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'Tartuffe' on stage this weekend at Howard College

'Tartuffe,' a French comedy, continues at 8 p.m. today in Room 105 of the Practical Arts Building on the Howard College campus. Tickets are \$4 at the door.

Performances will continue at 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Monday and at 2 p.m. Sunday.

Victim Services seeks donations of old cell phones

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and Victim Services is in need of old cell phones.

The cell phones can be reconditioned and programmed for use by victims to call for help in emergency situations.

To donate old cell phones, batteries and chargers for Victim Services, drop them at the following locations: the Big Spring Herald, KBST, the Big Spring Police Department, Howard County Sheriff's Office, Wes-Tex Communications, Professional Pharmacy and The Medicine Shoppe.

For more information, call Victim Services at 263-3312.

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Second of District 19 debates calmer

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

ABILENE — Congressmen Charles Stenholm and Randy Neugebauer seemed to finish the second and final round of political debates on even ground Thursday evening, addressing such hot-button topics as unfunded school mandates and disaster relief for farmers and ranchers in the 19th Congressional District.

District 17 Congressman

Stenholm, D-Abilene; Libertarian candidate Dr. Richard Peterson; and incumbent 19th District Congressman Neugebauer, R-Lubbock, opened the debate, held at McMurry University in Abilene, much the same they did in Lubbock.

Neugebauer made it clear from the beginning he was waging a war of identities. He started out the evening by shoestringing his campaign to fellow Republican President George Bush, while sharply pointing out Stenholm's

political ties to Democratic Presidential candidate John Kerry.

'If you believe that our senior citizens should continue to pay more taxes on their Social Security benefits, you're going to vote for John Kerry and Charles Stenholm,' Neugebauer told the audience, offering the same opening statement he used during the first debate between the three candidates, which was held Tuesday at Texas Tech University.

'If you believe our small businesses need to pay more taxes and have more regulation and litigation, you need to vote for John Kerry and Charlie Stenholm. If you want to vote for candidates that get failing grades with the National Taxpayers Union, you need to vote for Charlie Stenholm and John Kerry.'

During opening remarks Stenholm talked about the feder-

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Jackson Watkins, Austin Sharp and Patrick Flores, members of the Cavaliers, an organization for sixth grade boys from Gollad Elementary, lead the Pledge of Allegiance during the Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees meeting Thursday.

BSISD trustees OK drug testing, approve change in overtime pay

By KENDRA WISS Staff Writer

The audience packed the room and spilled out into the foyer during Thursday's meeting of the Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees meeting, but not for the reason many might expect.

While there were some parents and teachers interested in the school's drug testing policy on hand, most in attendance were janitorial and maintenance staff, eager to hear the trustees discuss their new salary situation.

Trustees offered the public a chance to voice their opinions about the drug testing policy but only one parent asked for an explanation of the policy.

The board approved random student drug testing for the 306 junior high students and 585 high school students participating in competitive extracurricular activities. Of those students, 10 percent of junior high and 10

percent of high school students will be randomly tested beginning in January and the procedure will be repeated every six weeks.

Testing will also be available for students who do not participate in extracurricular activities whose parents desire their child be drug tested through the district's voluntary program.

Under the drug testing policy, if a student receives a positive result on his or her drug test, the same sample will immediately be re-tested for lab accuracy. If there is another positive result, a meeting will be arranged for the student, parents and school principal. The student will have 72 hours to appeal the test result. Following the meeting, the student will then have eight days to complete a mandatory drug awareness program, during which time, he or she will not be allowed to participate in any contest performance, demonstration or competition.

The student may continue to practice, however.

After a second offense, a student will be suspended from participating in all performances, demonstrations, competitions or contests in all activities for one full calendar year, but may continue to practice. If all drug tests during the year have been negative, the student may resume activities the next year.

Following a third offense, the student will be permanently removed from all extracurricular activities. Seventh- and eighth-grade students incurring a third offense and removed from all extracurricular activities in junior high will be allowed to participate upon entering high school. These students will be tested at each random testing period for one year upon enrollment at the high school campus.

Students who are absent when

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Crossroads Housing developing impressive resume

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

With five years under its belt, the Crossroads Housing Development Corp. has developed quite an impressive resume.

That was the message delivered to Howard County Commissioners this week, as Crossroads Executive Director Paul Pryor gave the court an update on what the housing corporation has been up to since its creation half a decade ago.

'We've completed and sold six of the Fresh Start homes during that time,' said Pryor. 'We currently have two that are under construction and we're under contract to do two more. We're partnering with the building

'We feel like we've been very successful and have tried to add to the community.'

Paul Pryor, Crossroads executive director



trades department at the Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf (SWCID) and those kids are doing a fantastic job. In fact, the appraisers that have looked at those units have commented on what a good job they are doing.

'Any assistance we can get from the commissioners court to get more houses to work

on is greatly appreciated. We're still under contract to fill 10 Fresh Start houses with people on a fixed income.'

Pryor said another major accomplishment has been the construction of a neighborhood training center at the Crossroads office, located at 201 NE Seventh Street.

'The neighborhood training center is up and running,' said Pryor. 'We can accommodate roughly 25 people per station, and we've talked to the justices of the peace and the county judge and hopefully they are going to be funneling some clients to us, especially under the financial counseling component of the center.'

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Deficit

Democrats blame Bush for record \$413 billion federal shortfall in 2004

By ALAN FRAM

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Democrats are blaming President Bush for the record 2004 federal deficit of \$413 billion, but Republicans say the figure shows that the economic and budget pictures are brightening.

The Treasury Department announced the figure Thursday, two weeks after the government's 2004 budget year ended and just 19 days from an Election Day.

The number easily surpassed the previous record in dollar terms, the revised \$377 billion shortfall of 2003. It was the highest deficit since World War II when inflation is factored out.

Republicans emphasized that the figure was an improvement from earlier deficit projections. At the beginning of this year, the White House projected a \$521 billion shortfall for 2004 and the Congressional Budget Office forecast a gap of \$477 billion, though both lowered their forecasts as the year progressed.

'While the deficit is unwelcome, if we stick with the president's plan of economic growth and spending discipline, we will continue to see improvement and we will cut the deficit by more than half in five years,' said White House budget director Joshua Bolten.

Citing data pointing to economic improvements, Treasury Secretary John Snow said, 'All of this shows that the president's tax relief initiatives are having the intended effects.'

Democrats said those arguments ignored the budget's dramatic four-year decline. Bush took office after a four-year string of federal surpluses, and the 2004 surplus of \$387 billion that he forecast upon taking office became a \$413 billion deficit.

'President Bush has never been straightforward that the deterioration in our deficit is not short term, but a dramatic long-term deterioration,' said Gene Sperling, an economic adviser to Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry.

'The American people deserve ... a president who doesn't try to mislead them about the true fiscal condition of the country, and they deserve a president who will put this country back on a course of fiscal responsibility.'

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al deficit, which according to the 26-year veteran of Congress reached a scary milestone this week.

"When we talk about the future, it begins today with the announcement that the United States of America has reached our credit card limit," said Stenholm. "At \$7.38 trillion. That's the direction of our country and it must change, and we want to be part of the constructive part of that change."

While Neugebauer and Stenholm seemed content to take shots at each other, Libertarian candidate Peterson focused more on the direction of his party and civil liberties.

"The Libertarian party draws its inspiration from the U.S. Constitution and from the writings of the founding fathers of the United States," said Peterson. "I'm running so there will be more influence from the people on the government."

"One of the things that is particularly flawed is the misnamed Patriot Act. It's actually taking away a lot of our constitutional liberties and I want

to bring that to everyone's attention."

One of the more heated issues of the debate was cuts made to the conservation portion of the 2002 Farm Bill to provide disaster relief to producers.

"Quite a bit has been said about disaster relief," said John Moseley, editor of the *Big Spring Herald* and panelist for the debate. "I'm wondering why was it necessary to reopen the 2002 Farm Bill to accomplish getting that money to farmers and ranchers, rather than having it included in emergency funding for this fiscal year?"

Neugebauer said the cuts were necessary to make the disaster plan happen, but disagreed that the 2002 Farm Bill was reopened in the process.

"The disaster relief bill that was signed by the president today is going to bring much needed relief for farmers and ranchers that have suffered tremendous crop losses in the 2003-2004 period," said Neugebauer. "We don't really have a good crop insurance program for our farmers and ranchers, and for years they've had to depend on an ad hoc disaster program in years where they had disastrous weather

conditions because their crop insurance wasn't adequate to cover the losses."

"What we learned very quickly was that the disaster relief program wasn't going to pass in this Congress without some offset. So we went into a program that was previously offset, which was a CSP (Conservation Security Program) which would reduce the spending gap, which results without opening the farm bill."

Stenholm blamed Neugebauer's "lack of experience" in Congress for the reopening of the bill.

"To answer your question, it was not necessary to reopen the farm bill. Randy, your lack of experience with understanding the budget process continues to amaze me, because what we ended up doing is not what the president asked," said Stenholm. "He asked that we provide disaster assistance for people not offset, but we ended up reopening the farm bill and cutting \$3 billion out of the baseline, a line that we're going to need next year."

"We had the agreement. When you have a bill that passes the Senate unanimously, that means both of our Texas Senators have voted for it. And

when you have a bill introduced that has 16 Republicans on it and all Democrats supporting it, we have the votes to tell Tom DeLay we're not going to pass this without offsets, and all of a sudden it changed."

The debate heated up considerably, as Neugebauer used the opening seconds of his next question, which did not concern the Farm Bill, to rebut Stenholm's accusations.

"Congressman Stenholm, it is my experience that got that disaster program passed," said Neugebauer. "And it was also the conclusion of both of the Chairmen that did not open up the farm bill. And I keep wondering, while you keep criticizing these bills, such as with the farm bill, but you keep voting for them. I think you need to be consistent here."

Another hot topic during Thursday night's debate was the "No Child Left Behind" bill, which was devised by President Bush to maintain higher educational standards. Peterson said he doesn't believe the federal government should be responsible for funding public education.

"I look at the Constitution and I don't see where the federal gov-

ernment should be responsible for state funding," said Peterson. "The best part of the whole No Child Left Behind bill is standardized testing, so people can evaluate how well their students are doing. I think it should be up to the states as far as the funding goes."

"The government really shouldn't be providing a lot of funding. It only provides about 16 percent of the educational funding right now. I think it would be beneficial for the government to provide educational tests, but I don't think the funding should be provided at the federal level. They should just provide the evaluation materials."

Neugebauer admitted the program does have some flaws, the biggest of which is the inability to disperse funds that have been stockpiling within the program.

"Yes, No Child Left Behind has some issues," said Neugebauer. "One of the problems is that we're not able to get the money out. We've built up unspent \$2 billion to \$3 billion of money that hasn't been distributed because it hasn't been requested. What I want to focus on is that we keep education decisions at the local level. And I will continue to work on that

because I believe that the best decisions made for our school kids are from the people that live in the Big Country and West Texas."

Stenholm took a less optimistic approach to the president's program, citing the growing unrest in Texas as a sign of the program's ineffectiveness.

"I supported the No Child Left Behind bill and I thought it was a great idea," said Stenholm. "But I have yet to find any school board member, superintendent or teacher that now believes that it was a good idea. Because when we have federal mandates, which is what this became, the federal government telling our schools what to do and not providing the capital, particularly in Texas."

"Now we're talking about lawsuits, suing the state of Texas to provide public education. And then we add on to that another mandate and we don't send the money with it. It has created massive problems for our teachers, and ultimately it becomes a problem for the students, which is what it's all about."

The candidates will get a final report card on the performances on Election Day, Nov. 2. Early voting is set to begin on Oct. 18.

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randomly chosen will be required to give a sample when they return to school.

In addition, any student may be required by the principal or designee to take a drug or alcohol test when there is a reasonable suspicion that the student is under the influence of illegal drugs or alcohol at school or a school-sponsored event, on or off campus. Reasonable suspicion will be based on specific personal observations concerning the student's appearance, speech or behavior indicating the effects of drug or alcohol use.

Changes to maintenance and custodial employees date back to Sept. 1.

Prior to that date, auxiliary workers were paid overtime based on an

eight-hour day, rather than a 40-hour week. A regular work week for auxiliary workers is 44 hours. This amounts to one hour at the overtime rate for 9 hours of work. Beginning Sept. 1, in order to comply with Department of Labor guidelines, auxiliary employees began to receive overtime pay for all hours over 40 in a week. The auxiliary workers received a 5.1 percent raise, but board members discussed how holiday pay would be affected by the overtime policy. The board agreed to keep the policy in place and research options for approval at the next board meeting.

More paycheck changes will result from a ruling by Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott. Teacher Retirement System supplemental funds amount to \$500 for full time employees and

\$250 for part time employees. In September the funds were placed in a health reimbursement account so that employees could use the funds for office visits or prescription costs. However, to use this system, \$2.50 a month would be charged to each employee.

On Sept. 16 Abbott issued an opinion concluding that the supplement should not cost employees money to use. Therefore, the TRS funds will be issued to employees on a monthly basis, added to gross pay. This will amount to \$83.33 monthly for full time and \$41.66 for part time employees.

To begin the meeting, the board heard from Special Education Director Bobby Waldrop, who thanked the board for supporting students participating in the Special Olympics. The program boasts 100 per-

cent participation in each of the schools. Waldrop invited supporters to the regional Special Olympics bowling event on Nov. 20 in Midland.

Next the board also discussed the Runnels Junior High property. The district had an "option to buy" agreement with the city of Big Spring for the property which had been assigned to the Crossroads Housing Corporation.

Paul Pryor, director of Crossroads Housing, had wanted to use the buildings as transitional housing for veterans leaving the VA Hospital. But just after the agreement was finalized, the future of the VAMC became uncertain. As a result, the project could not be accomplished.

Once the VAMC's fate is finally determined, Pryor said he would like to take up the project again. Trustees also learned

the district has received more than \$80,000 in Accelerated Reading Instruction (ARI) and Accelerated Math Instruction (AMI) funding — money given to districts for early reading intervention on the basis of the number of students who do not pass the reading portion of the third grade Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS).

There are 22 teachers participating in the program which runs from Sept. 13 to April 21.

A textbook committee was also approved by the board. It will include Superintendent Michael Downes; Assistant Superintendent Rey Villarreal; Richard Light, director of curriculum; Sheila Abusaab and Debbie Mullins, languages other than English; Randy Britton and Linsey Hathorn, health; David Barbee,

Debbie Churchwell and Cindy New, physical education; and Debby Averitt, Rocky Harris, Andrea Husky, Linda Lindell, Tracie Lindsey, Julie Shirey, Judy Tereletsky and Lisa Zap, fine arts. Ex officio members will include Ben Neel, textbook coordinator, and Corey Wood, technology.

The committee will hold a textbook hearing Jan. 11-12 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

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"We're also partnering with Howard College and they are doing some computer classes and English as a second language (ESL) classes there. As it develops in the future, I think it will be a real asset to the community."

While the Fresh Start Program has helped rehabilitate several homes in the Big Spring area, Pryor said it's the ability to put proud new homeowners in them that shows the success of the program.

"The down payment assistance program has helped six families so far, and those are the six houses that we've sold under Fresh Start," said Pryor. "We've been able to assist them with a \$10,000 down payment and closing cost contribution, which is a forgivable loan. Each house we sold under that program, we gave the buyer the same forgivable grant to help them get into the property."

"We feel like we've been very successful and have tried to add to the community."

Pryor said the corporation's success can also be measured in dollars, having brought more than \$500,000 in grant money to Big Spring.

Commissioners Jerry Kilgore and Gary Simer agreed the program has shown tremendous results for everyone in Howard County.

"It's a very good program," said Kilgore. "It's one of those things that you have to look at the numbers. They are putting people to work, putting delinquent tax property back into circulation and making affordable housing for the people that really need it. It's a very good program and

I fully support it." "I think it's a good plan and it seems to be working," said Simer. "It seems to be helping a lot of people and I'm glad to see that."

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A Pastor's Message

The people around us are some of the most important and valuable treasures God gives us. Family members and friends are part of the foundation of our lives.

When we are challenged, down, troubled and threatened, or excited, succeeding and joyful, these are the people to whom we turn.

Yet relationships are failing at an alarming rate. Friendships, families and marriages are sinking like the Titanic — leaving havoc in their wake. When all is finished, the damage done, the silence and loneliness is cold and numbing. It's downright eerie. Things ought not be so.

Of course, everything in the world tends toward disorder. My intelligent friends say it's a simple fact of the laws of thermodynamics.

And, set Darwin aside — we're not doing things better. We're not advancing the human race. We're not evolving to a higher level. We're declining in our capacity to love one another.

Recently, I heard a revivalist speak on hypocrisy. It refers to the practice of behaving in one way and believing in another. It's a lapse of simple integrity.

He likened it to the wearing of a heavy rubber mask. We're nearing halloween and those kind of masks are everywhere.

When we put them on, we appear different than reality. It's a hoax. Those masks are so uncomfortable. They never fit, and they're hot. When we put one on, all we want to do is take them off.

It appears that the love in our families is similarly hypocritical. Families are spending less and less time together.

It may be because we can't stand to keep wearing the mask of love. We speak and act among the family like

we're the perfect picture of harmony. Then we leave as fast as we can because all we want to do is get the mask off.

What causes this? My experiences in helping families keeps leading me back to three love-building elements: communication, assumption and defense. Communication allows our hearts to connect. Few families and marriages achieve that level of communication.

Our consumption of media is one of the culprits of our inability. Media introduces us to one way of communication; we miss or lose the other half. Media consumption is geared to please us.

Communication that counts will put itself on the line to build a stronger relationship. Media experiences teach us that we can experience pleasure alone.

That's a terrible distortion of God's creation. God created Eve because Adam found no one compatible with himself. He had no companion.

Communication connects us with the other people with whom we share the journey of life. Good communication is essential to great relationships. Any teenager with a telephone will confirm this.

Assumption is one of the arch-enemies of good communication. Few people say what's really on their heart with the first words out of their mouth.

I describe a person's thoughts as a stack. When we speak, the thoughts on the top of the stack come out first. Now, if what's on top isn't what I really want to say, I'll have to say other things first until the thought I want comes to the top of the stack.

Assumption tells us that the first thing we hear is the most important thing on someone's mind. That's a

lie; don't believe it. I teach couples and families to pursue understanding. Find out what someone is really trying to say! Stay with them until they work down the stack to the really core stuff.

Ask questions like, "Are you saying that..." Or, "So, you're telling me that..."

These kind of questions help us to check and see if we're down to the right place in the stack.

Defense is being more interested in yourself than others when you communicate. People say all kinds of things when they are trying to explain themselves.

They use inaccuracies, distortions, expansions, minimizations and other twisting techniques to help you "understand."

Those who practice good communication skills will let these process errors pass by. They are pursuing understanding, not perfection or accuracy.

They can be maligned and not strike back. They want to discover your heart, not verify the facts of today's news.

My favorite example is a wife who welcomes her husband home with the statement, "You're always late." A defensive fight might ensue. But, a wise man doesn't defend himself.

He hunts for the heart of his wife in the forest of confusion. A man can understand a woman, but not if he must defend himself. Most of us aren't worth the verbal defense we set up. Neither is the pain such a defense causes.

Families that communicate well, assume little and defend less connect considerably. They develop a bond that carries them through difficult times.

These three things suit any home well. Try them in yours.

The Rev. Kevin Parker is pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church.



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Club News

Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association

The Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday in the Cactus Room at Howard College. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.

Lt. Terry Chamness from the Big Spring Police Department will speak on homeland security.

All retired school personnel are invited to attend this meeting.

TOPS TX 21

Take Off Pounds Sensibly TX 21 met Monday 5:30 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehab Center with leader Donna Menges calling the

meeting to order. Olnee Menges voiced the opening prayer. The TOPS and Keep Off Pounds Sensibly pledges were recited and the members joined in singing the fellowship song.

Four readings were presented. Carol Smith read, "the Courage to Change," Martha Christy read, "Out of the Mouths of Babes," Donna Menges read, "A Heart Much Like My Own," and Huggetta Roberts read, "Realize."

Glad Russell, secretary, read the minutes of last week's meeting and Genay Bertran called the roll with member answering with their loss of gain for the week.

Twelve TOPS and four KOPS answered roll call. Of the TOPS, Aimee

Wallace was the best loser and Gladys Russell was the KOPS best loser. Each one received the weekly best loser award.

Olnee Menges presented the program, "In Opposition to Evil." There were four points stressed the program. 1. Begin with yourself; 2. A better tomorrow begins with better teaching today; 3. Public sentiment begins with a few earnest voices; and 4. Strength to do better begins with strength from God.

TOPS is an international, non-profit organization and is a weight loss support group. If anyone is interested in learning more about TOPS, call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.

Girl Scouts collecting stuffed toys to donate to emergency room

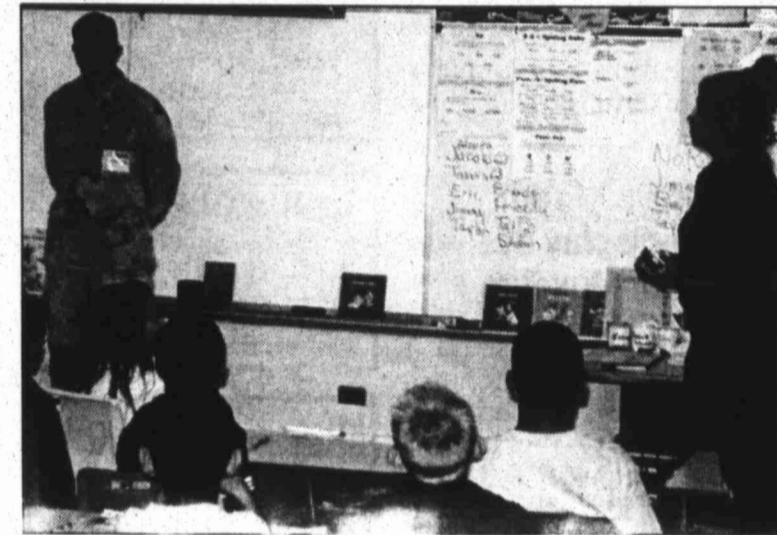
The Big Spring-West Texas Girl Scout Council Senior Troop 226 are collecting stuffed animals for Scenic Mountain Medical Center's emergency room.

The toys are given to young children during an emergency room visit.

The stuffed animals must be in good condition and should be small to medium sized.

Troop 226 is working toward their Girl Scout Silver and Gold awards through community service projects.

A collection box for the stuffed toys will be at Seams-So-Nice in the Big Spring Mall. Or call Laurie Peterson at 432-267-9773.



Robert Cisneros Army active duty visited with second graders at Moss Elementary.

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Church News

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San Angelo is holding a special one-day seminar updating all on the sexual abuse crisis that has been affecting the Catholic from 9:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. Oct. 22 at Christ the King Retreat Center in San Angelo, located at 802 Ford Street.

The featured speaker for this seminar is Dr. Kathleen McChesney, executive director of the U.S. Bishops' Office for Child and Youth Protection in Washington, D.C.

Dr. McChesney had a 30-year FBI career before she became director of the U.S. Bishops' National Office for Child and Youth Protection.

She held the highest position of any woman with the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

A presentation will also be given by Bishop Michael D. Pfeifer, OMI, of the Catholic Diocese of San Angelo.

And Dr. Sylvia Soto, who is the co-chairman of the review board for the Diocese of San Angelo, will speak.

This seminar is open to the public and lunch will be served without any cost.

Coahoma Church of Christ

Coahoma Church of Christ will be hosting a gospel meeting Oct. 24-27.

The guest speaker is Joe Bagby, who preaches at the Fourth and Elm Church of Christ in Sweetwater.

Joe is a former missionary to Thailand. We invite all of our guests to stay for lunch Sunday following the morning worship assembly.

The series of challenging sermons from the word of God will begin at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

Joe will speak again at 10:30 a.m. and at 6 p.m. The sermon series will continue Monday through Wednesday at 7 p.m. each evening.

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church will be hosting the annual stew and cornbread supper beginning at 5:30 p.m. Oct. 23rd.

There is no charge for coming out to the church and enjoying the meal. In addition to stew and cornbread, there will be salads and homemade desserts.

There will also be a book fair with books of all types sold for a donation. This supper and the spring chili supper are presented to the entire community as a gift from the congregation of North Birdwell.

We do not limit it to any denomination or any age group. This is our opportunity to share love and blessings with others as our guest for the evening.

The church is located at 2707 N. Birdwell Lane and is easier to find now that a new, lighted sign is in place.

Regular services offered include Sunday morning worship at 9:30, Sunday school classes for all ages at 10:30 a.m. and Sunday evening service at 6. Bible study is the first and third Wednesday evenings at 6:30.

United Methodist Women meet the second and fourth Wednesday at 4 p.m.

The Rev. Joel Miller and the congregation cordially invite you to attend church.

If you don't have a church home, you are invited to share a time of worship with us at any of these services.

For more information, call 267-4082.

New associate ministers for First Assembly of God



The Rev. Joey Jaynes, his wife Stacey and their daughter Kaylie are the new associate pastors of First Assembly of God. They will be providing ministry at the morning and evening services Sunday.

The public is invited to meet the Rev. Joey Jaynes, his wife Stacey and their daughter Kaylie, Sunday at First Assembly of God Church.

Pastor Joey and his family will be assuming the position as associated pastor at First Assembly. For the past seven years, Joey has been youth pastor at Lighthouse Assembly of God Church in Phoenix, Ariz.

During Joey's ministry at Lighthouse Assembly, they have seen the youth service grow from five in attendance to 145.

During this same period of time, the church grew from 150 to more than 1,000 in attendance each Sunday.

Joey has led several

youth crusades in other countries for various youth organizations, and has been program youth director for the state of Arizona the past two years.

He has also spoken on public school campuses both in Pasadena and Peoria, Ariz.

Joey and Stacey will be ministering in both the morning service and evening service this Sunday at First Assembly of God Church, located at Fourth and Lancaster streets.

The Rev. R.T. Havener and the congregation invite you to these special services as they welcome the Jaynes to First Assembly and the city of Big Spring.

Make A Difference Day set

Make A Difference Day, Oct. 23 will find several members of Keep Texas Beautiful cleaning the city.

Also, participants in this project may bring non-perishable food items for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program project for donation to Adult Services and Meals on Wheels.

These items will be collected at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, where lunch will be served between noon and 1 p.m.

SMMC has participated in Make A Difference Day

for the past four years by providing lunch for the volunteers.

Lunch tickets will be issued when participants pick up the plastic trash bags.

These tickets will also be used as entries for each participant into the door prize drawings.

An estimated number of participants for each group should be turned into Pat Simmons so reservations for lunch may be made.

Call Simmons at 263-4607 or 213-5444 to provide a number of volunteers who will participate.

WEEKLY WEATHER DATA SUMMARY USDA - ARS, BIG SPRING FIELD STATION

MONTH October 2004							
DAY	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
TEMPERATURES							
Highest	95	94	94	90	92	91	91
Year	1917	1917	1964	1936	1921	1939	1934
Lowest	34	36	35	27	28	31	32
Year	1949	1977	1968	1917	1989	1917	1945
Average High	78	77	77	77	75	76	76
Average Low	51	51	49	49	49	50	49
Last Year's							
High	79	91	76	83	86	86	89
Low	53	53	47	48	49	49	51
PRECIPITATION							
Maximum	0.90	1.31	0.73	1.04	0.98	2.29	0.68
Year	1981	1915	1956	1920	1972	1957	1931
Last Year's	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Average Daily Rainfall	0.04	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.05

Accumulated rainfall through October 14 - 27.88 inches.

Normal rainfall through October 14 - 15.98 inches.

Normal yearly rainfall - 18.52 inches.

Best-selling author speaking at Abilene Writer's Guild

Tess Gerritsen, a New York Times best-selling author, will speak at the Abilene Writers Guild annual writing workshop Saturday. Gerritsen has written several books, including "Call After Midnight," "Life Support," "The Apprentice," "The Sinner" and "Body Double." A luncheon will follow with the 2004 AWG Contest awards.

For more information about the workshop and contest, visit www.abilenewritersguild.com.

ENTER NOW!

24th annual Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade

5:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 4

Parade theme:
"100 Years of West Texas Christmases"

Entry deadline — Noon, Friday, Nov. 19

The parade will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. and head north on Gregg Street toward downtown, arriving in time for the downtown Christmas celebration.

First-place plaques will be awarded in the following categories:
1. Individual or family 2. School or church
3. Commercial 4. Civic organizations

In addition, certificates of commendation will be awarded to the second- and third-place entries in each of those categories.

ENTRY FORM

Name of organization: _____

Name of contact person: _____

Mailing address: _____

Telephone number: _____

New Categories

Individual/Family Church/school
 Civic Commercial

Brief description of entry: _____

SPECIAL 100TH ANNIVERSARY AWARDS

In addition to the standard awards given to division winners, this year's parade entries will be judged for recognition of three special awards.

Herald's Best of Show Award: \$100 for best interpretation of theme.

Mayor's Trophy: \$75 for best use of lighting.

Grand Marshall's Award: \$50 for best costuming.

PARADE RULES

1. The parade's official Santa Claus will be provided by the Herald. No other Santa Claus will be permitted in the parade.
2. Floats should not exceed 65 feet in length, 8 feet in width and 14 feet in height.
3. Antique vehicles will be the only undecorated vehicles permitted without special permission from Parade Committee.
4. Vehicles of a strictly commercial nature will not be permitted.
5. Parade entries not in line by the start of the parade will be placed at the end of the parade and will not be eligible for awards.
6. Mail, fax or hand deliver entry forms to:

PARADE COMMITTEE
 Big Spring Herald
 P.O. Box 1431
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 (432) 264-7205 (fax)

QUESTIONS? CALL (432) 263-7331, Ask for Elizabeth Flores

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IN BRIEF

CGA announces monthly golf tourney

The Chicano Golf Association will be holding a golf tournament at Comanche Trail Golf Course Sunday and it will benefit Ralph "Cuco" Nunez, who is a lifetime member of the CGA. All proceeds go toward cancer expenses. The tournament will start at 9 a.m. and it will follow a four-man scramble format. Players can also pick their own teams. The cost of the tournament is \$40 per man plus green fee and all teams must call-in for tee times (264-2366) before Friday.

For more information, contact Billy Pineda at 264-7116 after 7 p.m. or Willie Mendoza at 267-7977.

Basketball referees needed for season

The Crossroads area is looking for basketball officials for the upcoming season in November. For more information, contact Adam Rodriguez at 263-8731 or 517-0300. The games will be played in local areas such as Big Spring, Forsan and Coahoma and will be for the junior high and high school levels.

Ragball tournament set for early Nov.

A ragball tournament has been set up to help raise money for relay for life.

The tournament will take place Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 6-7, at Cotton Mize Field inside of Comanche Trail Park. Registration will take place Saturday at 1 p.m. The teams are made up of five men and five women and it costs \$10 per player to participate.

For more information, contact Angel at the bus barn at 264-4108.

Lady Steers Booster Club sets meeting

The Big Spring Lady Steers Booster Club will hold a meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Athletic Training Center.

All parents of girls in volleyball, basketball, track, training and cheerleading are encouraged to attend.

For more information, contact Janet Abner at 264-0023 or 466-1711.

Barry Sanders plans visit to Fort Hood

DETROIT (AP) — Hall of Famer Barry Sanders plans to visit Fort Hood to meet with soldiers who recently returned from serving along the Iran-Iraq border as well as families of those deployed in the Middle East.

The former Detroit Lions running back on Saturday plans to meet with members of the 4th Infantry Division and families of the 1st Cavalry Division.

ON THE AIR

Event	Time	Station
Big Spring vs Andrews	6:00 p.m.	1490/95.7
Mustangs vs Mustangs	7:00 p.m.	94.3
Saturday		
Big Spring vs Andrews	1:30 p.m.	1490
Lady Steers vs Mustangs	3 p.m.	1490
Mustangs vs Mustangs	4:30 p.m.	1490
Mustangs vs Mustangs	7 p.m.	1490



Big Spring's Ryan Hughey gets out in front during one of his races Thursday during the Big Spring swim teams matchup with rival Andrews at the Big Spring YMCA.

Swim teams dominate rival Andrews

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

Seniors Jessica Hughey and Kendra Weeks, as well as freshman Lauren Sage, led the Big Spring girls swim team to a dominating victory against rival Andrews Thursday at the Big Spring YMCA.

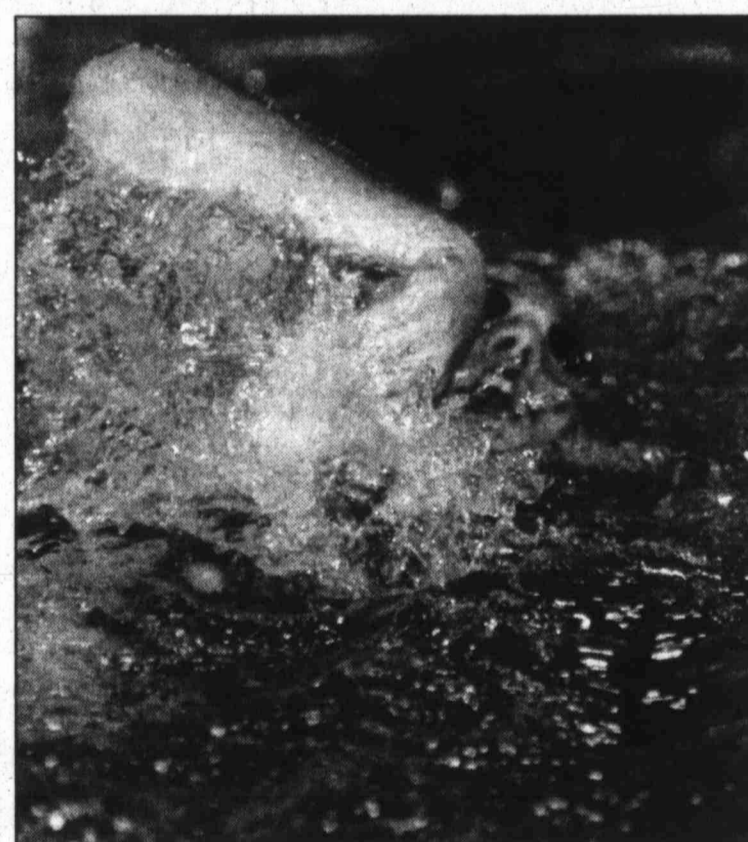
The girls team rolled its way to a 103-61 win, while the boys team also defeated the Mustangs, 89-80.

"We did a good job in front of our home crowd," said Big Spring head coach Casey Pacheco. "The fan support was incredible, too."

Big Spring took home several first place finishes for the night.

Hughey, Weeks and Sage all won two individual races, while the boys team saw double individual race wins from Randy Yanez, Daniel Pike and Ryan Hughey.

Jessica Hughey took home first place in the 200 freestyle and the 100 backstroke, while Weeks won the 200 IM and 100 breaststroke. Sage was victorious in the 50 freestyle and the 100 butterfly.



Big Spring's Tawna Mills finishes up one of her races Thursday at the Big Spring YMCA during the Steers' win over rival Andrews. The girls team defeated the Mustangs 103-61, while the guys won 89-80.

Big Spring JV continues to win, drops Andrews

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

The Big Spring junior varsity won its second straight game at Memorial Stadium Thursday against rival Andrews as the Steers knocked off the Mustangs, 18-8.

Big Spring's back-to-back victories came after the team started 0-5.

"We feel good about winning both games against district teams,"

said junior varsity coach Chad Fouts. "With the exception of a few plays, the defense was solid all night. The offense executed well and the line blocked well for our backs."

The Steers trailed early as Andrews scored its only touchdown in the first quarter.

However, two touchdowns by Demar Byrd in the second quarter gave the Steers a halftime lead.

Another touchdown by Byrd in the third quarter sealed the win for Big Spring.

Byrd's first touchdown of the second quarter was a 60-yard that cut the Mustangs lead to two. The go-ahead touchdown in the second was a 25-yard pass completion from quarterback Raul Aguilar to Byrd.

Byrd's final touchdown of the night was scored on a 20-yard run. That touch-

down put the game out of reach for rival Andrews.

Gus Waddy and Jacob Nichols led the defense with two sacks and three interceptions, respectively.

Big Spring (2-5) travels to Lubbock next Thursday to take on Estacado at 6 p.m. The varsity team travels to Andrews tonight and hosts Lubbock Estacado next Friday at Memorial Stadium.

Huskers seek win against Baylor

By ERIC OLSON

AP Sports Writer
LINCOLN, Neb. — Few teams in the Big 12 assign special importance to a game against struggling Baylor.

Yet Nebraska (3-2, 1-1 Big 12) is doing just that after a 70-10 loss at Texas Tech that ranks as the worst in the 115 years the school has fielded a team.

"Right now, as far as I'm concerned, it's the biggest game of the year," fullback Steve Kriewald said.

If ever there were a remedy for what ails the Cornhuskers, it's the opportunity to bounce back Saturday against a program that has lost 21 straight on the road and is 0-33 all-time in Big 12 road games.

The Bears (2-3, 0-2) haven't won outside Waco since beating North Texas Aug. 31, 2000.

"It's a stigma, and you've just got to find a way to overcome it," Baylor coach Guy Morriss said. "It's just something that we're emphasizing, that maybe this is the week we break the spell."

Just scoring in road games at Nebraska has been a problem for the Bears. They've been outscored by a combined 121-0 the last three times they have visited Lincoln, and the Huskers have won six straight in the series.

But this isn't the kind of Nebraska team the Bears are used to seeing.

The Huskers have committed 23 turnovers in five games, one shy of last year's 13-game total. Joe Dailey has been intercepted 12 times, and the Huskers have averaged just 16 points in four games since opening the season with a 56-17 win over Division I-AA Western Illinois.

"I'm not going to sit out there in front of America and tell you that we're getting better after a loss like that," Nebraska coach Bill Callahan said this week in the wake of the Texas Tech debacle. "Collectively, we're not where we need to be. That's the challenge for all of us."

The Bears, who started 2-1, have lost back-to-back games to Texas and Missouri. The Tigers held Baylor to season lows of 10 first downs and 173 total yards, and the Bears converted only 2-of-15 third downs.

Baylor will be going against a Nebraska defense eager to atone for allowing 523 yards and 10 touchdowns to Texas Tech.

Asked whether his charges have chips on their shoulders, defensive coordinator Kevin Cosgrove said, "I would think there's a good possibility. They believe we have something to prove. We've been playing pretty good defense."

Baylor's average of 281.8 yards a game ranks last in the Big 12 and 111th out of 117 Division I-A teams.

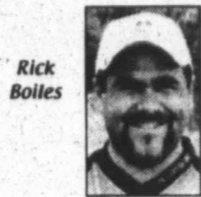
Like Dailey, Baylor quarterback Dane King has struggled. King has thrown nine interceptions and just six touchdown passes.

FRIDAY NIGHT FORECASTERS

This Week's Games

1. Big Spring @ Andrews
2. Anson @ Coahoma
3. Stanton @ Stamford
4. Forsan @ Roscoe
5. Water Valley @ Garden City
6. Wellman @ Grady
7. Dawson @ Sands
8. Snyder @ Sweetwater
9. Arizona State @ USC
10. Texas A&M @ Oklahoma State
11. Missouri @ Texas
12. Baylor @ Nebraska
13. Wisconsin @ Purdue
14. Virginia @ Florida State
15. Arkansas @ Auburn
16. Steelers @ Cowboys
17. Seahawks @ Patriots
18. Texans @ Titans
19. Packers @ Lions
20. Panthers @ Eagles

Overall Records:
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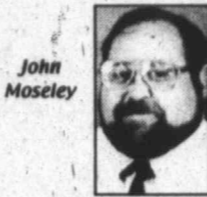
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Bullpen blows it again for Houston

By JOEL ANDERSON
AP Sports Writer

ST. LOUIS — Pete Munro held St. Louis' powerful lineup in check, and star closer Brad Lidge was warming up in the bullpen with the score tied heading into the eighth inning.

It was a scenario the Houston Astros had to like. But their bullpen came up with another woeful effort.

For the second straight night and the fourth time this postseason, Houston's shaky relievers were smacked around late. Albert Pujols and Scott Rolen homered off Dan Miceli in the eighth to lead the Cardinals over Houston 6-4 Thursday night, giving the Cardinals a commanding 2-0 lead in the NL championship series.

Tied at 4 in the bottom of the eighth, Astros manager Phil Garner sent Miceli to the mound with hopes that Houston could go another inning before turning to Lidge.

"If we got through the eighth inning still tied," Garner said, "I was going to use him for a couple of innings."

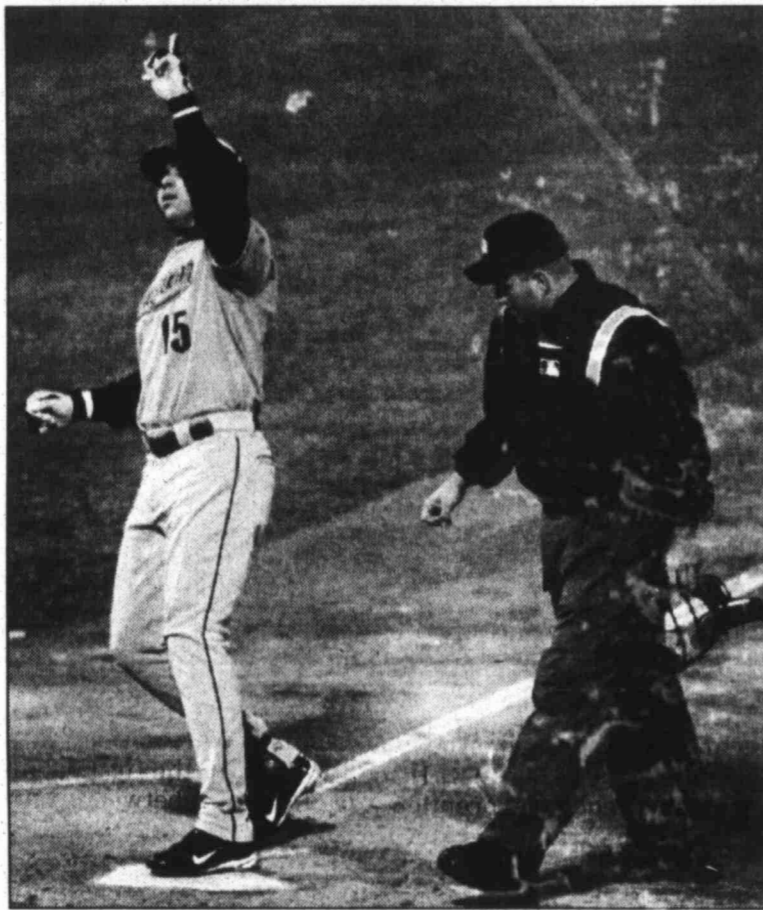
No such luck. Just four pitches into Miceli's outing, Pujols and Rolen had connected back-to-back to give the Cardinals a 6-4 lead.

The sellout crowd of 52,347 at Busch Stadium exploded into cheers after spending much of the night eerily quiet as Munro pitched 4 2-3 solid innings.

Miceli showed little emotion, watching the flight of the homers and then staring ahead, stone-faced, as Pujols and Rolen took triumphant trots around the bases.

Lidge watched the collapse from afar, shaking his head when Rolen's homer plunked down in the Astros' bullpen. Houston's dugout, which only moments earlier was buzzing with activity, fell silent.

Garner made a curious decision to go with Miceli instead of Lidge, because since the Cardinals' third, fourth and fifth hitters — Pujols, Rolen and Jim Edmonds — were set to



KRT photo/Laurie Skrivan, St. Louis Post-Dispatch
Houston Astros outfielder Carlos Beltran gestures skyward after hitting a home run in the first inning of Game 2 of the National League Championship Series against the St. Louis Cardinals at Busch Stadium in St. Louis Thursday.

come to the plate in the eighth.

"I really believe if we're going to go anywhere, you have to have those other guys pitch and win, too," Astros first baseman Jeff Bagwell said.

"We're going to need contributions from everybody, he added."

Afterward, Pujols seemed surprised that Lidge didn't come into the game earlier.

"Lidge has had success against us in the past three years, but, you know, they have a great bullpen," Pujols said. "I think if we don't score right there in the eighth inning ... they want to save Lidge for the ninth inning."

On Wednesday night, Almost the exact same thing happened.

St. Louis scored six runs in the sixth as soon as Houston starter Brandon Backe was gone, rallying for a 10-7 win in the series opener.

Lidge, Houston's best chance at pulling out a close win, watched from the bullpen.

Lidge hasn't pitched since Game 4 of the division series against Atlanta, when he blew a save by allowing a run and four hits in a season-high 2 2-3 innings.

Regardless, Lidge emerged as one of the best closers in baseball after the All-Star break.

No. 1 Southlake Carroll takes down Denton Ryan on ESPN2

SOUTHLAKE (AP) — Chase Daniel threw for three touchdowns and ran for two more as Southlake Carroll beat Denton Ryan 52-27 in a nationally televised game Thursday between high school powerhouses.

Clint Renfro, son of former Dallas Cowboy Mike Renfro, caught touchdown passes of 83, 29 and 21 yards — three of his six catches that totaled 191 yards. Carroll's top-ranked offense had 504 total yards.

Renfro didn't break stride to catch the 83-yard

pass, and caught the 29- and 21-yard passes while jumping toward the back of the end zone. Daniel and Renfro have connected on 10 touchdown passes of 20 yards or more this season, including seven in the last two games.

Carroll is now 7-0 and 4-0 in District 5-5A, winning 27 consecutive regular-season games, and is 38-1 since moving up to the largest classification in 2002. Its only loss was a 16-15 defeat to Katy in the 2003 state title game.

The Dragons are ranked No. 1 nationally by USA

Today and first in the state by The Associated Press. Ryan is tied for third in the state and ranked 12th in the nation.

Daniel has thrown for 2,105 yards and 22 touchdowns and has run for 13 scores.

Carroll trailed for the first time this year at the end of the first quarter, 13-10. But it scored 28 straight points to put Ryan away in the game telecast on ESPN2.

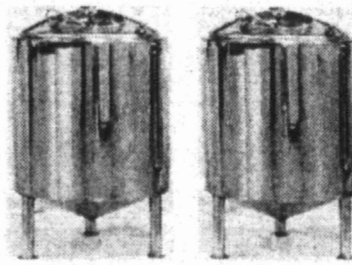
Ryan falls to 6-1 and 3-1 in district; it took a 23-game winning streak into the game.

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Dallas	Midland	Spanish	Odessa	Odessa	Telemundo	Midland	Atlanta	Odessa	Odessa	Discovery	Classics	Spike TV	Atlanta	Black Ent.	Disney	Sports	Sports	Premium					
6 PM News (CC)	News Wheel-Fortune	La Mujer de Madera	Malcolm-Mid-Raymond	News Ert. Tonight	Anita No Te Rajes	News Seinfeld (CC)	Raymond Raymond	Nueva Vida John Hague	News-Leher	Prosecutors-Justice	Classics	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Live BET.com	Phil of Future That's-Raven	NFL Live NFL Matchup	The Season (CC)	Lovell's (CC)					
7 PM 8 Simple Rules Complete Sav.	8 Simple Rules Complete Sav.	Rubi	MLB Baseball American	Joan of Arcadia (CC)	Prisoners	Dateline NBC (CC)	Friends (CC) Friends (CC)	Update/Israel Rebbi Richman	Wash. Week Well-Fortune	American Casino	Movie: The Professional	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	NASCAR Racing: Busch	Movie: I'm Bout It	Mom's Got a Date With a	Monster Shark Tournament	College Football: Swingers	Movie: Swingers					
8 PM Hope & Faith Less-Perfect	Hope & Faith Less-Perfect	Amaro es M Pecado	League Championship	JAG (CC) (DVS)	Citizens	Third Watch (CC)	Movie: Miss Congeniality (CC) (DVS)	Light of the Southwest	Now With Bill Moyers (CC)	Wing Nuts (CC)	Movie: The Professional	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	Series--SpongeBob	Comoview	Vampire Even Stevens	Monster Shark Tournament	Texas Christian (CC)	45 Movie: Die Another Day (CC)					
9 PM 20/20 (CC)	20/20 (CC)	La Escuela Casa Flisa	Series Game 3 - Teams TBA	dr. vegas (CC)	Yo Voy a En-senar a Querer	Medical Investigation	300 Movie: Rocky		Tucker Carlson Jmt Edit. Rpt	American Hot Rod	Movie: Dracula (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investig.	300 Movie: Rocky	Comoview	Lizzie McGuire Phil of Future	Monster Shark Tournament	Birmingham (CC)	Die Another Day (CC)					
10 PM News (CC) Nightline	News Nightline	Primer Impacto Noticias Univ.	70s Show Raymond	News Late Show	Noticias Laura	News The Tonight	10 Movie: Miss Congeniality (CC) (DVS)	The Hour of Healing	Charlie Rose (CC)	American Casino	Movie: Dracula (CC)	MXC MXC	III	Nightly News BET Style	Braceface Boy World	Monster Shark Tournament	SportsCenter (CC)						
11 PM Ert. Tonight Jimmy Kimmel	Extra (CC) Final Score	Movie: Contrabando	Becker (CC) Becker (CC)	(CC) The Late Late Show (CC)	Al Rojo Vivo- Maria Celeste Corte-Familia	Show (CC) Late Night	Congeniality (CC) (DVS)	OCM Ministries Dineh Christian	Sign Off	Wing Nuts	15 Movie: Scars of Dracula (CC)	Wildcat Police Videos	Movie: Assassins	Comoview	Proud Family That's-Raven	NFL Live NFL Matchup	Outside-Lines Baseball	Movie: Swimming					
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"He says it takes him longer to rest up than it does to get tired."

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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Oct. 15, the 289th day of 2004. There are 77 days left in the year.

Islam's holy month of Ramadan begins today or tomorrow with the sighting of the first moon of the new lunar month.

Today's Highlight in History: Forty years ago, on Oct. 15, 1964, it was announced that Soviet leader Nikita S. Khrushchev had been removed from office. He was succeeded as premier by Alexei N. Kosygin and as Communist Party secretary by Leonid I. Brezhnev.

On this date: In 1914, the Clayton Antitrust Act was passed. In 1917, Mata Hari, a Dutch dancer who had spied for the Germans, was executed by a French firing squad outside Paris.

In 1928, the German dirigible Graf Zeppelin landed in Lakehurst, N.J., completing its first commercial flight across the Atlantic.

In 1945, the former premier of Vichy France, Pierre Laval, was executed.

In 1946, Nazi war criminal Hermann Goering poisoned himself hours before he was to have been executed.

In 1966, President Johnson signed a bill creating the Department of Transportation.

In 1969, peace demonstrators staged activities across the country, including a candlelight march around the White House, as part of a moratorium against the Vietnam War.

In 1976, in the first debate of its kind between vice-presidential nominees, Democrat Walter F. Mondale and Republican Bob Dole faced off in Houston.

In 1990, Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev was named the recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize.

In 1991, despite sexual harassment allegations by Anita Hill, the Senate narrowly confirmed the nomination of Clarence Thomas to the Supreme Court, 52-48.

Today's Birthdays: Economist John Kenneth Galbraith is 96. Historian Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr. is 87. Singer Barry McGuire is 69. Actress Linda Lavin is 67. Actress-director Penny Marshall is 62. Rock musician Don Stevenson (Moby Grape) is 62. Musician Richard Carpenter is 58. Actor Victor Banerjee is 58. Tennis player Roscoe Tanner is 53. Singer Tito Jackson is 51. Actor Jere Burns is 50. Actress Tanya Roberts is 49.

Answer to previous puzzle

PANIC	PLAY	ALBA
AMINO	AIDE	LOAN
GETA	MOVE	ON
PSST	ESE	MIENS
MEETS	HELD	CARNEY
CEMENT	LEANTO	
HEARTY	ALPS	TAE
ARKS	CHIMP	SILT
RYE	POUR	ICEMAN
THROBS	SHEENA	
MAROON	ITEM	
ELAND	ARMOR	HOE
RICE	STEPLIVELY	
INKS	KANE	SIREE
TEST	IDOL	HEROS

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ACROSS

- 1 High-school class
- 5 Woofier range
- 9 Smithy sight
- 14 Lantern-jawed
- 15 "___ silly question..."
- 16 Needle
- 17 Burns up
- 18 Boat stabilizer
- 19 Kismet
- 20 Admonition to a drum-wielding tot?
- 23 Whirling waters
- 24 "Let's go!"
- 25 Medical insurance grp.
- 28 Professor's soil sample?
- 31 Playwright Shepard
- 34 Criticize harshly
- 35 Set down
- 36 Colored clothes
- 38 Admire excessively
- 41 Skunk's defense
- 42 Four-stringed instruments
- 43 Gen-___
- 44 Bratwursts from Brooklyn?
- 49 QB's gains
- 50 Second-in-command
- 51 Catches on
- 55 Roller coaster, essentially?
- 57 Batman adversary

DOWN

- 1 Trombone part
- 2 King of Judea
- 3 Ceaselessly
- 4 Sticky note
- 5 PTA fundraiser
- 6 Between ports
- 7 Lacking details
- 8 Strauss opera
- 9 Diet designer
- 10 Without ice
- 11 Alt. spelling
- 12 School of thought
- 13 Ewe's milieu
- 21 Big and strong
- 22 Neither mate
- 25 DNA structure
- 26 Indian corn
- 27 Playful critter
- 29 Churl
- 30 Good buddy
- 31 Expressionless
- 32 Gave a hand
- 33 Calico comments
- 37 Prohibition supporter
- 38 Mamie's man
- 39 New player's request
- 40 "Bone" word form
- 42 Called strikes
- 45 Go too far with
- 46 Actor Stephen
- 47 Stovetop boiler
- 48 Didn't participate
- 52 Dishwasher cycle
- 53 Memoranda
- 54 Express disdain
- 55 Go questing for
- 56 Campbell of *Scream*
- 57 Moonshine holder
- 58 A person
- 59 Col. Sanders' place

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