

WEDNESDAY

September 8, 2004

WEATHER

Tonight:

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BRIEFLY

Church slates mission benefit

A benefit for Mexico missions will be held from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday at Christ's Community Fellowship, 1008 Birdwell.

Your choice of a brisket sandwich, chopped barbecue sandwich or a hot link sandwich, bag of chips and a homemade cookie for \$5. Soft drinks \$1. Deliveries will be made for orders of five or more. Call 213-3105, 816-9409 or 466-1850.

'The Guys' set on stage Saturday

The Howard College Theater Department will be performing "The Guys" by Anne Nelson Saturday to benefit the Big Spring Fire Department.

The play will be in the Municipal Auditorium at 8 p.m. Tickets can be obtained at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce office, 215 W. Third Street, for \$10.

Proceeds will be used to purchase new communications equipment for the Big Spring Fire Department.

American State offering t-shirts

American State Bank is setting t-shirts with a design to commemorate the tragedies which occurred Sept. 11, 2001 at the World Trade Center in New York City, the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. and a crash site in a Pennsylvania field. Proceeds from sales will benefit local charities.

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U.S. military deaths in Iraq climb past 1,000

By **HAMZA HENDAWI**
Associated Press Writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A spate of attacks including a suicide car bombing pushed the number of U.S. military deaths in the Iraq campaign past 1,000, with the majority inflicted by an insurgency that bloomed after President Bush declared major combat over.

Fighting with Sunni and Shiite insurgents killed eight Americans in the Baghdad area

Tuesday and Wednesday, pushing the count to 1,003. That number includes 1,000 U.S. troops and three civilians, two working for the U.S. Army and one for the Air Force. The tally was compiled by The Associated Press based on Pentagon records and AP reporting from Iraq.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld cited progress on several fronts in the Bush administration's global war on terrorism and said U.S. enemies should not underestimate the willingness of

the American people and its coalition allies to suffer casualties in Iraq and elsewhere.

"The progress has prompted a backlash, in effect, from those who hope that at some point we might conclude that the pain and the cost of this fight isn't worth it," Rumsfeld told a Pentagon news conference. "Well, our enemies have underestimated our country, our coalition. They have failed to understand the character of our people. And they certainly misread our command in chief."

The Bush administration has long linked the Iraq conflict to the war on terrorism. The Sept. 11 Commission, however, concluded that Iraq and al-Qaida did not have a "collaborative relationship" before the 2001 attacks on New York and Washington, and some have questioned to what extent foreign terror groups are involved in the anti-U.S. insurgency in Iraq.

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The Samaritan Counseling Center Family of the Year for Big Spring, Patsy and Henry Sanchez with their children Amanda and Jared.

Sanchez's chosen Samaritan Counseling 'Family of the Year'

By **KENDRA WISS**
Staff Writer

Patsy and Henry Sanchez were chosen by the Samaritan Counseling Center as the winner of the 10th annual Family of the Year award for the city of Big Spring.

The family was nominated by Janie Connley who teaches at Goliad Elementary School with Patsy.

"The Sanchez family was

chosen because of the broad based support of their many friends and co-workers," said Samaritan's Margaret Jones.

The Sanchez family was chosen from seven other families in the Big Spring area by a 20-person committee from the center.

"We were looking for families who are active in their churches, communities, families and, if applicable, in their workplaces," said Jones.

Also receiving awards from the counseling center will be Jeanne and David Pitts of Midland and Susie and Nick Williams of Odessa.

"These three outstanding Permian Basin families will be honored by Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas at its 10th annual Family of the Year Banquet set for Oct. 21 at 7:30 p.m. at

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BSISD trustees to consider sale of attendance credits

By **KENDRA WISS**
Staff Writer

Big Spring Independent School District trustees are expected to approve the sale of \$330,000 in attendance credits to Austin ISD and will be presented with a draft of a proposed drug testing policy.

"Since the funds from the sale will be available immediately, the school

should gain about \$75,000 in interest," said Sandra Waggoner, BSISD business manager.

Purchase of attendance credits is among the many items on the agenda for the board of trustees meeting that will take place at 5:15 p.m. Thursday in the high school board room at 707 11th Place.

Other items to be discussed include the expect-

What: Big Spring Independent School District trustees meeting.

Where: High School board room, 707 11th Place.

When: 5:15 p.m. Thursday.

ed donation of 75 new computers to BSISD by

ALON USA. The donation was announced during ALON's 75th anniversary luncheon.

Next, a public hearing will take place to discuss the BSISD's scores according to the Financial Accountability Rating System of Texas, (FIRST) and the annual financial accountability management report for the 2002-2003 fiscal year.

The Texas Association

of School Boards, (TASB) will then present the salary study it conducted to analyze BSISD administrators' salaries in comparison to other comparable districts.

Other report items will include the annual delinquent tax report; a report concerning the new computerized attendance program, the Chancery

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Rangers investigate man's death

By **JOHN A. MOSELEY**

Managing Editor

Texas Rangers are awaiting results of an autopsy while continuing their investigation into a 33-year-old Stanton man's death while in the custody of local law enforcement officers Sept. 2.

Sweatt said authorities believe Wiltsie ingested a quantity of a controlled substance during the traffic stop, but repeatedly denied doing so when questioned by officers.

According to Sgt. Roger Sweatt, public information officer for the Big Spring Police Department, Robert Charles Wiltsie, 33, of Stanton collapsed while he and another Stanton man were being booked into the Big Spring City Jail by a Comptroller of Public Accounts officer on a charge of use of dyed fuel in a taxable manner.

Sweatt said reports indicated that Justin Scott, an officer with the Comptroller's Office, stopped a pickup truck at the intersection of West Fourth and San Antonio Streets just before 9:30 a.m. Thursday on the suspicion it was being operated on "dirty fuel."

While questioning the driver, 39-year-old Tracy Lynn Kruse of Stanton, Scott reportedly observed the passenger in the vehicle swallow something. The passenger, Wiltsie, had locked both doors to the truck in an effort to keep officers at bay.

Big Spring police officers were called for back up and helped Scott transport the two men to the police department.

Sweatt said authorities believe Wiltsie ingested a quantity of a controlled substance during the traffic stop, but repeatedly denied doing so when questioned by officers.

"He maintained that he hadn't eaten anything," Sweatt said. "He was repeatedly asked what he swallowed and he said he hadn't swallowed anything. But I think he passed out before they really got him in the building."

After he collapsed, Wiltsie was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center where efforts to revive him were unsuccessful.

Sweatt said Texas Rangers were immediately called to investigate.

"Whenever someone dies in custody, we call in the Texas Rangers to investigate," he explained. "You do that so an outside agency is making sure

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Obituaries

Fern Percy



Services for Bonnie Fern Brigrance Percy, 83, of Midland are scheduled for 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 9, 2004, in the First United Methodist Church-Glass Chapel with the Rev. William McReynolds officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

She was born June 17, 1921, in Howard County, and married Clarence Percy Jr. Feb. 14, 1940.

Clarence and Fern moved to Midland in 1979 after his retirement from Union Pacific Railroad. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Huguenot Society of the Founders of Manakin in the Colony of Virginia.

Fern was also a member of First United Methodist Church of Midland and the Fellowship Sunday School Class.

Fern was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence, July 23, 1972, and her sister, Mattie Ella "Patty" Watkins.

Fern is survived by her son, Clarence Percy III and wife, Gracie, of Odessa and her daughter, Donna Potter and husband, Terry, of Midland; three granddaughters; one grandson; four great granddaughters and two great grandsons.

Honorary pallbearers will be the Fellowship Sunday School Class at First United Methodist Church.

Memorials may be directed to the Area Mission Outreach Service, 907 S. Lorraine, Midland 79701.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home, 801 Andrews Hwy., Midland 79701, 432-683-5555.

Paid obituary

William R. "Bill" Jewett



William R. "Bill" Jewett, 66, of Big Spring died Saturday, Sept. 4, 2004, at his residence. Graveside funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 9, 2004, in Mount Olive Memorial Park, with Ian Nickerson, minister of West Highway 80 Church of Christ, officiating. A memorial service will follow at West Highway 80 Church of Christ.

He will lie in state from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

He was born Feb. 14, 1938, in Laramie, Wyo. and married Diana Burch July 13, 1990, in Greeley, Colo. He was a preacher, a truck driver, a taxi driver and was the owner of Midnight Overland Express.

Survivors include his wife, Diana Jewett of Big Spring; seven sons, George Patrick Jewett of Georgia, Ross Jewett, Rodney Martin, Randy Martin and Clint Scott Jewett, all of Colorado, Luke C. Jewett of Louisiana and Travis Burch of Big Spring; four daughters, Treasa Dilka of Iowa, Ronda Lorane Jewett of Colorado, Reene Hopkins of Wyoming and Kim Brown of Big Spring; one sister, Pansy Lopez of Big Spring; one brother, Jack "J. J." Jewett—East Texas; 31 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; and numerous nieces & nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Patrick Jewett and a daughter, Julie Jewett.

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

Alline Esther Haddock

Alline Esther Haddock, 87, passed away Sept. 6, 2004, in her home. Services will be at 4 p.m. Thursday in the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Dr. Ted Spear officiating. Burial will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born July 3, 1917, in Ackery to Beulah Mae Thixton and Edward "Heck" Forester. She attended school in Flower Grove and graduated from beauty school. She married Olen E. Haddock July 16, 1948. The eventually moved to Knott and farmed. She owned and operated a beauty salon on the farm for many years. They retired to Lake Colorado City in 1975 and she remained there until her death.

Alline was a very outgoing person who enjoyed playing cards, games, going to dances and loving her dogs.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Olen E. Haddock, and sisters, Floriee Haddock and Ethel Mae Forester.

She is survived by her sister, Ruth F. Kiser, of Houston; a niece, Sheila McCormick, of Houston; two nephews, Keith Kiser, of Midland and Jim McCormick, of Mineola; a stepdaughter, Jean Cooper, of Lubbock; and three cousins, Roberta Wright, Adelle Fleming and Travis Davis.

The family would like to extend their sincere thanks to caregivers Janie Arguijo, Robert Henderson, Delma Rocha and Anita Limones, for their loving care which they gave Alline during her illness. We would also like to thank Mark Waldrip of First National Bank of Colorado City as well as Peggy Shoemaker of Colorado City, for all their help through the years.

She will lie in state at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home from 2 p.m. today until services.

Arrangements are under the direction of Kiker Seale Funeral Home in Colorado City.

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Weather

Tonight - Generally clear. Low 56. Winds ENE at 5 to 10 mph.

Tomorrow - Mainly sunny. High 84. Winds ENE at 5 to 10 mph.

Tomorrow night - Clear skies. Low 57. Winds ESE at 5 to 10 mph.

Friday - Sunny. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 50s.

Saturday - More sun than clouds. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the low 60s.

Sunday - Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the low 60s.

Clara Joyce Simmons

Clara Joyce Simmons, 72, of Rose Bud, Ark., died Tuesday, Sept. 7, 2004, at Central Arkansas Hospital in Searcy, Ark. Visitation will be Friday, Sept. 10, from 6-8:00 p.m. at Olmstead Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, in the Olmstead Chapel with Bro. Jerry Goodwin officiating. Interment will follow in the Rose Bud Cemetery.

She was born in Big Spring Dec. 24, 1931, she was the daughter of the late Henry Cullen Thames and Willie Edith (Pettus) Thames. She was a mother and homemaker, and her religious belief was Southern Baptist.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Henry Alton Thames.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Simmons of Rose Bud, Ark.; two daughters and sons-in-law, Bonnie and Jerry Goodwin of Bald Knob, Ark., and Belinda and Perry Rice of Rose Bud, Ark.; two sons and daughters-in-law, Bill and Kay Simmons of Nashville, Tenn., and Brad and Dianna Simmons of Rose Bud, Ark.; 13 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Arrangements are by Olmstead Funeral Home, Heber Springs, Ark.

Ruth Frances Sherman

Ruth Frances Sherman, 64, of Dallas, formerly of Big Spring, died Aug. 27, 2004. Services were Aug. 31, 2004, in the Potter's House Church in Dallas.

She was born Aug. 21, 1940, in Belton and lived in Big Spring until 1989. She retired from the Veteran's Administration Hospital in Dallas after 33 years.

She is survived by her daughter, Denise Archie-Vernon, two grandchildren, one sister and three brothers.

Arrangements were under the direction of Evergreen Memorial Funeral Home in Dallas.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m. today:

• **RAWSIE GAMEL**, 47, of Midland, was arrested Tuesday and held for the HCSO.

• **ERICK PAUL QUALLS**, 38, of 1901 Eubanks, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication.

• **THEFT** was reported:

- in the 900 block of Abrams.

- in the 400 block of Fourth Street.

- in the 800 block of Owens.

- in the 1600 block of Robin.

- in the 100 block of Eighth Street.

• **ASSAULT/CLASS C** was reported in the 800 block of Owens.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 1500 block of Fourth Street.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 3700 block of Calvin.

• **CRIMINAL TRESPASS OF A HABITATION/SHELTER CENTER** was reported in the 600 block of Holbert.

Sheriff's report

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

• **LUCAS JUSTIN AGUILAR**, 19, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of theft - more than \$1,500, less than \$20,000.

• **DAVID RIVERA JR.**, 19, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on charges of driving with an invalid license and criminal mischief.

• **KATRINA FAYE BLAIN**, 32, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of theft by check.

• **MISTY NICHOLE BOSLEY**, 27, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for theft of services.

• **JODY WAYNE DAWDY**, 40, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of violation of parole.

• **ROBERT CHARLES JOHNSON**, 41, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of violation of parole.

• **FRANCISCO JESUS NIETO**, 25, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated.

• **ROBERT ERIC GARCIA**, 22, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of deadly conduct - discharge of a firearm.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 10-15-16-25-30.

Number matching five of five: 3.

Prize per winner: \$12,169.

Winning tickets sold in: Bangs, Houston (2).

Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

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The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 0-9-0

Support groups

THURSDAY

□ Narcotics Anonymous, non-smoking discussion meeting, 8-9 p.m., at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

□ Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30-7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8-9 p.m.

□ The Fibromyalgia Autoimmune Disease Support Group will meet on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at noon in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center. Call 263-8273 for more information.

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

Bulletin board

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

TODAY

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

• Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. at the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 or 267-1628.

• Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.

• Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY

• Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.

• Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. in Gale's Sweet Shoppe.

• Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-6479.

• Friends of the Library meets at noon in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

• Big Spring Main Street meets at noon in the Railroad Museum located at Second and Main streets.

• American Legion Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m. at 3203 W. Highway 80.

• Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

• Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main St.

• Neighbors and Newcomers Club meets. New members are welcome. Call 263-2005 for more information.

FRIDAY

• Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Members bring their own lunch. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281.

• AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.

• Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

• Spring City Senior Citizen's Center country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. All area senior citizens are invited.

SATURDAY

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

• Senior Health Fair at Canterbury South, 1700 S. Lancaster, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Free and open to all area senior citizens.

• Free eye glasses are available from 9 a.m. until noon at Bob's Custom Wood Work at 409 E. Third.

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• The Permian Basin Chapter of the Cossacks Motorcycle Club and American Legion Post 506 will hold a benefit auction and "in-house" poker run for local resident Virginia King, who has been diagnosed with cancer. The benefit will be held beginning at noon at the Legion Post, 3203 W. Highway 80. Southern fried catfish will be served. Proceeds from the event will go to help King and her family meet medical and other costs.

• Team Rustic Circle - an amateur paintball team, meets for practice between 3 p.m. and dusk at the Moss Creek Lake paintball facility. The public is always invited, whether to participate or just spectate. For more information contact Rick Boiles at 264-2395 or 393-5246.

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PONY EXPRESS WINNER



HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins
Lanell Evans accepts her tickets for a Dallas Cowboys football game from Howard County Sheriff Dale Walker, local coordinator for the annual Pony Express West Ride. Evans won the tickets in May by purchasing five stamps for the historic ride, which began in Big Spring and ended in Jal, N.M. Also pictured is Pony Express West organizer Harmon Hann.

Lawsuit prompts release of more Bush military records

By **MATT KELLEY**
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Months after insisting it could find no more records of President Bush's Air National Guard service, the Defense Department has released more than two dozen pages of files, including Bush's report card for flight training and dates of his flights.

The records, released under pressure of a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit by The Associated Press, show Bush ranked in the middle of his 1969 flight training class and flew 336 hours for the Texas Air National Guard, mostly in the F-102A fighter.

The Pentagon and Bush's campaign have claimed for months that all records detailing his fighter pilot career have been made public, but defense officials acknowledged Tuesday they had found two dozen new records detailing his training and flight logs after the AP sued and submitted new requests under the public records law.

presidential campaign as the candidates spar over who would make the best commander in chief. Supporters of Democratic nominee John Kerry, a decorated Vietnam combat veteran, have criticized Bush for serving stateside in the National Guard.

Kerry's Republican critics claim Kerry did not deserve some of his five medals.

A group called Texans for Truth planned to launch an ad this week in which a lieutenant colonel in the Alabama Air National Guard questions Bush's absence from his National Guard service in Montgomery, Ala. The group says it plans to spend about \$100,000 to run the ad.

The ad asks "Was George W. Bush AWOL in Alabama?" and implores: "Tell us whom you served with Mr. President."

In the ad, Bob Mintz claims he served at the same air base and in the same unit as Bush in 1972 but never saw Bush there. "It would be impossible to be unseen in a unit of that size," Mintz says in the ad.

Bush has said repeatedly he is proud of his Air National Guard service. As late as last week, White House spokesmen said the administration knew of no other records of Bush's military service.

"These documents confirm that the president served honorably in the National Guard," White House spokeswoman Claire Buchan said Tuesday night.

Democratic National Committee communications director Jano Cabrera disagreed. "For months George Bush told the nation that all his military records were public," he said. "Now we know why Bush was trying so hard to withhold these records. When his nation asked him to be on call against possible surprise attacks, Bush wasn't there."

"Previous requests from other requesters for President Bush's Individual Flight Records did not lead to the discovery of these records because at the time President Bush left the service, flight records were subject to retention for only 24 months and we understood that neither the Air Force nor the Texas Air National Guard retained such records thereafter," the Pentagon told the AP.

"Out of an abundance of caution," the government "searched a file that had been preserved in spite of this policy" and found the Bush records, the letter said. "The Department of Defense regrets this oversight during the previous search efforts."

Bush's Vietnam-era service in the Texas Air National Guard has become an issue in the

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Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry issued a statement saying the United States joined the friends and families of those who died in mourning their loss.

"Today marks a tragic milestone in the war in Iraq. More than one thousand of America's sons and daughters have made the ultimate sacrifice. Our nation honors their service and joins with their families and loved ones in mourning their loss," Kerry said.

"We must never forget the price they have paid. And we must meet our sacred obligation to all our troops to do all we can to make the right decisions in Iraq so that we can bring them home as soon as possible."

The 1,003 figure

includes deaths from hostile and non-hostile causes since the United States launched the Iraq campaign in March 2003 to topple Saddam Hussein's regime. At least 13 of the U.S. deaths came after President Bush's May 2003 declaration of an end to major combat operations after Saddam fell.

The U.S. military has not reported overall Iraqi deaths. The Iraqi Health Ministry started counting the dead only in April when heavy fighting broke out in Fallujah and Najaf. However, conservative estimates by private groups place the Iraqi toll at least 10,000 — or 10 times the number of U.S. military deaths.

"It is difficult to establish the right number of casualties," said Amnesty International's Middle East spokeswoman, Nicole Choucri. She added that "it was the job

of the occupation power to keep track of the numbers but the Americans failed to do so."

The grim 1,000 mark was surpassed after a surge in fighting, which has killed 17 U.S. service members in the past four days. A soldier was killed early Wednesday in when a roadside bomb struck a convoy near Balad, 35 miles northeast of Baghdad. Two soldiers died in clashes Tuesday with militiamen loyal to rebel Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr. Five other Americans died Tuesday in separate attacks, mostly in the Baghdad area. Seven Marines were killed Monday in a suicide car bombing north of Fallujah. Two soldiers were killed in a mortar attack Sunday.

In the insurgent-held city of Fallujah Wednesday, U.S. war-

planes struck suspected militant hideouts used to plan attacks on American forces, the U.S. military said. At least two people were killed in the strikes, hospital officials said.

Witnesses said a series of explosions rocked the city before dawn and again later in the day and that jets swooped low over eastern and southern neighborhoods.

Wednesday's attack targeted a militant "command and control headquarters that has recently been coordinating attacks" against coalition forces, the military said in a statement.

On Tuesday, U.S. jets fired several missiles into Fallujah in retaliation for militant attacks on Marine positions outside the city, the military said. Four people were killed and 11 wounded in those strikes, Fallujah hospital officials said.

FAMILY

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Green Tree Country Club in Midland," Jones added.

Keynote entertainer will be LaDonna Gatlin, a West Texas native and sister to country music's legendary Gatlin brothers.

The banquet honors a family from each of Samaritan's primary service areas: Midland, Odessa, and Big Spring.

"Although the Family of the Year banquet honors special fam-

ilies from each community, the primary reason for the banquet is to celebrate all the many strong, loving, and meaningful families throughout the Permian Basin," said Jones.

Henry Sanchez is a self-employed welder who enjoys building, carpentry and fishing.

Patsy Sanchez is not only a sixth grade teacher at Goliad, but she also is a member of the Optimist Club and leads the Cavaliers civic organization. Cavaliers supports sixth grade boys and raises money for community services. Both Patsy and Henry participate as band boost-

ers for the high school band and Patsy has been the band booster president for the past three years.

The Sanchez's have been married for 23 years and they have two children, Amanda and Jared.

Amanda is a computer proctor at Goliad and is a student at the University of Texas at the Permian Basin, majoring in education. Jared is a junior at Big Spring High School where he is the saxophone section leader for the band.

Samaritan is a non profit, faith based counseling center that serves residents of a 29 county

area in West Texas and eastern New Mexico. The proceeds of the banquet benefit Samaritan's assistance fund.

income clients in psychological distress. Samaritan has a team of six therapists and offers marriage and family counseling, alcohol and chemical dependency, grief, anxiety, depression, special services for the aging/caregivers and play therapy for children.

For more information regarding sponsorships or tickets to the banquet, contact the Samaritan Counseling Center at 432-563-4144 or 1-800-329-4144

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Emma "Daisy" Lamar Lee, 95, died Sunday. Graveside Services were at 10:00 AM Wednesday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Helen Lee, 91, died Monday. Graveside Service will be at 2:30 Pm Wednesday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Hattie Gladys Hudgins, 78, died Saturday. Her body will be in state Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside Services will be at 2:00 PM Thursday at Trinity Memorial Park.

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Student Management System; a report concerning the retention rate (number of students

repeating a grade); and the Texas Primary Reading Inventory (TPRI) report, which is a reading assessment for the district's kindergarten through third grade students.

Trustees are then

expected to approve the minutes and financial reports from past meetings and move on to action items.

The board will consider the sale of attendance points to Austin ISD, followed by a TASB review

of updated legal and local policies that will be discussed and adopted upon approval.

Last on the agenda will be the consideration of a lease agreement with Greater Opportunities of the Permian Basin, which

administers facilities for Lakeview Head Start.

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RANGERS

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everything is handled the way it should be and that there's no question of any impropriety."

When contacted at his Midland office Tuesday morning, Ranger Jeremy

Wallace said Wiltzie's body was transported to Lubbock for autopsy on Friday and that he has not yet received a preliminary report.

"There's a lot of lab work and a toxicology report that has to be done, so it may be a few days before we get a final

report," Wallace said. "It just depends on how fast those tests can be done and whether or not the lab's backed up or not."

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OTHER VIEWS

Marines' decision trimming training seems ominous

In another sign that the U.S. military is laboring under a two-front war that is draining resources, the Marine Corps is cutting in half its field combat training for troops preparing for deployment overseas.

This ominous news follows the call up of thousands of reservists who thought they had served their military obligation and the stop-loss orders that keep troops on duty after their terms of service have ended. All three are unmistakable testaments to a military under stress.

The Marines are shortening their predeployment training from 23 days to 11 in order to rush more Marine units into battle in Iraq. Under the old system, 10 battalions were trained over a six-month period. Under the new system, only five battalions can undergo the combat training in two months.

But is shrinking the predeployment training placing Marines in mortal danger? In a Newhouse News Service article, trainers have said they would prefer to have more time to teach the 54 combat skills specified in the crash course for Marines headed for Iraq or Afghanistan.

More than 30,000 Marines are deployed in Iraq, about a fifth of the active-duty Corps. Others are on assignment in Afghanistan, where fighting occurs sporadically.

Although the predeployment training includes how to use grenade launchers, automatic weapons and the heavy .50-caliber machine gun, not every Marine actually gets to fire them in the course. A shortage of money and the need to collapse the time frame are offered as the reasons for running through the training schedule before every Marine can experience every weapon.

On the positive side, the tighter training will include issues of importance to troops headed for battle. They include survival skills, escape and evasion and other coping strategies. Where before only a few specialized troops received that training, of such importance in Iraq, now every deployed Marine will be trained in those skills.

Another change in the routine requires that even noncombat troops will be trained in field combat before deploying overseas. Although every Marine receives basic combat training, many quickly go on to their specialties without further exposure to combat exercises.

The Corps has found that noninfantry Marines such as truck drivers, cooks and radio operators find themselves under fire in Iraq and Afghanistan and need to hone their combat skills before shipping out. That, at least, recognizes the reality of what Marines are facing in the war in Iraq.

Combat training for everyone headed for battle in Iraq is a good idea. But cutting that training in half is anything but a good sign.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

When we leave this world, Lord, may we be holding your
Heavenly out-stretched hand.

Amen

The songs of Simon and Garfunkel

Some of the benefits of having grown, responsible kids are the nice things they do for us. Our son and daughter-in-law treated us to a concert by Simon and Garfunkel at the American Airlines Center in Dallas. The building holds 22,000 people and the only empty seats were the ones blocked off behind the stage. It was a night of perfect harmony.

Tickets for the floor went for \$225. We had box seats on the second level which allowed us to look directly down on the stage.

We saw all the backstage and onstage maneuvering. Paul Simon changed guitars after nearly every song. There was a row of guitars onstage and a cabinet full of guitars just offstage.

The backup musicians played piano, keyboard, bass, cello, ukulele, mandolin, guitar, theremin and a digeridoo made of PVC pipe. The drum set was the

most elaborate I've seen. Two drummers played like crazy.

Paul Simon wore a maroon T-shirt, jeans and comfortable shoes. Art Garfunkel wore jeans, black leather shoes and a dark blue shirt with its shirrtail out. Their voices came across crystal clear over the excellent sound system.

Now in their 60's, they played music they made famous in their 20's. They are celebrating fifty years of their partnership (Paul Simon said it was really forty-eight because they separated for a couple of years).

These guys had an amazing impact on the world of music. Paul Simon wrote some of the best songs ever composed. I couldn't believe how many songs I not only recognized, but was able to sing. Most of the audience was doing the same thing, singing the old songs they've heard all their life.

The American Airlines Center always makes me catch my breath. It is a thrill to walk from the hallway into the arena area. It's hard to fathom the size. The lights, the people, the atmosphere and the anticipation all add up to a high degree of excitement, whether it's a concert, circus or

sporting event.

Simon & Garfunkel played for two solid hours with no intermission. At about the halfway point in the show, they brought in the Everly Brothers, who were idols of Paul and Art when they were just getting started.

While the Everly Brothers were singing "Wake Up Little Susie" and "Dream," Simon and Garfunkel were at the rear of the stage listening.

Simon sang and played his guitar and Garfunkel sang and clapped his hands. He occasionally held the mike, otherwise his hands were empty. I thought he at least needed a tambourine or maybe a french horn just to have something in his hands.

"Sounds of Silence," "I Am A Rock," "Scarborough Fair," "Homeward Bound," "America," "Mrs. Robinson," "At The Zoo," they were all there, along with others. They closed with "Bridge Over Troubled Waters." But the audience, standing, applauding, yelling, would not let them leave.

They came back for two encores, singing two songs both times.

Thanks for a fun time, Kevin & Jill. We loved every minute.



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Unnumbered weirdness in Bushville

Another record. We have already lost more American soldiers (488) in Iraq in 239 days of this year than we did in 287 days last year (482), when there was a war on and before our mission was accomplished.

The grind of the numbers is so relentless. Price of gasoline — pressing \$50 a barrel. Poverty rate — increased again, third year in a row. Number of Americans without insurance — increased again, third year. Part of the "vibrant economy" Bush touts daily now. And the news from Iraq just keeps getting worse and worse.

Then, to liven things up, someone from Under Secretary of Defense Douglas Feith's office is accused of passing classified information to the Israelis via the lobby group American Israel Public Affairs Committee. Be interesting to see whether Laurence A. Franklin, the alleged spy, gets as much publicity as did Clinton's former NSC adviser Sandy Berger did for allegedly taking notes on classified documents for his 9-11 Commission testimony. The Justice Department has announced no charges will be filed against Berger, and the matter is closed.

At least this gives us an opportunity to revisit one of my all-time favorite statements by Feith, a key member of the neo-con inner circle that dominates foreign policy in this administration. On May 4 this year, Feith observed in a speech, "No one can properly assert that the failure, so far, to find Iraqi weapons of mass destruction stockpiles undermines the reasons for the war."

Uhhh. What a bunch of clear

thinkers they are. An enterprising student at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Devon Lartig, has done an honors thesis delineating 27 separate rationales advanced by the administration for the war in Iraq. The only one left, of course, is "Saddam was a bad guy" — in other words, the human rights argument, the only one specifically rejected by the administration before the war.

Some days it's hard to figure out what the Bush administration thinks it's doing. They started their convention in New York City by announcing a new formula for distributing public housing funds that will cost New York City billions of dollars and benefit primarily Texas and California. You just never know about timing with this bunch: The Census Bureau jumped the gun by a full month reporting the new, highly unfortunate numbers on both poverty and health insurance. This put the announcement in the August congressional recess, with many newbies on vacation — poverty up by 1.3 million, uninsured up by 1.4 million. Median income stagnant. Children hardest hit — 12.9 million children living in poverty.

Meanwhile, at the other end of the spectrum, George W. Bush's top donors — the Pioneers (\$100,000) and Rangers (\$200,000) have delivered a total of \$76.5 million this campaign. According to Texans for Public Justice, 69 percent of the 544 elite donors are CEOs and business executives. Seventeen percent are lobbyists. One hundred of them are connected to the corporate scandals Bush now lists as among the economic factors to which he had no connection. (Ken Lay was his largest single donor in 2000.) And 146 of the big-time donors received government appointments.

Unnumbered weirdness by John Ashcroft (it's too hard to keep count): The Department of Justice

has asked the Government Printing Office "to instruct depository libraries to destroy five publications the department has deemed 'not appropriate for external use.' Of the five publications, two are texts of federal laws. They are to be removed from libraries and destroyed, making their content available only to those with access to a law office or law library," according to the American Library Association. All the documents concern either federal civil or criminal forfeiture procedure, including to how to reclaim items that have been confiscated by the government during an investigation.

I don't know how you feel about living in a country where the citizens are not allowed to read the law, but I find it ... surprising. Speaking of freedom, at a public campaign rally in New Mexico at which Dick Cheney spoke, those who wished to attend were asked to first sign a public loyalty oath, to wit: "I, (full name), do hereby (sic) endorse George W. Bush for re-election of the United States." The form also announced, "In signing the above endorsement you are consenting to use and release your name by Bush-Cheney as an endorser of President Bush."

Meanwhile, at Bush's "Ask President Bush" events being staged around the country, only Bush supporters are allowed in. This results in such tough questions as, "This is the very first time that I have felt God was in the White House."

Did any of us sign up for this four years ago? As a new bumper sticker says, "Re-Defeat Bush." To find out more about Molly Ivins and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Hurricane Ivan destroys homes in direct hit on Grenada

ST. GEORGE'S, Grenada (AP) — Hurricane Ivan, the latest in a series of punishing storms to hit the Caribbean this year, smashed into Grenada with "hellacious winds" that reduced concrete homes to rubble and sent the island's red zinc roofs fluttering through the air.

Ivan also damaged homes in Barbados, St. Lucia and St. Vincent. It was dubbed the most powerful storm to hit the Caribbean in 10 years, just days after Hurricane Frances rampaged through and went on to cause massive damage in Florida.

Ivan strengthened even as it passed over Grenada on Tuesday, then became a Category 4 storm as it headed across the Caribbean Sea on a projected route to bear down on Jamaica late Thursday.

"They (Grenadians) had about two hours of just hellacious winds," meteorologist Hugh Cobb of the U.S. Hurricane Center in Miami told The Associated Press.

"This is a very dangerous hurricane now," he said. "Whoever gets this, it's going to be bad."

Howling winds raged through the hilly streets of the Grenada capital, St. George's. Ivan destroyed concrete homes, uprooted trees and utility poles, and knocked out telephone service and electricity. Transmission was halted

from the Grenada Broadcast Network, whose building suffered major damage.

There were reports of at least one death in Grenada, but emergency officials could not be reached for confirmation. Their office building, the 19th century Great House at Mount Wheldale, sustained roof damage and its verandah was destroyed.

Floridians struggle to begin rebuilding from Frances

FORT PIERCE, Fla. (AP) — Thousands of Floridians beginning the recovery process in the destructive path of Hurricane Frances were hampered by long lines, congested highways and sticky heat, while the White House and teams of relief workers promised that help was on the way.

President Bush was to meet Wednesday with relief workers in Fort Pierce and hurricane specialists in Miami while discussing a \$2 billion disaster relief package for victims of both Frances and Charley, which ravaged southwest Florida last month.

Congress rushed to approve the emergency money late Tuesday and Bush was expected to sign the aid bill before leaving for Florida. The funding would provide direct aid for families, debris removal, repairs and emergency food and shelter, which has been a critical need for residents returning to battered homes.

Many Floridians went home Tuesday for the first time since Frances pounded the state Sunday, jamming parts of Interstate 95, a major highway along the

Atlantic coast. Federal Emergency Management Agency workers trying to reach Martin County on the southeast coast got stuck in traffic.

About 3 million Floridians learned it could take up to a week to restore power to all, with the longest wait for Daytona Beach.

For many, there was plenty of waiting — for gasoline, for ice and water and for the chance at buying a portable generator — all amid high humidity and temperatures in the 90s.

Accidental explosion started panic that led to bloody end

MOSCOW (AP) — The militants who raided a school in southern Russia last week were led by a man dubbed the Colonel, who enforced obedience by killing three fellow attackers — two by detonating the explosives they had strapped to their bodies.

Two days later, the attackers were moving the explosives they rigged around the gym where hundreds of hostages were held, and a bomb went off accidentally. That began the spiral of panic that led to the bloody conclusion of the standoff, in which more than 320 people were killed.

Those details were among several disclosed by Prosecutor-General Vladimir Ustinov on Wednesday, in the government's first formal attempt to account for the tragedy last week. It came as Russia offered more than \$10 million for information that helps "neutralize" two well-known rebel leaders from break-away Chechnya accused of planning the

attack.

Meanwhile, a military official echoed President Bush's advocacy of pre-emptive military actions to counter terror threats, asserting Russia's right to strike terrorists the world over.

"As for carrying out preventive strikes against terrorist bases, we will take all measures to liquidate terrorist bases in any region of the world," Col. Gen. Yuri Baluyevsky, chief of the Russian General Staff, told reporters Wednesday.

Ustinov, who met with President Vladimir Putin, said 326 hostages had been killed and 727 wounded in the attack, which ended Friday.

Space capsule heading back to Earth for mid-air snatch-and-grab

DUGWAY PROVING GROUND, Utah (AP) — A space capsule holding atoms collected from solar wind was en route to a tricky rendezvous with Earth, offering scientists the first material NASA has brought back from space in nearly three decades.

A pair of helicopters helmed by stunt pilots were set to hover nearly a mile above the Utah desert, ready to help snatch the refrigerator-sized capsule's parachute with a hook as it floats down at 400 feet a minute, or more than 6 feet per second.

"All systems are go," Don Sevilla, Genesis payload recovery leader, said Tuesday when the capsule was 134,000 miles above the Earth's surface. If all goes as planned, the mid-air capture was to take place today.

TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

Woman pleads guilty to giving drugs to unborn child

AMARILLO (AP) — A woman pleaded guilty Tuesday to delivering crack to her unborn son, avoiding trial in a case that could determine the boundaries of a state law intended to protect the unborn.

As part of her plea agreement, Tracy Ward, 30, retained her right to appeal, said her attorney, Joe Dawson. The deal averted trial over the question of whether a mother's actions can be prosecuted under a law that classifies a fetus as an individual.

Ward, who admitted smoking crack cocaine in the days leading up to her son's birth in early November, will be sentenced Wednesday. She faces between two and 20 years in prison on the second-degree felony charge of delivery of a controlled substance to a child.

Dawson said he has requested probation and intensive drug treatment.

"She hopes the judge grants her the help she needs," Dawson said.

Voice mail program offers hope, dignity to the homeless

DALLAS (AP) — For 18 months, Mel Cornelison has slept in shelters and on sidewalks, relying on soup kitchens and strangers' kindness.

Now, though, the 40-year-old Dallas man has a new job — and hope that he might soon be able to afford weekly rent at a motel, if not a more permanent home.

"A lot of employers don't want to deal with some-

body on the street. They are leery," said Cornelison, now making \$5.68 an hour at a Goodwill Industries warehouse. "I was glad somebody put me to work."

He credits a program that provides free voice mail to the homeless and other "phoneless" people, offering them a connection to potential employers, social service agencies and relatives.

Dallas — along with Denver — last month joined a growing list of cities offering Community Voice Mail. The Seattle-based national program started in 1991 when two social service agencies there could not find a homeless boilermaker an employer wanted to hire.

Houston school district wants to open school for immigrants

HOUSTON (AP) — Seventeen-year-old immigrant Antonio Cruz works the overnight shift as a janitor to help support his family, leaving little time for a traditional high school schedule.

He's the kind of person Houston school officials hope to lure to a proposed new campus that would offer flexible schedules, accelerated credit programs and yearlong schooling.

"Many of these students walk into our high schools and know little or no English," interim Houston superintendent Abe Saavedra said Tuesday at Lee High School, where students from 70 countries speak 42 languages. "Immigrant students need more support than conventional schools can provide."

The school, which goes to a vote of the Houston Independent School District's board Thursday, would offer weekend classes, customized instruction and "whatever we have to do to make sure these kids graduate," Saavedra said.

Groups wage fight over sex ed in textbooks

AUSTIN (AP) — Social conservatives and sex education advocates are clashing head-on in the debate of what Texas public school students should learn from their health textbooks.

On Wednesday, the state Board of Education holds the final public hearing on which books will be used in the 2005-06 school year, replacing 11-year-old materials now being used.

The hearing has sparked a new round of debate over what's too sexy to be in the classroom and whether abstinence-only or lessons in contraception are the better policy.

The "Protect Our Kids Campaign," a group of sex education advocates ranging from Planned Parenthood to the Texas State Teachers Association, on Tuesday released results of a recent poll that showed 90 percent of adult Texans favor teaching "age-appropriate, medically accurate sex education that includes information on abstinence, birth control and prevention of sexually transmitted diseases and HIV."

The survey question

was commissioned by the group and conducted by the Scripps Howard Texas Poll. The telephone survey polled 1,000 adult Texans from Aug. 9-26 and has a margin of error of 3 percentage points.

"High school is the last chance for many students to get this information and some of our children's lives will literally hang in the balance," Susan Moffat, an Austin parent of a public school student, said Tuesday.

Socially conservative organizations, such as Texans for Life and the Texas Eagle Forum, disagree. They have scheduled an "Abstinence Only" news conference in Austin before the state board meeting.

"We have seen what this 'comprehensive' style sex education is really about — selling sex to kids," said Jim Sedlak of the American Life League, who plans several events, including protests at Planned Parenthood facilities, before the final vote.

"Students need to know that abstinence until marriage is not a mere suggestion, but an expecta-

tion," he said. Members of the Protect Our Kids Campaign said they also support abstinence teaching, but that it is unrealistic by itself.

The Rev. Robert Karli, pastor of First English Lutheran Church, said he and many clergy members support teaching children to wait until marriage to have sex. But he said he also taught his sons about how to use a condom.

Dr. Kimberly Carter, an

obstetrician/gynecologist at St. David's Medical Center in Austin, said she sees about 10 pregnant teenagers every week in her practice. She said most have some form of sexually transmitted disease.

"Most say education would have helped them," Carter said.

Texas has the nation's highest teen birth rate, with a rate of 64 per 1,000, according to the National Vital Statistics Reports.

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VA Medical Center experience great

With all the excitement and talk about the Veterans Administration Hospital lately, I decided to write this story of my most recent encounter with the VA.

Now, I can tell you most people really do not want to talk about this subject but it is something we should consider. A friend of mine almost waited too long and any longer his life might have been lost. It is because of him I reconsidered my wife's prompting to go to the VA to be checked out.



BURR LEA
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Just this last month I went to the VA and saw a surgeon. For a number of years I have had acid reflux and we suspected a hiatal hernia. I have taken so many Tums on a daily basis I was considering buying stock in the company.

Additionally, I needed to have a colonoscopy done. This was what my wife wanted me to get checked out on, and this is what my friend had done. He had been bleeding for a number of months and when he was checked out the doctor found some small polyps and then found a really nasty one.

Surgery was required and it was precancerous. We thank the Lord for that and we're glad he got checked out.

Well, I really don't like going to the doctor unless I am really ill. I knew a base-line checkup was warranted for someone my age range and an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

I found the nursing staff to very proficient in their duties and responsibilities. They asked questions I thought I had already answered when asked by another nurse. I was told that to prevent accidents in surgery they have a protocol to go by.

Nurses ask questions prior to your going to surgery, where the procedure is done, and they inform you that you will be asked these questions again once you are taken down.

The questions and answers are very simple. Questions might be something like, "What is your name?" "What procedure is about to be done?" This is to ensure they have the right patient. This is comforting to know, should there be a mix up its better to find out before and not after the procedure. Everyone was very nice and professional in their job performance.

After being processed in by the nursing staff, I was given a nice gown. Now, for a guy my size that gown did not

cover...well, let's put it this way, I see why they call it ICU!

Anyway, I had what they call conscience sedation. They do this by giving an IV to sedate me a bit and wheeled me down to the operating room. Different doctors and hospitals have different techniques to perform different procedures. Conscience sedation was their method of choice.

Remember, I had that hiatal hernia? Well, they ran a scope down my throat, which surprisingly was not that bad, and found I did have a nice pink stomach but I had problems with the esophagus. The acid reflux had done it's damage but with medication that can be cleared up. Whew!

The colonoscopy was just slightly uncomfortable. I endured no pain whatsoever. The nursing staff did an excellent job caring for me and the doctor did an excellent job as well. Thankfully no polyps were found.

Someone said, "There is nothing to fear but fear itself" and this is true. I encourage anyone of my age, y'all know how old I am, to check with your doctor and have this done as soon as you can to forego any problems.

I had my "baseline" done and won't have to have it repeated for up to 10 years. I would rather catch any problems now than to let it go and wish I had gone years earlier.

Job well done VA!

Burr Lea Settles Jr., former Big Spring fire chief, writes this column for the Big Spring Herald.

Library News

Effective Saturday, we will be open from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., with a reference librarian on hand. The video/internet room will close from noon until 1 p.m. for lunch.

Remember that for the month of September you can pay your fines with canned food!

With the added expense of school supplies, many families have found it hard to purchase both supplies and food. In order to help those in need, you may now pay your fines with canned food.

As an example, if you owe 50 cents in fines, you can bring in a can of soup and we will credit your account as paid in full.

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This is good only for the month of September.

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There will be some great bargains.

Harry Turtledove is the master of alternate history. In his series "WorldWar" he postulates a greater evil than Hitler, Stalin and Hirohito during WW II.

The library has all four of that series —

"WorldWar: In the Balance" Bk. 1 (SF TUR H); "WorldWar: Tilting the Balance" Bk. 2 (SF TUR H); "WorldWar: Upsetting the Balance" Bk. 3 (SF TUR H); and "WorldWar: Striking the Balance" Bk. 4 (SF TUR H).

I have not read the series. It can be found in the science fiction section.

A new biography of Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas has been received.

"Judging Thomas: The Life and Times of Clarence Thomas" (B THO C) is written by Ken Foksett, political journalist for the Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

This book offers an examination of Thomas through the historical forces that shaped him.

The book is based on interviews with Thomas, his family, friends, teachers and Supreme Court colleagues.

It explores the contradictions of opposition to affirmative action by someone who has benefited from considerations of race aimed at correcting past discrimination.

He also explores questions that have plagued Thomas regarding the stigma of race and assumptions of unworthiness.

Because Thomas was subjected to soul-killing segregation and then elevated to the Supreme Court (under suspect political motivations of his white sponsors), Thomas expresses a desire to help blacks overcome discrimination but fails to provide suggestions for how to replace affirmative

action.

These contradictions are on display in this biography.

Martha Grimes, an English author, is a favorite of mine.

Her newest Inspector Jury mystery, "The Winds of Change" (M GRI M) brings home the horrible subject of pedophilia.

Inspector Jury solves the mystery with help from characters in previous volumes, Brian McCalvie, Sergeant Wiggins and Melrose Plant.

This is one of her better books.

Some new Christian fiction books have arrived.

Lori Wick's English Garden series starts off with "The Proposal" (F WIC L) and book two is "The Rescue" (WIC L).

Both books run true to Wick's writing and are located in various cities in England — her books are published by Harvest House Publishers out of Eugene, Ore., and can be found at most book stores.

"The Memory Book" (F STO P) and "The Wishing Jar" by Penelope Stokes and "First Impressions" (SMI D) by Debra White Smith are available for checkout.

"Just Trust Me" (F MAR J) by Judy Markey is the story of Kate Lerner and her long-gone first husband.

When he offers to save her financial life if she will only spend a week in Rome with him, she at first dismisses the notion as ludicrous.

But her twin sister and her on-air partner at a Chicago radio station where she works both disagree.

As the mother of two children — one teenage

boy about to enter college and one younger daughter with plenty of medical bills in her future — Kate is in no position to turn away easy money.

Lies pile up and a son's belief in his mother is tested.

This book is an entertaining women's fiction.

More women's fiction — "The Right Address" (F KAR C) by Carrie Karasyov; Adriana Trigiani's "The Queen of Big Time" (F TRI A); while not new, another copy of Nicolas Sparks' "Night in Rodanthe" has been added; and "Leota's Garden" (F RIV F) by Francine Rivers.

New non-fiction — just in time for deer season is "The Venison Cookbook" (611.691 CLA E) by Eileen Clarke; "Walden" (818.303 THO H) by Henry David Thoreau; "The Red Hat Society: Fun and Friendship After 50" (305.214 COO S) by Sue Ellen Cooper; and "Bryson City Tales" (610.92 LAR W) by Walt Larimore.

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The library is located at 500 S. Main St.; phone number is 264-2260; Web site is www.howard-county.lib.tx.us; the catalog is online; our e-mail address is howardcountylibrary@ho.com.

Hollis McCright is the director of the Howard County Library.

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C.G.A. annual monthly tournament
The Big Chicano Association has a golf tournament Sunday at Cot Trail Golf Course. The tournament is the ninth Father Delaney tournament, which is in conjunction with the 100th anniversary of Columbus. It will be a 18-hole scramble. Your own teams must be entered by 9:00 a.m. Sunday for the shotgun start. For more information, call 267-7900.

Howard College is seeking singers
Howard College Athletic Department is seeking singers for the upcoming season. Any student interested in being on the team needs to make CD and drop the athletic off attention Tana. For more information, call Howard 264-5155.

Relay for Life tournament
A ragball tournament which has been held to raise money for Relay for Life, is announced for at 1 p.m. at Cot Field inside Cot Trail Park. The cost of the tournament is \$10 per person and each team must have five men and five women. More information or if you are interested in signing up, contact Angel at the Big Spring ISD Bus Barn 4108.

Phoenix Golf Club to host memorial
The Phoenix Golf Club has announced that they will first-ever Welch Memorial scholarship night golf scramble. The memorial tournament will take place Saturday, September 12, 5 p.m., auction, fish fry and a raffle. The cost will be for the fish fry (cart and night included), or \$15 for the fish fry only. Anyone who would like to donate to this or for more information, contact Gary at 458-3234, Madison at 756-2556, A.J. Luxton at club at 756-2556.

Clayton Henson, of Big Spring, was killed in Iraq in 1997 while serving in the United States Army. He was nationally scheduled to come home August 1, but his deployment was extended. Henson was promoted to sergeant in 2002. The fund will provide scholarships for graduates of Big Spring High School, Grady and Grady high schools.

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IN BRIEF

C.G.A. announces monthly tournament

The Big Spring Chicano Golf Association has set up a golf tournament for Sunday at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

The tournament is the ninth annual Father Delaney tournament, which is in conjunction with Knights of Columbus.

It will be a four person scramble (pick your own team) and teams must be registered by 9:45 a.m. Sunday for the 10 a.m. shotgun start.

For more information, call 267-7977.

Howard College is seeking singers

Howard College's Athletic Department is seeking National Anthem singers for the upcoming basketball seasons. Anyone interested in being a singer needs to make a tape or CD and drop it off at the athletic office with attention Tana Howard.

For more information, call Howard at 264-5155.

Relay for Life ragball tournament set

A ragball tournament, which has been set up to raise money for the Relay for Life, has been announced for Oct. 2-3 at 1 p.m. at Cotton Mize Field inside Comanche Trail Park.

The cost of the tournament is \$10 per player and each team must have five men and five women.

More information or if you are interested in signing up, call Angel at the Big Spring ISD Bus Barn at 264-4108.

Phoenix Golf Club to host memorial

The Phoenix Golf Club has announced that they will host the first-ever Clayton Welch Henson Memorial scholarship night golf scramble.

The memorial will take place Saturday in Stanton and a fish fry (5 p.m.), auction (after fish fry) and night golf scramble (9 p.m.) will take place.

The cost will be \$40 for the fish fry and golf (cart and night balls included), or \$10 for the fish fry only.

Anyone with items they would like to donate to this benefit, or for more information, contact Gaye Hull at 458-3234, Radar Madison at 756-2988 or A.J. Luxton at the golf club at 756-2556.

Clayton Welch Henson, of Stanton, was killed in Iraq April 17 while serving his country. He was originally scheduled to come home April 16, but his deployment was extended. Henson graduated from Stanton in 2002. The fund will provide scholarships to graduates of Stanton, Grady and Greenwood high schools.

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Testaverde feeling jitters for 18th season opener

By JAIME ARON

AP Sports Writer. IRVING — Vinny Testaverde is getting ready for his 18th NFL opener Sunday, so he definitely knows what to expect.

Pre-game jitters. And lots of 'em.

Even after 189 regular-season games, Testaverde is sure he'll have a fluttery stomach before the Dallas Cowboys play the Minnesota Vikings.

The difference between 40-year-old Testaverde and, say, 21-year-old rookie cornerback Jacques Reeves, is that old man also knows how to make the most out of the jumble of anxiety, excitement and other emotions that will overcome him.

"You just learn how to deal with it better. You know what to expect and anticipate and you go from there," Testaverde said Tuesday. "I think if you didn't get nervous or have those emotions, you'd be made of stone."

Testaverde started only 11 games for the New York Jets over the last

two years and knew he wouldn't be back in 2004. Faced with the chance that the thrill would be gone forever, he wasn't ready to call it a career.

First, he believed he could help a team. Second, he wasn't sure there was anything else he could do.

"I guess I'm just too old to start a new job," he said, smiling.

Actually, the second part is that he realized he wasn't ready to give up the only career he ever wanted.

"If you ask most sports fans what they would want to do for a living, I think most would pick being a starting quarterback in the NFL, no matter how old they are," he said. "It's a great job to have. ... I've always said as long as I'm able to contribute to the team and as long as I'm having fun and healthy, I want to play."

Testaverde had things working for him: An arm that Cowboys coach Bill Parcells says will still be NFL-caliber when

Testaverde is 60 and the fact Parcells, who had coached him in New York, was looking for a veteran to back up Quincy Carter.

Testaverde went from competing for the starting job to having it handed to him early in training camp. It was the first time he went through preseason as the No. 1 quarterback since 2001, back when he was a spry 37.

The extra work has left him in better shape and with a better working relationship with his teammates.

It also helped him pick up where he left off with Parcells.

"The word trust is very important," Parcells said. "If you know what you are going to get from a guy consistently, it enables you to coach them better."

Parcells said Tuesday that he knows Testaverde so well that he can already envision the quarterback's four sisters boiling up huge batches of macaroni for the family's game-watching party

Sunday. He also can adjust his play-calling based on one look from Testaverde or even just by reading his body language.

Testaverde is the oldest starting QB in the league, but only second-oldest overall. Doug Flutie has him beat by 13 months.

Still, to put Testaverde's tenure in perspective, consider that high school seniors were born around the time he was drafted. Those seniors should know that President Kennedy was assassinated on Nov. 22, 1963 — or, nine days after Testaverde was born.

When Testaverde was a rookie, he met Warren Moon at a quarterback challenge contest. As Moon played into his mid-40s, Testaverde admired him from afar and thought about him when he decided to keep playing.

Moon happened to visit team headquarters Tuesday and had some advice about being "an old quarterback."

Rule No. 1: Ignore crit-

ics. "As soon as you have a bad game or a bad quarter, it's all because of your age," Moon said, adding that coaches could care less about that statistic. "You wouldn't even be out there if he thought your age had to do with it."

Moon pointed to the success of star players from other sports, especially Barry Bonds, who are excelling at what was once considered an advanced age. He also talked about veteran smarts compensating for any loss of physical ability. Experience, he said, "makes the game slow down."

Testaverde doesn't mind all the talk about his age. But he makes it clear this season isn't part of an AARP-NFL crusade.

"I'm not out to prove that 40-year-olds can still play. I'm out to prove to my teammates I can play and be successful and help them win," he said. "It doesn't matter if I'm 25 or 40, that would be my same outlook."

Capriati benefits from "bad calls" at Open, Williams feels cheated

By HOWARD FENDRICH

AP Tennis Writer

NEW YORK — Unfairly, unbelievably, Serena Williams was robbed of a point by an umpire's mistake at the U.S. Open, just like her sister was at Wimbledon.

It happened in the opening game of the third set between Williams and Jennifer Capriati, who went on to win their Open quarterfinal 2-6, 6-4, 6-4 Tuesday night.

"I'm very angry and bitter right now. I felt cheated. Shall I go on? I just feel robbed," a composed Williams said, laughing a bit. "At first, I thought it was another Wimbledon conspiracy."

The match was tight and testy, the way it almost always has been during their 17 matches: contested calls, spiked rackets, some gamesmanship and strokes pounded with power. A lot of power.

Capriati played superbly, without a doubt, but what always will be remembered is the miscue by chair umpire Mariana Alves of Portugal. She awarded the point to Capriati after Williams hit a backhand that landed in — and was ruled good by the line judge.

"I don't need to see the replay. I know my shots. Not only was it in, it wasn't even near the line," said Williams, who couldn't defend her 2002 Open title because of left knee surgery that forced her to miss eight months. "But I'm not making excuses. I didn't lose because of that. I probably should have closed her out in the second set."

It was eerily reminiscent of Wimbledon, where Venus Williams lost in the second round after Karolina Sprem was mistakenly awarded an extra point in the final-set tiebreaker. Venus didn't argue at all, saying later she was confused; chair umpire Ted Watts was kicked out of the tournament.

Alves won't officiate another match during the Open, said tournament referee Brian Earley, who acknowledged the over-

rule by Alves was wrong. "I'd prefer she not umpire at my court anymore," Serena Williams said. "She's obviously anti-Serena."

Williams wound up losing that pivotal game, and though she did break right back, she was broken again to 2-1 and never recovered. TV replays also appeared to show at least two other incorrect calls that went against Williams in the final game, when Capriati needed three match points to serve it out.

"I didn't even, like, look at it. It was close. I was just going to what the umpire said," Capriati told the crowd afterward, drawing some boos and murmurs.

"Believe me, I've had things go against me many times, plenty of times. I deserve to get a call once in a while."

In the semifinals, the eighth-seeded Capriati will face No. 6 Elena Dementieva, who outlasted No. 2 Amelie Mauresmo 4-6, 6-4, 7-6 (1).

Williams hadn't dropped a set until Tuesday, but she was broken to start the second set when Capriati hit a deep return that forced a forehand wide.

"I fought hard, and I prevailed because of that," said Capriati, who lost 6-1, 6-1 to Williams at Wimbledon but on Tuesday narrowed her head-to-head deficit to 10-7. "One point, I don't think, changed the match."

It was their third straight quarterfinal at a Slam, and much like Venus Williams' loss to Lindsay Davenport in the fourth round Monday, this one could have been for the title. For the first time since 1998, both Williams sisters will end a season without a single Grand Slam title between them.

Serena Williams has won six majors — including two at the U.S. Open — and Capriati has won three — though she's never been to the final at Flushing Meadows.

Capriati dug deep in the second and third sets, playing brilliant defense

by scrambling along the baseline to extend points until Williams made a mistake.

Williams finished with 57 unforced errors, 29 more than Capriati.

Those allowed Capriati to get by with only 12 clean winners.

Williams had 25 winners officially, but that really should have been 26. Serving at deuce to open the last set, Williams smacked a backhand down the line, on the far side of the court from the chair umpire.

TV replays showed the ball landed in, by an inch or more, and the line judge called it correctly. But as Williams walked to the baseline to serve, dribbling the ball with her racket, Alves overruled that call and announced: "Advantage, Capriati."

A stunned Williams looked up and asked, "What happened?" Then, with hand on hip, she said to Alves: "That's my point. That ball was in. It's my advantage."

Williams swiveled to look at her parents and sisters in the guest box, then walked toward Alves, saying: "No, no, no, no, no. That was my point! What are you talking about? What's going on? Excuse me? That ball was so in. What the heck is this?"

Then Williams placed a ball on the court, and pleaded her case while pointing: "The ball landed here. That ball was not out. Are you kidding me? I'm trying to tell you: The ball was not out. Do I need to speak another language?"

Alves responded: "Please calm down."

Capriati stood at the other end, shaking her head.

On the next point, she sailed a backhand long on a 14-stroke rally — which should have ended the game for Williams. Instead, it sent the score back to deuce, and Capriati capitalized with a tremendous volley winner to get another break point, converted with a forehand that tripped off the net cord and landed in.



KRT photo/Nicolas Khayat, Abaca Press
Jennifer Capriati, who is seeded eighth, defeated Magui Serna in their second round match at the 2004 US Open in Flushing, New York, Wednesday, September 1. Capriati also advanced to the Open's semifinal match after defeating three-seed Serena Williams Tuesday night in three sets.

OFF the BENCH

I remember cheering for Jennifer Capriati back when she was a teenager who first hit the pro tennis circuit. She is now 28 and I still can't help but root for her today, as well.

However, what happened in her match Tuesday night against Serena Williams, who I am also a big fan of, was just plain wrong.

Capriati has never won a U.S. Open title and Williams is the winner of two Open championships. Capriati is from New York and had much of the crowd on her side Tuesday during the two's quarterfinal match. Whether that played a role I am not sure.

I am talking about the "bad calls" made by the chair umpire during the

match that all went against the favored Serena. TV replays and slow motion shots clearly showed four calls hurt Williams' chances to win the match. Although, Serena said afterward the calls didn't affect the outcome, it was clear to have played a role.

The first call came in the first game of the decisive third set. A shot by Serena sailed down the left out of bounds line and was clearly showed in by the replays and clearly called in by the line judge. However, the chair umpire — Mariana Alves — overruled the call and gave the point to Capriati even though her chair sat on the other side of the court. Advantage Capriati. Or was it?

How the heck could Alves see the ball and whether or not it was in? Isn't that what line judges are for?

Williams wound up

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losing that pivotal service game a couple points later. She then broke back during Capriati's serve and tied the set at 1-1. However, the score should have actually been 2-0 Williams.

During the broadcast, the announcers, who clearly made it known that Serena was wronged, said everything was OK because she broke back during the next game. I disagree though, because her breaking back should have given her a two game lead, but instead the score was tied. How was justice served on something Serena did later? To me it wasn't.

Rightfully so, Serena felt angry, bitter and cheated and thought she

got rubbed. Tennis players play enough tennis to know if their shots are in or not. Serena went as far as saying she didn't have to see the replay because she knows where her shots land. And she knew that shot — which was backed up several times by instant replay — was nowhere near the white line.

Serena did handle the situation well and Capriati could do nothing but take the umpires call and go with it.

Capriati has needed a break like this for a long time, but I don't think it should come at the expense of four bad calls by Alves. I am happy for Jennifer, but I also feel sorry for Serena.

This situation was very similar to a situation that happened to her sister, Venus, at Wimbledon this past year. Venus scored a

point during a rally, but the point was given to her opponent. Venus didn't catch the mistake and went on to lose the game and match.

Serena caught the mistake, but the result was the same.

Is there a conspiracy against the Williams sisters? Maybe not. But, I don't think these two situations occurred coincidentally.

Serena said after the match that she would prefer to not have Alves umpire at her court anymore.

That wish was granted for now, as Alves won't officiate another match during the Open, according to tournament referee Brian Earley, who acknowledged the overrule by Alves was wrong. It is just too bad Serena is done for this tournament and the decision of Alves

not umpiring at the Open doesn't affect her.

Hopefully, Alves and Serena won't meet again because, as Serena said, it is clear "she's obviously anti-Serena."

By the looks of these calls, that statement appears to be true.

The calls might not have made a difference in the end result as Serena finished with 57 unforced errors and only 25 winners, but that doesn't excuse the call. And even with those above mentioned stats, Serena was still in the match.

I now hope Capriati goes on to win the Open, but it will be interesting to see what Serena does the next time she comes onto the court. Everyone can bet she will use this experience as motivation.

Especially since the whole world is against her and her sister.

Mutombo finalizes trade to Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — Center Dikembe

Mutombo has agreed to a trade that will send him from the Chicago Bulls to the Houston Rockets in exchange for Eric Piatkowski, Adrian Griffin and Mike Wilks, according to a newspaper report.

"It is where I have wanted to be all along," Mutombo told the Houston Chronicle on Monday in Johannesburg, South Africa, where he is participating in the NBA's Basketball Without Borders-Africa outreach program. "I told them a long time ago that it was my wish, and I'm so happy that it was granted."

Mutombo thinks playing for Houston will be a "perfect fit," playing alongside starting center Yao Ming, the Chronicle reported in its online edition Monday night. Mutombo told the newspaper he agreed to the deal Friday.

He said he had already talked to Rockets assistant coach Patrick Ewing and others.

Rockets general manager Carroll Dawson told the Chronicle the deal hasn't been finalized.

But Dawson said Mutombo would be a good mentor for Yao.

"One of the things that

you want to do when you add a backup center is add somebody who doesn't do what everybody else does," Dawson said. "This is one of the all-time shot blockers in the league. He's been a real professional in the locker room and on the court."

"I think he'd be a great mentor type for Yao Ming. I think he will be great for him to go against in practice every day."

Rockets spokesman Nelson Luis told The Associated Press the team had no comment on the report Monday night.

Mutombo, a 7-foot-2 center, has averaged 11.7 points and 11.7 rebounds in his 13 years in the NBA.

He was traded to the Bulls in August as part of a deal that sent Jamal Crawford and Jerome Williams to the New York Knicks.

"I've never had a problem, never had a question that I wanted to play in Houston this season," Mutombo said. "It was first on my list. Anyway, why not?"

"Look at the potential with Yao Ming and (Tracy) McGrady and Jim Jackson.

"That is a very impressive start, and I think it is a team that is ready to take off."

Rogers wins 16th as Rangers destroy Chi-Sox

ARLINGTON (AP) — Nearly 40, Kenny Rogers is having one of the best seasons of his career.

Rogers allowed three runs over seven innings. David Dellucci keyed a seven-run second with a three-run double and the Texas Rangers snapped the Chicago White Sox's four-game winning streak with a 10-3 victory Tuesday night.

Rogers (16-7) is now one win shy of matching the most successful season of his 16-year career — 17-7 for the Rangers in 1995. He gave up eight hits, struck out two and didn't walk a batter.

"He's a warrior," White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen said. "He gives you the best he's got

every day."

The Rangers built a 10-1 lead after five innings, allowing Rogers to be more aggressive.

"When you get that kind of effort from your offense, it benefits you in a lot of ways," said Rogers, who had lost four of his previous six decisions. "They gave me the ability to forget the mistakes I made. One of my main focuses was not to walk guys. I wanted to get our offense back out there to keep swinging the bats."

Alfonso Soriano homered and Mark Teixeira went 2-for-4 with three RBIs for the Rangers, who have won just two of nine to drop eight games back of Boston in the wild-card

race entering Tuesday's games.

The Rangers bounced back from Monday's 7-4 loss to the White Sox when Texas committed a season-high five errors.

"It was ugly but we tried to put it behind us," Teixeira said.

Carl Everett had two doubles for the White Sox, who fell 8 1/2 games behind the first-place Minnesota Twins in the AL Central.

Soriano's 25th homer in the first inning gave Texas a 1-0 lead. Chicago

tied it on consecutive doubles by Everett and Joe Crede.

Texas got just three hits while scoring seven times against Jose Contreras in the second to open an 8-1 lead. Contreras walked five and hit a batter during the inning.

Dellucci had a bases-loaded double and Laynce Nix added an RBI single. Contreras issued bases-loaded walks to Hank Blalock and Teixeira, and he hit Soriano with a pitch to force in another run.

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A. Date/Time: Wednesday, September 16, 2004, at 2:00 p.m., for the following material for the annual city contracts

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 - Polymer
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON

The Cancer moon and Virgo sun work together to thoroughly inform you. Your heart and your head both process the facts at a remarkable speed, and as a result, you're able to learn and make decisions at lightning speed. Critical are firing aggressively, but it's important not to let them interfere with your creativity.



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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Your job is important, and today, you'll feel that in a very tangible way. There's no question you try and do your best under any circumstance, but precautionary measures help you create the most favorable circumstances possible.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll be making some pretty senseless decisions (perhaps

because you're in love?), but they'll work out in the best way possible. You don't care what others think, but it's best to focus your energy where you are most appreciated.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). It's a productive day, though you get off to a bumpy start. Keep imagining that people mean to help you, even if that's not what they are really doing. By the evening, all those good intentions will add up to something substantial.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It is impossible for anyone to correctly value your ideas if you don't do it first. Move instinctively toward the people who will facilitate your greater good. Follow through with important work without regard to the money involved.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's your day to bring a nagging problem under your control. Don't rush things. Be wary of fast-track success — stick to your own timetable to control your destiny.

Tonight, toss out old, stale mementos from a past relationship.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Bright new faces, romance and important contacts electrify the scene. Mix with the people who are in the know, and your mood quickly elevates — though it was darned good to begin with. Brainstorm ways you can fill a niche.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Pay attention to trends, buzzwords and what the leaders are doing — not because you want to be a copycat but because all of this helps you hone your own original style. It's the perfect time to take calculated risks at work.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're dealing with some stiff competition now, but you'll make your way by doing what you always do — taking the road less traveled. Stand up for your own creative methods of getting things done.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Money and help signal that you're on the right track. If you're not getting enough of either,

do a little market research. Ask people what they see as your strengths and weaknesses, and be willing to hear the answer.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Gentle goals bring sure victory, whereas huge ones give you pressure. Just think of the next step — anything too far off will bring frustration and overwhelming feelings. One thing at a time gets it done.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Friends play a role in making your ideas come to life. Aesthetics also come into the equation. If the old look is getting tired, polish your style. Anywhere people gather for the purpose of health is great for your love life.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). This day carries a strong momentum. You could have a mild curiosity at breakfast that turns into a driving ambition by lunchtime. Early on, you may feel as if those around you just don't understand, but tension will lift by nightfall.

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Annie's Mailbox : Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: When my son was 2 years old, his father and I divorced. My ex-husband married someone else and moved an hour away from me. My son, "Gabe," is now 7 and rarely sees his father. My ex comes by once or twice a year and phones, at best, three times a year.

The day before Gabe's birthday, his father called and promised to take him out for pizza and a movie. On his birthday, Gabe didn't want to leave the house in case Dad came. He never showed up. For three days after, Gabe kept asking why his father did not pick him up. I lied and said Dad had to work late. In fact, it has been two months, and my ex has yet to contact me to explain why he did not show.

I hate lying to my son, Annie. How can someone do this to a child? My ex has never paid child support, and I have never asked him for any financial help. He always says how much he loves our son, but you'd never know it.

How do you explain to a child that his dad does not want to see him? — Confused in Florida

Dear Confused: First, have you spoken to your ex-husband since that day? We're worried that he fell off a cliff. If, in fact, he simply neglected to show up, you have every reason to be angry. Parenting is a serious responsibility, and your ex is hurting his son in a way he may not be able to repair.

Gabe is smart enough to figure out what's going on. You don't need to lie about his father's whereabouts, although you should not editorialize, either. Simply say, "I don't know why Daddy didn't show up. Perhaps you should call him." Meanwhile, fill your son's life with other father figures he can rely on — grandfathers, uncles, older cousins, good friends. He needs to see the positive side.

Dear Annie: Last year, my pastor's wife succumbed to a long battle with cancer. It was heart-breaking for the entire church family. A year later, the pastor quietly remarried. Although members of the church were aware of the wedding, we were not invited to the ceremony, which was held at the church. Only families of the bride and groom were invited, and one or two very close



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

friends.

Most church members, however, received invitations to a bridal shower. The invitation listed several bridal registries, as if this were a young couple getting married for the first time.

I am bothered by the fact that I was invited to the shower but not to the wedding. My understanding is, if you don't invite someone to your wedding, you shouldn't invite that person to your shower. Am I right? — Bothered in Shreveport, La.

Dear Shreveport: Yes and no. Generally, one does not invite anyone to a shower who also is not invited to the wedding — except when the wedding is so small that it does not include those outside the family. In those instances, the shower serves as a substitute reception. Please wish your pastor well.

Dear Annie: This is for "Wanting to Gallop Away in Oregon," the young horse owner who is being pressured to let her neighbor, "Carrie," ride her horses. Horses are large, powerful, unpredictable animals, and any rider can easily get hurt through a riding mishap. This forces the horse owners to accept a huge legal liability.

"Wanting's" parents should contact Carrie's parents and tell them that their insurance policy does not permit them to allow non-family members to ride the horses. The potential liability claims are not worth it. — Neigh to Neighbors

Dear Neigh: We heard from many readers who mentioned the legal liability should Carrie be injured. We hope "Wanting" will tell her parents about your advice.

Dear Annie: I used to work at a factory. Six months ago, I married "Sam," the foreman on another shift. However, after we married, Sam

became insanely jealous. I worked evenings. Every night when I came home, I was drilled about how I was not to talk to anyone about anything except work, and then, only if I couldn't get answers from Sam. He said the guys on my shift were jealous of my marrying the boss. Finally, I accepted a day job at the factory, but I was transferred because Sam would have been my direct supervisor. So, to avoid problems at home, I simply quit.

Sam has been at the factory for 41 years. I was there for five. After three months, I am still unemployed and he's still jealous. I am not allowed to leave the house without telling him first. I get in trouble for speaking to men in stores. If I receive junk mail, he must see it, and if I get a phone call that's a wrong number, he never believes it. I even get into trouble for fixing my hair and getting dressed in the morning before he leaves for work. It makes him think I'm having an affair.

How can I get through this? — At My Wits' End in Maryville, Mo.

Dear Maryville: Get through it? You need to get out of it. Sam fits the profile of a potential abuser. Insist that he go with you for counseling or you're leaving.

Dear Annie: I have been married to "Stan" for five years. My only serious complaint is his irresponsibility when it comes to his corporate expense account. As a sales exec, he spends over \$500 per month, but he fails to submit the required receipts to his company for reimbursement. We are therefore continually paying for company dinners and travel expenses out of our own pockets.

The company requires that each receipt be detailed, and I can't find all the receipts hidden in his wallet, glove box, coat pockets, underwear drawer or shaving kit. Stan and I have fought over this many times, and although Stan admits he has a "mental block" about the money, he seems powerless to change his behavior. I have tried throwing tantrums, threatening to call his boss, withholding sex, all to no avail.

Is there some therapy to help him become more organized? — Mrs. Blockhead
Dear Mrs. B.: It's called behavior modification,

but it won't work unless Stan cooperates. Try this: Buy a small wallet for the sole purpose of storing receipts, and every day, remind Stan to put it in his pocket or briefcase. At the end of each day, ask to see what's in it. If he stashes a receipt elsewhere, have him get it and put it in the wallet. Stan will need constant reminders and a willingness to change his behavior for this process to become second nature to him. We hope you're up to it.

Dear Annie: I work for a wonderful cardiologist. Not long ago, you printed a letter about a doctor who makes his patients wait in the office for hours. A few copies of that column were sent to our manager.

Yes, the doctor I work for makes his patients wait. When I make appointments, I tell the patients to phone 30 minutes beforehand to see if the doctor is on time. If he isn't, I offer to call them when the doctor is available. I know it is inconvenient, but at least the patients can do some shopping while they wait.

The doctor often is called away for an emergency, and the scheduling is not his fault. If these people don't like waiting, they should find another doctor. We're tired of them yelling at the office help. — Arizona Assistant

Dear Arizona: That letter was not about cardiologists, or other doctors who often are called away for emergencies. It was about internists who deliberately overschedule. Regardless of the reason, patients should not be yelling at the office staff, so we're glad you got that off your chest.

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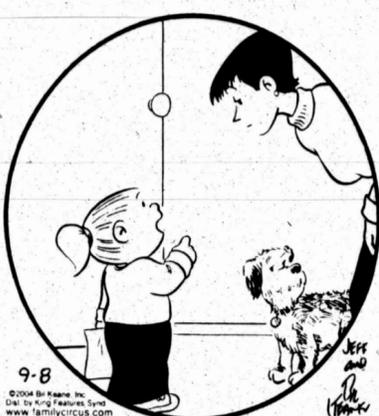
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Sept. 8, the 252nd day of 2004. There are 114 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 8, 1900, Galveston, Texas, was struck by a hurricane that killed about 6,000 people.

On this date:

In 1664, the Dutch surrendered New Amsterdam to the British, who renamed it New York.

In 1921, Margaret Gorman of Washington, D.C., was crowned the first Miss America in Atlantic City, N.J.

In 1934, 134 people lost their lives in a fire aboard the liner Morro Castle off the New Jersey coast.

In 1935, Sen. Huey P. Long, "The Kingfish" of Louisiana politics, was shot

and mortally wounded; he died two days later.

In 1944, Nazi Germany fired the first of its V2 rockets, which were faster and more powerful than the V1, into London during World War II.

In 1951, a peace treaty with Japan was signed by 48 other nations in San Francisco.

In 1952, the Ernest Hemingway novel "The Old Man and the Sea" was published.

In 1974, President Ford granted an unconditional pardon to former President Nixon.

In 1981, Roy Wilkins, former head of the NAACP, died in New York at age 80.

In 1998, Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals broke major league baseball's record for home runs in a single season, hitting 62 off Chicago Cubs pitcher Steve Trachsel.

Ten years ago: A USAir Boeing 737 crashed into a ravine as it was approaching

Pittsburgh International Airport, killing all 132 people on board.

Today's Birthdays:

Comedian Sid Caesar is 82. Ventriloquist Willie Tyler is 64. Actor Alan Feinstein is 63. Author Ann Beattie is 57. Musician Will Lee ("Late Show with David Letterman") is 52. Actress Heather Thomas is 47. Pop musician David Steele (Fine Young Cannibals) is 44. Rhythm and blues singer Marc Gordon (Levert) is 40. Actor Henry Thomas is 33. Actor David Arquette is 33. Actor Larenz Tate is 29. Rhythm and blues singer Pink is 25. Actor Jonathan Taylor Thomas is 23.

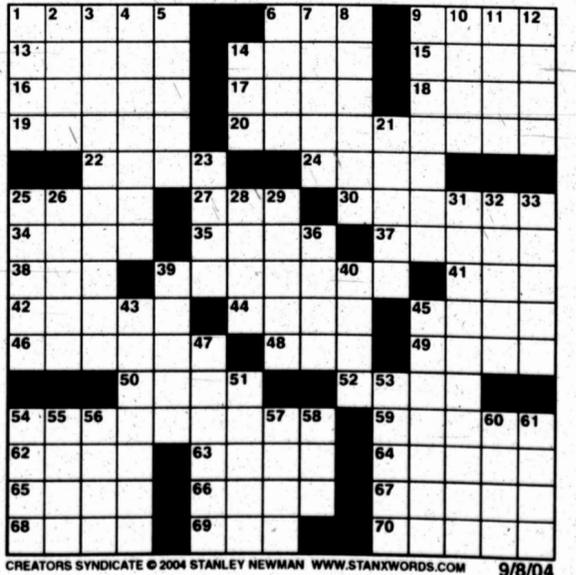
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| 1 Teen idols, slangily | 65 Toledo's lake | 9 Space Needle city | 39 Ran into, with "with" |
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| 14 Japanese ring sport | 69 Language suffix | 14 In the doldrums | 47 Plot deviously |
| 15 Roof overhang | 70 Parts of instructions | 21 Skirt features | 51 Mall events |
| 16 "I give up!" | DOWN | 23 Sergeant | 53 Hairy Himalayans |
| 17 Touched down | 1 Malodorous | Snorkel's dog | 54 "___ a Lady" (Tom Jones song) |
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| 25 USN bigwigs | 7 Out of kilter | 32 Sharp as a tack | 61 Repairer's figs. |
| 27 Thanksgiving Day: Abbr. | | 33 Sea dog's buddy | |
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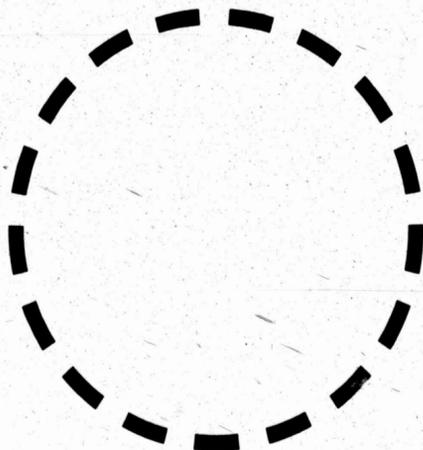
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