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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 is available for \$5. Soft drinks are \$1. Deliveries will be made for orders of five or more. Call 213-3105, 816-9409 or 466-1850.

Cossacks, Legion plan benefit run

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FISD residents to vote on \$4.9 million bond proposal

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday Elbow Elementary and Forsan High School/Junior High

By BILL MCCLELLAN

News Editor

Forsan Independent School District residents go to the polls Saturday to determine if they bond issue for the construction of new facilities, the renovation of existing ones and the acquisition of equipment and buses.

If approved, some projects would begin later in the current school year — bonds cannot be issued until at least 30 days after the passing of an election until the summer months.

estimated completion date would be the end of summer 2006.

Early balloting in the election was completed this week.

"We're are pleased with the turnout we had during early voting," said Judy Park, superintendent's secretary, who noted that 165 ballots were cast during the while others would have to wait period that ended Wednesday. "We really encourage everyone See BOND, Page 3A

want to approve a \$4.9 million Administrators have said the who hasn't voted to come out Saturday and cast their ballot."

Saturday's polls - there are two of them — will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

"Residents whose precinct number on their registration card begins with a 2 will cast a ballot at the administration office in Forsan; those whose

Mental health care needs expressed to legislators

By VALERIE AVERY

Special to the Herald

Unprecedented changes in the delivery of mental health and retardation services were forced upon social service agencies by cuts incurred during the past legislative session lawmakers were told Thursday.

Shelley Smith, LMSW, West Texas Centers for MHMR CEO, said providers have continued to deliver the same quality of services by the thinnest



of margins, but cannot incur any more funding reductions.

Merital health and mental retardation advocates and providers presented their wish list for the next legislative session to lawduring makers

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West Texas Centers for MHMR Board of Trustees Vice-Chairman Garza County Judge Giles Dalby, left, and State Rep. Pete Laney, D-Hale Center react to a joke delivered by Howard County Judge Ben Lockhart, who serves as chairman of the board of trustees. The board hosted the luncheon to inform legislators of needs for the next legislative session.

BSISD gains \$67,500 in computers and equipment through ALON USA

By KENDRA WISS

Staff Writer

The Big Spring Independent School District's Board of Trustees began its Thursday meeting by receiving a sizable contribution from ALON USA.

Big Spring Refinery Manager Joe Concienne unveiled plans for the major corporate contribution that will put 75 computers into classrooms and establish a technology center for the district.

Concienne explained that the confribution is part of ALON's ongoing initiative to support education in Howard County and in honor of the plant's 75th anniversary.



refinery representatives to assess the district's technology into their curriculum. need for computers and use ALON's contribu- ers. tion.

"Through our previ-

ous work on the anniversary project, we developed a great relationship with Mr. Michael Downes (BSISD superintendent) and the faculty," said Concienne.

The committee developed a program to enhance educational opportunities for students and provide access and training in computer See ALON, Page 3A

During the summer, skills. The district's goals are to: · Provide staff development to met with school officials show teachers how to incorporate

 Introduce technology in kinderdetermined how best to garten classrooms with 17 comput-

· Create a 25-station computer/math lab for junior high school students.

· Provide the high school with three technology/industrial technology computers.

addition, the In Technology Training Center will be established to prepare and encourage BSISD teachers to provide

Memos might be forgeries

By MATT KELLEY

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON Questions are raised about the authenticity of newly unearthed memos which asserted that George W. Bush ignored a

"It just direct order wouldn't from a superior happen. officer in No officer the Texas Air Natin his right ional Guard mind would and lost write a his status memo like as a pilot because that.' he failed to meet military

-Gary Killian

performance standards and undergo a required physical exam.

CBS, which reported on the memos on its 60 Minutes" program, said its experts who examined the documents concluded that they were authentic. They ostensibly were written by Lt. Col. Jerry Killian, one of Bush's commanders in 1972 and

But Killian's son, one of Killian's fellow officers and an independent document examiner questioned the memos. Gary Killian, who served in the Guard with his father and retired as a captain in 1991, said he doubted his father would have written an unsigned memo which said there was pressure to "sugar coat" Bush's performance review.

"It just wouldn't happen," he said. "No officer in his right mind would write a memo like that."

The personnel chief in Killian's unit at the time also said he believes the documents are fake.

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eulogies. He has a

hard time, and hires

a writer to help him

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McKinney Float and Fly to attract area enthusiasts

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Is it a boat? Is it a plane? These are just a few of the questions you can expect to hear at Comanche Trail Lake over the weekend, as the 12th

Don Annual McKinney Float and Fly gets ready to go from water to air in an amazing display of model aircraft.

McKinney, who has been involved with model aircraft and MCKINNEY

the art of flying them for many years, said it's hard to believe this weekend's event will be the 12th one hosted by the Big Aircraft Spring Model Association.

What: 12th Annual Don McKinney Float and Fly.

Where: Comanche Trail Park Lake.

When: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday.

"This is our 12th annual Float and Fly. It really doesn't seem like it's been going on that long," said McKinney with a laugh. "I started flying with my son down in Austin. And before we started flying here, we flew off of a lake in Austin. I got to talking to the club members here in Big Spring about Comanche Trail Lake, and we

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'The Guys,' tribute to 9-11, on stage Saturday evening

Herald Staff Report

"The Guys," an Anne Nelson play revolving around the tragic events of Sept. 11, 2001, will be put on a 8 p.m. Saturday in the Spring Municipal Big Auditorium.

Directing the show will be Howard College Associate Professor Clay Grizzle.

Grizzle said the play was performed by Bill Murray and Sigourney Weaver in 2001 to benefit the Fireman's Relief Fund. Likewise, proceeds from Saturday's play will be donated to the Big Spring Fire Department to purchase new communications equipment.

"The play is about a fire captain who loses his company during 9-11 and has to deliver their



write them," Grizzle said. "It's about healing, and takes heroes, and turns them into real people - the guys next door."

Tickets, \$10 each, can be purchased at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, 215 W. Third Street, or at the auditorium Saturday night.

The headlining actors will be Pat Barrera, a Big Spring High School teacher, and Bill Kersh of Midland.

"Bill has been acting for decades and Pat does a great job. the play should be wonderful,' said Grizzle.

BIG SPRING HERALD

Friday, September 10, 2004

Obituaries

Betty Arview



Betty Arview, 71, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2004, in San Angelo. Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m. today, Sept. 10, 2004, at Myers & Smith Chapel.

She was born Oct. 20, 1932, in Sandusky, Mich., to Harry Damrau and Alice Nichol Damrau. She had been a resident of Big Spring for 20 years, coming from Colorado Springs, Colo. She had worked almost 20 years at Wal-Mart

before retiring.

She is survived by three sons, Wayne Earl O'Neal of Texarkana, Paul Leslie O'Neal of Mississippi and Arthur Dwain Arview of Big Spring; two daughters, Cheryl Yvonne Moore of Guernsey, Wyo., and Kathleen Yvonne Arview of San Angelo; mother, Alice Ballentine of Big Spring; one brother, Robert Damrau of Globe, Ariz.; a number of grandchildren, great grandchildren and several great great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Rebecca Bernice Arview and one brother, Bernard Erwin

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

Paid obituary

Morris Cecil Rhodes



Morris Cecil Rhodes, 68, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2004, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, 2004, in the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Dennis Teeters, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

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

He was born June 1, 1936, in Snyder and married Sandra Neas Jan. 23, 1959, in Abilene.

Morris graduated from Big Spring High School and from Hardin-Simmons University. After graduation he went to work for Cosden Oil and Chemical. He then went to work for Guthrie Oil & Gas and had worked there for more than 25 years.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church and a member of the pastors Sunday school class. He was a longtime member and past president of the Lions Club. He had served as secretary-treasurer of the Big Spring Country Club for more than 20 years and had also served as president.

Morris loved his family, especially his grandchildren. He enjoyed playing golf and dominoes.

Survivors include his wife, Sandra Rhodes of Big Spring; his daughter and son-in-law, Neasa and Brandon Iden of Luther; his son and daughter-in-law, Jeff and Michelle Rhodes of Coahoma; his grandchildren, Berkley, Brayden, Braxton, Reagan, Mia and Brynlea; one brother and sister-in-law, Tony and FROM HOME has been established at Citizen's Charlotte Rhodes of Amarillo; and numerous nieces Federal Credit Union. Love From Home is a local and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Cecil and Alma Rhodes, one son, Derek Rhodes, and one brother, Joe Rhodes.

Pallbearers will be Stanley Haney, John Freeman, Gerald Wooten, Ellis Britton, Jim Mathews and Kimball Guthrie. Honorary pallbearers will be A.C. Neighbors, Duane Thomas, C.G. Griffin, Bob Stewart, A.J. Pirkle, James Welch, R.H. Weaver, Howard Carleton, Jack Cook, Bill McClendon, B. Broadrick. Wayne Henry, Jackie Thomas and Delnor Poss.

The family suggests memorials to the Gideon's International, P.O. Box 133, Big Spring 79721-0133, the American Cancer Society, in care of Lucy Bonner, P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring 79721-2121 or to the American Heart Association, 3205 W. Cuthbert, Suite A-8. Midland 79701.

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

Paid obituary

Support groups

☐ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Noon open Big Book study meeting, 8-9

SATURDAY

Open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 615 Settles 8-9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

☐ All widows and widowers are invited to attend the Encourager's Support group meeting at 6 p.m. Aug. Call 398-5522 for more information.

TUESDAY

☐ The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets at 7 p.m. the last Tuesday of each month in the College Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1005 Birdwell Lane. Call Tracey at 263-4948 for more information.

WEDNESDAY

West Texas Gluten-Free Awareness Group (celias helping celiacs) will meet from 3-5 p.m. at the Memorial Hospital West Campus in Midland. Bring a gluten-free dish along with recipe. For more information, call Barbara at 432-520-2119 in the evening.

THURSDAY

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

Juil Reid

Juil Reid, 87, of Stanton died Thursday, Sept. 9. 2004, in a Big Spring nursing home. His services are pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Thursday and 8 a.m.

- · SHARON ANNETT JAMES, 45, of 1311 Second Street, was arrested Thursday on four local warrants.
- FORGERY OF A GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT was reported in the 900 block of Interstate Highway 20.
- · BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 1300 block of Scurry.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 300 block of E. 11th Place. ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was
- reported in the 1800 block of Choctaw. · THEFT was reported in the 4000 block of Vicky.

Sheriff's report

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

- · RUDOLPH AVALOS JR., 17, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of burglary of a habitation.
- · FIRE was reported at the ATV Park located on Interstate Highway 20.

Take note

□ THE BIG SPRING AREA CHAMBER OF COM-**MERCE** is seeking vendors to reserve booths for the "Crossroads Cuisine and Business Expo Featuring the Taste of Home Cooking," set for Oct. 21. Contact the chamber at 263-7641 to reserve a booth or to purchase a ticket to the event.

□ KID'S CLUB FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS begins Tuesday from 3:30-5:15 p.m. Space is limited. Call Pat Rhoton at 267-2291; Tammi Jones at 267-8223; or Pam Steel at 267-6394.

□ KENTWOOD PARENTS/TEACHERS ORGANI-ZATION meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday. Door prizes and new principal Karen Saunders will speak.

☐ A FUND TO HELP DEFRAY the funeral costs and medical bills of Johnny Darden, a Howard County man who was recently attacked and killed by a swarm of bees, has been set up at State National Bank under account no. 2007126.

effort to provide personal items needed by the soldiers serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom. Contact the credit union at 267-6373 to contribute funds to offset the cost of postage for the packages mailed to the soldiers.

CHRIST'S COMMUNITY CHURCH is looking for infant cars seats to be given to needy families. Call Karen at 263-3517 or the church at 263-5683.

MANNA RELIEF, a non-profit ministry that provides glyconutritional supplements to critically ill children, is accepting donations for the program. Call Gene or Robbie Froman at 263-0385.

□ POTTON HOUSE, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into Heritage Museum, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

☐ HERITAGE MUSEUM, 510 Scurry, is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into the Potton House, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

☐ HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday and from 1:30 p.m. until 4 p.m. on

☐ THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, which delivers to the elderly and homebound, needs volunteers to deliver meals. If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, you are needed. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered to recipients within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

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Bulletin board

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

- · AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant. · Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell
- 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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· 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.

· The Howard College Theater Department will be performing "The Guys" by Anne Nelson at 8 p.m. to benefit the Big Spring Fire Department. The play will be in the Municipal Auditorium. Tickets can be obtained at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce office, 215 W. 3rd Street, for \$10. Proceeds will be used to purchase new communications equipment for the Big Spring Fire Department.

• Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.

SUNDAY

· Brenda's Barbecue special fried chicken dinner to benefit Cornerstone Church building fund. \$6 for fried chicken, mashed potatos, green beans and tea. Dine-in, carry-out and delivery available. Call 263-3072 to order.

Weather

Tonight - Mostly clear. Low 62. Winds SE at 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday - Sunny skies. High 89. Winds SSE at 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday night - Clear skies. Low 64. Winds SE at 5

to 10 mph. Sunday - Abundant sunshine. Highs in the upper 80s

and lows in the mid 60s. Monday - Sunny. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.

Tuesday - Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night: Winning numbers drawn: 5-13-15-23-34.

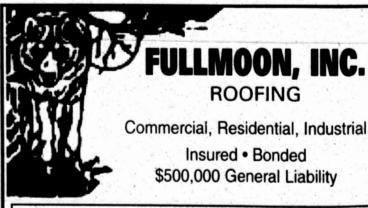
Prize per winner: \$36,243. Winning tickets sold in: Houston. Next Cash 5 drawing: Friday night.

Number matching five of five: 1.

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Thursday

Winning numbers drawn: 3-6-31-32. Bonus Ball: 26. Estimated jackpot for Monday night drawing: \$750,000.

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



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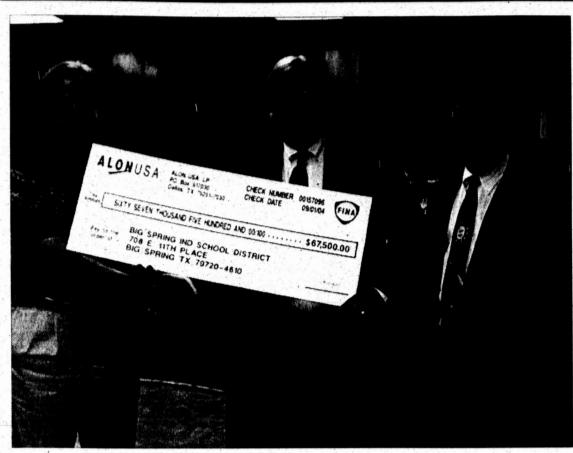
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HERALD photo/Kendra Wise Big Spring Independent School District School Board President Phil Furgueron (left) and Superintendent Michael Downes (right) are presented with the donation from Keith Imken, ALON USA's general manager of human resources.

ALON

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learning opportunities that produce technologycapable students.

According to Downes. the purpose of the 30-station computer center will be to provide staff development to all BSISD that teachers enhance their teaching abilities and improve the management and administrative efficiency. It is expected that more than 100 BSISD staff members will attend a training session at the new center during its first year.

tive unless people know what to do with it," said Downes.

Staff development is vital and training and support must be available to better serve our students," he said. "Thanks to ALON

USA, we hope to have the most technology literate staff in West Texas."

Earlier this year, BSISD participated in the refinery's 75th anniversary celebration by encouraging students to participate in a series of academic activities. The refinery partnered with BSISD to develop an interdisciplinary cur-

"Technology is ineffec- riculum project in the school focused on the refinery's history, its impact on the local economy and refining technology.

> "ALON's recent contribution is in line with our previous commitment and ongoing support of local education," said Concienne. "This donation represents not only an investment in our schools, but an investment in our youth.'

> Contact Staff Writer Kendra Wiss at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

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thought we should try it. out there, and it's just gotten larger and larger. Plates are \$5 and we want come visit with us," he People really like to come to invite the public to said. "I've had two people to Big Spring to fly at the lake. It's just fabulous conditions, and the city and the parks department are really cooperative and they help get things ready

for us.' McKinney said the Float and Fly draws pilots from all over West Texas and beyond.

"We have people coming up from San Antonio. and they really love it here," said McKinney. "There will also be people from New Mexico. Lubbock and other cities

and states. "The Float and Fly is a two-day event," he continued. "The Big Spring Aircraft Model Association is putting the event on and we'll get started Saturday around 10 a.m., with registration beginning at 9:30 a.m. We'll fly until about 4 p.m. that day and we'll start things back up Sunday from 10 a.m. until

There will be exhibi-

planes, including flying off of the water. At noon on both days we'll have a isn't overly expensive brisket lunch, which is and is something the being prepared by Robert entire family can enjoy. "So we started flying Walker, who just does an excellent job with brisket.

> funds raised help cover the operating costs of the model aircraft association, and offers area residents the chance to learn more about the hobby.

come out and have lunch

with us."

"The funds we raise will go to the operation of the club," said McKinney. "This is one of our biggest fund-raisers of the year and it helps us perpetuate things.

"If someone is interested in flying, they will getthe chance to talk to people who have been involved with model aircraft for sometime. We don't normally put people on trainer cords, also called buddy boxes, when we're flying out over the lake because there are so many people around. I've never had a plane crash in all of the years I've been instructing people, but you just never know. We want to keep things real safe so everyone can

enjoy it." tions with all sorts of

McKinney said getting started with the hobby

"We welcome anyone get involved with it just here lately. You can get a McKinney said the new plane for about \$300 to \$350, or if you find a used one, even cheaper.

"It's a family-oriented club. The entire organization is set up for youngsters and adults. The rules that we use don't allow any alcohol or drugs in it, so it's a really good hobby for the entire family to enjoy."

As for the name of the annual event, McKinney professes no knowledge of how he became the annual "headliner" for the Float and Fly.

"I don't know how it ever became the Don McKinney Float and Fly," said McKinney with a grin. "I was gone for a little while, and when I came back that's what they had named it."

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

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precinct number begins with a 3 will vote at Elbow Elementary," Park explained.

Only registered voters who live in the school district may vote. Parents who have children transferring to Forsan ISD and live outside the district are not eligible.

Projects that the bond issue would cover range academic \ extracurricular to transportation.

Among them: Covered lighting and a new drive behind Elbow Elementary to drop off and pick up students. New playground

equipment at Elbow Elementary. New carpeting and air-

conditioning (all campus-

· Remodeling of the high school science lab. band hall and auditori-

athletic facility as well as baseball and softball and do not include homefields.

· New school buses. · Land acquisition for some of the new facilities.

expenditures

well as lighting replacement. Administrators have

and electrical needs as,

said approval of the bond election would increase taxes by an estimated \$11.40 a year for those with a home valued at \$25,000, \$57 for those with a home valued at \$50,000 or \$148.20 for those with a home valued at \$100,000. · Construction of an Those figures apply to residents under age 65 stead exemptions.

Contact news editor Bill McClellan at 263-7331, ext. 230, or by e-mail at newswould include plumbing desk@crcom.net

MEMOS

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forgeries," said Rufus Martin. "I don't think Killian would do that, and I knew him for 17 years." Killian died in 1984.

Independent document examiner Sandra Ramsey Lines said the memos looked like they had been produced on a computer using Microsoft Word software. Lines, a document expert and fellow of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, pointed to a superscript — a smaller, raised "th" in "111th Fighter Interceptor Squadron" — as evidence indicating forgery.

Microsoft Word automatically inserts superscripts in the same style as the two on the memos obtained by CBS, she

"I'm virtually certain these were computer generated," Lines said after reviewing copies of the

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Sun., Wed. and Fri.

documents at her office in Paradise Valley, Ariz. She produced a nearly identical document using her computer's Microsoft Word software.

Defense The Department released Bush's pilot logs this week under pressure from a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit by The Associated Press.

Bush's Vietnam-era Air National Guard service became a focus of Democratic criticism this week amid a flurry of new reports about his activities. Democrats say Bush shirked his National Guard duties, a claim Bush denies.

Bush joined the Texas Air National Guard in 1968, serving more than a year on active Air Force duty while being trained to fly F-102A jets. He was discharged honorably from the Guard in October 1973 and left the Air Force Reserves in May 1974.

SATURDAY IS DANCE MIGHT AT THE EAGLES

RC ENTERTAINMENT

EAGLES BINGO

The first four months of 1972 are at the beginning of a controversial period in Rush's Guard service. After taking his last flight in April 1972, Bush went for six months without showing up for any training drills. In September 1972 he received permission to transfer to an Alabama Guard unit so he could work on a politi-

cal campaign there. That May, Bush also skipped a required yearly medical examination. In response, his commanders grounded Bush on Aug. 1, 1972.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288 Betty Arview, 71, died Wednesday. Memorial Services were at 10:30 AM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel.



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tephen Colbert, correspon-

dent for "The Daily Show,"

the only news program to

watch during the

theme of this convention like a

homing pigeon:

alone would be

me that John

Edwards is right

'Unmitigated gall.'

This convention

enough to convince

about 'two Americas,'

except I don't think

These folks are in

he's gone far enough.

from another planet.

They're living in an

When is a fact a fact

ever find evidence Saddam

to these people? When did anyone

Hussein had dog to do with Sept.

It's all very well to claim our

about peace and democracy in the

Middle East — hey, miracles hap-

fact triumphing as he speaks, one

must question the man's grip on

sanity. Even the president is now

is the result of 'catastrophic suc-

thinks we won the war too fast.

what a dumb flap over his obvi-

Speaking of what Bush means,

ously accidental misstatement that

we can't win the war against ter-

rorism. As I have often noted,

even when Bush misspeaks you

can usually tell what he meant to

say. This little doozy was 'cleari-

mighty organ of reliable informa-

Show" - only to be followed by

Democrats chanting, 'Flip-flop,'

That level of stupefying pettiness

over nothing should be legally lim-

ited to Republicans. Meanwhile,

note that Bush is back to being 'a

s America truly at war, or is,

the talk of the war on terror

the real problems confronting the

question is probably as good a pre-

nation? How you answer that

dictor of how you're

vote as any. President

going to cast your

Bush and the GOP

Republican conven-

that a majority of

have real enemies

who have already

proved they want to

must hunt them down

first. The Democrats are banking

are more worried about losing

than they are about terrorists

attacking again on U.S. soil.

their jobs and health insurance

In his acceptance speech last

education, Social Security, pre-

scription drugs and tax cuts, in

addition to the war on terror. But

no one who watched the conven-

tion could have any doubts that

the Republicans view this as a

wartime election with only one

Kerry and the Democrats, on the

other hand, have tried their best

tect the country if need be, but

their campaign rhetoric makes

intent on waging class warfare

counting on the memories of Sept.

11, 2001, to have long receded by

clear the Democrats are more

than a war on terror. They're

to portray themselves as fit to pro-

issue that should be decisive. John

week, President Bush talked about

on the proposition that Americans

destroy us, and we

and destroy them

tion on the judgment

Americans believe we

gambled the

just a clever politician's ploy

to distract the electorate from

fied' the next day - on that

tion, "The Rush Limbaugh

cess.' That seems to mean he

claiming the disastrous occupation

invasion of Iraq may yet bring

pen — but when Rudy Giuliani

assured us this 'idealism' is in

alternative reality.

Republican convention, found the

GOP convention: Unmitigated gall

war president.' Just a few weeks

ago, he was going around claiming

to be 'the peace president' every 10

minutes, after months of claiming

makes the new shift a flip-flip-flop.

One of my favorite moments of

non-reality came from Education

school superintendent in Houston,

where the stats on student perfor-

mance have been so badly twisted

was Compassion Night at Madison

it is now a national scandal. It

Square Garden, so we were cele-

achievements, a short list unless

you just make stuff up, such as,

"All across America, test scores

are rising, students are learning,

the achievement gap is closing,

teachers and principals are beam-

ing with pride." Now you tell me

The party platform, written in

large part by Phyllis Schafly and

her Eagle Forum, condemns stem

under any circumstances and gay

people. Just as a historical curiosi-

Orleans in 1988, Mrs. Schafly gave

the enduring role of irony at polit-

The real theme of the convention

is 'George Bush Makes Us Safer,'

not only not speaking in prime-

In the current issue of Mother

billed as America's frontline

defense against terrorism. But

badly underfunded, crippled by

special interests and ignored by

of Homeland Security has been

Nov. 2, 2004.

the White House, the Department

Domestic concerns vs. terror abroad

So which candidate should vot-

ers believe? The dilemma for the

Pascal's wager. Blaise Pascal, the

17th French philosopher, posited a

American voter reminds me of

mind experiment that seems an

tion. In deciding whether to

believe in God or not, Pascal

existence — and lived his life

accordingly. If God didn't exist

and a man lived as if He did, the

man lost nothing. But if God exist-

ed and a man behaved as if He did

not, then that man faced eternal

Think of it this way: Can you

afford to bet your life and your

family's that the Democrats are

right — even if you think they

have the better answers on eco-

nomic and social issues? If the

Democrats turn out to be wrong

and the real threat to the country

is not a faltering economy or mil-

lions of uninsured but an ideologi-

cally driven network of Islamist

fanatics who will stop at nothing

to destroy us, then we could be

committing national suicide by

allies before taking military

action.

electing a candidate who wants to

repeal the Patriot Act and defer to

the United Nations or our putative

I can just hear the objections

from loyal Democrats now. How

do you know that betting on Bush

won't make us less safe? The war

in Iraq, they argue, has inflamed

the Arab world and created more

mate reason to want to destroy us.

safer than we are with Bush pick-

terrorists, who now have legiti-

If we just left them alone and

Democrats would say we'd be

minded our own business.

damnation - a bad wager indeed.

apt metaphor for this year's elec-

argued, the wise man bet on God's

Madonnais virginity. Tom Ridge is

time, he's not addressing this con-

Jones magazine is a must-read by

Alert." The 'pull quote' is: "t was

Matthew Brzezinski called "Red

vention at all — he's a non-person.

as dubious a proposition as

cell research, women's right to

decide whether to bear a child

ty, I present the fact that at the

Republican Convention in New

a party with the theme 'Let the

Good Times Roll,' thus proving

ical conventions.

if this guy is living in Never

Never Land.

brating Republican domestic

Secretary Rod Paige, formerly

to be 'a war president.' So that

relegated to bureaucratic obscuri-

administrationis misplaced priori-

ties — particularly its obsession

with Iraq - have come at the

expense of homeland security."

What a mess. What a waste of

money. What colossal ineptitude.

It's so dispiriting to read about it,

While I was prepared to listen to

one can't even work up a Henry

much rhetoric about Bush's stal-

ship of state in the wrong direc-

Giuliani try to make points over

our falling out with so many

Look, the Coalition of the

Willing is a public embarrass-

ment, a monument to diplomatic

witlessness, not to mention open

bribery. To blame others for our

and offensive. Then to repeat

and dangerous.

with walnuts."

ators.com.

diplomatic failure is both fatuous

Bush's obnoxious little bully line,

with the terrorists," is both stupid

"You're either with us or you're

The perception that we lack a

decent respect for the opinions of

mankind itself contributes to ter-

Americans, many of whom are

to treat the arguments of other

nations with contemptuous dis-

missal? Especially when so many

of them have been proved right?

having accidentally misappropriat-

James', the Australian journalist:

"He looks like a condom stuffed

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Tell that to the families of the

six men and women who died in

bombing in 1993, or the parents of

a 9-year-old girl gunned down by

terrorists in the Rome airport or

an elderly man thrown overboard

in his wheelchair on the Achille

Lauro cruise ship in 1985, or the

Berlin in 1986. George Bush wasn't

American soldiers killed at the

even president when these acts

occurred, nor were U.S. troops

occupying any Muslim nations.

tracked us down and killed us

There is no way the United

States can ever retreat sufficiently

appeasement would only embolden

them further. The only safe course

word. They say they want to anni-

hilate us; we should believe them.

We are at war, whether we like it

defeat the enemy — preferably on

Universal health insurance, free

prescription drugs and a higher

minimum wage simply don't mea-

sure up as voting issues when the

nation's security and our citizens'

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to appease the terrorists. In fact,

is to take the terrorists at their

where they could.

And still the terrorists hated us,

bombing of a discotheque in

Loved the Schwarzenegger

speech and apologize again for

ed the wonderful line of Clive

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tion. I was startled to hear

allies.

Higgins-like: "Safer? Ha!"

Brzezinski reports, "... the

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or a bridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

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We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

- Everyone who helped with the Muscular Dystrophy Association telethon, from the athletes and firefighters who donated their time, to those on camera and those who made pledges or donations.
- Early Cars of Big Spring members, who put on another great rod run last Saturday. Congratulations on 34 years.
- Big Spring Firefighters Association members on their Fill the Boot campaign.
- Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and the folks at Holiday Inn Express, on the Business Before Hours program this morning.
- Patsy and Henry Sanchez and children Amanda and Jared on being chosen the Samaritan Counseling Center Family of the Year for Big Spring.

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

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ers at a relig operated by th rebel Shiite Muqtada al-Sac of helping fore Hadi, who aske his first name because he fea tion, was rele six days. Fiv later, his brotl missing.

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To al-Sadr's court and othe elsewhere und



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Forsan Independen Bond Pro said.

state hospital," Smith

In-Home and Family

Support funds are a valu-

able resource to con-

sumers and families by

keeping families and con-

sumers in their communi-

have a choice in receiv-

ing care from whomever

they desire, and West

Texas Centers should be

allowed to continue as a

provider if chosen by con-

sumers and their fami-

lies, Smith said in

response to the issue of

privatizing mental retar-

Packets of information

were handed out to legis-

lators and the more than

125 people who attended

away with more knowl-

edge and information

about mental illness and

mental retardation," said

Cindy Smith West Texas

Centers public informa-

West Texas Centers

board members Garza

County Judge Giles Dalby

and Yoakum County

Judge Dallas Brewer gave

legislators, including for-

mer House Speaker Pete

Laney, D-Hale Center, a

first-person account of the

importance of centers

continuing to operate in

small communities.

"We hope you walk

dation care.

the luncheon.

tion officer.

Consumers should

Austin," Dalby said. "We

had too much cut from

our budget but we haven't failed to help those in

"West Texas Centers has been invaluable in

our county," Brewer said.

"The local collaboration

is the key to our success.

And it is less costly to

serve people in the com-

munity than it is to serve

"I've never seen staff

work so hard to keep peo-

ple in their homes. We

need your help in keeping

people in the communi-

Shelley Smith and Clyde

Alsup began planning the

West Texas Centers deliv-

ery system in 1992, and

Shelley Smith thought it

fitting to name the cen-

ter's first awards after the

man who had a large part

in the formation of the

Alsup's widow, Evelyn,

presented the Clyde J.

Alsup Community Star

Awards along with

Award recipients were:

Ron Cook, Chief Juvenile

Probation Officer for

Volunteer:

Texas Centers Planning

and Network Advisory

Murray Murphy, Don

Media: KBST Radio,

West

members,

Wylie,

Frank

— Community Service:

Center.

Shelley Smith.

Winkler County

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Richard, Kaye

Letha Nixon,

them in the hospital.

need yet."

by the Texas Council of Community Mental Health and Mental Retardation Centers, Inc., a statewide association of the 41 community MHMR centers that offer public MHMR services to every county in Texas. Texas Council

MHMR Community Centers executive Director Sandy Skelton outlined the organization's legislative proposals, including the need to restore funding for many of services West Texas Centers provides in the community.

The Destination Dignity luncheon also gave center employees an opportunity to thank lawmakers for serving the citizens of Texas.

West Texas Centers for MHMR provides mental health and mental retardation services for youth, adults and senior citizens in 23 counties in rural West Texas.

Those counties are Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Fisher, Gaines, Garza, Glasscock, Howard, Kent, Loving, Martin, Mitchell, Nolan, Reeves, Runnels, Scurry, Terrell, Terry, Upton, Winkler Ward, Yoakum.



Evelyn Alsup, West Texas Centers for MHMR CEO Shelly Smith and Winkler County Judge Bonnie Leck, who also serves as the secretary/treasures for the board of trustees, listen to speakers during Thursday's legislative session. Behind Smith is a photo of Clyde J. Alsup, who was one of the driving forces behind the center. Several community, volunteer and media awards were presented during the luncheon in his name.

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Thursday luncheon at the Dora Roberts Community Center ballroom.

The 2004 Destination Dignity Legislative Awareness. Luncheon, hosted by West Texas Centers for MHMR, celebrated the care the nearly 400 employees in 23 counties in West Texas provide. But it also gave

Smith a captive audience major to give invited legislators an overview of their 79th legislative platform.

Smith, who serves on several state committees overseeing the delivery of care outlined the center's stance on:

Disease which focuses on the outcomes, recovery and wellness of behavioral mental

illnesses: Schizophrenia, bipolar

 Diverting people with being housed in county jails and prisons. Resiliency and ment is more cost-effec-Management, tive than unnecessary

Withholding changes health care. Lawmakers to the state hospital fundordered MHMR centers to ing methodologies until

disorder and major clinical depression.

mental health away from 'Community-based treatinstitutional care," she

"I hope the state will do what is right in regards to mental health and mental

Hundreds of tourists spent the waves across a wide area. It

Council

open as long as possible to evac-

Ivan, already the deadliest cast to make a direct hit Friday month, following Hurricane cal storm-force winds stretched islands in a decade, unleashed violent winds, downpours and

night at the airport in 'killed 13 people in Grenada, one Jamaica's northern resort of in Tobago, four in Venezuela, Montego Bay, which stayed one Canadian woman in Barbado, and four youngsters uate visitors, tourism officials in the Dominican Republic who said. Workers bolted plywood were swept away by a giant At 8 a.m. EDT, Ivan's eye was to windows, while grocery wave Thursday even though death toll in the Caribbean major hurricane of the Atlantic about 165 miles southeast of stores and gas stations stayed the storm was nearly 200 miles away.

"The destruction is worse than I've ever seen," said Michael Steele, a 34-year-old Grenada resident whose home was destroyed.

retardation and that you Wurtz, Sondra Qualls, concentrate on three extensive studies are con-Hurricane Ivan takes aim on Jamaica after devastating Grenada

on Jamaica on Friday with million had already fled their kicked up heavy rain and deadly winds and monstrous homes for shelter, but some winds off Jamaica's eastern tip waves, after leaving Grenada a were refusing to leave. wasteland of flattened houses and twisted metal and setting Florida Keys evacuated after there, Radio RJR reported. off a frenzy of looting. The forecasters said Ivan, the fourth

on Kingston, Charley

ST. GEORGE'S, Grenada (AP) Jamaica, a sprawling capital of Hurricane Ivan bore down about 1 million people. A half-

U.S. officials ordered the storm surge flooded roads season, could hit the island Kingston, Jamaica, and was open late for crowds of people The Category 4 hurricane Cuba. It was the third evacua- mph. Hurricane-force winds with winds of 145 mph was fore- tion ordered in Florida in a extended 50 miles, while tropi- hurricane to hit Caribbean and Hurricane 175 miles.

Frances.

The storm's leading edge Friday morning and a large

chain by Sunday after crossing moving west-northwest at 13 stocking up ahead of the storm.

Al-Qaida releases new tape near Sept. 11 anniversary

"The defeat of America

in Iraq and Afghanistan

has become a matter of

time, with God's help," al-

Zawahri said on the tape.

"The Americans in both

countries are between

two fires, if they continue

A bearded al-Zawahri, everything."

For the second year in a wearing eyeglasses, a U.S. forces face fierce row, al-Qaida released a white turban and a black resistance in parts of casualties." videotape rallying its sup-vest over a white shirt. Afghanistan and across porters near the anniver- looked into the camera as Iraq, but military commanders insist they maintain the upper hand against insurgents in both countries.

> Pakistani spokesman Gen. Shaukat Sultan, whose forces staged an offensive against al-Qaida and Taliban remnants in the border region with Afghanistan this week, they bleed to death and if said the tape was likely

morale of the terrorists who have suffered heavy

President Bush's National security adviser, Condoleezza Rice, said Friday on NBC's "Today" show that the tape would be examined to see if it's authentic.

"These tapes do appear from time to time. They have appeared on the anniversary of 9/11, so it would not be surprising if this is indeed a tape from the al-Qaida leadership,"

Former detainees tell of brutality at Al-Sadr's religious court in Najaf

NAJAF, Iraq (AP) - pices were an attempt to The last time Hadi saw apply their interpretation his brother, his hands of Islamic justice to a lawwere tied behind his back less society, but they say and blood was running all have been shut down. down his swollen face.

operated by the office of Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, accused of helping foreign troops. Hadi, who asked that only his first name be used because he fears retribution, was released after six days. Five months later, his brother is still missing.

"Enough!" Hadi heard his brother, Abdul Salam, plead with his captors. "By Hussein, don't hit me anymore," he said, invoking the name of a revered Shiite saint. The jailers

didn't stop, Hadi said. A symbol of the power al-Sadr's followers once wielded here, the court stopped functioning when the cleric's militia returned control of Najaf's Old City to Iraqi police late last month. Many residents — too scared to talk about the court in the past — are now sharing horror stories of its work.

To al-Sadr's aides, the court and others they ran elsewhere under its aus-



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To many people in Najaf, They were both prison- the court was the arm ers at a religious court that the militia used to terrorize people who opposed it.

Many outsiders heard about the Najaf court for the first time when television stations beamed images of at least 13 bodies that police said were found after many of al-Sadr's militiamen left last month.

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) sary of the Sept. 11 he spoke. An assault attacks, and experts were weapon was propped investigating if the against the wall behind images of the terror net- him. work's No. 2 leader were new or not.

In the tape, broadcast Thursday by the Arab television station Al-Jazeera, Ayman al-Zawahri proclaims that the United States will be defeated in Iraq and Afghanistan.

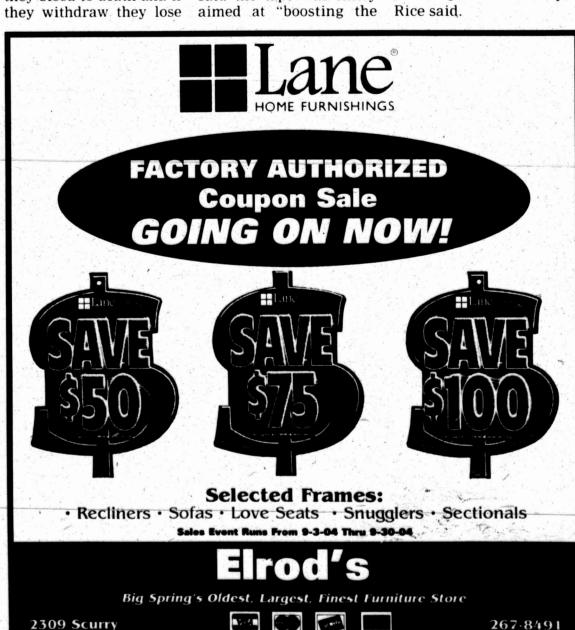


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Cornerstone Church

Sunday, Brenda's Barbecue will have a special fried chicken dinner available for dine-in. carry-out or delivery, to benefit the church building fund. Tickets are \$6 for fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans and tea. Call the church to place an order.

Cornerstone Church, a Morning International Church, invites children entering through kindergarten fourth grade to a new fall program, "Looking At the Pieces," at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, featuring different stories of the Old Testament.

This week the children will study the creation scriptures in Genesis. A new Sunday school class for preschoolers continues with the story of Jonah and the Whale.

Cornerstone, located at the corner of 12th and Ovens treets offer a family atmosphere of praise and worship. Morning worship begins at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday worship is at 7 p.m. Childcare is available for through newborns preschool. Call Pastor Craig or Cherise Felty at 263-3072 with any questions.

Catholic Churches of **Howard County**

If you are interested in learning about Catholic faith, our tradition and how they are based on holy scripture. then please join us. Anyone who is non-

Catholic who would like to learn about the Catholic faith and Catholics baptized as infants who never had religious education are invited. We are also having sessions for baptized Catholics who need to receive one or more of the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist. Confirmation or Marriage.

Fully-initiated adult Catholics are also needed as sponsors. Sponsors learn more about their faith and share their life with those journey inquiring about the faith.

We are having weekly sessions at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 1009 Hearn St. in the house between the church and school.

For more information. call Elfi Tucker at 816-6247 or 393-5313. You may also call any of the church offices - St. Thomas at 605 N. Main, 263-2864; Sacred Heart 263-7884; Church, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 267-4124;



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a trip to Glenrose Oct. 2, to see the Passion Play.

Senior Saints meet at the church every second and fourth Thursday nights for fellowship and games.

Birdwell Lane Baptist Church is a very friendly church who believes in reaching the lost and building the believer. For information on services or activities, call 267-7157 or 267-8214.

First Assembly of God

Joe Whitten Prison Ministries will be presenting "His Children" in concert this Sunday morning at the First Assembly of God Church in the 10:40 service.

The service will include many wonderful testimonies, along with a wonderful concert by "His Children.

The Joe whitten prison ministry is doing a great work for the Lord in this very needed field of labor. American Correctional Association endorses the Joe Whitten Prison Ministries.

It is a non-denominational, non-profit organization under the direction of Joe Whitten.

Joe is a native of Oklahoma with a Texas education. He is a graduate of West Texas State University with a master's degree from Texas Tech University.

The choir has been in existence for 32 years and has participated in many ministries here and also toured Communist China in 1983.

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The Vestry meets Monday at 6 p.m. in the parish hall.

Evening Prayer is said Monday through Friday at 5:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel.

For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-8201 or visit our web www.stmarysbst.org.

St. Mary's is located at 1001 S. Goliad.

First Presbyterian Church

Church Women United will meet from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Saturday in the church parlor. All members of the church as well as other community members are invited to this coffee.

Also Saturday, the annual church picnic will be held all day beginning the Cowboy with The youth are planning Breakfast and ending with the picnic. Everyone is to bring their own picnic meal. The meal may be cooked on existing coals.

The Rev. Matthew Miles will speak on Luke 14:1-10 worship service Sunday morning at 11. Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. and Take 10 is at 10:35 a.m. Following worship service, there will be a congregational meeting.

After this meeting, the annual barbecue lunch will be in the fellowship hall. Meat will be provided by the church. Members are encouraged to bring vegetables, salads or desserts to accompany the meat.

On Wednesday, the Men's Breakfast is at 7 a.m. Also on Wednesday, choir practice is held at 6 p.m. Please join us for any or all of the previously mentioned activities. Everyone is always wel-First come at Presbyterian Church Runnels located on between Seventh and Eighth streets.

Friends of Unity

Unity's 11th Annual Day of Prayer was celebrated Thursday with people around the world uniting in sacred moments of prayer, opening their hearts in faith to God.

Our year-long study of "The Quest, A Pilgrimage of Your Soul Designed To Change Your Life" begins Sunday at 2 p.m. For more information, call 267-8783.

First Baptist Church, Big Spring

The Sunday schedule this week begins with the Holy Grounds Café downstairs in the Family Life Center at 9:15 a.m. Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m., and our morning worship at 10:50. Our pastor, the Rev. Dennis Teeters, will continue his series of sermons on "Call Waiting." This week's topic is the call of Nathaniel.

At 4 p.m. in the Family Life Center, we will have Sunday School Conference with guest speaker, Josh Hunt. We invite you to come if you are interested in growing your Sunday School. This conference will take the place of our 6 p.m. worship service.

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John was put in prison, Jesus went into

Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. 'The time has come,' he said. 'The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news.' The word repent comes

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up with some regularity in the New Testament. Literally it refers to perceiving or understanding in your mind beforehand.

More directly it means to change your mind and thus the direction of your life.

A case in point is Zacchaeus. You remember the story of how he climbed a tree in order to get a better look at Jesus.

Jesus, in turn, stops underneath the tree and tells Zacchaeus, "Come down immediately. I must stay at your house today." Zacchaeus comes down and hosts Jesus in his home.

The outcome of the visit is recorded in Luke 19:8 - "Look Lord! Here

and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times that amount." Jesus' reply is that

"today salvation has come to this house" (v.9). Or what about the story of the prodigal son?

Upon asking for his inheritance, he receives it and wastes it in a rebellious lifestyle. When he finds himself eating with the pigs, he begins to repent of what he has done. Then he goes home.

His words to the father are a classic example of repentance.

"Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son" (Lk. 15:21). His repentance brought about a change in mind.

Walter Wangerin, a Lutheran pastor and author, tells the moving account of an incident with his son.

Matthew was 7 years old when he became fascinated with comic books. In fact, Matthew stole some from the library. Naturally Walter confronted him, took him back to the library and made him face up to his crime.

The following summer it happened again. This time Matthew took some comic books from a gift shop. Again Walter corrected him and made him deal with the situa-

But it happened a third time.

Now Walter knew something had to be done. So he took Matthew to his study and said, "Matthew, I have never spanked you before, and I don't want to now, but somehow I've got to get through to you and help you see how wrong it is to steal." So Matthew got a

spanking. Then Walter said, "Matthew, I am going to leave you alone for a while. You sit here, and I'll be back in a few minutes.'

Walter stepped out of his study, broke down and cried himself. Then he washed his face and went back to talk further with Matthew.

From that moment on Matthew never stole again.

Years later, Matthew and his mom were talking about that incident.

Matthew volunteered, "Mom, after that I never stole anything again, and I never will."

Why?" quizzed his mother. "Was it because he spanked you?"

"No," explained Matthew. "It was because I heard him crying." The power of a father's

love can indeed change our minds and our hearts.

The Rev. Dennis Teeters is pastor of First Baptist Church of Big Spring.

Club News

General Federation of Women's Clubs

The General Federation Women's Clubs (GFWC) TEXAS Western District is pleased to present the first GFWC Arts in the Community Festival Oct. 23-24, 2004, in the Grand Stage Room, Music City Mall, Odessa. All artists in Texas Western District are invited to apply as soon

as possible. The GFWC Arts in the Community Festival will showcase 50 Texas Artists exclusively. Artists will be on hand to exhibit artwork from a variety of medium including painting, sculpture, photography, fine crafts, drawings and graphics, ceramics and more.

The GFWC Arts in the Community Festival will offer visitors the unique opportunity to meet exhibiting artists in person, commission a specif-

ic piece, ask questions Excellence, Award of about techniques, and purchase art works. There is something for everyone. Because only superior

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from prominent regional art professionals. The judges will have extensive backgrounds in the fine arts, as well as past judging experience.

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Judges will be announced at a later date. Artists may apply in more than one category. All work must be original art created by the artist

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Church News

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Please plan to attend and participate, and invite others.

Also, pray that the Holy Spirit will lead and guide us as we prepare for renewal and revival.

Coahoma United Methodist Church is located at 401 N. Main. Call the Rev. Barbara Wood at 394-4464 for more information.

Salem Baptist

Salem Baptist is celebrating 100 year of ministry. Please, come celebrate with us Sept. 26 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. A fellowship meal fol-

lows the morning service. Salem Baptist is located at the corner of Salem Road and the Old Colorado City Highway in Sand Springs.

Midland-Odessa **Christian Women's** Club

The Midland/Odessa Christian Women's Club will have a "Back to the Future" luncheon Sept. 14 from 11:15 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. at Green Tree Country Club located at 4900 Green Tree Blvd. in Midland.

Danny Evatt with Photo Tech-Fast Frame will share some new ways to work with frames and pictures.

Allison Garvin will entertain with music while Ester Yung from El Paso will tell the importance of 'matchmakers' in her life.

The cost of the luncheon is \$11, payable at the door.

A free nursery is provided at a local church and mothers are asked to bring a sack lunch for their child.

Midland/Odessa Christian Women's club non-denominational and has no membership

or dues. All interested women are invited to attend.

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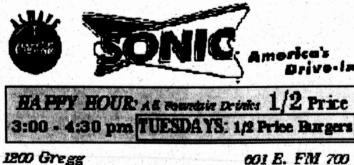
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Sports

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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 Columbus.

It will be a four person scramble 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 National seeking Anthem singers for the upcoming basketball seasons.

For more information, call Tana 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

More 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 458-3234, Radar Madison at 756-2988 or A.J. Luxton at the golf club at 756-2556.

Longhorns softball tourney announced

A Longhorns softball tournament has been set for Sept. 18-19 at Comanche Trail Park,

The cost of the tournament is \$125 per team and T-shirts and trophies will be awarded to first, second and third place.

For more information, call Mike Hilario at 267-6619 or Sally Grant at 268-4728 or 393-5237.



New Mexico, Texas Tech battle could be last

By PETE HERRERA

AP Sports Writer

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. New Mexico coach Rocky Long doesn't want to see the Lobos' series with Texas Tech end, but he's having a tough time figuring out why.

"I don't know why I want to play them," says Long. "We've played them 42 times and it's 32-and-

According to New Mexico's record book, it's a little worse than that. While the Texas Tech sports information office says the Red Raiders lead the series 32-to-5 with two ties, New Mexico's statistics put Tech's lead at 33-

The two schools located about 250 miles apart have been playing off and on since 1931. Saturday's game in Albuquerque is the final one in the current contract and no games between the two

schools are on future schedules of either team.

The Red Raiders (1-0) have owned the series. They've won 10 straight since New Mexico's last win (29-24) in 1984. The Lobos (0-1) won three straight between 1982 and 1984 and won 13-10 in 1971 when Long was New Mexico's quarterback.

Many of the Red Raiders' victories have been blowouts.

Two years ago Tech came to Albuquerque and pounded the Lobos 49-0 on national TV behind Kliff Kingsbury's six touchdown passes and 41 completions. Last year Tech won 42-28 in Lubbock as Kingbury's replacement, B.J. Symons, went 37-for-54 for 418 yards and five

"You wouldn't think you'd want to play them," said Long. "I was even in on one of the victories. That's how long ago some of them are."

over SMU in Dallas. Fifth-Sonny Cumbie made his debut by completing 40 of teams. 66 passes for 479 yards and four touchdowns.

best debuts I have ever been a part of," said Tech coach Mike Leach. A major compliment from a coach who graduated from BYU, saw Kingsbury - who was drafted by the

New England Patriots become an All-Big 12 first quarterback, team coached Tim Couch at Kentucky and before going to Lubbock was the offensive coordinator at Oklahoma.

But it was Leach's decision to have Cumbie keep throwing passes near the SMU goal line in the game's final minute instead of running out the clock that had the Mustangs seeing red.

SMU coach Phil Bennett you can at reacting to it

last week with a 27-13 wing ame and a skirmish that lasted several minutes year senior quarterback broke out involving nearly everyone on both

Long won't be surprised to see the Red Raiders "I think it's one of the pass, regardless of the score, down, or time remaining.

> "If it's third-and-1, they'll throw. If it's thirdand-inches, they might run," he said. "He (Cumbie) looks like the guys that have come before him. We may have to score in the 30s just to have a chance to win."

New Mexico's defense, which loves to blitz, hasn't had much effect on Tech quarterbacks. Still, Leach said it poses prob-

"Schematically, they are as tough a defense as we play," Leach said. "You watch as much film as you can, but ultimately you have to do the best

Tech opened the season shouted at Leach after the on the move. The defense puts a lot of demand on you."

> Not only have the Red Raiders dominated the Lobos on the field, they've also done it in recruiting. Long said of the 25 or so players both schools went after in recent years, the only one New Mexico signed was former Roswell high school halfback DonTrell Moore.

It was a great catch for the Lobos.

Moore last season set the single season school rushing record with 1,450 yards and ran for 167 yards last week in New Mexico's 21-17 loss to Washington State.

The junior back needs 50 yards to pass former San Diego State back Larry Ned as the career rushing leader in the Mountain Conference, which was created in 1999.

Game time Saturday night is 7:05 p.m. CDT.

Deja Vu: Patriots win close battle with Indianapolis

By DAVE GOLDBERG

AP Football Writer

FOXBORO, Mass. — As usual, Tom Brady was uncannily accurate as the New England Patriots moved within three wins of setting the NFL record for consecutive victories.

Still, New England's 27-24 win over Indianapolis on Thursday night wouldn't have happened if its defense hadn't awakened in the second half after being shredded for 255 yards by Peyton Manning and Edgerrin James before intermission.

The win was the 16th straight for New England, including the last 12 regular-season games plus two playoff games and the Super Bowl last season. That puts the Patriots two short of the NFL record of 18 set by five teams, most recently Denver in 1997-98 with games at Arizona, at Buffalo after a bye and Miami at home coming

Brady threw for 335 yards and three touchdowns — one each to Deion Branch, David Patten and Daniel Graham. Corey Dillon, obtained from Cincinnati to revive the Super Bowl champions' running game, carried 16 times for 86 yards.

But the Patriots' defense bailed them out after a first horrible half, although the 446 yards they allowed were more than they gave up in any game last year.

they Three times stopped the Colts after turnovers, the second time after Branch fumbled a punt and Asante Samuel was called for pass interference to put the ball at the 1. But Eugene Wilson knocked the ball loose from James and rookie Vince Wilfork recovered with 3 minutes, 43 seconds left, avoiding what looked like a sure touchdown.

Then Willie McGinest sacked Manning with the Colts at the Patriots 18, forcing Mike Vanderjagt to try a 48-yard field goal instead of a chip shot. Vanderjagt, who had made 42 in a row, kicked it wide right with 24 seconds left.

'It seems all of our defense finally stopped

games with them come down to a late play, but our defense made just enough plays to win," Patriots coach Bill Belichick said.

This game was a repeat of last season's AFC championship, a toughly played 24-14 New England win that spurred the NFL to tighten up on holding and bumping by defensive backs.

But the first flag on a defensive back didn't come until four minutes into the third quarter, when the Colts' David Thornton was called for holding one play before Brady hit Patten for a 25yard TD to give New England a 20-17 lead.

The Colts led 17-13 at halftime and it could have been more if not for another big play by the New England defense, Tedy Bruschi's interception of Manning's pass with the Colts at the New England 6 on their first possession.

That was eerily like last season's title game, when Rodney Harrison did that to Manning from the 1 on the first series.

The Patriots, who had only two running backs dressed, came out with four wide receivers and drove 48 yards in nine plays to set up a 32-yard field goal by Adam Vinatieri. All nine plays were passes from a nohuddle offense as Dillon sat out his first series as a Patriot.

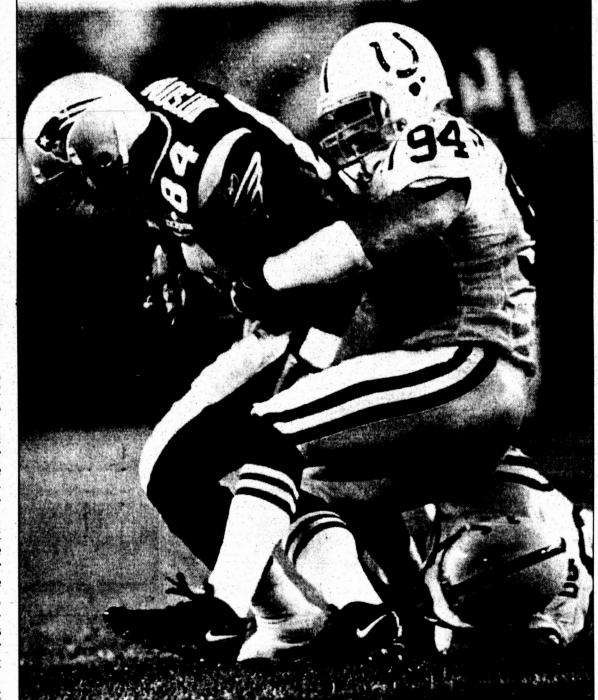
Vanderjagt's 32-yard field goal made it 3-3 1:20 into the second quarter.

The next Indy drive was a stunner - 66 yards in nine plays, all of them runs and most of them up the middle. The score came on a 3-yard run by Dominic Rhodes.

Back came the Patriots, scoring on Brady's 16yard pass to Branch. But Manning hit Dallas

Clark for 64 yards on the Colts' first play from scrimmage Manning's 3-yard TD pass to Marvin Harrison with 42 seconds left gave Indy a 17-10 lead. Vinatieri's 43-yard field goal on the final play of the half cut it to 17-13.

The New England



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The Colts' Rob Morris tackles New England's Benjamin Watson in the first quarter of their game in Foxboro, Massachusetts, Thursday. the Colts, who went three and out on the first possession of the second half.

n't reciprocate, Brady connecting with Patten to give them the lead. Brady's 8-yarder to Graham late in the period stretched it to 27-17.

The Colts' defense could-

Manning came back with an 8-yarder to Brandon Stokley to cut it to three points 3:55 into

the final period. Then Branch fumbled a punt, giving the Colts the ball at the New England 33. But Wilson came up with one big play, the forced fumble. When the Colts got the ball back again, Manning found Stokley for 45 yards, putting Indy within chiprange shot

Vanderjagt. But McGinest blitzed unblocked on Manning and Vanderjagt, perfect all of last season, missed this one. A 19 mph breeze didn't help for a kicker who plays half his games indoors.

"It seems that Willie always seems to be there when we need him,"

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30-10

By BEN WALKER

NEW YORK - Andy

came flying back even

It wasn't the howling

wind blowing his shots in

rocket launcher named

Johansson's days in rela-

tive tennis obscurity are

Thursday night and sent

the defending U.S. Open

6, 6-4 upset in the quarter-

figure on being here.

Johansson sure didn't

For a birthday present,

the Swede had already

given his dad a golf vaca-

tion this week in

"I was actually sup-

posed to be with him,"

change my plans.'

time since 1986.

sister.

joked.

Johansson said. "I have to

Next up, Johansson

takes on Lleyton Hewitt

in a semifinal round that

because of Andre

Agassi's loss to Roger

Federer on a blustery day

American for the first

Johansson's win also

means a change of seat-

ing. His longtime girl-

friend, Jaslyn, is Hewitt's

"She can pick the

boyfriend, but she can't

pick the brother, so she'll

go for me," Johansson

As it stands, Jaslyn

might wind up watching

from a neutral suite at

"I just want to see

where everyone is going

Hewitt downed Tommy

Haas 6-2, 6-2, 6-2, and the

Australian hopes to add

to the Open title he won

The top-seeded Federer

is two wins from becom-

ing the first man to win

three Grand Slam titles in

After beating Agassi 6-3,

2-6, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3, the Swiss

star takes on Britain's

Tim Henman, who defeat-

ed Dominik Hrbaty 6-1, 7-

a year since 1988.

to sit, in what box,'

Arthur Ashe Stadium.

Roddick said.

in 2001.

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Joachim Johansson.

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Playing in his first

ed only three of 15 break

points; Johansson was 3-

"Yeah, that's the stat."

Roddick said. "You don't

really need to analyze the

to him. The guy serves

out of a tree. He serves

Roddick didn't do badly,

either. During the middle

of the match, he won 29

straight points on his

serve. Roddick finished

Though he started the

year ranked 113th,

Johansson was familiar

with Roddick. Now both

22, they played doubles

together in the 2000

French Open junior

event, and lost in the

Earlier in the day, it

be the big winner.

Federer-Agassi

Because when

sail in silly fashion.

Federer said.

tough.

resumed after being sus-

pended by rain the previ-

ous night, gusts up to 39

mph were making the ball

"It was very difficult. It

was one of the worst con-

ditions I've played in,"

Serving was especially

"Such strong winds I

aces

34

Johansson's 30.

"Let's give some credit

match any further.'

Johansson went to five through

sets for the first time in umpire's

He slugged away with boys

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17-3

The women's semifinals right," Federer said. "I

are set for Friday - had to kind of toss it

Lindsay Davenport vs. behind me so it would

along with Jennifer that it would land in the

Capriati vs. Elena right spot. That's how

Kuznetsova come forward and hope

extreme it is.

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Roddick, firing serves at retrieve loose balls, and 141 mph, and ended the the attendants holding match by breaking him. umbrellas to shield Overall, Roddick convert- Agassi and Federer from sun auring changeovers often needed help to stand still.

> be some consideration into postponing matches. If chairs are starting to blow over, that's a problem." The match resumed with Agassi serving in the first set of the fourth set, and it was an adven-

"This is as bad as it

gets," Agassi said. "I

think anything more than

this, there would have to

players' shirts flapped wildly in the breeze. "Wind like this, everybody can stay home and flip coins," Agassi said.

ture at each end as both

In fact, almost every shot became a 50-50 proposition. One of Federer's lobs got caught in a gust and floated funnily into the sideline seats, and curved crazily.

of retiring soon.

"Before I make any appeared the wind would plans, I need to have everything settle down and make sure I'm making good decisions," he Henman-Haas matches said.

"If I'm out there forcing the best players in the world to play their best tennis, I'm going to keep going as long as I feel I have a realistic hope of putting together great matches and finding a way to win," he said. "My game plan is to play until I can't do it. I believe with that focus, I can still do couldn't even toss my ball that."

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Roger Federer, left, greets Andre Agassi at the net after he won their five set match, 6-3/2-6/7-5/3-6/6-4, at the 2004 U.S. Open in Flushing, Queens, New York, Thursday.

Astros take one in doubleheader

By ALAN ROBINSON

AP Sports Writer PITTSBURGH

Because Josh Fogg didn't resemble Oliver Perez, the Houston Astros again. look a team that's going to be hard to stop in September. Jeff Bagwell, Brad

Ausmus and Lance Berliman drove in two runs each and the Astros shook off Perez's dominance in the opener, beating Pittsburgh 9-2 Thursday night for their 13th victory in 14 games and a doubleheader split.

In the first game, Perez ended Houston's 12-game winning streak with the most dominating start of his short career, striking 14 in a 3-1 victory — the Astros' only loss since Aug. 26.

The Astros averaged nine plus runs during their franchise-record tying winning streak and quickly returned to form by scoring nine in the

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second game.

The Astros won their 16th in 18 games and 21st in 25 games and are tied with the Giants for the NL wild-card lead, despite trailing by seven games only three weeks ago.

"We needed the second game in a big way," Craig Biggio said.

Fogg (9-10) didn't offer nearly the challenge Perez did, giving Houston a gift run with a balk while allowing eight runs and eight hits in 6 2-3 innings.

"The win's important to us because we're in the pennant race," manager Phil Garner said. "The second thing is we want to keep driving, and to keep driving you want to keep winning.' You don't

want any letdowns." The Astros led 2-0 after doubles by Berkman, Jose Vizcaino and Ausmus in the second, then added two more in the third when Fogg halted his delivery with the bases

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loaded and was called for a run-scoring balk. Mike Lamb followed with an RBI grounder.

Fogg became confused with the signs while winding up and hesitated, then tried to cover up his mistake by rushing the ball to the plate.

"Everybody's yelling and you know you've just made a mistake," Fogg said. "My acting job wasn't very good."

Astros starter Tim Redding, back up from Triple-A New Orleans, was in line for his first victory since July 24 before being lifted with two outs and Houston up 5-2 in the fifth.

Mike Gallo (1-0) retired the only two batters he faced for his second career victory.

Daryle Ward hit a tworun homer, but the Pirates still lost their sixth in eight games and 22nd in 29 games.

Pittsburgh's Jose Mesa picked up a save, as well.

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"I expected to see a lot of him out of juniors. He even routine returns had that serve," Roddick said. "To kind of see him At 34, Agassi was left to FEN ponder his future. Earlier progress a little late is in the tournament, he surprising to me because I think that much of him said he had no intention as a player."

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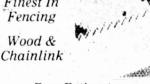
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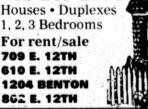
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review all of agreements, including loans, insurance policies

central heat/air, 1 acre, fruit & nut trees, 3 water wells, windmill, large barn. Out of city, low taxes, excellent condition, \$50,000. No Owner Finance. points -- they matter. ARIES (March 21-April 5215 STERLING RD. 3/2 Manufacturing home, 4 car garage, shop, greenhouse, beautifully landscaped, office or ex-

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yourself.

CANCER (June 22-July

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Self-discipline is impressive to others, yet you achieve it effortlessly. Love from the past can re-enter the picture. Because you care deeply about someone, you are

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and financial arrangements of all kinds. Ask questions to make sure you understand the fine

19). Your interests are wide, and therefore, you're learning about new things to want. Before vou decide to desire something, look at how happy someone else is who already has it. Tonight, someone asks for your

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The differences between men and women are featured. Instead of trying to understand those differences, you're better off just to deal accordingly or even celebrate diversity. Lucky location: the grocery store.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Loved ones simply aren't listening! Even if you're telling them exactly what they want to hear, they seem to mentally wander off. The only thing left is to direct your bright wisdom toward

22). When there's something missing, you're truly happy this leaves the space you need to strive. When you're reaching, you're at your best. Friends make lovely gestures. Take note so you can respond in kind

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're realizing how to hang together with the people in your environment. They're not so different from you. You'll be happy you cultivated a good relationship with your neighbors. (You did, right? If not, remedy this

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led down a path you

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You count. Tell others what they can do to help vou make an even bigger difference in your community. Social tools are important to your business. If you don't own a good suit, or a good handshake, get one now!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Worry is a useless endeavor. Do everything you can to stop yourself from turning your fear into this draining mental exercise. Look at how animals enjoy life. You can do the same if you try.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). If you approve of yourself, others follow suit. You are specific about what you want, and you get exactly that. Tonight, call people back, especially people who have probably been wondering what on Earth happened to you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Impulsiveness (uncharacteristic of you as it is) could cause you to do something hasty. The more drastic the change you are considering, the more important it is to think it through before making plans.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll be putting yourself out there. Understanding receptive people are will save you time and energy. There's no reason to try and convince someone who can't be convinced when others are open to your unique take.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Responsibilities are numerous, and each seems as important as the last. Turn down the phone, and close the door. Focused attention allows you to accomplish more in 40 minutes than you did yesterday in eight hours.

FORECAST: With Venus

WEEKEND

in Leo, loved ones want to know they are cherished in no uncertain terms. Show it with 100 flowers, shout it from the mountaintop, write it in the sky. If it's not bigger than life, the sentiment could likely be missed altogether. ARIES: If you're married, your newfound prominence makes your spouse fall for you all over again. Singles find honest and loyal love while traveling. TAURUS: relationships Love require real commitment to be attractive to you now. GEMINI: Regenerating bonds is your specialty now. CANCER: Loved ones need to know that they are adored for reasons other than the superficial. LEO: Critical vibes may disturb the flow of easygoing love. Withholding VIRGO: information from loved ones won't help anyone. LIBRA: Romance teaches spiritual lessons. SCOR-PIO: The consequence of a heartfelt action is far reaching. SAGITTARIUS: Continue showing love to that non-responsive person who needs it so much. CAPRICORN: Luxurious surroundings can't buy true love, but they sure help the mood. AQUARIUS: A blind date or matchmaking experience could bring new sizzle to your life. PISCES: Old loves get a second chance.

COUPLE OF WEEKEND: Gemini and Cancer can achieve greatness with one another's support. Both signs need plenty of stimulation and constant validation that their intimate feelings are returned. Affection flows easily between the two and often softens the blow of criticism. Ultimately, these two inspire one another to attain higher goals than they imagined were in their grasp.

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| 7 | | | George Lopez 8 Simple Rules | | The Complex: Malibu (CC) | Joan of Arcadia (CC) | Prisionera | Dateline NBC (CC) | | Update/Israel Rabbi Richman | | American Casino (CC) | Movie: Escape From New | | NASCAR Racing Busch | Movie | Movie: Toy Story 2 (CC) | Semifinal Teams TBA | | Movie: A Guy Thing (CC) |
| 8 | :PM :30 | Hope & Faith Less-Perfect | Hope & Faith Less-Perfect | Amarte es Mi Pecado | The Next Great Champ | JAG (CC) (DVS) | Gitanas | | Atlanta Braves | | | American Chopper | York " | CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn | Series Emerson 250 | | 45 Movie: | (CC) Baseball | | 45 Movie: |
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| 10 | :PM :30 | News (CC) Nightline | | Primer Impacto Noticiero Univ. | | 100000000000000000000000000000000000000 | Noticias Laura | News The Tonight | Slickers II: The Legend of | The Hour of Healing | Charlie Rose (CC) | American Casino (CC) | | CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn | Weapon 2 (CC) | Nightly News Music Special | Boy World | | Oregon State at Boise State | |
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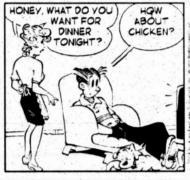


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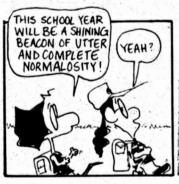
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Sept. 10, the 254th day of 2004. There are 112 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 10, 1813, an American naval force commanded by Oliver H. Perry defeated the British in the Battle of Lake Erie in the War of 1812.

On this date: In 1608, John Smith was

elected president of the Jamestown colony council in Virginia.

In 1846, Elias Howe received a patent for his sewing machine.

In 1919, New York City welcomed home Gen. John J. Pershing and 25,000 soldiers who'd served in the U.S. First Division during World War I.

In 1939, Canada declared war on Nazi Germany. In 1945, Vidkun Quisling

was sentenced to death in Norway for collaborating with the Nazis.

In 1948, American-born Mildred Gillars, accused of being Nazi wartime radio broadcaster Axis Sally, was indicted in Washington, D.C., for treason. (She was later convicted, and served 12 years in prison.)

In 1955, "Gunsmoke" premiered on CBS.

In 1963, 20 black students entered Alabama public schools following a standoff between federal authorities and Gov. George C. Wallace. In 1977, convicted murder-

er Hamida Djandoubi, a Tunisian immigrant. became the last person to date to be executed by the guillotine in France.

In 1979, four Puerto Rican nationalists imprisoned for a 1954 attack on the U.S. House of Representatives and a 1950 attempt on the life of President Truman were granted elemency by President Carter.

Today's Birthdays: Movie director Robert Wise is 90. Golfer Arnold Palmer is 75. Country singer Tommy Overstreet is 67. Actor Greg Mullavey is 65. Jazz vibraphonist Roy Ayers is 64. Singer Danny Hutton (Three Dog Night) is 62. Singer Jose Feliciano is 59. Actor Tom Ligon is 59. Actress Judy Geeson is 56. Rock musician Joe Perry (Aerosmith) is 54. Actress Amy Irving is 51. Country singer Rosie Flores is 48. Actress Kate Burton is 47. Movie director Chris Columbus is 46. Actor Colin Firth is 44. Rock singermusician David Lowery (Cracker) is 44. Rock musician Robin Goodridge (Bush) is 38. Rapper Big Daddy Kane is 36.



Newsday Crossword

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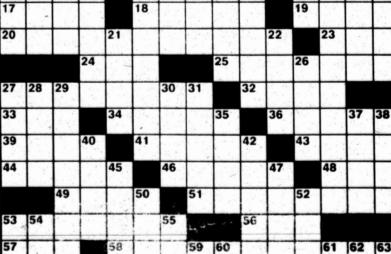
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Courses face

West Palm Beach, Fla.

Jack Nicklaus and Tom

ove over, Donald Ross,

Fazio. There's been a

redesign on many of your South

Florida courses, courtesy of

Whether it was the storm

surge that transformed Palm

Beach Par 3 into a huge lake

with 18 mounds barely visible

(they're the greens), or the 200

Pines Golf Club in Hobe Sound

the doglegs, Florida golfers will

that have taken the bite out of

Whenever it is they get to

that shape the doglegs," said

Rick Whitfield, Loblolly's direc-

tor of golf. "And we've got four

fairways that are covered with

waste areas. It's like we've

moved 20,000 cubic yards of

Nobody else has, either.

seen anything like it."

orange sand that blew out of the

dirt. It's unbelievable. I've never

The first hurricane to strike

this area in Eastern Florida in

about 75 years will leave a last-

ing mark on the self-proclaimed

Golf Capital of the World. While

it's impossible to estimate the

areas in Martin, St. Lucie and

difficulty even reaching their

courses, or being reached by

phone — the destruction is

dollars.

Indian River counties have had

expected to be in the millions of

This much seems obvious:

Golf courses closest to the coast-

line, or north of where the eye

made landfall or that have tree-

lined fairways aren't going to be

open for play any time soon.

The most aptly named course

these days is Lost Tree Club in

North Palm Beach, which sus-

course with the word "Tree" in

its name likely didn't fare well.)

Mickelson

signs with Callaway

Callaway Golf has pulled off

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'We've lost a lot of key trees

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By CRAIG DOLCH

Cox News Service

Hurricane Frances.

Golf Insider

IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR GAME

Long bunker shot most misunderstood in golf

By T.J. TOMASI Universal Press Syndicate

t is often said that the long bunker shot is "the toughest shot in golf," but it would be more accurate to call it the "the most misunderstood shot in golf."

Most golfers faced with a long bunker shot do exactly what they shouldn't do. They swing harder than they normally would for the distance at hand, they change how much sand they take behind the ball (hitting nearer the ball), and they try to carry the ball all the way to the hole. These mistakes lead to inconsistent results at best and complete flubs at worst.

Instead, your goal should be to: (1) Take the same amount of sand, (2) swing with a smooth tempo, and (3) run the ball to the hole. The adjustments you should make are demonstrated by the golfer in the photos below. His goal is to hit a 50-yard sand shot that lands on the front of the green and runs to the hole

In photo 1, he plays the ball in the middle of his stance (not off the left heel as you would for the garden-variety bunker shot). This ensures that he'll dig deeper into the sand than he would on a short bunker shot, and prevents the backspin that ruins this running shot.

Aside from these changes, you can see that all the other "normal" backswing elements for a bunker shot are intact. He has started and maintained his weight on his front foot, and, imagining that he is standing inside a clock with 12 o'clock above his head and 6 o'clock between his feet, his hands have gone back to a 10:30 position at the top of the backswing. He has not lengthened his backswing or added coil to his backswing to "hit the ball harder."

In photo 2, a second adjustment is apparent. On a normal green-side bunker shot, you want to keep your forearms from rolling over so you can slide the club head under the ball. But with the ball played back, you want to release your forearms (right over left), as demonstrated here. This minimizes the backspin imparted on the ball and allows it to run more than normal.

Again, you should not try to hit the sand nearer to the ball than normal for a long bunker shot. Stick with the same amount of sand you normally take and do not add more "effort" than normal with the hands and arms.

A third adjustment is not so apparent in the photos. My student is using a 9-iron for this shot because its reduced bounce (the distance that the bottom of the sole extends below the leading edge of the club face) matches the two adjustments mentioned above. This makes it easier to cut through the sand "deeper" than normal and to hit the lower, minimum-spin shot that is most effective for long bunker play.





Releasing your forearms right over left minimizes the backspin imparted on the ball and allows it to run more.



Photos by CURTIS COMPTON / Cox News Service

Vijay Singh won the Deutsche Bank to take over the No. 1 spot in the world rankings.

New man on top

Singh outduels Tiger to claim No. 1 world ranking

By GLENN SHEELEY Cox News Service

or it to happen on Labor Day became a perfectly fitting reward for Vijay Singh, golf's most noted laborer.

The man from Fiji who closes practice ranges for a living opened a new door in world golf earlier this week. Singh, 41, won a dramatic head-tohead battle with Tiger Woods, 28, at the TPC of Boston to claim the Deutsche Bank Championship and the world's No. 1 ranking.

Cemented at No. 1 for a record 334 weeks - 264 weeks consecutively -Woods was replaced by the man who clearly has played the best golf in the world for much of the past two years.

The victory was the sixth of the year and 10th in the past 20 months for Singh, the Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., resident who padded his PGA Tour money list lead with another \$900,0000 to nearly \$8 million.

Singh, who won the PGA Championship last month, also has all but officially secured the PGA Tour player of the year award, which Woods has won the past five years,

"It feels great," said Singh, who raised his right arm in triumph before a crowd that clearly favored Woods. "My focus . . . was winning the golf tournament, and I really didn't get out of focus.'

When Woods was dominating golf's majors in 2000-2002, it seemed he would hold the No. 1 ranking forever. On April 23, 2001, after winning his second Masters, Woods held a lead of 18.78 average points over Phil Mickelson. It's been whittled away over the past two years with Woods winless in the majors and without a stroke-play victory this year.

Singh came to the Deutsche Bank, which benefits the Tiger Woods Foundation, 18 hundredths of a point behind Woods

Woods, who jammed his wrist swinging against a rock on the second hole, matched Singh's closing 69, even tying him at 13-under par with five holes to play. But the smoothswinging Singh, who is famous for his long hours on the practice range,

PGA TOUR

Canadian Open

· Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.

Purse: \$4.5 million. Winner's

· Television: ESPN (Thursday-

Friday, Sunday, 3-6 p.m.; Saturday,

· Course: Glen Abbey Golf Club

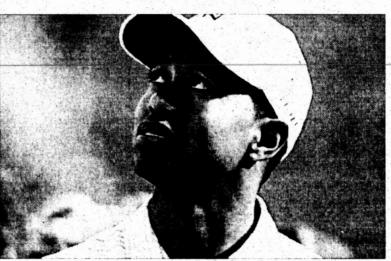
· Site: Oakville, Ontario.

(7,222 yards, par 71).

share: \$810,000

4-6 p.m.).

SCHEDULE



Tiger Woods holds the record for most weeks at No. 1

VIEW FROM ABOVE

Players who have been No. 1 in the World Golf Rankings and the length of their reigns, not necessarily consecutively.

| Player, country | Duration | Last held | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| Tiger Woods, U.S. | 334 weeks | Sept. 2004 | | | |
| Greg Norman, Australia | 331 weeks | April 1998 | | | |
| Nick Faldo, England | 97 weeks | Jan. 1994 | | | |
| Seve Ballesteros, Spain | 60 weeks | Aug. 1989 | | | |
| Ian Woosnam, Wales | 50 weeks | March 1992 | | | |
| Nick Price, Zimbabwe | 43 weeks | Nov. 1995 | | | |
| Fred Couples, U.S. | 16 weeks | Dec. 1992 | | | |
| David Duval, U.S. | 15 weeks | Aug. 1999 | | | |
| Ernie Els, South Africa | 9 weeks | July 1998 | | | |
| Bernhard Langer, Germany | 3 weeks | April 1986 | | | |
| Tom Lehman, U.S. | 1 week | April 1997 | | | |
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remained calm and birdied three of the last four holes.

Wearing a contented smile as he acknowledged applause walking to the 18th green, Singh won by three shots at 16-under-par 268, winning for the eighth consecutive time when taking a lead into the final round.

After officially losing the No. 1 ranking after more than five years, Woods, who tied for second with defending champion Adam Scott, said with a smile, "That's not too bad, is

LPGA TOUR

Site: Broken Arrow, Okla.

· Schedule: Friday-Sunday.

(6,545 yards, par 71).

1-2:30 a.m., 4:30-7 p.m.).

John Q. Hammons Hotel Classic

· Course: Cedar Ridge Country Club

· Purse: \$1 million. Winner's share:

(Friday, 4:30-7 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday,

· Television: The Golf Channel

it? I've had a good run."

The last man to be No. 1 before Woods, David Duval, took a big step toward climbing out of his two-year nightmare Monday by posting a tie for 13th, finishing with a 67 for a score of 5-under 279. Duval entered the tournament ranked 631st in the world.

"I built up a lot of confidence — I'm real excited," Duval said, nearly tearing up during an ABC-TV inter-

· Site: Maineville, Ohio.

yards, par 72).

\$225,000.

p.m.).

· Schedule: Friday-Sunday.

CHAMPIONS TOUR

· Course: TPC at River's Bend (7,145

· Purse: \$1.5 million. Winner's share:

All times Eastern

· Television: The Golf Channel

(Friday-Sunday, 1:30-4 p.m., 9-11:30

Open, Mickelson, 34, who parted last week with Titleist, will play Callaway metal woods, including a prototype of the Fusion Driver, and a prototype of the HX Tour ball.

Mickelson, the world's No. 4ranked player, will wear the Callaway logo on his shirt and visor and later work with club designer Roger Cleveland to develop his own line of irons, wedges and putter.

Mickelson reportedly ended his four-year relationship with Titleist after being denied a renegotiation in the final year of his contract. Financial terms of the Callaway contract were not disclosed.

-Glenn Sheeley

DRILLS FOR SKILLS

Perfect pitch

The most common problem I see when a golfer hits a 15-yard pitch shot to a green is the lack of synchronization between the upper and lower body. You must use your hips to move the club head just as you do for a long shot, but most golfers use only their upper body.

To give my students the proper feel, I often have them toss me a soccer-sized ball. Here's how

Pick up the ball with both your hands underneath the ball so that your elbows are no more than 6 inches apart and touching your stomach. Then assume the stance you use to hit a pitch shot (bent from the hips, feet close together and knees slightly flexed).

Swing back, keeping the ball in front of your upper body (turn only about 25 degrees as you would on the

backswing of a pitch shot). Once you reach the top of your swing, turn back toward an imaginary target, using the core muscles of your stomach and hips to throw the ball, Your upper body merely goes along for the

Do this exercise 10 times, feeling the syn chronization between your upper and lower body. The body turn supplies the power for the swing, so there need be no hand or arm force to toss the ball down your target line. After you let the ball go, fold up your arms and finish with your hands over your lead shoulder. This synchronization is the key to good

Check with your doctor before you try this, and if you feel the slightest twinge, stop immediately.

-T.J. Tomasi

ASK THE PRO



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

Q: I've got a very strange problem. After I address the ball I have a difficult time taking the club back. If I'm hitting balls in the net, there is no hesitation at all. Hitting a dandelion, no hesitation. But put a "live" ball in front of me and I freeze up.

It's not quite like Sergio used to be because he would regrip constantly. I don't do that. I guess it's psychological, but it's very exasperating not only for me but for my playing partners. Have you ever dealt with this problem before? What can I do about all of this anxiety building up? Golf isn't real fun right now. - Bill W., from the

A: I have seen this overall problem, but each case is different. Here are three things to try, but give each one a week to see if it works:

1. Start the swing from the end of the takeaway instead of placing the club head behind the ball Close your eyes at address.

then start the club away and open them half-way back during your swing.

3. Read my book "The 30-Second Golf Swing" — the mental side is what it's all about. Keep me posted.

PS: Your problem is simply a piece of learning — i.e., you have taught yourself to do this and you can teach yourself not to.