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

Health Fest plans lots of healthy fun

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

Scenic Mountain Medical Center wants to combine health with fun Saturday when it presents Health Fest 2004, the hospital's first-ever health fair.

"It's going to be a great day for kids of all ages. There will be something for everybody — men, women and children," said Amber Rich, Health Fest 2004 publicity spokesperson. "We will have several contests, food, physical activity, free screenings, a little bit of shopping, a petting zoo — just a lot going on."

Air Extreme Sports will have adult-sized inflatables while the fire department, police department and EMS will have various equipment on display. There will also be a vehicle rollover simulator and the Big Spring Police

Department will bring its "fatal vision goggles," which give the wearer the effect of being drunk or on drugs.

Chair massages will be offered at a small fee, with a portion of the proceeds raised going to Scenic Mountain Medical Center's Relay for Life team fund-raising efforts.

Another "sure hit," especially with the youngsters, will be a petting zoo.

The emphasis, of course, is on health, and in that regard, more than 40 booths will offer screenings, literature and other items.

Free health screenings will include body mass index, grip strength, blood oxygen level and blood pressure. Other screenings and tests will be available for a low fee. One of the other free screenings will be a carotid test.

"That's basically an ultrasound

"We wanted to do something on our grounds and open our doors so the community can better identify with who we are, what we are and the quality of physicians and services we offer."



Amber Rich, Scenic Mountain Medical Center

Meanwhile, chamber gearing up for its annual health fair, April 17

By **THOMAS JENKINS**

Staff Writer

While Scenic Mountain Medical Center gets ready to hold its Health Fest 2004 this weekend, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is gearing up for their annual health fair, scheduled for April 17.

Chamber Executive Director Debbye ValVerde said the annual event is designed to help give area residents access to health

screenings they might only find through a physician.

"Right now, we're looking at nine corporate sponsors," said ValVerde. "We're going to have close to 50 booths, which is good. In the past we've had 55 booths, and we're looking to keep up with that."

"The Chamber does this health fair mainly for the people who don't like to get out and see a

test. It doesn't hurt. There are no needles," explained Rich. "It's just a small scan on the side of the neck which is a great screening to see if you're at-risk for a stroke."

At the same time, several physicians will be holding open houses, including new local general surgeon Alfonso Preciado, MD. Also participating in Health Fest 2004 will be Dr. Erich Byerly and Dr. Keith Ledford, OB/GYNs; Dr. Manish Shroff, internal medicine/cardiology;

Dr. Fakhar "Frank" Ijaz, internal medicine; Dr. Robert Hayes, orthopedics; and Dr. Rudy Haddad, urology.

"We wanted to do something on our grounds and open our doors so the community can better identify with who we are, what we are and the quality of physicians and services we offer," said Rich.

There will be contests, including a beautiful baby contest in

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Obituaries

Roger E. Canter



Roger E. Canter was born to Leslie Francis Canter and Eloise Griffin Canter Waters on June 8, 1930, in Kansas City, Mo., and died March 15, 2004, at the age of 73 in a flash flood accident in Bandera County. A longtime tall Texan standing at 6-feet, 5-inches, Roger is the last surviving grandson of West Texas pioneer and land settler Dora Nunn Griffin Roberts of Howard County.

After attending the Texas Military Institute and graduating from Lamar High School of Houston, Roger served in the United States Air Force from 1951-1954, stationed in New Mexico and Newfoundland. After being honorably discharged from military service, he moved his family to Midland in January of 1955 where he established a successful, ongoing business as an independent oil producer.

An avid aviator since the age of 20, Roger became a collector of colorful vintage aircraft and later, Volkswagen automobiles, Timex watches and Colima domino tables. When not actively drilling holes in the earth, Roger spent much of his time passionately pursuing a host of artistic endeavors. Informally trained under such luminaries as Robert Wood and Charles Reed, he became an accomplished water colorist; in his later years, he was also admired as an aspiring oil painter.

"Roger was a superb pilot and flew for over 50 years. He loved flying and was an accomplished aerobatic pilot. He owned many different aircraft over the years. Some of his favorites were the Bonanza and the Super 18 Twin Beech. He still owned three aircraft, including a rare aerobatic Bonanza. Roger flew airplanes the same way he did other things, for the joy of it and to succeed. His enthusiasm and zest for life made him a special person." — Richard Henderson

Roger was a true lover of games such as chess, cards, craps, Pai Gow and dominoes. He unofficially held the title of "Daily Champion" of West Texas Dominoes against erstwhile competitors Ken Dawson and George O'Brien. In his high school years, Roger participated in the school rodeo local and out of state circuits with Frank Smith and won the "Hard Luck" prize for breaking his arm. A true Texan bon vivant, Roger also counted self-taught baker, underwater cinematographer, deep sea fisherman, birdwatcher, Mexican hacienda restorer and Frank Sinatra fan to his long list of interests and worldly accomplishments.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Curtis Kendal Canter, Sept. 28, 1972.

Roger is survived by his widow, Jo Mitchell Canter of Midland and Utopia.

Surviving descendants of Roger and Lora Canter are son Frank David Canter (missing); daughters Lisa Lynn Canter of Midland and Ennis, Mont., Eloise Canter Taylor of Midland and granddaughter Erin Leigh Taylor White and husband Terry and great-grandson Shane Tyler Hensley of Grand Prairie and grandson Levi Sheldon Taylor of Midland; and Cathy Louise Canter Jennings and husband Burt and grandsons Kyle Burton Jennings and Dean Avery Canter Jennings of Austin. Other surviving relatives include his nephew Leslie Logan Canter and family of Houston and niece Anne Kendal Perryman and family of Mansfield. Roger is also survived by his stepsons of Jo Canter; Kevin Stanford, wife Jenny and son Evan of Austin, Blake Stanford, wife Kristi and children Kate and Mitchell of Austin, Craig Stanford and wife Tava of San Francisco, Calif.

Roger is also survived by his beloved dogs, Booker, Dusty and Shine, children of Jasmine and Lightnin' of Utopia and Midland.

The Canter family will be receiving guests at the home of Eloise Taylor at 4509 Andrews Highway, Midland, beginning at 6:30 pm today and also on Saturday. A memorial service will be held to celebrate Roger's life on Sunday, March 21, at 2 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel ballroom in Midland. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home, 801 Andrews Hwy, Midland.

In lieu of flowers or gifts, please make donations to any of the following charitable organizations: The Settlement Home, 1600 Payton Gin Road, Austin, 78758-6506; New Found Friends Animal Rescue & Adoption Shelter, P.O. Box 8909, Midland, 79709; Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Center, P.O. Box 369, Kendalia, 78027.

In loving memory of Roger Canter a fund is currently being set up at the Wells Fargo Bank to build bridges in Bandera and Uvalde counties on Farm Road 187 over the low water crossings.

Or make a donation to the charity of your choice.
Paid obituary

Lottery

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday afternoon by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-9-9

Weather

Tonight...Mostly clear until early morning then becoming cloudy. Lows in the mid 60s. South winds 10 to 20 mph.

Thelma Yarbrough

Thelma Yarbrough, 91, of Big Spring, died on Wednesday, March 17, 2004, in a local hospital. Graveside funeral services will be held at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, March 20, 2004, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park, with Elder Mike Gay, elder of Jehovah Witness, officiating.

Mrs. Yarbrough was born on Dec. 29, 1912, in Bowie County to Henry and Judea Merworth. She married Elmer L. Yarbrough on Nov. 10, 1929, in Stonewall County and he preceded her in death on Nov. 8, 1985.

Mrs. Yarbrough came to Big Spring in 1937 from Rule. She was a homemaker and delighted in being the matriarch of five generations. She loved her family and caring for animals. She was a member of the Jehovah Witness.

Survivors include three sons and daughters-in-law, Lee and Loretta Yarbrough of Forsan, Preston and Norma Yarbrough of Abilene and Leslie and Kathy Yarbrough of Big Spring; two daughters and one son-in-law, LaVerne and A. J. Dean and Barbara Morgan, all of Big Spring; nine grandsons, Rusty Hull, Randy Hull, Gary Hull, Gerald Yarbrough, Darrell Yarbrough, Mark Yarbrough, David Morgan, Michael Yarbrough and Dylan Yarbrough; four granddaughters, Terri Johansen, Robbie Gay, Janel Brock and Melissa Yarbrough; 22 great grandchildren; six great great grandchildren and three sisters, Idell Stagg, Mignon Chapman and Fern Bronaugh.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, brothers and one sister.

The family suggests memorials be made to a favorite charity.

The family will receive friends from 7 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Margaret Fisher Roueche

Margaret A. Fisher Roueche, 92, of Stanton, died on Thursday, March 18, 2004, in a Stanton nursing home. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 20, 2004, at the St. Joseph Catholic Church of Stanton with the Rev. Thomas Vempala officiating. Interment will follow at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Stanton.

A wake service will be held today, Friday, March 19 at 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Margaret was born on February 8, 1912, to George and Mollie Fisher in Paris. She graduated from Lamar High School and attended Paris Junior College. She married John Roueche on Jan. 11, 1942 in Weatherford. He preceded her in death on Feb. 10, 1973.

John and Margaret moved to Stanton in 1952 and opened Roueche Printing and Office Supply. After John's death Margaret continued to run the business until she retired in 1978. She won many ribbons during Martin County fairs for her china painting. She painted some beautiful pieces and gave most away to friends.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, a member of the The Altar Society, Martin County Historical Society, Stanton Home Demonstration Club, Stanton Garden Club, American Cancer Society, a board member of the Housing Authority and Martin County Hospital Auxiliary and was also a 50-plus member of Beta Sigma Phi.

Survivors include her nephew, Phil Jordan and his wife Kathryn of Weatherford; her special friends, Louis and Mamie Roten of Stanton, a host of friends and the Stanton Care Center family.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, one brother, and four sisters.

The family suggests memorials to St. Joseph Catholic Church, P.O. Box 846, Stanton, 79782 or to the Martin County Historical Museum, P.O. Box 929, Stanton.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

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two age categories and a coloring contest. The pictures colored by the children will be on display throughout the hospital's halls.

Rich said that the deadline for the healthy recipe contest has been extended until the close of business today. Entry forms can be filled out at the volunteer desk in the hospital's entrance. Judging will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday.

Health Fest 2004 will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the first floor of the hospital, the hospital grounds and Malone and Hogan Clinic. admission is free.

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Wilbur Shearin



Wilbur "Bill" Shearin, 64, of Big Spring, died on Tuesday, March 16, 2004, in a Dallas hospital. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 20, 2004, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on April 1, 1939, in Denison and married Melva Patton on Dec. 31, 1987, in Sherman.

Mr. Shearin owned and operated Lures Unlimited for 20 years and traveled in 36 states with his business. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed tournaments and traveling. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather.

He was a member of the Assembly of God and served in the United States Army from 1956 to 1959 with the Co. B 249th Signal Corps.

Survivors include his wife, Melva Shearin of Big Spring; two sons, Bobby Shearin of Denison and Joe Shearin of Pottsville; two daughters, Carol Gardner of Springtown and Michelle Shearin of Harker Heights; one stepson, Kenneth Suggs of Big Spring; one stepdaughter, Cindy Smith of Tampa, Fla.; his mother, Aline Shearin and sister, Betty McCrary, both of Dallas; 16 grandchildren, five great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ellis Shearin in 1970, and two brothers Robert Shearin and W.E. "Dub" Shearin.

The family will receive friends from 8 to 9 p.m. today at the funeral home.

The family suggest memorials be made to the American Heart Association, 3205 W. Cuthbert, Suite A-8, Midland, 79701.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com.

Elbert Wilson

Elbert Wilson, 75, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, March 16, 2004. Services will be Saturday, March 20, 2004, at the Greater Mt. Zion Baptist Church with the Rev. Alvin Mills officiating.

Mr. Wilson was born March 28, 1928, in Roxton to Gus Wilson Sr. and Alice Ross. He was a member of Hills Chappell Baptist Church.

He moved to Midland in 1945 and married Arlena Simmons on Feb. 2, 1951. He was a veteran of the United States Navy. In 1963 he became a chef at the Big Spring Country Club, where he worked for 32 years, retiring in 1993. He was known to all of his friends as "Little Man," and he had a close companion, Marie Wrightsil of Big Spring.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Woodrow Wilson and Gus Wilson; two sisters, Kate Esther Wilson and Havannah Wilson; and one daughter, Rosie Wilson.

He is survived by three sons; Allen Wilson of Mesquite, Gregory Wilson of Midland and Contravis Wilson of Snyder; two daughters, Birdie Wilson of Cannon and Mamie Wilson of Midland; two stepsons, Javance Johnson and Mark Johnson of Midland; one stepdaughter, Othalene Johnson of Fort Worth; one sister, Alice Wilson Jones of Houston; four brothers, Burnice Wilson of Midland, McDonald Wilson of Oklahoma City, Okla., Lester L.C. Wilson of Big Spring and Joe Calvin Wilson of Oklahoma City, Okla.; 28 grandchildren; 28 great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, daughters and sons-in-law.

Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Jackie Warren Funeral Home.

CHAMBER

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doctor. The screenings are free and they can come in and get their blood pressure and cholesterol done."

The fair will be held from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, and according to ValVerde, represents a much-needed service within the community.

"The health fair is very important in our community," she said. "We have Scenic Mountain Medical Center, the VA Medical Center and the Big Spring State Hospital participating in it, so it's a good way for us all to reach out to the community and help."

All of the screenings offered at the health fair are free of charge, a tradition ValVerde said the Chamber and its associates in the annual venture may have to reconsider before 2005.

Chamber President John Weeks said holding the fair so closely to Scenic Mountain Medical Center's fair will most likely result in less turnout between the events individually, but in the end may help some residents who wouldn't have been able to be screened otherwise.

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"Cookie sales have been wonderful this year," said Brandi Pollock, publicity spokesperson for the West Texas Girl Scout Council Service Unit 35. "We sold quite a few more than last year already."

A portion of the cookies sales goes to help fund camping activities, troop supplies, T-shirts and even helps with member-

ship costs, Pollock said. "This is our last week-end for cookies sales this year," she said. "We're going to be at Wal-Mart from 8 a.m. to noon by the grocery door and on Sunday morning at Furr's Cafeteria."

Would-be cookie buyers have a variety of selections to choose from including Thin Mints, Caramel Delights and a newcomer, the Strawberry Pinata.

"The Pinata is like strawberry Pop Tart,"

Pollock said. "It's an oatmeal cookie with a strawberry center and icing on top. It's very good."

Peanut Patties, Peanut Sandwiches, low-fat Lemon Pastries, Animal Treasures and Short Bread — the original Girl Scout cookies — round out the list of choices.

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POLICY

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settlement because the parents had freedom of speech.

"It does not change student distribution of non-school literature," Downes continued. "We did need to make the policy change and split the non-school use of facilities and non-school use of distribution of literature into separate policies. We also had to make that one change to allow adults at after-school activities to distribute literature."

Following on a proposal by Board President Mike Dawson, trustees added a clause that will allow the distribution of literature for non-school athletic organizations primarily for youth younger than 19 years of age.

Currently, the school district has a common table area for the distribution of literature that is approved by the principal of the school, but school officials do not distribute non-school literature to the students, such as placing it in their backpacks.

This clause will allow teachers to place non-school literature, such as sign-up forms for Little League Baseball and soccer, in the backpacks of elementary students.

In other business, trustees approved:

The renewal of district faculty and support staff contracts. Trustees also accepted the resignations of Sherry Brown, third grade Marcy Elementary teacher; Geneva Carroll, second grade Marcy Elementary teacher; Cory Maxwell, Big Spring Junior High School social studies teacher and

coach; Jennifer Patterson, eighth grade science teacher; Phillip Pearce, Big Spring Junior High School science teacher and coach; and the resignation of Harlan Smith, Big Spring High School teacher and swimming coach. Trustees approved the hire of Gay L. Adams as a diagnostician at the high school.

Amending the high school physical education gym budget by \$40,513 to cover costs associated with floor damage from water. The floors were damaged on Sept. 9 when a fire hose valve was turned on and left to run for an hour. Several inches of water accumulated on the south floor and also seeped into the north gym.

A \$218,110 bid by TASB for property, general liability and professional liability insurance.

Wednesday, June 9, as Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day. The program is promoted annually by the Ms. Foundation and is supported by the Texas Education Agency.

Athletic supply bids in the amount of \$2,870 for cross country track supplies, \$46,033.96 for foot-

ball supplies, \$2,416.08 for tennis supplies and \$8,812.25 for volleyball supplies.

Attendance waiver for the high school recovery program.

Adoption of recommendation by the district text book committee.

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approved the change of Palmer's contract from her current position as Big Spring High School assistant principal to the district-wide counselor's position Thursday during their monthly meeting.

"I am excited," said Palmer, who has a number of years invested in the BSISD. "I'll get to take the discipline hat off and put the counseling hat back on, which is what I love to do."

Palmer said her experience this past year as the high school assistant principal will be invaluable once she takes on her new duties in the 2004-2005 school year.

"I've already established a rapport with many kids on the high school level," Palmer said. "Now, I'll really get to talk with them one-on-one."

Palmer is extremely qualified for the position, Waldrop said, with her extensive background in counseling and special education.

The creation of the new position was a long-time wish of the special education department, Waldrop added.

"We have some special education students with emotional problems," Waldrop explained. "We contract with a local psychologist to work with them, but a special education counselor will be able to see these students on a more frequent basis. And this is also a plus for students who wouldn't normally need to see a psychologist but who do need counseling."

Counseling services in school districts are very much in need, today as ever, but unfortunately, the job of a school counselor has become heavily laden with paperwork and testing, Waldrop said.

"Our kids today in our society are growing up with so many different challenges, even in our small West Texas community," he said. "We do have counselors, but they don't have enough time to really spend quality time with the students, at no fault to the counselors. It's just the additional duties they have."

"The wonderful thing about this position is it's strictly counseling," he continued. "That's an exciting thing."

Overall increases in federal funds for special education programs within the last five years opened the door for BSISD to support the new position, Waldrop said.

"Our students in special education have the same difficulties that our generalized students have, but on top of that, they also have their disability and sometimes they need additional coping skills," Waldrop said.

"Many of these kids get bullied more often than others and counseling is going to help them. Whether it be depression, whether it be bullying — that directly relates to their educational performance. We truly believe this counseling position will not only help them emotionally, but also help them in their education."

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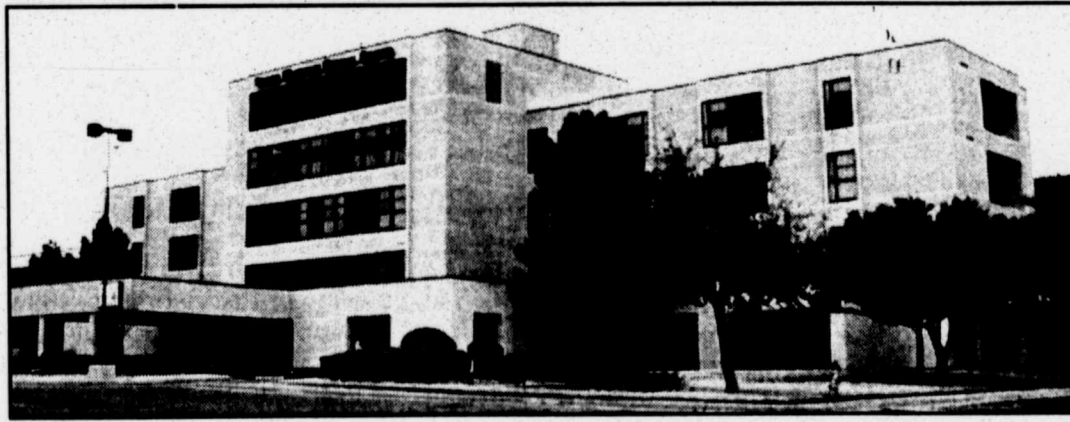
HEALTH FEST 2004

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- Relay For Life
- Medical Arts Home Health
- Life Gift
- Odyssey Healthcare
- The Lady Bug
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Smart people, dumb things, and campaign ads

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

- **GRADY'S WILDCATS** and **COACH CARL KRUG** on winning the Class A, Division II State Basketball Championship.

- Organizers, supporters and participants of the **COMMUNITY-WIDE PRAYER MEETING** held Tuesday.

- **THE BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS OFFICE** and **SANDRA WAGGONER**, which received the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada Distinguished Budget Presentation Award.

- **RYAN BEALL** on receiving an appointment to the United States Naval Academy.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

LETTERS POLICY

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

We don't know your heavenly plan, Lord, help us trust in you and your knowledge.

Amen

How come smart people do dumb things? No, don't ask Martha Stewart. Ask the geniuses over at the White House, who have created two TV commercials that rank right up there with New Coke and the Susan B. Anthony dollar as expensive and avoidable failures.

Two of George W. Bush's new re-election commercials feature images from Sept. 11, 2001, including World Trade Center wreckage and firefighters carrying a flag-draped coffin.

Some people, including some families of the victims of Sept. 11, are horrified by the use of these images for political purposes. Other people, including some families of the victims of Sept. 11, think using the images is just fine.

Which has led to a nice discussion of the controversy day after day.

Which is the problem for Bush: These ads were not supposed to create controversy. They were supposed to make you feel good about President Bush. They were supposed to be warm and fuzzy commercials that created feelings of gratitude and confidence.

The ads — there are three of them reportedly being shown in 18 states at a cost of at least \$10.5 million — are not issue ads. The best one (the only good one, actually) is titled "Lead" and features George Bush saying, "I know exactly where I want to lead this country." The president and Mrs. Bush sit together at the White House, and there are also images of a teacher in a classroom, men in hard hats, a family at a dinner



ROGER SIMON

table, etc.

The second ad, officially titled, "Safer, Stronger," should be titled, "Dumb, Dumber," for the people who dreamed it up. This ad includes the World Trade Center wreckage and the firefighters with that coffin. The third ad, "Tested," shows a variety of images, including Sept. 11 wreckage.

The anger over the second and third ads was immediate, and the defense followed a day or two later.

But according to a recent poll by the University of Pennsylvania's National Annenberg Election Survey, "A majority of the American public considers it inappropriate for President Bush's re-election campaign to use images from the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks in its television commercials."

It is not a huge majority — around 55 percent — but these were not wedge issue ads designed to divide people and turn out a partisan base vote. These ads were supposed to unite people and create a nice feeling about President Bush.

Ads create feelings all the time. Remember that Pepsi ad of some years ago with that little boy surrounded by puppies, who were frolicking around him and licking his face? The message was not: "Drink Pepsi and dogs will lick your face." The message was: "Feel good about Pepsi." (That ad ran in 1976, by the way, and people still remember it.)

So why didn't anyone at the White House realize that using Sept. 11 imagery would lead to controversy, discordance and bad publicity? Well, we don't know for sure. Maybe they have started to believe they really are geniuses instead of just ordinary political operatives capable of making good

and bad decisions.

A focus group or two might have helped them. This is the proper use of focus groups. (The improper use is when the media use focus groups to substitute for polls, even though they are very different things.)

You sit a group of people down in a room, you show the people the ads, and you encourage them to talk.

If the White House had actually done that before releasing the ads, I cannot believe somebody in some group wouldn't have piped up and said: "Hey, you can't use the victims of Sept. 11 in a political ad! That's wrong! People will be really upset with you!"

Let me say right here that I believe the effect of political ads is overrated.

Campaigns are obsessed with ads for two reasons: Ads are totally controllable. Unlike speeches, town halls, press conferences and debates where the candidate can screw up and say something unscripted, every frame of a TV commercial can be shaped and reviewed until it is perfect. (Or until the ad makers think it is perfect.)

The second reason campaigns are obsessed with ads is even less appetizing: Campaign operatives often get a percentage of the TV ad buy, so naturally they love ads.

As far as real voters are concerned, however, they switch the channel as soon as the ads come on, they hit the mute button or they instantly forget the ads as soon as they have seen them.

Unless a campaign creates a really, really memorable ad, that is. One that creates controversy. Like the Bush campaign has just done.

In that case, people remember those ads for a long, long time — and for all the wrong reasons.

The aspirin concession at the white house

How much fun can one administration have? More dead GIs. New record trade deficit.

Stock market plunges. Ally in Spain goes down to defeat. The new Spanish prime minister says the occupation in Iraq is a "continuing disaster" and he's pulling his troops out. Still no jobs. And then the guy who was supposed to be the new jobs czar turns out to have laid off 75 of his own workers and then built a \$3 million factory in China to employ 165 Chinese people.

Whoever has the aspirin concession at the White House must be making a fortune.

The unfortunate matter of the would-be jobs czar came at a particularly awkward moment. More than six months ago, President Bush promised to appoint a "manufacturing czar" at the Commerce Department. As the Center for American Progress points out, since then we've lost another 250,000 manufacturing jobs. Bush was on his way to Ohio last week, where the economy has just been hemorrhaging jobs, to "focus on jobs." He actually claimed, "We're creating jobs — good, high-paying jobs for the American citizen."

The guy is living on some parallel planet. Bush chose Anthony Raimondo, CEO of a manufacturing company in Nebraska, to be the jobs czar, which would have worked out better if Raimondo hadn't just outsourced those 165 jobs to China. The website the Daily Misleader found a truly impressive convergence between Bush's top campaign contributors and the corporations that have outsourced the most jobs abroad. Bush has gotten \$440,000 and the Republican Party has gotten \$3.6 million from the corporations that have outsourced the most jobs, including American Express,



MOLLY IVINS

Bechtel and several computer companies.

Here's the catch. Even if the globalizers are right, and outsourcing every manufacturing job in America, which is pretty much where we're headed, is a terrific idea, what does it take to get the "good, high-paying jobs" Bush claims they're creating?

In theory, the new jobs will be "brain jobs" in biotechnology and other forms of advanced applied science, plus the creative fields, and for that you need scientists, entrepreneurs, creative people and intellectuals. Basically, everybody Bush doesn't like.

He's shown so much favoritism to the big corporations, I don't see how he can claim to like even entrepreneurs. He's consistently replaced scientists on all kinds of government advisory boards with religious activists. He had ignored scientific reports that indicate his various policies either don't work or are actually harmful.

This White House has changed and rewritten reports made by government scientists, particularly in the area of the environment. Bush kissed off biotechnology with the stem cell research decision. Apparently, he hates Hollywood. We know he doesn't like intellectuals, and he's not in favor of green technology because he continues to subsidize extractive and polluting industries with tax breaks. How do they ever expect this thing to work?

Apparently, they think they can just lie about it. Last month, Bush released a personally signed report claiming his economic plan would create 2.6 million new jobs. Then he had to "distance himself," as they say in Washington, from that absurdity, and so Labor Secretary Elaine Chao appeared before Congress last week to claim Bush never actually signed the report.

Their contempt for government means they just don't govern well. What can you say about an administration that threatens to fire people if they tell the truth to Congress?

The latest example of this charming policy is the case of Richard Foster, chief actuary at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Knight-Ridder News Service reported in an exclusive that Foster's boss at the time, Thomas Scully, wrote "a direct order not to respond to certain requests and instead to provide the responses to him and warned about the consequences of insubordination."

What Scully was sitting on was the rather pertinent information that Foster's cost estimates on that stinking prescription drug bill were \$100 billion higher than Congress was willing to go. You may recall the prescription drug bill — which is practically no help to seniors and is a giant payoff to Bush's big contributors in the pharmaceutical industry — passed the House on a 216 to 215 vote after the R's held the vote open for hours.

Many R's were unhappy with the bill and vowed not to vote for it if it cost more \$400 billion in the first 10 years. Foster had a whole series of estimates that put the bill at over \$500 billion. In January, the White House said the cost would be \$540 billion.

Rep. Pete Stark, D-Calif., said, "Tom Scully told my staff that Rick Foster would be fired so fast his head would spin" if he released this information to us." Last summer, Scully told The Associated Press: "They don't have the right on the Hill to call up my actuary and demand things. These people work for the executive branch, period."

Scully said he would release the analysis, "if I feel like it." Uh, actually, "Mr. Scully's people" work for the taxpayers of this country and so does he, and we're represented in Washington by the Congress.

We are also of the opinion that Congress writes better legislation when it has some idea — within a hundred billion or so — what the damn law will cost us.

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'The Passion' gives personal message

With others from our community, my wife and I previewed M e l Gibson's "The Passion of the Christ" on the evening before it was released nationally on Feb. 25. I realize that many of you, perhaps most of you, have either heard others talk about this film or may have seen it yourself. However, I want to reflect on something very personal.



DWAYNE WHEAT

February is always a very emotional month for my wife and me. The evening we viewed "The Passion" was the day following the 13th anniversary of the death of our younger daughter Charla. My wife Bonnie and I had gone to Lubbock on business and spent the night there. Our daughter and a girl from work had recently decided to share an apartment. We had checked in with her late that evening before going to bed. We were awakened early the next morning by the Lubbock police who told us of Charla's death. A phone call to the Big Spring police confirmed her death. We also learned at that time that she had died in her home which we later learned

included a sexual assault. We gradually got ourselves together enough to begin the trip home. It was an inner experience on that return trip that influenced the way that I saw "The Passion." I remember very little about the trip. However, about the time that we got to Lamesa, the Lord spoke to my heart in a very real way. He reminded me that I had a heavenly Father who knows what it is like to have a child die violently. These may not seem like words of comfort to you, but this message of God's empathy gave me comfort and held me together for many days to come. As time passed, I frequently thought about those words. I told some about that experience, but I could often tell that it did not have the meaning for them that it did for me. In the months that followed, I often thought that if I could have gotten there in time, perhaps I could have prevented Charla's death. That is part of the "what if" that grief must come to terms with. Gradually, over time, I began to realize something else as I thought of what God had said to me on the way home that morning. When God's Son died, He was there. He could have prevented His Son's suffering and death, for He

had the power. However, He did not stop any part of those events that "The Passion" so powerfully presents. He let all of this happen because He loves people like you and me. This was the means by which we can know forgiveness for our sins and come into an eternal relationship with Him. In the gospel of John we find verses, which are familiar to many, a simple but clear explanation of what God was doing that day when He let Jesus suffer and then died on a cross. John recorded these words of Jesus, "For God so loved the world, He gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world should be saved through him. He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." John 3:16-17 NASV

It is part of our nature that we view new experiences through the filter of life experience. On that evening of Feb. 24, this was my filter for viewing "The Passion of the Christ"

Dwayne Wheat is pastor of Berea Baptist Church.

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Church News

College Park Church of God

College Park Church of God, 603 Tulane, will have a revival Sunday through Wednesday. Sunday services will be 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday services will be 7 p.m.

The guest speaker will be Evangelist Jonathan Bask, senior pastor of Mesquite Church of God in the Dallas area. The Teen Challenge Choir from Midland will provide music in both of the Sunday Services. For more information call 267-8593 or 267-2975.

First Baptist Church

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First Church of God

The First Church of God is offering a Vacation Bible School training workshop and networking party, Saturday, March 27, 9 a.m. to noon. This event will feature,

VBS program Lava Lava Island: Where Jesus' Love Flows. Registration is \$20 for the first person from each church and only \$10 for each additional attendee. To register go to www.groupvbs.com and follow the links for the networking party or call (432) 332-9481.

First Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Matthew Miles will continue the fifth in a series of sermons for the Lenten Season titled "Where Theology Meets Reality." The text is taken from Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32. Worship service is held at 11 a.m. Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. with "Take Ten" beginning at 10:35 a.m.

Women of the church are asked to make reser-

vations for the spring gathering to be held at the church on March 27 by calling the church office at 263-4211. The meeting begins at 10 a.m. and lunch will be served. Cost of the lunch is \$6. Members are encouraged to take part in this very special event that includes all of the Tres Rios Presbytery women.

Opportunities for the week include Presbyterian Women meeting on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., Working Women's Bible Study to be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Choir Practice on Wednesday at 6 p.m. and the Lenten Study is held on Sunday Evening at 6 p.m.

Please join us for any of the previously mentioned activities. Everyone is

See CHURCH NEWS Page 6A

Club News

Hangar 25 Air Museum

The museum would like to show its appreciation and support to veterans and Webb employees in our area by offering a coffee hour in the briefing room from 8 until 10 a.m. every Tuesday and Thursday mornings. We will supply the coffee if you bring the conversation.

The coffee hour will include a tour of the museum, renewing old friendships, meeting other veterans and Webb employees, meeting Rhonda Campbell, our new Museum Administrator and enjoying a good up of coffee to start your day.

Hangar 25 Air Museum is located on the former Webb Air Force Base at 1911 Apron Dr. For more information call 432-264-1999, fax 432-466-0316 or e-mail at hangar25@crcom.net.

Texas Plains Two-Cylinder Club

The Texas Plains Two-Cylinder Club will host its 12th annual antique tractor show at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview March 27 and 28.

Antique tractors of various makes will be on display Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Antique engines and equipment will also be on display. There will be a daily parade of the tractors at 2:30 p.m., a children's pedal tractor pull and other various activities. Admission is free but donations will be accepted. Concessions will be provided by the Hale County Farm and

Ranch Museum. For more information contact Paul Sarchet at 806-744-4457.

Mary Jane Club

Eight members and one guest of the Mary Jane Club met on Feb. 22 for a trip to the Midland Community Theatre where they enjoyed a matinee performance of the play "Crazy for You." After the play the group enjoyed dinner at Abregos Restaurant.

Mary Jane Club met March 11 at Joe Fowler's Antique Warehouse in Coahoma with Lee Milliken and Jo Evans as hostesses.

Sue Tindol, president, conducted the meeting. Fifteen members answered roll call with their comment about their "first" automobile. A nominating committee was appointed for election of officers.

The program was led by Eula Bell Fowler with a walking tour of the Antique Auto Warehouse. She described the 10 vehicles, each one re-done and road ready.

Vehicles on display included: a 1952 orange

Ford pickup, a 1957 red Mustang, a 1976 white 4-door Rolls Royce, a 1947 Black Mercury, a 1958 race car Starburst Pontiac, a 1967 Corvette Sting Ray, a 1938 Ford with a rumble seat and a 1923 T-Bucket Ford race car style. Some history about each vehicle was given and the members enjoyed viewing and sitting in their favorite automobile.

Artist returns to teach workshop

Douglas Walton, an artist specializing in water color and acrylics, will return to Big Spring March 22-26 for a special workshop at Displays of Splendor.

The cost is \$225 and the workshop will be from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. each day. Displays of Splendor owner Sheree Moates said the classes have room for a few more persons.

Call 264-6444 for more information or to register.

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Church News

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First Presbyterian Church located on Runnels between Seventh and Eighth streets.

First United Methodist Church

On Sunday, the Rev. Dr. Dave Ring's sermon is "Why Do We Keep Making These Strange Mission Trips?" The Scripture text comes from Acts 13:13-15. The special music presented by the Chancel Choir is "You Are My All in All." This Sunday the congregation will also observe the One Great Hour of Sharing, a special offering.

Sunday school begins at 9:45, and worship services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m.

Following the worship services, the youth will host the Mexico Missions Trip Banquet. Join the youth at lunch and see a video of the Mexico mission work completed during spring break. At 4 p.m. the Chancel Choir will have a special rehearsal for the Holy Week special. Anyone interested in singing should attend this rehearsal. The Drama Group from St. Paul United Methodist Church in Midland will present "All for God" at 6 p.m. The Administrative Council will meet Monday at 7 p.m. in the Pathmakers classroom.

The order forms for Easter lilies are now available. A special memorial and honor bulletin will be prepared for the April 11 service. A donation of \$13.50 makes it possible for the worship committee to purchase the lilies. Contact the church office to place your order.

First United Methodist Church is located at 400 Scurry. For more information on any of the programs at First United Methodist Church, call the church office at 267-6394.

Friends of Unity

"Discover the Power Within You, A guide to the Unexplored Depths Within" is the new book study beginning Sunday at 2 p.m. All are welcome to join us in becoming the manifestations of "new creatures in Christ" as we study the teachings of Jesus, as interpreted by Unity Min. Eric Butterworth.

Life Church

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Mt. Bethel Baptist Church

The Pastor, members and supporters of Mt. Bethel Baptist Church invite our beloved community to come and celebrate our 80th Church Anniversary, at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 28. Our theme for this glorious occasion is "The Best Is Yet To Come!" 1 Corinthians 2:9. Mt Bethel is located at 630 Sgt. Paredes Street. Our pastor is the Rev. Michael B. Willard, "One Heart, One Vision."

The Pentecostals of Big Spring

The Pentecostals of Big Spring will host The Final Hour of Prophecy Crusade from March 25-27 at 7:30 p.m. and March 28 at 2 p.m. featuring international evangelist Charles Mahaney.

Mahaney is the director of the Jewish Ministry and has hosted 35 tours to Israel. Along with several books he's written, Mahaney is known for his work as director of Christian Prisoners Fellowship, where he has worked with James Earl Ray, the man convicted of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s murder, and several of the alleged followers of Charles Manson.

Mahaney has appeared on the 700 Club with Pat Robertson, and has also appeared on Entertainment Tonight with the rock group KISS, discussing the adverse effect of heavy metal music.

The Crusade will be at the Pentecostals of Big

Spring Church, 1004 Locust (off 11th Place near the Chalet). Church services are 10:30 a.m. on Sunday and at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. For more information contact Pastor Michael Mahaney at 263-9686.

Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church

Visitors are always welcome at Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church, 201 E. 24th St. Worship services are at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. each Sunday. Elder David Machiavello, pastor, will be continuing with a series from Matthew 5 on "The Beatitudes" with emphasis this week on "The Pure at Heart."

Bible Study is held at 7 each Wednesday night. The current study deals with an in-depth look at the scriptural account of the crucifixion of Christ.

Anyone wanting more information may call the pastor at 267-6543 or 267-7558.

Salem Baptist Church

Salem Baptist will be holding a revival April 4-7. Pastor Dennis Teeters, of First Baptist Church, Big Spring will be speaking. Stan Hanes, song leader, also from First Baptist will lead the music. Services will be Sunday at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. with fellowship meals following both services. Monday through Wednesday services will be held at 7 p.m. with the fellowship meal being served at 6 p.m.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Everyone is invited to attend worship services at St. Mary's this Sunday. Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m.

During Lent we will have Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 5:30 p.m. in the church. We will use both the traditional version of the Stations and the more modern "Everyone's Way of the Cross."

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew will have its monthly meeting and breakfast this Saturday starting at 8 a.m. in the chapel.

St. Mary's Youth will have a Soup and Salad Luncheon Sunday after the 10:30 service. This is one of their summer fund-

raisers and everyone is invited to attend.

Out Lenten program continues on Wednesday. The theme this year is, "The Meaning of Lent For Me and my Congregation." The Rev. Gene Cravens, Pastor of First Christian Church, will speak at 6:30 p.m. The all-parish meatless pot luck supper is at 6 p.m. We will end with a brief service of Compline.

For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-8201 or visit our web site at www.stmarysbs.org. St. Mary's is located at the corner of Tenth and South Goliad.

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E-mail your church and club news to life @bigspringherald.com by Wednesday at noon



Military News

Seaman Brandi Hilario

Navy Seaman Recruit Brandi A. Hilario, daughter of Estrella M. Hilario of Big Spring, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Hilario completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis is also placed on physical fitness.

The capstone event of boot camp is "Battle Stations." This exercise gives recruits the key skills and confidence they need to graduate and take to the fleet. "Battle Stations" has been designed to galvanize the basic warrior attributes of sacrifice, dedication, teamwork and endurance in each recruit through the practical application of basic Navy skills and the core values of Honor,

Courage and Commitment. Its distinctly "Navy" flavor was designed to take into account what it means to be a sailor.

Airman Lee Meadors

Air Force Airman Lee D. Meadors has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Meadors is the son of Larry and Amelia Meadors of Big Spring. He is a 2003 graduate of Forsan High School.

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IN BRIEF

Umpres needed for upcoming season

The Big Spring Girls' Softball Association is currently seeking individuals interested in umpiring games.

Parties interested in umpiring should contact Francisco Ramirez at (432) 466-3670.

CGA to hold 4-person event on March 28

The Chicano Golf Association will hold its 4-Person Select Drive event on March 28 at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Teen League slates registration

The Big Spring Teenage Baseball League is holding registration at All District Screen Printing, 1005 E. 11th Place, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. The league is open to all area youth ages 13-16, with sign-up continuing through April 16. The signing fee is \$65 and includes a team cap and shirt. For more information, contact Stan Parker at 264-2570.

Final girls softball sign-ups are set

Final registration for the Big Spring Girls Softball Association will be held from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday in the Big Spring Mall. Tryouts will be held on the following Saturday, March 27, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Roy Anderson Complex.

Big Spring teams note weekend play

Big Spring High School spring athletics are in full swing this weekend.

The Steers' golf team teed off this morning in the Midland Invitational. Play will continue Saturday.

The Steers' baseball team is battling in the Andrews tournament. Thursday, the Steers defeated Pecos, 11-8. The Steers were scheduled to take on Andrews this morning, El Paso Burgess at 9 a.m. Saturday and Midland Greenwood at 2 p.m. Saturday.

The Lady Steer softball team is competing in two emotionally charged games this weekend. The Lady Steers will be hosting Lubbock Monterey at 4 p.m. today and Midland Greenwood at 1 p.m. Saturday.

The Steers and Lady Steer tennis teams are in action at the Abilene tournament today.

BSHS track teams will be in action in the Sandhill Relays at Monahans on Saturday.

Oakley signs 10-day pact with Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — Charles Oakley signed a 10-day contract with the Houston Rockets, giving coach Jeff Van Gundy another player from his New York Knicks days.

The 40-year-old power forward hasn't played all season, but that did not deter Van Gundy.

ON THE AIR

Event	Time	Station
Hawks vs. Odessa (baseball)	2 p.m.	1490
Spurs vs. Boston	7 p.m.	1490
Mavericks at New Jersey (noon)	noon	1490

Despite injury, Spurs' Duncan dominates Timberwolves

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Tim Duncan heard his name announced among the San Antonio Spurs starters in each of his first 506 NBA games.

When the opening tip went up against Minnesota on Thursday night, Duncan was sitting with the rest of the reserves.

No matter — Duncan, nursing a sore left knee, still dominated in his first real outing in three weeks. He scored 22 points and had 10 rebounds coming off the bench Thursday night to lead the

Spurs to a 106-86 win over the Timberwolves.

Duncan, who missed nine of San Antonio's previous 10 games, shot only 6-for-15 from the floor in his 27 minutes, but he made 10 of 15 free throws.

"It was a choice I made to limit the minutes," he said about not starting. "I couldn't play a week ago against the Clippers. I obviously wasn't ready. So it was about getting into live action and seeing how (the knee reacts)."

Duncan left after 15 minutes on

March 10 in San Antonio's 108-90 win over the Los Angeles Clippers. He had missed six games before that outing, and three games afterward.

Eighteen of Duncan's points came in the second half, when San Antonio stretched what had been a five-point lead at the break.

"It seemed he got stronger as he went along," Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said. "We don't go anywhere (in the playoffs) without Tim Duncan. He played

15 minutes the first game back and 27 tonight — that's enough of an increase."

Duncan said his knee, injured in a Feb. 26 game in Dallas, felt good after the game, but he was "kind of anxious to see what it'll do in the morning." The Spurs' next game is Saturday against Boston.

The victory trimmed the Timberwolves' lead in the Midwest Division to 1 1/2 games over the Spurs, who had lost two straight.

Tech holds off Charlotte, 76-73

Buffalo better to Bobby Knight this time around

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Maybe Buffalo isn't such a bad place for Bob Knight.

Jarrius Jackson and Andre Emmett each scored 11 points to lead a first-half surge and Texas Tech held off Charlotte 76-73 in the first round of the NCAA tournament Thursday.

Texas Tech (23-10), the eighth seed in the East Rutherford Regional, will play the winner of the game between top-seeded Saint Joseph's (27-1) and Liberty (18-14).

The game turned out much better for Knight than his last trip to Buffalo, when he lost to Pepperdine in his final game as coach of Indiana in 2000.

Charlotte (21-9), the ninth seed, never managed to get its up-tempo game going, shooting 6-of-24 from beyond the arc.

The 49ers made it close at the end when Curtis Withers hit a long 3-pointer at the buzzer, but the game belonged to Tech, which gave Knight the 43rd tournament victory of his career, fourth all-time.

Emmett finished with 20 points, Jackson had 17, Mikey Marshall had 15 points and four assists, and Darryl Dora had 12 points and 10 rebounds.

Withers led Charlotte with 17 points and nine rebounds, Mitchell Baldwin and Eddie Baden each scored 11, Butter Johnson had 10, and long-range aces Brendan Plavich and Demon Brown each had eight.

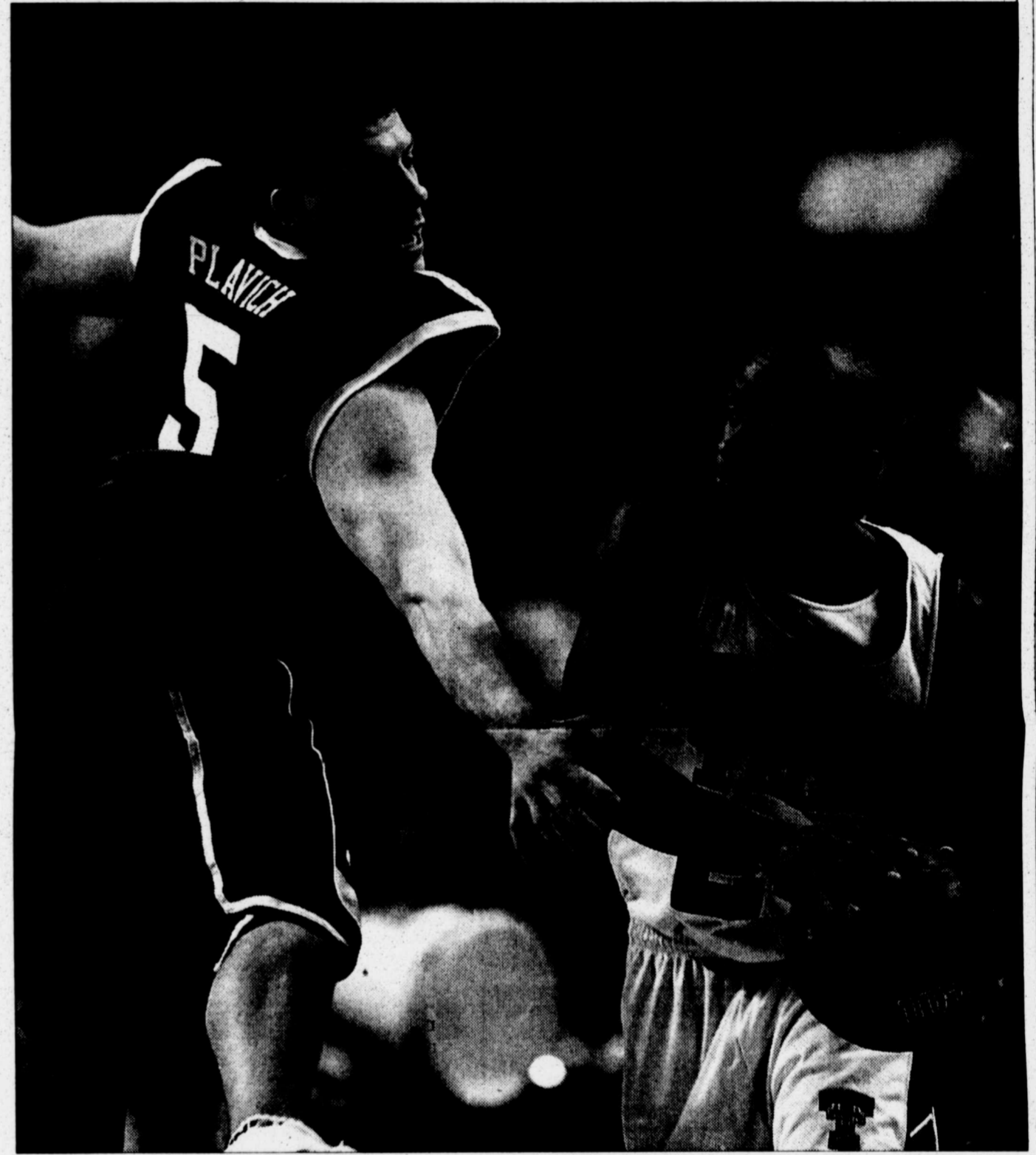
Texas 66, Princeton 49

DENVER (AP) — Brandon Mouton was too potent for Princeton. Mouton scored 18 of his 23 points in the second half, fueling a Texas rally in the Longhorns' 66-49 victory over Princeton in the first round of the NCAA tournament Thursday night.

Texas (24-7), the No. 3 seed in the Atlanta Regional, will face the Air Force-North Carolina winner Saturday.

Royal Ivey had 15 points and Brian Boddicker 14 for Texas, making its sixth straight NCAA tournament appearance.

Princeton (20-8), the No. 14 seed, got 16 points from Will Venable. Texas outshot Princeton 60 per-



Charlotte's Brendan Plavich (5) defends Texas Tech's Ronald Ross in the Red Raiders 76-73 victory in the first round of the NCAA Tournament in Buffalo, N.Y.

cent to 35 percent in the second half, outscoring the Tigers 44-24 over the final 20 minutes, and the Longhorns did their damage early.

Trailing 27-22 just a minute into the half, Texas mounted a 24-6 run to take control.

Texas hit its first four 3-point shots of the half.

Mouton and Kenton Paulino hit back-to-back 3-pointers. Mouton added a layup and a 3-pointer, and Paulino had another 3-pointer. After a three-point play by Brad Buckman, Mouton hit still another 3 and tacked on

a layup for a 46-33 lead with 11:42 remaining. Princeton got no closer than eight points after that.

Manhattan 75, Florida 60

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — The little team from the Big Apple was every bit as good as promised.

Led by 26 points from hotshot guard Luis Flores, 12th-seeded Manhattan beat fifth-seeded Florida 75-60 in the first round of the NCAA tournament Thursday.

Manhattan (25-5) won its first tournament game since defeat-

ing Oklahoma in 1995, and advanced to play fourth-seeded Wake Forest in the East Rutherford Regional.

The Gators (20-11), ranked first in the country in December, failed to make it out of the first weekend of the tourney for the fourth straight time since they made the national finals in 2000.

Peter Mulligan added 17 points for the Jaspers, and Dave Holmes had 12 points and 12 rebounds.

Anthony Roberson led Florida. See NCAA, Page 2B

Lady Steers take fourth in Greenwood Invitational

Special to the HERALD

GREENWOOD — Big Spring's Lady Steers took fourth place in the Greenwood High School Girls Invitational Golf Tournament, played Thursday at Hogan Park.

Monahans dominated, winning the tourney by 18 strokes with a 344 total. Stanton teams placed fifth and sixth.

Angela Taylor led Big Spring with a 93, followed closely by Rachel Gee, who carded a 94. Brennan Bailey shot a 98 and Joy Seay turned in a 103 for

the Lady Steers, who combined for a 388.

Stanton A team, which fired a 425, was led by Shelby Harp's 90. Kristi Bridges shot a 110, Danielle Bedingfield a 111, Savannah Smith a 114 and Megan Cook a 122.

Stanton B team fired a 531. Individually, Samantha Botillo shot a 128, LaTasha Decker a 130, Malbry Cotton a 134 and LaTresha Decker a 139.

Other scores were Pecos with a 362 and Fort Stockton with a 381.

SPORTS BRIEFS

BASEBALL

PHOENIX (AP) — The Oakland Athletics finally kept one of their young stars, signing third baseman Eric Chavez to a six-year contract extension worth \$66 million — the biggest contract in franchise history.

Chavez, a three-time Gold Glove winner and the AL's top power-hitting third baseman last season, would have been eligible for free agency after the season.

The deal includes a \$12.5 million club option for 2011 with a \$3 million buy-out. Chavez will make \$5.2 million this year.

FOOTBALL

IRVING (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys finally acquired Keyshawn Johnson, reaching agreement on a deal that will send Joey Galloway to Tampa Bay.

On the same day the NFL told the team it would approve their eight-year contract with quarterback Drew Henson, owner Jerry Jones said Dallas has a handshake deal to send receiver Galloway to Tampa Bay for Johnson.

Jones said the Cowboys had agreed on a handshake deal with Tampa that involves Dallas reworking Galloway's contract.

Johnson agreed weeks ago to a four-year, \$20 million contract with a \$4 million bonus.

TENNIS

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. (AP) — Andre Agassi came up with the big points when he needed to, beating Guillermo Coria 6-4, 7-5 to move into the Pacific Life Open semifinals.

Agassi, ranked fifth, will play No. 1 Roger Federer on Saturday.

Federer defeated Juan Ignacio Chela

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NCAA

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with 22 points.

Wake Forest 79, Virginia Commonwealth 78
RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Chris Paul had 22 points and seven assists, and Justin Gray added 15 points for Wake Forest.

Jamaal Levy had 10 points and 10 rebounds for the Demon Deacons (20-9), who advanced to the second round for the third straight year. Domic Jones had 22 points and seven assists for Virginia Commonwealth (23-8).

Saint Joseph's 82, Liberty 63
BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Jameer Nelson scored 22 of his season-high 33 points in the first half, leading top-seeded Saint Joseph's to an easy first-round victory over Liberty.

The Hawks (28-1), coming off an 87-67 loss to Xavier in the Atlantic 10 Conference quarterfinals, advanced to play eighth-seeded Texas Tech in the East Rutherford Regional.

Delonte West added 18 points and nine rebounds for Saint Joseph's. David Dees led the Flames (18-15) with 22 points.

Maryland 86, UTEP 83
DENVER (AP) — Chris McCray scored 19 points, including two free throws with 13.6 seconds left, and Maryland held off Texas-El Paso.

Maryland (20-11), the fourth seed in the Phoenix Regional, will meet the winner of the BYU-Syracuse game.

John Gilchrist added 18 points, and Jamar Smith had 14 for the Terrapins, coming off an overtime win against Duke in the ACC "tournament" title game. John Tofi had 16 points for UTEP (24-8).

Alabama 65, Southern Illinois 64
SEATTLE (AP) — Antoine Pettway hit a 6-foot runner with 5 seconds left to lift Alabama past Southern Illinois.

Southern Illinois' Darren Brooks, the Missouri Valley Conference player of the year, missed a long jumper at the buzzer.

Earner Shelton scored 18 points for eighth-seeded Alabama (18-12), which advanced to face top-seeded Stanford or Texas-San Antonio in the second round of the Phoenix Regional.

BRIEFS

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6-2, 6-1 in their quarterfinal to run his 2004 record to 20-1.

The Swiss star beat Agassi 6-3, 6-0, 6-4 in their last meeting, at the Tennis Masters Cup final last November.

In the women's competition, top-ranked Justine Henin-Hardenne avenged her only loss of the year by beating Russian teenager Svetlana Kuznetsova 6-4, 7-5.

GOLF
ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Trying to become the first player on any tour to win the same tournament five straight times, Tiger Woods got off to a solid start in the Bay Hill Invitational by missing only one fairway in a round of 5-under 67 that left him one shot out of the lead.

Chad Campbell and Darren Clarke each navigated Bay Hill without a bogey in their rounds of 66, while Shigeki Maruyama joined them late in the afternoon.

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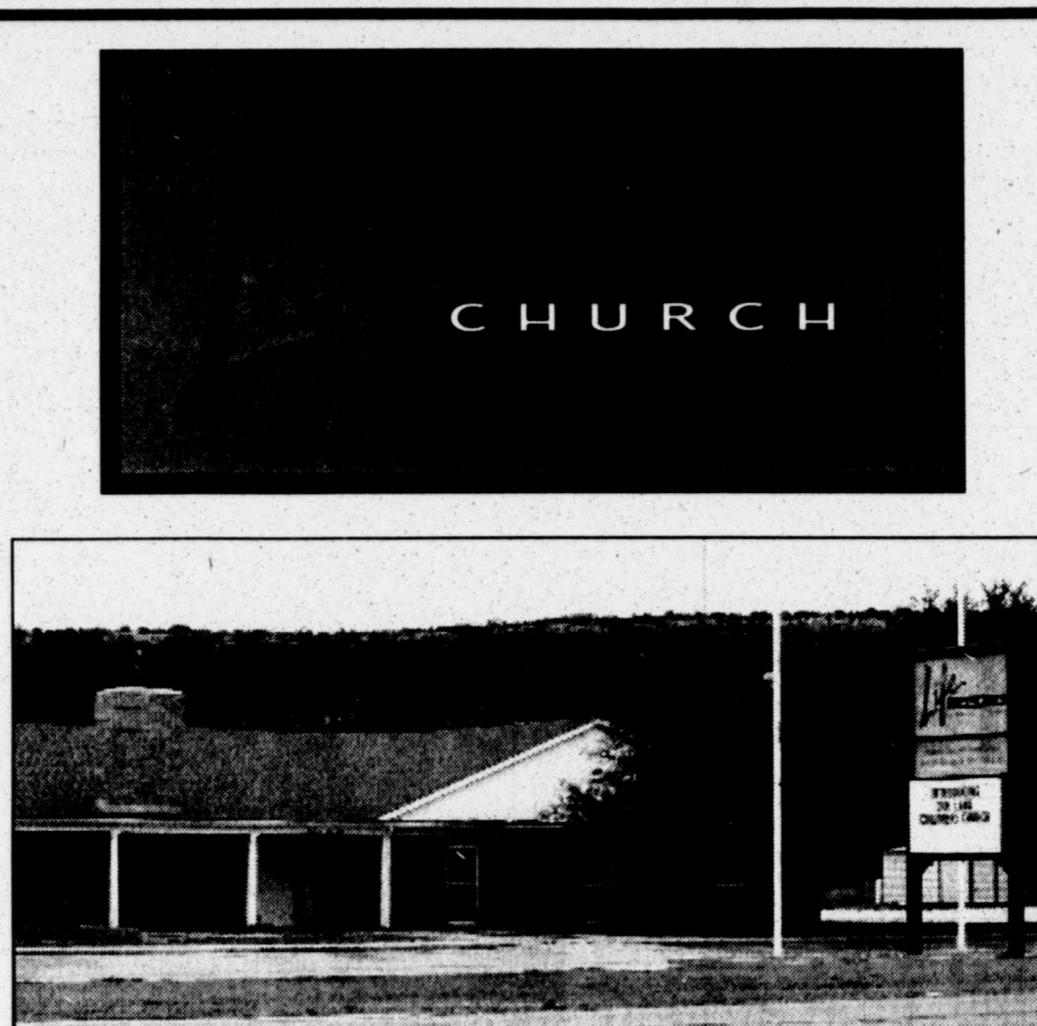
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Golf Insider

IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR GAME

Just plane confused

By T.J. TOMASI
Universal Press Syndicate

Many golfers find the swing plane a confusing topic. Television announcers will say, "I like Tiger's swing because it's on the plane," but what exactly does this mean?

"Swing plane" is a general term used to describe the overall tilt of the arc of your swing. Some swings are steep (more vertical), some swings are flat (more horizontal to the ground), and others are somewhere in between. The operative word here is "overall" because the tilt of the arc can change during the swing, as players such as Jim Furyk, Craig Perry and Jay Haas demonstrate.

The confusion arises when commentators add "the" before the words "swing plane," as if there were only one plane for the entire swing. If you want to swing the club correctly, it's impossible to swing it on a single plane.

When the club swings to the top it moves off its original plane and continues to change planes, rising from one plane to another and then falling back through numerous planes until the swing is complete.

To understand exactly what you are supposed to do when you swing a club, it's necessary first to make a distinction in terms: What is the difference between swing plane, swing plane angle and shaft angle?

The "shaft angle" is installed at the factory when the shaft is bored into the club head. Shaft angle is also called the lie of the club, and your swing will be most efficient when it matches the angle dictated by your club's specifications.

While shaft angle is static and nonchangeable, "swing plane angle" is the actual, in-motion tilt of the shaft at any point during your swing. For a consistently repeating motion, your task is to match the angle of the shaft during the swing to the shaft angle at address, as PGA teaching pro John Callahan demonstrates in the accompanying photos.

In the first photo, John has embedded two shafts at the same angle as his golf club at address. In the second photo, halfway back, he has matched the angle at address, and at this point his swing is on plane. Next week we'll see how well he does at keeping his downswing on the plane angle.



Teaching pro John Callahan matches the angle of the club at address (top) and halfway through his swing (bottom).

Book reopens controversy

Palmer accused of violation in 1958 Masters

By CRAIG DOLCH
Cox News Service

West Palm Beach, Fla. — Doug Ford can't understand all the fuss about Ken Venturi saying in his new book that he believes Arnold Palmer cheated when Palmer won his first Masters title in 1958.

In "My 60 Years in Golf," which is set for release this week, Venturi said Palmer knowingly took an illegal drop behind the 12th hole. The much-scrutinized ruling saw Palmer make a double-bogey on the hole, then go back and make a par with a second ball because he believed the first one was embedded.

"I firmly believe that he did wrong and that he knows that I know he did wrong," wrote Venturi, who was playing in the same group with Palmer. Venturi finished two shots behind Palmer.

Palmer, who's preparing to play in his 50th and final Masters next month, has declined to comment on Venturi's allegations.

Reached at his Lacuna Lakes pro shop recently in Lake Worth, Fla., Ford said he had no problems with the ruling, which saved Palmer two shots. And having finished one shot behind Palmer, tied for second place with Fred Hawkins, Ford believes his opinion matters.

"I was the recipient of it (the favorable ruling for Palmer), and I didn't make any protest or anything," said Ford, who won the 1957 Masters. "The man (Palmer) was the most honest man you ever want to meet. His integrity should not be questioned. I've known Arnold since he first came out on Tour. If he thought he was right, then I would never question it."

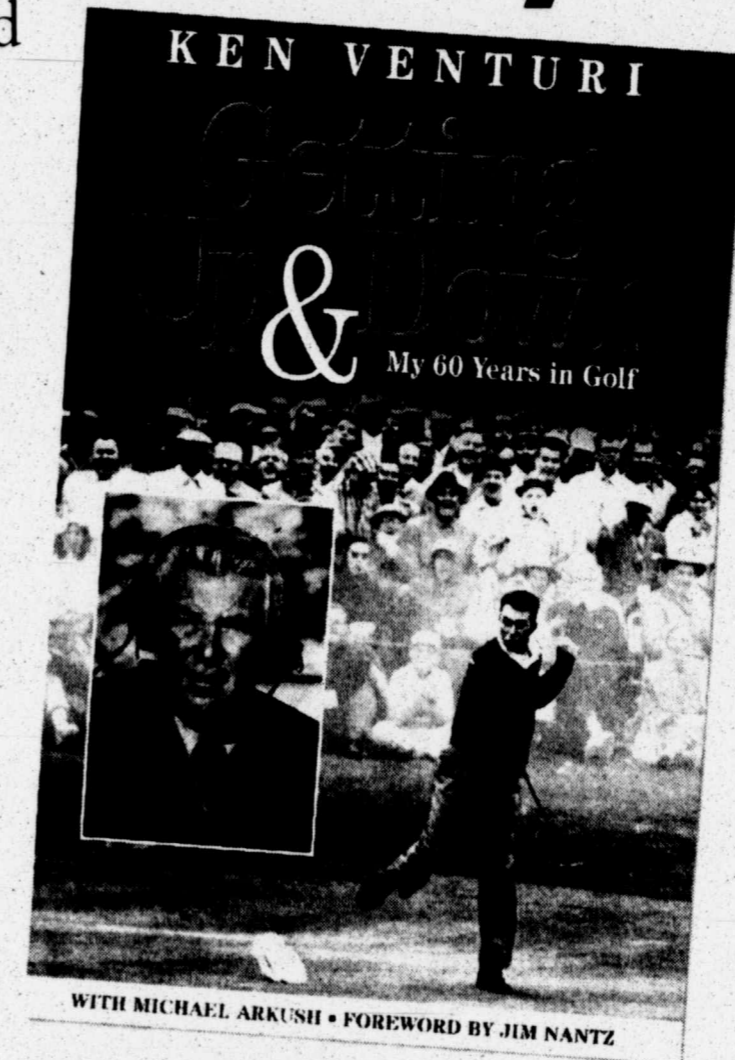
Ford then raised the same question that others have asked about Venturi's timing.

"It's been 50 years, for crying out loud," Ford said.

The New York Times reported last week that Venturi was backing off his cheating allegations. He issued a statement in which he defined the difference between breaking a rule and cheating.

"Let me make it abundantly clear: Arnold Palmer is not a cheat, never was a cheat and could never have been a cheat," Venturi said in the statement. "For nearly 50 years, Arnold Palmer has been the defining light in golf. The last thing in my mind is to besmirch the reputation of Arnold."

"Arnold played a second ball



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Arnold Palmer, who will be playing in his 50th Masters this year, declined to comment on allegations he violated a rule while winning the 1958 tournament.

incorrectly," the statement continued. "This was due in part to Arnold not understanding the rule, which stipulates a player must declare playing a second ball prior to the playing of the original ball. This does not make Arnold Palmer a cheat."

Palmer has insisted throughout

the years that he did know the rule and he abided by it.

"At that time," Palmer wrote in his book, "Playing By the Rules," "relief from an embedded ball was a local rule, not one of the rules of golf. The ground was wet and sloppy, and a local rule providing relief from an embedded ball was in effect."

"By all rights I should have been able to lift, clean and drop my ball without penalty to a spot as close as possible to the original position and no nearer the hole. That's exactly the way we'd been playing all week."

While some are questioning why Venturi would wait so long to criticize one of the most popular players in the history of the game, John Cook, one of Venturi's closest friends, said that's not the case.

"We've talked about this a lot of times," Cook said. "It's something Ken feels very strongly about. It happened. It's not like, 'Did it happen or did it not happen?' It happened."

"What was his motivation? Probably a number of things. To get this story out and off his chest; it's something that's bothered him for a long time. It's something he feels strongly about. Maybe he's frustrated he didn't win the Masters in '56, '58 and '60. But it's not like this is a new story."

Honda winner finally has Masters plan

By CRAIG DOLCH
Cox News Service

West Palm Beach, Fla.

The perks for winning Sunday's Honda Classic at Mirasol started to roll in for Todd Hamilton on Monday when he learned his unlikely victory virtually clinched a spot in next month's Masters. It will mark the first time the 38-year-old journeyman has played in a major championship.

With birdies on the last two holes to beat Davis Love III by a shot, Hamilton moved up 58 spots to No. 38 in the latest world golf rankings. It's highly unlikely he would drop 12 spots in the next two weeks — anyone in the top 50 after The Players Championship gets in the Masters — so he can prepare to play his first round at Augusta National.

"I was kind of checking on that," Hamilton said Sunday night after his victory. "That would be very special."

Hamilton spent 12 years playing in Asia after he was unsuccessful in getting through the PGA Tour's Q-School five times. He won 11 titles, including four times last year in Japan, to earn a spot at the finals of Q-School, where he finally earned his card in December by finishing 16th.

Asked whether he ever imagined playing in the Masters a year ago, when he was toiling in Japan, Hamilton quickly shook his head.

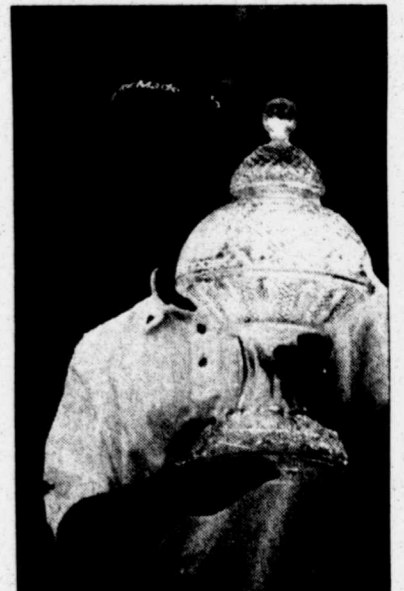
"Never, no," he said. "Not this quickly."

But it won't be the first time Hamilton has been on the Augusta National grounds. When he was 17, he was playing in a junior tournament at adjacent Augusta Country Club when organizers were given permission to let the younger players onto the deserted course during the summer.

"The tournament organizers somehow got a double-decker bus and drove us up Magnolia Lane," Hamilton said. "They let us roam out on the golf course, which was shut down. I remember some guy, he must have known what was going to happen, he just happened to have a golf club and a ball in his pocket. He whacked one off the 10th hole. I don't know who it was."

Hamilton was asked whether he was that guy.

"No, it wasn't me," he said with a laugh. "I promise."



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Todd Hamilton, a 38-year-old PGA Tour rookie, birdied the final two holes Sunday to win the Honda Classic.

ON THE BUBBLE

Here are some world rankings for players not already qualified for the Masters (those in the top 50 after next week's The Players Championship qualify):

Rank	Player	Avg.
45	Brian Davis	2.31
50	Loren Roberts	2.24
55	Miguel A. Jimenez	2.10
56	John Huston	2.09
57	Duffy Waldorf	2.08
61	Lee Westwood	1.96

Tiger going after history

Tiger Woods could become the first golfer to win the same tournament in five consecutive seasons this week at the Bay Hill Invitational in Orlando.

Woods won the Bay Hill by 11 strokes last year. Phil Mickelson, who won the tournament in 1997, has been the only player to even get close to Woods during this streak, losing by one stroke in 2001. Woods won by four strokes in 2000 and 2002.

SCHEDULE

PGA TOUR	LPGA TOUR	CHAMPIONS TOUR
Bay Hill Invitational	Safeway International	Toshiba Senior Classic
• Site: Orlando, Fla.	• Site: Superstition, Ariz.	• Site: Newport Beach, Calif.
• Schedule: Today-Sunday.	• Schedule: Today-Sunday.	• Schedule: Friday-Sunday.
• Course: Bay Hill Club and Lodge (7,239 yards, par 72).	• Course: Superstition Mountain Golf & Country Club, Prospector Course (6,620 yards, par 72).	• Course: Newport Beach Country Club (6,598 yards, par 71).
• Purse: \$5 million.	• Purse: \$1.2 million.	• Purse: \$1.6 million.
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THE GOLF DOCTOR

Golf rule No. 1: Have fun

Every year more than a million women take up the game of golf, and every year the same number quit. There are many reasons for this discouraging trend, but I believe the main reason is that many beginning women golfers find the game too intimidating. It's a hard game, and some of the rules make it even harder.

To keep his women golfers playing, Barney Alary, head golf professional at Through the Green — Highland Rim golf course in Joelton, Tenn., has developed "Barney's Rules." I recently read these rules in the official publication of the PGA of

America, and I'd like to pass some on. They make a lot of sense for beginners.

• You do not have to tee off from the designated tee-off area. Make it an option to tee off at the 100-yard marker or nearer.

• You can choose to skip a hole. If it's too difficult, skip it.

• Clubs to use are the 5-wood, 7-iron, 8-iron, 9-iron, pitching wedge, sand wedge and putter. Other clubs are just decoration.

• Score is not in relation to par. Score is in relation to hitting good shots. For example, your goal on a specific hole may be to hit one good shot.

In my book "Play Better Golf for Women," I make several

nonconventional suggestions for the first-year golfer. For example, move your ball from difficult lies (heavy rough, difficult stances, etc.) onto good ones. If someone tells you you're breaking the rules, explain to them that you're trying to learn the easier shots before you tackle the more difficult ones, and that you are not playing for an official score. And if you have trouble getting the ball airborne, use a tee on every shot except on the green.

After all, the point of the game is to have fun, and it's no fun to hit ground balls all day. As you improve, you can stick to the rules, but give Barney a try first.

—T.J. Tomasi

ASK THE PRO



Dr. T.J. Tomasi is director of instruction at Lyman Orchards Golf Club in Middlefield, Conn. To ask him a question about golf, e-mail him at: TJinsider@aol.com.

Q: I've been playing golf for five years and have gotten my handicap down to 12. To try to lower it further I have been concentrating on my short game, but have become perplexed about how hard I should hold on to the club for chips and pitches. Sometimes I find myself holding on tightly, and other times relatively loosely. Which is correct? — Sam D., from the Web

A: The fact that you are aware of the differences in your grip pressure is a good sign. Good golfers (whether they are aware of it or not) change their grip pressure for short shots, depending on the circumstances at hand. So the answer to your question is, "It depends."

The rule of thumb is this: The short-

er the shot, the firmer the grip pressure should be. The reason is simple. For short shots (chips around the green), you generally do not want a lot of wrist action, and the tighter you hold the club, the less your wrists can break.

For longer shots (pitches and lobbs), where you want the club head above your hands at the top of your backswing, you need to let up on the grip pressure to allow for more wrist cock.

World-class players constantly make subtle changes in their grip pressure for shots around the greens without even thinking about it, but at your stage of development it will take some conscious effort. The main thing to avoid is squeezing tighter for the longer shots. I see this often, and it is a recipe for disaster.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON Finish up some business in order to make the most of tomorrow's fresh start under the enthusiastic encouragement of the new moon. It's also the first day of spring tomorrow, and there will be a double dose of luck for anything started under the equinox. Get rid of the old so that tomorrow you'll be able to usher in the new.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Financially, there are more resources in your immediate reach than you are presently utilizing. Deadlines only serve to improve you. Romance at work is a possibility for singles. Keep it under wraps for now.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Recognize who your true friends are, and treat them like gold. You feel addicted to love and enjoy this part of the romantic cycle - it happens rarely. However, don't be blind to other important parts of your life.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Approach work with caution. You've done the right thing thus far, but it's easy to make a move that will cause a setback. Recognize when a job is finished, and then, stop. This is especially true in sales.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The landscape of your life is an ever-evolving scene. Pay attention to changes this afternoon. Socially, you're asked to stretch yourself tonight. When you put yourself out there, you have more fun, regardless of the outcome.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's funny how one good turn can keep you juiced about life for weeks to come. Such events happen early on - make arrangements to celebrate your luck! You'll feel generous tonight. Sagittarius and Capricorn are especially receptive.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll lose yourself if you mold your actions to someone's expectation of you. Decide first what it is you have to offer, and deliver that. Business is more complicated than usual. Be sure you understand your end completely.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Investigate the latest technology. Being able to use a new tool can put you in the position to make more money. You are defined by your choices. Tonight, spend some time in the sunburst of your imagination.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll get mixed signals from someone you admire, but assume the best. Taking the high road brings everyone up - and the other route reduces everyone to a childish level. Socialize with a Gemini and a Taurus for luck.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Cherish what you have, and the doors to abundance swing open wide. Charisma is so high, new people get flustered when dealing with you. Tonight's creative work may well be the finest you've ever done.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Give precise instructions to anyone who works for you, and invite others to talk about how the job could be done better, quicker or cheaper. In relationships, communication equals sanity. Your words are persuasive tonight.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Consider why an ex still seems to have such pull over your psyche. Love is still at the core. You recoup investment losses but must make the conscious decision to stop putting yourself in a financially vulnerable position.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Your mental engines are racing - you may awaken early with an idea or a worry. This fuels your creativity. Try to think of it as "all good." Singles take classes and meet new prospects. This weekend, romance progresses.

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7 PM	Movie: Four Weddings and a Funeral	George Lopez Married-Kellys	Mariana de la Noche	Playing It Straight (CC)	NCAA Tournament	Amor Descarado	DateLine NBC (CC)	What's the Worst That Could Happen?	Update:Israel Rabbi Richman	Wash. Week Wall-Fortune	The Repossessors	Movie: The Day the Earth Stood Still (CC)	Movie: What Women Want	Movie: Soul Food	Movie: Going to the Mat	2003 World Series of Poker	NBA Basketball	Law & Order: Special Victims	Movie: Orange County (CC)	
8 PM	The D.A. (CC)	The D.A. (CC)	Los Casos de la Vida Real	70s Show Dharma-Greg	Basketball NCAA	Mujeres Apasionadas	Crossing Jordan (CC)	What's the Worst That Could Happen?	The Hour of Healing	American Hot Rod	Movie: Prophecy (CC)	Movie: What Women Want (CC)	Movie: Nightly News Music Special	Movie: Going to the Mat	Courtney Burbon vs. NBA	Basketball: Rockets at Dallas	Mavericks Law & Order: Special Victims	Movie: Touching Evil (CC)	Movie: Changing Lanes (CC)	
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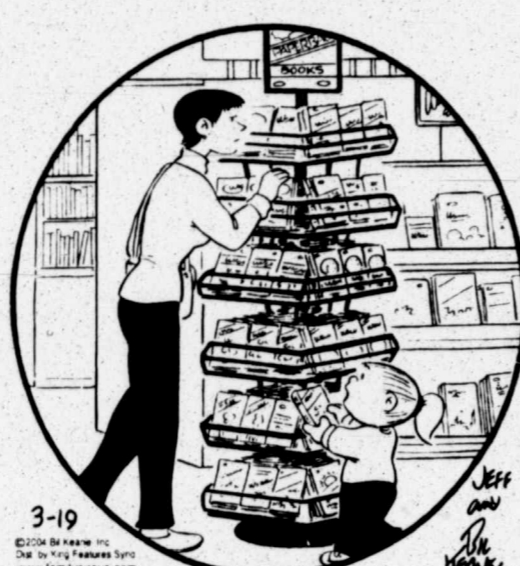
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, March 19, the 79th day of 2004. There are 287 days left in the year. This is the date the swallows traditionally return to the San Juan Capistrano Mission in California.

Today's Highlight in History:

One year ago, on March 19, 2003, President Bush ordered the start of war against Iraq. (Because of the time difference, it was early March 20 in Iraq; U.S. forces bombarded Baghdad with cruise missiles and precision-guided bombs aimed at Saddam Hussein and other Iraqi leaders.)

On this date:
In 1859, the opera "Faust" by Charles Gounod premiered in Paris.
In 1917, the Supreme Court upheld the eight-hour

work day for railroads.

In 1918, Congress approved daylight-saving time.

In 1931, Nevada legalized gambling.

In 1945, about 800 people were killed as kamikaze planes attacked the U.S. carrier Franklin off Japan; the ship, however, was saved.

In 1945, Adolf Hitler issued his "Nero Decree," ordering the destruction of German facilities that could fall into Allied hands.

In 1951, Herman Wouk's war novel "The Caine Mutiny" was published.

In 1953, the Academy Awards ceremony was televised for the first time; "The Greatest Show on Earth" was named best picture of 1952.

In 1976, Buckingham Palace announced the separation of Princess Margaret and her husband, the Earl of Snowdon, after 16 years of marriage.

Today's Birthdays:
Former White House national security adviser Brent Scowcroft is 79.

Actor-director Patrick McGoochan is 76. Theologian Hans Kung is 76. Jazz musician Ornette Coleman is 74. Author Philip Roth is 71. Actress Renee Taylor is 71. Actress-singer Phyllis Newman is 69. Actress Ursula Andress is 68. Singer Clarence "Frogman" Henry is 67. Rock musician Paul Atkinson (The Zombies) is 58. Singer Ruth Pointer (The Pointer Sisters) is 58. Actress Glenn Close is 57. Actor Bruce Willis is 49. Rock musician Gert Betters (K's Choice) is 34. Rock musician Zach Lind (Jimmy Eat World) is 28.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

CENTRAL AMERICA by Bruce Key
Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS**
- 1 Male pig
 - 5 Pickle choice
 - 9 Amulets
 - 14 Director Preminger
 - 15 Stir up
 - 16 Ward off
 - 17 Stephen Foster tune
 - 19 Bath cloth
 - 20 Playground items
 - 21 India's first prime minister
 - 23 Geneticist's study
 - 24 NASDAQ listings
 - 25 Nile slitherers
 - 28 Crankcase problem
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 - 35 Caspian Sea feeder
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 - 38 Sleuth Stout
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 - 41 Comedian Philips
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 - 45 "Follow me!"
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 - 26 Top-notch
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 - 31 Museum pieces
 - 32 Synthetic fabric
 - 33 Sierra
 - 34 Minor, maybe
 - 36 Wife of Jacob
 - 39 U-turn from NNW
 - 40 Place for a pint
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 - 45 Author Bushnell
 - 47 Hoss, to Ben
 - 49 Gets some sun
 - 52 Aquarium dweller
 - 54 Lost cause
 - 55 Word form for "male"
 - 56 Breathers
 - 58 REO's creator
 - 59 Amount spent
 - 60 Jazz style
 - 61 Get mellower
 - 63 Sweetie

