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# Perry to sign abortion, gay marriage bills at church school



"The two issues talk about values. A church is an appropriate place to come together and

celebrate a victory for the values of the people of Texas."

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry plans to visit a Christian school on Sunday to sign two pieces of legislation that drew strong support from religious organizations.

One piece of legislation restricts abortion, while the other sends a gay marriage ban to voters.

Supporters praise the event at Calvary Christian Academy in Fort Worth as a major victory for conservative Republicans, but critics say the ceremony is

inappropriate.

"I think it's wrong," said Kathy Miller, president of the Texas Freedom Network, which describes itself as a mainstream voice to counter the religious right.

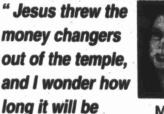
"As I recall, Jesus threw the money changers out of the temple, and I wonder how long it will be before people of faith get fed up with opportunistic political campaigning in their houses of worship," she said.

The governor will not sign the See BILLS, Page 3A

bills from a pulpit, but in the school gym, said Perry spokesman Robert Black.

"It's interesting. No one seemed to protest the governor signing a bill at a business or a hospital," Black said. "It's not a political event. It's a bill-sign-

Perry will sign a bill that requires parental consent for girls younger than 18 to undergo abortions. He also will sign a





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# AD post open

Big Spring ISD administrators grant head coach's desire to be reassigned within system

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Dwight Butler, athletic director and head football coach at Big Spring High School since 1991, has requested reassignment within the school district, officials said today.

**Big Spring Independent** School District Superintendent Michael Downes said Butler requested on Wednesday "to step aside as athletic director and pursue other administrative opportunis ties within the school district."

Downes said the district would honor Butler's request and assign him to an administrative post to be determined later.

"Our first priority is to fill the vacancy in the athletic director's position," Downes said. "Obviously, we're going to do that as soon as possible. We're in the process of accepting applications and scheduling interviews. We've already held some interviews this week, and will do so next week, also."

Butler. who unavailable for comment



**Butler** 

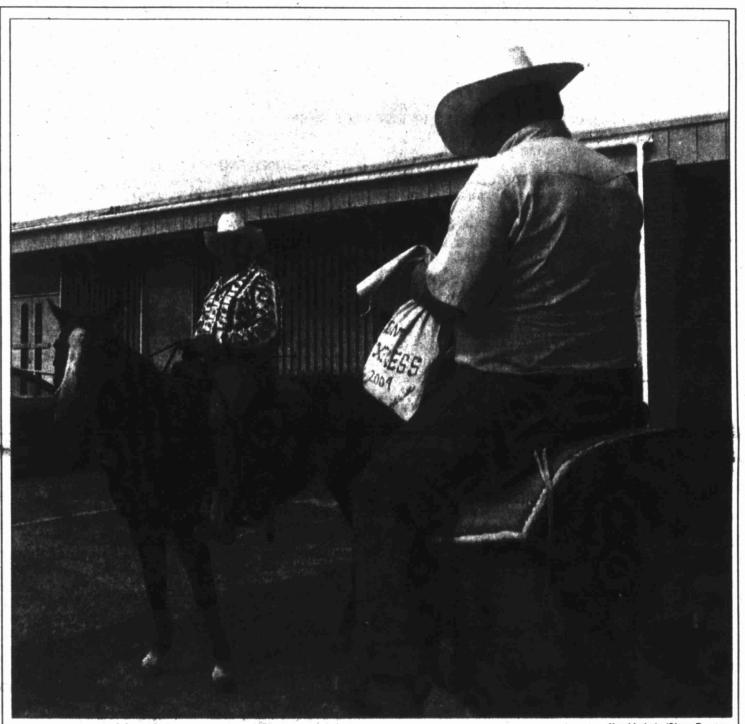
this morning, came to Big Spring in 1988 assistant coach and defensive coordinator under David Thom-When pson.

Thompson left three years later to become AD and head football coach at South Grand Prairie, Butler was elevated to the top spot here.

During his tenure as head football coach, Big Spring reached the playseveral times, advancing to the third round of the postseason on at least three occasions.

However, the Steers have struggled in recent years. Earlier this year, the BSISD school board declined to extend Butler's contract past the

2005-06 school year. "Dwight Butler has served this school district and the community with all his heart for the past 18 years," Downes said. "I'm looking forward to serving with him (in his new position) in the future."



Jay Freeze, left, and Howard County Sheriff Dale Walker collect mail Thursday morning beforing embarking for Hobbs, N.M. Freeze, Walker and other members of the Howard County Sheriff's Posse are re-enacting the Pony Express mail delivery service to raise funds for the organization.

Pony Express lives again

Howard County Sheriff's Posse joins with other

groups to deliver the U.S. mail to Hobbs, N.M.

## Trans-Atlantic flight diverted because of false hijack alarm

WASHINGTON (AP) — Canadian fighter jets intercepted an airliner over the Atlantic on Friday after the aircraft emitted a false alert indicating a hijacking was in progress. The plane landed safely in Canada.

Homeland Security Department spokeswoman Katie Montgomery said that Virgin Atlantic Airways Flight 45 was en route from London's Heathrow Airport to John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York,

when the aircraft began emitting code 7500, which indicates a hijacking is in progress.

"It's a false alarm," said Virgin Atlantic spokeswoman Brooke Lawer. "The transponder sent out a false alert.'

Lawer said the airline has been in contact with the captain and the flight

"The flight deck door is locked and secured," she After the Sept. 11, 2001,

By STEVE REAGAN Staff Writer

The Pony Express lives again for a few days, at least.

The Express, which was briefly used in the 1860s to transport mail and news between St. Joseph, Mo. and San Francisco, enjoyed a resurrection of sorts this week as members of the Howard County Sheriff's Posse used horsepower in a literal sense to deliver the mail.

country's frontier heritage, the event also helped raise funds for the HCSP, County Sheriff Dale Walker said,

Walker and members of the posse spent Thursday morning gathering mail for delivery, then set off westward with the goal of delivering their packets to Hobbs, N.M. sometime Saturday.

"It's a re-enactment ... of a

Along with reviving a bit of this famous old mail delivery system," Walker said. "In the old days, they went through Indian country. It was a very dangerous, high-risk business. What we're doing is a much easier version."

While Pony Express riders of old made the thousand-mile trek in just a matter of days, their modern day counterparts are going to take things a bit easier during their 172-

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### CHARTERS CHEAPER?

DALLAS (AP) - For years charter school advocates have said their schools operate on less money per student than public schools. But a recent study commissioned by the Texas Education Agency has indicated the opposite.

Charter schools received more money per student — \$8,045 — than regular public schools — \$8,028 — in 2003, according to the study.

"This is something that we've noticed for the last several years," said Joe Wisnoski, a deputy associate commissioner of education.

#### COMING SUNDAY



Last year, America's young farmers and ranchers gathered 2.4 million pounds of food to help feed the hungry in this country. This

gathering and sharing has truly become a harvest for all. Plus, the Wiffle Ball and twice-baked potatoes.

#### SYSTEM CRASH

A crash of the Herald's server Thursday resulted in the loss of locally generated articles, photos and otner information. Among these was a story on the Registration, Enforcement, Apprehension and Prosecution (REAP) program by local law enforcement which was to appear in today's paper. The system crash still being repaired this morning also resulted in today's issue being delivered late to customers and paper racks. The problem is being addressed and will be corrected as soon as possible.

#### **Helon Marie Rains**

Helon Marie Rains, 80, of Lamesa died June 1, 2005. Graveside services are 10 a.m. today, June 3, 2005, in O'Donnell Cemetery, with the Rev. Jim Stephens offi-

She was born Dec. 2, 1924, in Callahan County to Claude Milton and Alice Beatrice Wooley Lehew. She married A.J. Rains in February 1945. She attended Amarillo College of Hairdressing and taught cosmetology at Clairendon, Amarillo and other colleges in the area.

Her brother of Big Spring, husband, sister and grandson preceded her in death.

Survivors include, one daughter, Venita Bledsoe and husband, Bob of Ladonia; three great-grandchildren; and one sister, Hattie Hughes of Socorro, N.M.

Arrangements are under the direction of White **Funeral Home of Tahoka.** 

## Take note

- COAHOMA LIONS CLUB ANNUAL SELL THE TOWN GARAGE SALE is Saturday in Coahoma. Call 394-4310 for more information.
- FISH FRY SPONSORED BY THE EAGLES LODGE, BIG SPRING BASS CLUB AND SID RICHARDSON'S EMPLOYEES/SAFETY TEAM to benefit Alan Householder is set for 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. Saturday at the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third St. Call 263-4545 for more information.
- SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH SPRING FESTIVAL is 6 p.m. until 11 p.m. today and Saturday behind the church, 508 N. Aylesford. Call 264-7010 for more information.
- MARTIN COUNTRY RELAY FOR LIFE EVENT begins at 7 p.m. today. Call Missy at 756-3316 or Sherry at 756-4158 for more information.
- KEEP BIG SPRING BEAUTIFUL meets at noon Monday in the Dragon China Restaurant.
- BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2007 PARENT MEETING at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the high school library. Call Janet Abner at 264-0023 or Valarie Robertson at 816-6405.
- YOUNGLIFE FUND-RAISER FOR TRIP TO COLORADO. YoungLife leaders are taking 12 high school students to Frontier Camp in Buena Vista, Colo., in July. Full-detailed car wash fund-raiser is set for June 10-11. Service includes carpet cleaning and waxing. Call 213-4819 to schedule an appointment.
- COMMUNITY ANGELS AUCTION is set to start at 10 a.m. June 11 at the Railroad Plaza to benefit the Christmas project. For more information, contact Ellen Barefoot at 268-9070 or Vickie Dahmer at 267-5223.
- HERITAGE MUSEUM PRESENTS "WESTERN **ART SHOW"** beginning at 4:30 p.m. June 14 with a wine and cheese reception followed by the annual Legends and Legacies dinner. Tickets to the dinner
- **BIG SPRING 29TH ANNUAL COWBOY REUNION AND RODEO** is June 16-18.
- OLD SETTLERS REUNION is from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. June 18 at the Howard County Fair Barns. Call Heritage Museum for free tickets at 267-8288.
- HOWARD COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION ANNUAL QUILT RECEPTION is from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. June 18 at the Heritage Museum. Free admission.
- REHEARSALS FOR THE BIG SPRING SYM-PHONY CHORUS FOR THE POPS IN THE PARK PERFORMANCE begins June 6 from 7 p.m. until 8:45 p.m. in the First Methodist Church choral room and continues each Monday in June. New members are welcome to participate in this annual community
- · ROAD TO RECOVERY, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This requires just a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call LaWanda Hamm at 263-7827.
- BOOK SALE TO BENEFIT MARTIN COUNTY LIBRARY, sponsored by the friends of the Library, is set for 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. each Thursday. Call Bud Lindsey for more information.
- COAHCMA NON-MARCHING BRASS BAND **NOW FORMING**, set to perform during the Coahoma Fourth of July parade on a float is now forming. Musicians with or without instruments and any level of experience are invited to join. For more information, contact Pam Hicks at 394-4122 or Patricia Bennett at 394-4122.
- A MEMORIAL FUND HAS BEEN ESTAB-LISHED FOR THE FAMILY OF TYBO JACOBS at the First Bank of West Texas in Coahoma and Big Spring to help with funeral costs. He died in an automobile accident March 10.

# **Coronado Hills Apartments**

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# **Police blotter**

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

- JUAN ANGEL MADRID, 19, 1511 Princeton, was arrested on a charge of assault and a warrant from
- · SAMANTHA BREHM, 21, 1211 Harding, was arrested on a hold for the Howard County Sheriff's Office.
- DEBRA SHAEFFER, 36, 1408 Nolan, was arrested on a hold for the HCSO.
- · AMBER RAMIREZ, 21, 1002 N. Main, was arrested on a Howard County warrant.
- BRANDON RAMEY, 25, 507 E. Eighth, was arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended.
- HEATHER HOUSTON, 20, 3304 W. Highway 80, was arrested on local warrants.
- TEKIA WILLIAMS, 22, 910 Sgt. Paradez Dr., was arrested on a Howard County warrant, and on charges of failure to identify a fugitive from justice and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- HAROLD WAYDE, 47, no address given, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication. CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported on the 1300
- block of Grafa. CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNING was issured
- on the 2700 block of Wasson. THEFT was reported on the 1200 block of 11th Place, the 1700 block of FM 700 and the 1800 block of

# Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Thursday and 8 a.m. today:

• JESSIE AGUILAR, 28, was sentenced to 30 days in jail for possession of marijuana.

• ERIC FLINT COX, 26, was transferred from the Big Spring Police Department after his arrest on a Midland County warrant charging burglary of a build-

· ANTHONY TREVINO, 19, was arrested on a charge of theft.

 ALLISON REDDING, 33, was arrested on a motion to revoke probation for credit card abuse.

**DOYLE DEE EDMONDSON JR.**, was arrested on a motion to revoke probation for theft by check and burglary of a vehicle.

# Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department/Emergency Medical Service reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Thursday and 8 a.m. today:

• TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported at the intersection of 15th and Goliad streets. Service was refused. MEDICAL was reported on the 6200 block of E.

Midway Road. Service was refused. Him & ent MEDICAL was reported on the 3300 block of Drexel. Service was refused.

· TRAUMA was reported on the 2100 block of

Maryland. Service was refused. MEDICAL was reported on the 100 block of N.W. Fourth St. One person was transported to the Big Spring VAMC.

 FIRE was reported on the 400 block of Sunset Boulevard. The fire was extinguished.

# Support groups

FRIDAY

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

**SATURDAY** 

Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 615 Settles 8-9 p.m. Open birthday night, n o smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

• West Texas Gluten-Free Support Group (Celiacs He lping celiacs) meet from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. Jan. 15 in t he Odessa Regional Hospital. For more information, conact Barbara at 432-694-3614 days, or 432-520-21 19 evenings.

**SUNDAY** 

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

**MONDAY** 

- Encourager's Support Group — All widows and wi dowers are invited to the meeting beginning at 6 p.m. at the Country Fare restaurant, TA Truck Stop, I-20 a nd Highway 87 North. For more information call 398-5

**TUESDAY** 

• The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets at 6 p. m., a new time, the last Tuesday of each month in the College Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1005 Birdwell Lane. Call Tracey at 263-4948 for more information.

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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 meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

 Spring City Senior Citizen's country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. featuring Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area seniors are invited.

 Sacred Heart Catholic Church Spring Festival begins is 6 p.m. until 11 p.m. behind the church, 508 N. Aylesford. Call 264-7010.

• 19th annual Denim and Diamonds Gala barbecue and street dance. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. and dance is set from 8 p.m. until 1 a.m. 600 Mathews and 606 Mathews. Benefits the Big Spring State Hospital. Call 268-7536 or 268-7535 for more information.

• Martin County Relay for Life event begins at 7 p.m. at the Stanton High School football stadium. Call Missy at 756-3316 or Sherry at 756-4158 for more information.

SATURDAY

 Coahoma Lions Club Sell the Town Garage Sale. Maps are available by calling 394-4310.

 Railroad Museum at the corner of Second Street and Main Street is open from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Free admission. Call 432-559-3409 for more information.

# Weather

Tonight—Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 60s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday—Partly cloudy with isolated showers and t hunderstorms. Highs in the mid 90s. South winds 10 to 15 mph. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

Saturday night—Partly cloudy. Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s. South winds 10

Sunday—Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of s howers and Thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 90s. So uth winds around 10 mph.

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Thursday—Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s.

# Lottery

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Thursday

Winning numbers drawn: 12-13-23-24. Bonus Ball: 7. Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 1. Prize: \$625,000.

Winning ticket sold in: Pasadena.

Number matching four of four: 15. Prize: \$998. Number matching three of four, plus Bonus Ball: 38. Prize: \$49.

Number matching three of four: 1,170. Prize: \$21. Number matching two of four, plus Bonus Ball: 927. **Prize: \$18** 

Number matching one of four, plus Bonus Ball: 5,521. Prize: \$7. Number matching Bonus Ball alone: 9,828. Prize: \$5.

Estimated jackpot for Monday night drawing:

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night: Winning numbers drawn: 7-10-13-21-31. Number matching five of five: 3. Prize per winner: \$ 11,065. Matching four of five: 134. Prize: \$112. Matching three of five: 4,188. Prize: \$9. Matching two of five: 38,756. Prize: \$2. Next Cash 5 drawing: Friday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-7-2

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# WORLD BRIEFS

EU's constitution crisis has aspiring members fearful they won't get in

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Stuck on the sidelines, the nations with the most to lose in the European Union's deadlock over its proposed new constitution could be the countries that don't yet belong.

As Europeans took stock Thursday of the charter's troubles, leaders and ordinary citizens in Turkey and across the former Soviet bloc worried that the crisis might conspire against their dreams of joining the

Having worked tirelessly and against all odds to prepare for membership, many couldn't help but wonder whether Europe is coming apart just when they're getting their acts together.

This week's momentous repudiations by the Dutch and the French — both founding members of the now 25-nation EU - "shattered the very concept for a European Union," said Ivan Krastev, a political analyst in Bulgaria, which hopes to join with neighboring Romania in 2007.

Across Eastern Europe, where eight countries joined the bloc a year ago along with Cyprus and Malta, and others have been scrambling to become credible candidates, the sense of frustration was pal-

Spurred by dreams of unprecedented prosperity, stability and freedom of movement, EU candidates like Romania have spent the last decade constructing democracies and building market economies from scratch. Having invested so much, they have the most at stake.

#### **DIET: CDC chief stresses** that extra pounds are harmful

(AP) — As criticism mounts that a recent study may have minimized the dangers of obesity, federal health officials urged people to focus on the big picture that extra pounds are harmful, not how much harm they may cause.

"What we don't want is for this debate to continue to confuse people," said Dr. Julie Gerberding, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. "Obesity and overweight are critically important health threats in this country. They have many adverse consequences."

Gerberding called a news conference Thursday to discuss the study, which CDC scientists published in

April. It concluded obesity causes only about 25,814 deaths a year in the United States — far fewer than the 365,000 deaths estimated months earlier.

Even more surprisingly, it concluded people who were overweight but not obese were less likely to die than those who are skinny or at "ideal" weight.

Scientists from the Harvard School of Public Health, the American Heart Association and the American Cancer Society disagree with both conclusions. They say the study is flawed, mostly because it included people with health problems ranging from cancer to heart disease, who tend to weigh less because of those problems and therefore make pudgy people look healthy by comparison.

Jackson lawyer says prosecutors trying to 'dirty' singer's name

SANTA MARIA, Calif. (AP) - Prosecutors portrayed Michael Jackson as a hard-drinking, porn-collecting pedophile to "dirty up" the pop star because they couldn't prove their case that he molested a child, Jackson's lawyer said in closing arguments.

Defense attorney Thomas Mesereau Jr. began his closing argument Thursday after Senior Deputy District Attorney Ron Zonen told jurors that Jackson had brought his accuser, then a 13-year-old cancer survivor, "into the world of the forbidden."

Zonen said Jackson lowered the boy's inhibitions by giving him alcohol and showing him pornography before molesting him in the bedroom of the entertainer's Neverland Ranch.

Mesereau was to conclude his argument Friday, followed by a prosecution rebuttal. The case will then go to the jury.

The 46-year-old entertainer is charged with molesting the boy in 2003, plying him with wine and conspiring to hold his family captive to get them to rebut the documentary "Living With Michael Jackson." In the documentary, Jackson holds hands with the boy and says he allows children into his bed for innocent, non-sexual sleepovers.

#### Israel releases hundreds of Palestinian prisoners as part of February truce deal

TULKAREM, West Bank (AP) - Palestinian prisoners freed under a truce agreement flashed victory signs, praised God and kissed the ground as they got off Israeli buses and were reunited with cheering rel-

Israeli officials said the release was intended to give a boost to moderate Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas, whose Fatah party is facing a strong challenge from the Islamic Hamas group.

The prisoners went free as part of a cease-fire that has significantly reduced violence after more than four years of bloodshed. Their release — coming just hours after the announcement of a new meeting between the Israeli and Palestinian leaders — raised hopes among Palestinians for the thousands of others still in Israeli jails.

#### Feds work to create nationwide system for tracking migrant students

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Some Caldwell School District students arrive here in the middle of the year, with dust from California's farmland still clinging to their

Others leave before the year ends, headed south to

For many children in migrant families, school is more like a way station than a final destination. Now, a proposal from the U.S. Department of Education would track those students as they travel along traditional migrant routes, ensuring that school records follow them wherever they may go.

director of the Idaho Migrant Council.

not be compatible with a federal system.

## **Baby gets rhythm: Parents**

Bounce them while you sing.

Movement plays an important role in helping wire babies' brains to hear rhythm, according to research that tested moms and babies dancing to different

Parents everywhere sing to their infants, using a distinctive high pitch that's soothingly slow for a lullaby and elaborately bright at playtime. Babies catch on quickly, able to perceive aspects of melody and recognize different beats at just a few months of age.

movement was important developmentally.

# TEXAS BRIEFS

Father accused of killing newborn in crash posts \$60,000 in bonds

HOUSTON (AP) - A man accused of kidnapping his 7-week-old son and 4-year-old stepson, placing them in a car without restraints and killing the newborn by crashing into a concrete barrier posted \$60,000 in bonds Thursday.

The infant, who was placed in the front passenger seat, died instantly when his father, Jacob Fields, 27, crashed into a construction barrier Tuesday morning. The 4-year-old was hospitalized following the crash, but hospital officials said Thursday they couldn't release any information on the child.

Fields, who served as a Marine from 2000 to 2004, is charged with murder and intoxication manslaughter. U.S. Marine Corps 2nd Lt. Brian Donnelly said he could not divulge the nature of Fields' 2004 discharge. State District Judge Jim Wallace set a \$30,000 bond

Thursday for each of the charges Fields faces and ordered that he not drive and undergo electronic monitoring. "Something distracted his attention, he lost control

of his vehicle and struck a concrete barrier causing the (newborn) to go into the air bag and to be thrown from the vehicle," said Warren Diepraam, a Harris County assistant district attorney. "He was given field sobriety tests on the scene. ... He failed those tests miserably."

**Deep Throat-related papers** to be in UT collection by fall

AUSTIN (AP) — Papers related to Deep Throat now revealed as former FBI man W. Mark Felt — will likely be delivered to the University of Texas Ransom

Center this fall, Director Tom Staley said.

As soon as they can be archived, they will be made available to the public. Staley said in Friday editions of the Austin American-Statesman.

Felt's surprise admission this week that he was "Deep Throat" — the secret source who leaked information to the Washington Post in the scandal that ultimately brought down President Nixon — makes the \$5 million purchase of the papers seem like a positive bargain, Staley said.

"We never considered Deep Throat a factor in whether or not to purchase this archive," Staley said. "We bought the collection for its research value. Because of the crisis in the Nixon presidency, the collection is a lens on history."

Most of the documents were made available at the Ransom Center earlier this year in 86 boxes and 21 bound volumes.

#### Combs announces bid for state comptroller

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs formally announced her candidacy for state comptroller Thursday, saying she'll bring a strong conservative philosophy to the job.

"My father taught me that when it comes to managing money, you have to be as tight as the bark on a tree," Combs said.

The comptroller is Texas' chief financial officer, overseeing tax and other revenue collections and monitoring state spending. At the start of each regular legislative session, the comptroller tells lawmakers how much money is available for the state budget.

Combs said more than a year ago that she was planning to run for the post in 2006, a job now held by fellow Republican Carole Keeton Strayhorn.

Strayhorn is considered a potential candidate for governor in 2006. She could also run for a higher statewide office depending on what is open, or seek re-election. She hasn't revealed her next political step.

Combs indicated she doesn't expect Strayhorn to run for comptroller again.

hoe beets or change sprinkler lines.

"The challenge with migrant children, because they are so mobile, there is no consistency in terms of their education," said Albert Pacheco, executive

The federal government's last attempt at such a program grew so unwieldy over time that it was ultimately canned in 1995, and most states now have their own such tracking programs - which may or may

## can help nature by bouncing

WASHINGTON (AP) - How do babies get rhythm?

As Canadian psychologist Laurel Trainor studied how babies perceived music, she noticed that parents hardly ever sang to them without bouncing or rocking or playing with their feet. She wondered whether that

Her research shows it is, that an interaction of movement and hearing helps the brain learn about rhythm.

### RIDE

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mile jaunt, Walker said. "Each rider will go in two-mile stretches, then pass the bag on to the next person," Walker said. "And each rider can go just as fast or just as slow as they want.'

The sheriff's posse will team up with members of other such organization in Midland, Ector and adjacent counties, he said. The riders plan to camp out in Kermit tonight, before reaching **Hobbs** sometime

Saturday.

The posse will pocket half of the total of stamps sold for the excursion, the second annual such event. Last year's effort netted about \$250 for the group, Walker said.

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resolution to amend the state constitution to ban same-sex marriages. That signature is mostly cere-

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terror attacks, airlines were required to

install bulletproof doors to the cockpit

and to keep them closed to prevent

hijackers from taking over planes.

approve it in November before it becomes law.

workers compensation bill at Lockheed Martin Aeronautics in Fort Worth on Wednesday, said the church school is

monial since voters must the appropriate venue for values-related issues.

Perry, who signed a about values," he said. "A church is an appropriate place to come together and celebrate a victory for the values of the people of Texas."

"The two issues talk

North American Aerospace Defense Command Lt. Cmdr. Sean Kelly said Canadian fighter jets escorted the plane to Halifax, Nova Scotia, where it landed without incident.

Montgomery said the Homeland Security Department is checking other indicators to confirm the pilots' information.



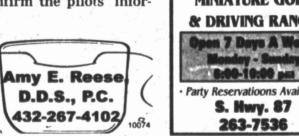














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# We salute:

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:

- Organizers and participants in Memorial Day services Sunday and Monday throughout the Crossroads area. We salute, too, all of those who gave "the last, full measure of devotion" to their country.
- Pat Simmons, winner of Keep Texas Beautiful's O.P. Schnabel Senior Citizen Award and Bauer Magnet School Extended Day Junior Master Gardners, named honoroble mention for the Ruthe Jackson Youth Leaderson Award.
- · The Howard County Library, on its monthlong summer reading program for children.
- · Coahoma's Bulldogettes. Though they did not have the success we all wished for them at Austin, they were one of the top four teams in the and that's plenty to bark about.

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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# Europe's no might actually mean no

ur betters in Europe learned two new words this week: non and nee. In soundly rejecting a proposed European Union constitution. French and Dutch voters told EU bureaucrats in Brussels that they don't like what they see.

When the French voted non, Eurocrats announced that the French vote wouldn't change anvthing — despite a rule that required all EU countries to support the new constitution before it takes effect. No doubt they figured the French Parliament could step in and vote the right way, so the people's vote wouldn't count. Now, with two countries saying "no," and the Dutch Prime Minister Jan Peter Balkenende pledging to respect the popular vote, no might actually mean no.

From the get-go, ratification was supposed to be a done deal. Nine countries dutifully approved the pact.

Figure that pro-EU French **President Jacques Chirac never** considered that he actually had to sell the constitution to his constituents. After all, it was the voters' duty to cede to their leaders' better judgment, n'est-ce pas?

Yes, there had been grumblings from the voters, but for years the **Eurocrats successfully had** ignored them. Reasonable fears that unfettered immigration could depress wages in established economies or tear their social fabric? Anxiety over how the admission of Turkey to the EU might open the door to new immigrants who oppose Dutch or French values? Calls, when the document was being drafted, that the new charter recognize Europe's Judeo-Christian roots? Eurocrats turned a deaf ear to all such suggestions. After all, Brussels knew best.

They didn't need to listen to the European electorate. At least, not until it was too late.

Or as Laurens Jan Brinkhorst, the

Dutch economy minister, told The New York Times, "The non-debate of the past 20 years cannot be overcome in three weeks."

Non-debate? See how the EU imposed its views beyond its mandate to unite European economies. There was no need for continental criminal sentencing, but the Eurocrats were power happy. They went way beyond prohibiting capital punishment. As a 2000 EU paper noted, "It is well established that long-term imprisonment, and above all imprisonment for life, fails to achieve its criminal policy's goals, unless relevant measures are adopted in order to enable the return of the prisoner to social life at the appropriate moment."

Note the language: "It is well established" - that shuts off debate and demands consensus. Note that it's a given that a criminal, regardless of the offense, must return to society. No worries if a country disagrees. Dissenting views don't count. They're not "well established."

No wonder, then, that Europeans saw the EU as a threat to their countries' individual identity and autonomy. As the Economist editorialized, "Every country has some complaint about policies being foisted on it from Brussels." Wary voters, of course, want to put the brakes on the EU's runaway powers. Voting no was the only way they knew how.

So what happens now? San Francisco's Howard Leach, until recently the U.S. ambassador to France, explained that the proposed constitution "does not change very much. It was not a major expansion of the EU's powers." The constitution — which comes in the form of a treaty would create a European president and EU foreign minister. Failure to ratify the constitution means the current rules stand.

One exception, as reported by

The New York Times: The constitution did pass more judicial authority to the EU.

**Hoover Institution fellow Dennis** Bark spent the five weeks leading up to the vote in France. Bark is angered at the non vote and convinced that the new constitution changed so little that a non vote was counterproductive.

A oui vote was in the French interest, Bark said, because, "The only way they can get out of this welfare system, which is their own invention, is to blame it on the European Union." Which suggests another problem the EU faced. Chirac tried to assure young voters that under the new constitution, the EU wouldn't undermine Gallic employment law by introducing employer-friendly reforms. Rot. That's what the EU is supposed to do — make Europe an environment amenable for hiring workers in over-regulated, high-unemployment nations like France and Germany.

Readers of this column are familiar with my frequent use of the phrase "Our Betters in Europe." I don't use the term to denigrate Europeans, but instead to mock those — European, American and the occasional U.S. Supreme Court justice - who suggest that Americans should look to European elites for their superior judgment in foreign policy or criminal justice matters.

Now, it is clear that our Betters in Europe may be, as their acolytes suggest, Better Than We Are. But get this: Even Europeans don't bow to them.

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# Hoping jury convicts Jackson

then it comes to Michael Jackson, I guess I'm not fair and balanced. I'm inclined to think he's guilty, and I'm hoping the jury will agree.

As a longtime criminal law professor, I see plenty of problems in this case — I know

how to tear it apart. But in the end, it may not matter. On the question of sexual molestation, if the boy is believable, that's all you need.

From what I hear, the last piece of evidence - the film of t**ll**e boy being intervlewed by police just three months after

the events in question — was extremely powerful and strongly reenforced his testimony. Coupled with the testimony of the other boy, that has some smart courtwatchers thinking that this jury may be on its way to convicting Michael Jackson, whether it realizes it yet or not.

The comment that haunts me in this case, which I have written about and thought about, is one that a colleague of mine made, one who holds a doctorate in child psychology as well as a law degree. USC Law Professor Tom Lyon said the boy would be better off if he were molested by Michael Jackson than if he was told to lie about it by his mother. It's easier to recover from sexual abuse by a stranger than such an extreme form of parental abuse — of a child who had already faced a serious cancer - from his mother.

Of course, the point of a criminal trial is not to solve a boy's problems. But when one boy after

another is put in a position to have them, you start looking to see the points and the parts of the system that have failed.

Michael Jackson portrays himself as "different," but in some respects, he is like other men who like little boys. They do not prey on boys whose parents exercise appropriate supervision. I was frankly appalled when my son came home to tell me that he'd been playing with Michael Jackson and his children — supervised, to be sure — at another friend's house. Appalled is mild. Welcome to Los Angeles. I'm from Lynn, Mass.

I asked my son what he thought of Jackson, and he said he found him creepy in the extreme and welcomed the rule that he should immediately go to the phone if he ever was anywhere near him and announce that his mother said he wasn't allowed to play with him.

Sexual abuse victims are usually vulnerable in one way or another young, poor, in need — and they, or as here their mothers, are easy to put on trial, as the defense has skillfully done here. If he had a good mother, she would never have left him in Neverland. If he had a shrewd mother, she would never have listened to prosecutor Thomas Sneddon and, like the other mothers, would have taken

the money, instead. Her son would probably have been better off. If your daughter came home from the Kobe Bryant encounter, I asked some of my closest pals in the rape crisis center movement, would you report or go for the money? Go for the money, we all agreed, months before the case blew up.

But no one's giving this kid marks for heroism. Somehow, he's become something of a villain,

instead of a victim. There's been lots of talk about the fact that he was indirect in his testimony, not cool and crisp. Hello? Talked to a kid lately? That's how they talk. Especially about something as

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awful as this.

The country doesn't want to follow this case. The ratings haven't been there. There will probably be intense interest in the verdict, but let's face it: It's too disgusting for words. My son and I have discussed Michael Jackson a great deal, but we have never, ever discussed details, even though we discuss the details of health class a lot. But not this sort of thing. Imagine what it's like for this kid.

Male-on-male sexual abuse particularly where the victims are heterosexual boys or men — is probably the most stigmatized form of sexual abuse, still. If you ask police departments or crisis centers how many such cases are reported each year, they will often say none, unfortunately

Eight members of the jury have kids. One has a member of the family who was a victim of sexual assault and waited 15 years to report it.

Juries often start out divided. but the pressure to come to an agreement is very strong. The question is where the pressure will be coming from. Jacko may have had the fancy lawyer who is winning on points, but this isn't about points.

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**East Side Baptist Church** 

"Sunday Fun Times" starts this week, beginning Sunday at 9:45 a.m. There will be illustrated lessons designed for all ages, followed by crafts designed to re-enforce the lesson. There will also be time for fellowship with refreshments and other fun things as the summer

progresses. "Fun Time" will be followed by the regular family worship service at 10:45 a.m.

YoungLife

Three YoungLife Big Spring leaders are escorting 12 local high school students to Frontier Camp in Buena Vista. Colo., July 2-10. Donations are accepted to cover the cost of this trip. A full-detailed car wash fund-raiser is set for June 10-11. Service includes carpet cleaning and waxing. Call 213-4819 to schedan appointment. YoungLife is a non-profit Christian organization for high school students. For more information or to contribute to YoungLife, call 264-1234.

**Calvary Baptist** Church

**Calvary Baptist Church** is located at 1200 W. Fourth Street. Preaching services are at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. and Wednesday Bible study is at 5 p.m.

**Cornerstone Church** 

Cornerstone Church, an **Every Nation Ministries** church, has worship service beginning at 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Children in kindergarten through fourth grade are invited to Sunday children's activities.

The New Youth, for grades five and six, study the Ten Commandments at 7 p.m. Wednesday. The Youth for grades seven through 12, also meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday. The youth are raising funds for a national conference in Nashville, Tenn., in

Cornerstone, located at the corner of 12th and Owens streets, offers a family atmosphere of praise and worship. Childcare is available for through newborns preschool. Call Pastor Craig or Cherise Felty at 263-3072 with any questions.

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Sunday is Gideon Sunday. The Gideon Presentation will be the Communion Meditation. Worship services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m.

Chancel Choir rehearses at 2 p.m. and the monthly prayer meeting is at 5 p.m. All youth will meet at 6:30 p.m.

Monday evening at 7, the church will host chorus rehearsal for the symphony chorus for Pops in the Park. Anyone interested in singing should attend rehearsal. For more information, contact Jim Wright at the church office.

Noon Bible study is Wednesday. Lunch is provided. The Hispanic Bible study and the Senior High Youth Bible study meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday. Also Wednesday evening, the Centered in Praise ensemble rehearses at 8 p.m. Praver times Thursday at noon and Friday at 7 a.m.

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

**Birdwell Lane Baptist Church** 

The members Birdwell Lane Baptist Church invite everyone to worship service at 1512 Birdwell Lane. The senior youth ages 13 and older will be leaving Monday for the Fort Davis Youth

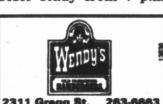
Sunday worship services are at 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. Midweek services are at 7 p.m. Wednesday. For information call 267-7157 or 267-8214.

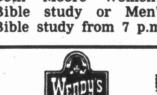
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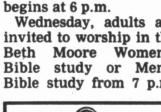
Sunday school starts at 9:45 a.m. for all age groups and the morning worship service begins at

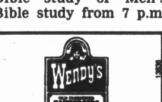
The Lord's Supper will be observed during the morning service. A Youth Discipleship class, Royal Ambassadors, Girls in Action, Mission Friends and Mission Babies are offered for children of all ages Sunday at 4:45 p.m. Choir practice begins Sunday night at 5, and the evening worship service

Wednesday, adults are invited to worship in the Beth Moore Women's Bible study or Men's Bible study from 7 p.m.

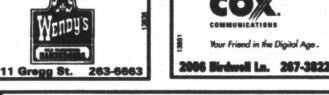














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**Vacation Bible School is** June 13-15, from 6:30 p.m. They are raising money until 8:30 p.m. There will for the youth trip to be a luau party June 12 at Schlitterbahn. They will 6 p.m. for kids and parserve at 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. and following the 9:30 service.

St. Mary's Inquirers' Class is Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

St. Mary's will once again join the First Presbyterian Church for Vacation Bible School beginning Monday and continuing to Friday from 9 a.m. to noon. Classes are at the First Presbyterian Church. The "Safari" VBS is for children ages 5-11 years old (completing fifth grade). For more information, call I St. Mary's at 267-8201.

For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church call 267-8201 or visit the Web site at www.st.marysbst.org. St. Mary's is located at 1001 S. Goliad.

**First Church** of the Nazarene

Beginning in June, family ministries night is Wednesdays. The family night meal is in the fellowship hall from 5 p.m. until 6:15 p.m. The cost is \$5 for adults; kids ages 3-10 are \$3; and 2-years-old and younger eat free. Maximum cost per family is \$20.

Several activities are planned from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Wednesday which are: a women's Bible study in the gym classroom under Salt Shaker; gym games for the senior and junior high age; adult class one with Leonard Hadley in the Commons; adult class two with Bob Goodwin in the Fellowship Hall's northwest classroom; discipling class with Pastor "B" in the conference room; home builders' fellowship with Tommy and Teresa Welch in the Fellowship Hall's northeast classroom; and Wednesday Night Kids in

the Kid's Building.

Choir rehearsal is in the sanctuary from 7:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Worship begins at a new time Sunday. Coffee, donuts and fellowship time is 9 a.m. until 9:45 a.m. and Sunday Celebration is at 10 a.m. the sanctuary. Children's Church and KinderChurch is in the Kid's Building. Sunday night Celebration Praise is at 6 p.m.

**First Christian Church** 

Everyone is welcome to worship at First Christian Church. Sunday school starts at 9:45 a.m., followed by worship service at 10:50 a.m. Nursery is provided. The Rev. Earnie Williams is interim minister Sunday.

Wednesday Bible study in the Isaiah 58 building starts at 10:30 a.m. and choir practice is at 6 p.m. A church-wide baby shower is in the

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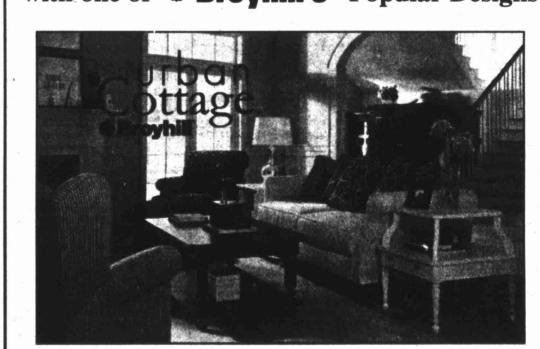
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A Memorial Service is planned Gary Don Carey, who passed away May 22 in Colorado. The memorial service is in the church at 2 p.m. June 11 with the Rev. Gary Groves officiating.

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad. For more information, call 267-7851.

#### **Midway Baptist** Church

The church will be conducting "Life Way's Ramblin' Road Trip, Which Way Do I Go?" for Vacation Bible School this year, starting Monday from 8:45 a.m. until noon. All children 3 vears old through sixth are invited. Activities include cruising into Bible stories, playing games and having cool road trip snacks. Along the way, there will be a stop at the Crafts Souvenir Shop and the Music Tune-up Station, to learn the songs for the VBS musical set for performance at 11 a.m. June

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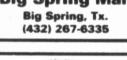
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Big Spring High School has set up its annual tennis camp for June 6 through June 9 at the Figure 7 Tennis Courts inside of Comanche Trail Park. The camp will begin 8:30 a.m. all other days and will end at 11:30 a.m. every day.

The cost is \$100 and it includes a T-shirt. For more information, contact Dennis Smiley at 263-3848 Sarah Corse at 263-2275 or Ted Olesen at 806-236-8901.

#### Justin Cowboy Crisis Fund tourney set

The Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo has announced a golf tournament to benefit the Justin Cowboy Crisis Fund.

The tournament is scheduled for Friday, June 17. The tournament costs \$50 per player and the fee includes lunch and fine prizes for top

For more information, contact Eddy Blassnigame at 263-

#### Howard announces first of three camps

The Howard College omen's basketball rogram will be hostg three camps this

he first camp will to place June 13-16 nd is for seventh-12th girls and is a ooting and offensive noves camp.

egistration will take ace Monday, June 13 om 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. The camp goes from 9 a.m. to noon through June 16 and the cost is 60 per person. For more inform

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help Michigan (61-5) win its first game in the Women's College ORLAHOMA CITY (AP) -Jennifer Ritter allowed just three singles and top-ranked Michigan World Series since 1998.

Michigan scored twice in the first inning on Nicole Motycka's RBI single and a DePaul error and made it 3-0 in the fourth on Tiffany Haas' sacrifice fly. Tracie Adix (23-9) allowed three runs on four hits for DePaul.

In the first game, the Lady Vols (65-13) scored the only run in the sixth when Arizona right fielder Adrienne Acton's throw to first base after a single by Katherine Card was wild, allowing pinchrunner Ashley Cline to score.

Abbott (48-7) retired the first 14 the sixth. batters before Callista Balko singled with two outs in the fifth for Arizona's lone hit. Abbott, who struck out 12, has 32 shutouts this season, and Tennessee has an NCAA Division I-record 49.

Arizona's Alicia Hollowell (30-8) pitched a complete game, allowing four hits and striking out 12 for the Wildcats (44-11).

In the second game, UCLA (37-18) tied Cal at 1 on Ashley Herrera's homer off Kelly Anderson (28-9) in the fifth, and took the lead on Krista Colburn's single off Kristina Thorson in hits for Alabama (62-14).

Cal (52-14) scored its only run in the third when Vicky Galindo singled, stole second and scored on pitcher Anjelica Seldon's throwing error.

In the final game, Texas' Cat Osterman (29-6) struck out 17 in a one-hitter.

Texas (48-11) scored all of its runs in the sixth inning. Tina Boutelle drove in the first rur with a double to center, and Ches Sievers and Desiree Williams added RBI singles. Stephanie VanBrakle (33-7) allowed four

# Bulldogettes' dream dashed

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

final game.

AUSTIN — The state tournament veterans looked more like rookies Thursday at Red McCombs Field on the campus of the University of Texas as mistakes and cold bats doomed the Coahoma Bulldogettes against Elysian Fields.

beat DePaul 3-0 on Thursday

night in the third of four games in the opening round of the NCAA Women's College World

In the first game, Tennessee's

Monica Abbott threw a one-hitter

and extended her scoreless

streak to 43 innings in the Vols'

1-0 victory over Arizona. Also,

UCLA edged California 2-1, and

Texas beat Alabama 3-0 in the

Ritter (34-2) struck out 12 to

The Lady Jackets made their first trip to the state softball championship tournament and took advantage of three errors one inning by Coahoma and defeated the Bulldogettes, 4-2.

"You don't go home losers when you get to this point, but you can't expect to make that many mistakes at the state tournament and win," said Coahoma coach Robby Dickenson.

Junior Kali Roberts was subpar on the mound in the game to the Buildogettes and the offense of Coahoma got just four hits at the plate.

"Kali wasn't her normal self, but she battled," said Dickenson. "The strike zone was a bit erratic but it was erratic for both teams."

Roberts gave up two earned runs in the game and allowed five hits, while striking out two and walking two, but was clearly outperformed by Brooke Hickey.

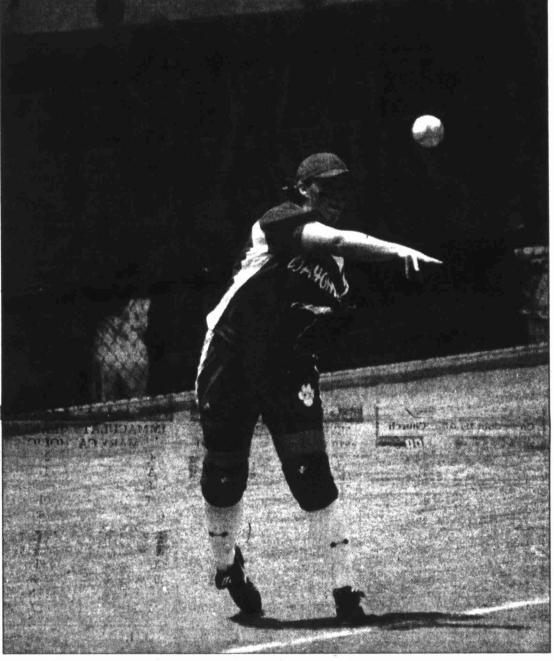
Hickey gave up four hits and struck out four Bulldogettes. She improved to 21-3 on the year despite giving up five walks. The loss dropped Roberts to 18-6 on the year.

The pitching matchup was hardly the difference in the game, however. The difference came at the plate and in the field.

Coahoma committed three errors in the third inning, which led to two unearned runs and then stranded seven runners on base, including two runners in the first and a bases loaded situation in the third.

"We have to be able to get runners home when they got on base and we couldn't do that today." said Dickenson. "We just couldn't put the ball in play enough."

Coahoma (25-12) scored



Coahoma's Amy Dunn mades a throw to first during the Bulldogettes 4-2 loss to Elysian Fields in their Class 2A semifinal state tournament softball game Thursday at Red McCombs Field in Austin.

Sophomore Ami Martinez led off the game with a walk and then got to second base after senior Ruby Garcia reached on an error. After foul outs by both Ashle New and Roberts, Conly drove in Martinez with an RBI single. Elysian Fields got out of the jam with a strikeout to end the inning.

The Lady Jackets tied up the game in their half of the first inning. Kristi Kelley began the inning with an infield single then moved to second on a sac bunt by Laura Butler and to third on a sacrifice fly by Hickey. Kelley eventually scored on a wild pitch.

Baylee Hickey doubled but was thrown out at first in the game. third trying to extend her

hit to a trip and that ended the Elysian Fields

threat.

The Jackets took the lead for good in the second inning. Roberts started off the frame with her first strikeout of the game but then gave up a walk to Nicole Hall. Mary Lawless followed Hall's walk with a single and then an RBI ground out Jessica McGuire scored Hall from third.

Coahoma threatened in the third inning," but came away with no runs. Martinez started with a walk and then advanced to second on a sacrifice ground out by Garcia. Roberts later walked and Conley reached with an infield single, but a fielder's choice ground out

by junior Sarah Dunn ended the inning with the bases loaded.

"The mistakes in the field killed us, but our lack of offense at the plate was just as big of a key, said Dickenson. "I am disappointed because I think we did some things here that we don't usually do."

Two unearned runs were scored by the Lady Jackets in their half of the third inning. Kelley and Butler reached on back-to-back errors to start the inning.

Brooke Hickey lined out, but Baylee Hickey got on base after another error. The second run of the inning was scored by Butler on a sacrifice fly by Amanda Busby.

"The errors we made

were definitely uncharacterstic of our team," said Dickenson.

The Lady Jackets got two runs in the inning, but did not get a hit.

Coahoma managed to cut into the deficit in the fifth inning. Martinez got hit by a pitch to start the inning and then pinchrunner Magun Gutierrez moved to second on a sacrifice ground out by Garcia. Gutierrez scored on the next play after an RBI single by New. Conley followed Roberts' pop out by getting to firstbase on an error.

Conley was later caught in a run down after trying to steal second base and while Conley was caught, New proceeded to go home and was thrown out at the plate in a questionable call. The Elysian Fields catcher blocked the plate before the ball arrived, but New was still called out.

"The play is called obstruction and she flat out missed the call," said Dickenson. "Ashie had to stop because she couldn't go anywhere. I am mostly upset because it was supposed to be a rule they were emphasizing."

The only other time Coahoma threatened in the game was in the sixth. Freshman Krista Kerby got a two-out double but was stranded at second base.

"We had our chances in the game," Dickenson. "A lot of my top hitters just had bad days at the plate and there's not much you can do about that."

Conley got two singles and an RBI at the plate to lead the Bulldogettes. New added an RBI single in the third inning. Martinez reached base four times — three walks and a hit by a pitch — but did not get a hit.

"That's why I moved to her to lead-off — because she has the ability to find ways to get on base without getting hits," said Dickenson.

Baylee Hickey got two hits and Kelley added two runs for Elysian Fields (32-10-1). Hall walked twice and scored once, while McGuire and Busby each added an RBI.

# Heat takes 3-2 lead in Eastern Conference finals

By TIM REYNOLDS

**AP Sports Writer** 

MIAMI — Dwyane Wade found himself dealing with a plethora of emotions.

There was pain, his breathing made arduous by a strained right rib muscle that ended his night. There was frustration from not being with teammates at the end

of the season's biggest game. And finally, there was joy because his Miami Heat are one

win from the NBA Finals. Shaquille O'Neal had 20 points, Wade and Damon Jones each had

15, and the Heat used a huge run to close the first half and set up an 88-76 win in Game 5 of the Eastern Conference finals Thursday night.

Miami leads the best-of-seven series 3-2. Game 6 is Saturday in Detroit, and if the Pistons prevail, Game 7 will be Monday in Miami.

"I think this is the first time in a couple games that we came out and everybody was a big, big part of it," Wade said. "It was great. And this was the right time to do it. We need to do it again in Game 6."

Wade was injured when he executed a crossover dribble, and aggravated it when he took a charge against Detroit's Rasheed Wallace with 5:08 left in the third quarter. He returned for 2 minutes early in the fourth, before being forced from the game for good.

Miami led 67-47 when Wade took the charge. Detroit outscored the Heat by eight during the game's final 17 minutes. but never made a serious chal-

"We've got one game," said Pistons guard Chauncey Billups,

who had 19 points. "Saturday night. Eight o'clock. Nothing else. We've got one game to play. basically. Then, if we take care of business, then we can talk after that game. But right now, we've got one game to play."

Rasheed Wallace was a little more succinct - he issued another in his long series of playoff guarantees.

"Oh, we're going to win Game 6," he said. "They are going to send some good people out there and there's going to be a Game 7. There's no other series. If y'all can't see that, y'all crazy."

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c/o : Margaret Newton 5103 Callahan Rd. Big Spring, Texas 79720 DATED the 31st day of May, 2005. **GWENDOLYN K. DUNSON.** 

610 Main Street, Suite B P.O. Box 670 Big Spring, Texas 79720 Telephone: (432)263-2100 Facsimile: (432)263-4200 By: Gwendolyn K. Dunson Attorney for Estate State Bar No.: 00795331 #4584 June 3, 2005

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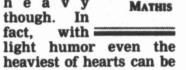
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#### Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

Mercury passes the sun in Gemini and forms an auspicious angle to big daddy Jupiter in Libra. If you find yourself in a pickle, talk your way through.

There's hardly a situation that can't be made better through conversation. That doesn't mean things need to get heavy though. In with = fact,



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buoyed. ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're controversial and you wouldn't have it any other way! Make the attention you're getting work for you by also being a shameless selfpromoter. Late in the evening, a loved one brings out another side soft and sweet.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You don't have to always spring for dinner or be the one to pay for the tickets. Friends appreciate other kinds of generosity, too - like when you listen without judgment. Tonight, you are entertaining company.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You do what you do out of a sense of genuine altruism, but some could wonder what you want in return. Make your intentions clear or, better yet, give anonymously. It's really good for the soul!

**CANCER (June 22-July** 22). The big, complicated world gets rather simple when your domestic life is in order. The keys to family happiness are: respect, shared routines and working consistently for a common goal.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A minor scandal pumps intrigue into your life not a moment too soon (you thought you'd die of boredom). Offset "wickedness" with good. (You have the rare talent of being able to do good without being pious.)

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're in the habit of letting your head rule over your heart. But it's spring! Flights of fancy are the norm, not the exception. Listen to what your heart has to say, and use that brain of yours to make it happen.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Not only is dancing a blast, but it's also great for the body and mind. Put on those boogie shoes tonight. Hit the floor at a local club, or you could host your own dance party in the comfort of your living room.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Artistic projects are featured. This is no time to throw everything into the pot. The more specific and particular you can be, the better your project will turn out. Some even say you are a genius!

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-**Dec. 21). Liberating thoughts: "There" is no more exciting "here." You will be exactly as happy "then" as you are "now." No one is better or worse than you. Now that that's out of the way, you can have fun!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). That little voice inside you needs a microphone to be heard. Either turn it up, or turn the outside world down because that voice has something to tell you today that you don't want to miss.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're among the few who do not gauge success by a job title or a bank account. Your secret? Doing what fulfills you. Your contentment inspires others to seek more gratifying employment opportunities.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There's no shame in wanting less responsibility at work. You know what you're mentally and emotionally willing to mail. To find out more give your employer. about Holiday Mathis and Other aspects of your life read her past columns, benefit from a low-key visit the Creators lifestyle.

LOVE WEEKEND FORECAST: Talk is cheap this weekend — but that DICATE, INC. doesn't make it any less

tion may not lead to immediate action or even future plans, but it's still the best way to flirt. ARIES: Get loved ones on board with your plan; present a case for the lifestyle you want. TAU-RUS: Be generous, but don't overspend impress someone. GEMI-NI: True love is never obligated. Let loved ones know it's OK to disagree with you. CANCER: Look for partners who can match your enthusiasm on a number of topics. LEO: Small misunderstandings are blown out of proportion unless you nip things in the bud. VIRGO: Let others see the true you. LIBRA: Having a secret gives you magnetism. SCORPIO: Dare to love someone just like you! SAGITTARIUS: It's good to trust, but not to be complacent. CAPRICORN: Go out alone. Potential sweeties can't get to you if friends surround you. AQUARIUS: People you love will help to shape your future. PISCES: Your personality dazzles.

COUPLE OF WEEKEND: Much is said this weekend, but how much is understood? For instance, people say, "That's OK" when they really mean it's not, or "I'm sorry," which translates into "You should be sorry." Virgo and Libra understand each other's code, so language is no barrier for this love match. Virgo and Libra both have high standards, and both are able to live up to those standards, even when the rest of the world disappoints.

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# Annie's Mailbox **∘**

twice-divorced father of two wonderful kids, each from a different mother. I recently met a great girl who adores my boys and is great with them. "Karen" also is divorced but has no children. The problem is that I don't want any more children and she does.

I have been upfront with Karen from the beginning, but she keeps saying she'd like to have two kids. I told her that parenthood is a fantastic thing to experience and I don't want to keep her from doing it, but I'm not interested.

We care for each other dearly, and I don't want to break up something that feels so right, but I also don't want to stop her from having her own family. What should I do? -Two is Enough in Michigan

Dear Two is Enough: You need to tell her it's

summer in California. I love my nephew, but I do not want to go to the wedding for several reasons. First, it would cost over \$1,500 for airfare, hotel, etc., and I would much

the newlyweds than to the airlines. Second, my spouse and I find it difficult to take a day off work. Finally, estranged stepfamily will be there, and I have no desire to see them.

My nephew and his mother (my sister) are quite insistent that we go, and their constant pressure leaves me feeling guilty, as well as angry that my own wishes and feelings are not being taken into account.

How can I explain that I love them all, but for reasons that will benefit everyone, they simply should have the wedding without me? — Montreal Dear Montreal:

Obviously, your sister and your nephew would like you to attend the nuptials because they love you and

want you to share this

special moment. It's a shame that you are

can see the newlyweds soon.

Dear Annie: I'd like to comment on your response to "Bipolar Mom," whose 8-year-old daughter has bipolar dis-

Dear Annie: I am a rather give this amount to order and often bullies other children. You said, "We hope your daughter's school has educated the other parents to be understanding about your situation."

As a school nurse and health services coordinator in a public school district in California, I can assure you that schools must respect students' confidentiality regarding medical problems. We have students with epilepsy, diabetes, asthma, cerebral palsy, ADHD, bipolar disorder, depression, HIV/AIDS, and on and on. Unless a parent or student asks us to talk to other students about a child's medical condition, we cannot mention it. Does it mean we have students who physically act out, swear and behave abhorrently in schools? Absolutely. It's a dilemma. How do you provide an appropriate education to all children without endangering some? School Nurse

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column.

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been wonderful, but it allowing estranged relatives to have so much wouldn't be fair to continue seeing each other power over you that they California FOR SALE under the circumstances. can keep you from enjoy-Dear School Nurse: ing these family events. You've brought up a She isn't going to change We wish you could put her mind, and unless you provocative question. All aside your differences think you might do a flip children deserve the best **No Down Payment** on the subject, you are long enough to do this for education we can provide, but they also need our postponing the your nephew's sake. inevitable. Make a clean If you absolutely cannot protection. We don't know **OWNER FINANCING** oreak before it's too late. manage to be there, send the answer, but if any Dear Annie: I live in your regrets, along with a experts would like to weigh in, we'll be happy Canada, and my nephew lovely gift and your best **Bad Credit O.K.** is getting married this wishes. Hopefully, you to provide the forum.

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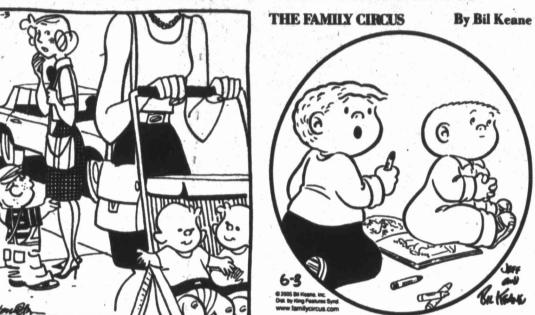
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# This Date In History

**By The Associated Press** 

Today is Friday, June 3, the 154th day of 2005. There are 211 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

Forty years ago, on June 3, 1965, astronaut Edward White became the first American to "walk" in space, during the flight of

Gemini Four. On this date:

In 1621, the Dutch West India Company received a charter for New Netherlands \_ now known as New York.

In 1935, the French liner Normandie set a record on its maiden voyage, arriving in New York after crossing the Atlantic in just four days, 11 hours and 42 minutes.

In 1937, the Duke of Windsor, who had abdicated the British throne, mar-Wallis Warfield Simpson in Monts, France.

In 1963, Pope John the 23rd died at age 81. He was succeeded by Pope Paul the Sixth.

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In 1981, Pope John Paul the Second left a Rome hospital and returned to the Vatican three weeks after the attempt on his life.

1985, Jerry Whitworth was arrested by the FBI, accused of being part of a spy ring headed by John A. Walker Jr. (Whitworth was later sentenced to 365 years in prison.)

In 1989, Iran's spiritual leader, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, died.

In 1989, Chinese army troops began their sweep of Beijing to crush student-led pro-democracy demonstrations.

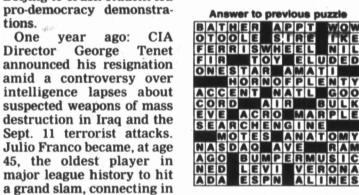
One year ago: CIA Director George Tenet announced his resignation amid a controversy over intelligence lapses about suspected weapons of mass destruction in Iraq and the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Julio Franco became, at age 45, the oldest player in major league history to hit

Atlanta's 8-to-4 victory over Philadelphia.

GEEZ, SOME

Today's Birthdays: Actor Tony Curtis is 80. TV producer Chuck Barris is 76. Author Larry McMurtry is 69. Singer Suzi Quatro is 55. Rock musician Billy Powell (Lynyrd Skynyrd) is 53. Country singer Jamie O'Neal is 37. Singers Ariel and Gabriel Hernandez (No Mercy) are 34. Actress Lalaine ("Lizzie McGuire") is 18.

Thought for Today: **'Nothing** Everything in the world remains to be done or done over." \_ Lincoln Steffens, American investigative reporter (1866-1936).



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# Golf Insider

IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR GAME

# Correct posture is key to survival

By T.J. TOMASI **Universal Press Syndicate** 

umans who fall down a lot don't last very long, so in the interest of survival as a species, we have a built-in system that keeps the body in balance. It's composed of a complex of sensors distributed throughout the body that report to the brain on the attitude of

Another component of the system is housed in the inner ear where an ingenious arrangement of canals filled with fluid monitors and adjusts your position in space. Any loss of balance triggers the "righting instinct," an automatic response that acts to keep you from falling.

The upshot of this is that your brain has a long-standing interest in survival and only a short-term interest in your next golf shot. So if you are not in balance when you swing a golf club, you will trigger the righting instinct, and when you do, your body will rearrange itself, saving you from falling down, but ruining your

One way to avoid this is to stand properly to the ball at address.

Most players are unbalanced at address, and this translates to imbalance during the swing. For some golfers, it feels powerful to bend over and reach for the ball, but this puts too much weight on the toes (as I am demonstrating in the first photo below). During the swing, your weight will rock back to your heels, forcing your body to straighten up.

Other golfers stand too close to the ball with their back humped (photo 2), but from this setup your body is immobilized and all you can do is deliver a weak slap to the ball. Both of these postures cause off-center hits that sap power and produce off-line shots.

To establish proper balance at address (photo 3), it's important to create the correct posture, which consists of three key elements: back straight, fanny out and hands under the eyes (under the neck for irons).

Using the correct posture, as your swing reaches maximum speed, your posterior acts as ballast that anchors you to the ground so your body can rotate without fear of falling over. Also, your straight spine gives you a true axis to swing around.

As you assume the address position, imagine that you are about to sit on a high bar stool, and make sure that your derriere is well behind your heels.

When you are in the proper position, you are in the same posture that all great athletes assume for action a quarterback waiting for a snap, a swimmer ready to dive into the pool or a short-stop ready for a grounder. The muscles of your thighs are taut but not tense, and if you needed to leap forward onto the ball without repositioning your weight, you could.

But setting your body in the correct position is not enough. For great dynamic balance, you must also create proper weight distribution. Your weight should be distributed from the balls of both feet back along the arch to the heel, with the majority between the ball and arch.

Assume a knock-kneed position (with your weight on the inner rim of both feet, and the knees slightly inclined toward each other). This inward pinch centers your body weight, providing maximum stabilization.







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**BRANT SANDERLIN / Cox News Service** 

The final official event of the PGA Tour's season, held annually at Atlanta's East Lake Golf Club (above), would move from November to mid-September beginning in 2007.

# Golf dates facing shuffle

### **PGA** Tour looks at schedule shift

By GLENN SHEELEY

Atlanta our Championship tournament director Todd Rhinehart said recently he expects the event to move "sometime after Labor Day.'

The final official event of the PGA Tour's season, held annually at Atlanta's East Lake Golf Club, would move from November to mid-September beginning in 2007.

Many scenarios still are being discussed regarding the PGA Tour's next agreement with television networks for the 2007-2010 schedule. The move, along with several others, could be announced as early as the fall.

A repositioned Tour Championship would shorten the official money season and boost television ratings, which are typically flattened by football season.

Rhinehart says an earlier date benefits all parties concerned, gathering momentum from the conclusion of the major championships in mid-August and carrying over into the Tour

Championship "Obviously, it's hard to battle [for television ratings] against college football," Rhinehart said, "and if you move up earlier in the year, where the games are less meaningful in September than they are in November or December, it helps from a TV perspective and it helps our attendance. . . . There's more of a rampup to the Tour Championship. You'd have the majors, then a few

weeks after that, the grand finale. "With our event, we're fortunate that [we don't have to recruit] play-— they qualify to be in the top 30 — but the more national media we get, the better we are,"

# 2005 UPCOMING

. U.S. OPEN: June 16-19. Pinehurst Resort and Country Club, Pinehurst,

BRITISH OPEN: July 14-17, St. Andrews,

 PGA CHAMPIONSHIP: Aug. 11-14, Baltusrol Golf Course, Springfield, N.J.

Rhinehart said. "Which means more awareness for Coca-Cola [the Atlanta-based presenting sponsorl and better ratings.

There could be other major changes in the new schedule. The Players Championship, known as the "fifth major," finally appears to be moving from March to May, no longer overshadowed by the Masters.

· Atlanta's BellSouth Classic, weary of battling rain and cold weather in late March and early April the week before the Masters, probably will get its request for a later date, anywhere from late April to mid-May.

Officials at the PGA Tour remain in early talks with tournament directors, sponsors and television networks and are not commenting on specifics of the new schedule or changes for 2007. Commissioner Tim Finchem refers to it as "a work in progress.'

An earlier date for the Tour Championship, which annually assembles the PGA Tour's top 30 money winners, would please players - such as Tiger Woods, Ernie Els and Phil Mickelson — who have said a January-November sea son is too long. Last year, Woods pondered skipping the Tour Championship to remain on his honeymoon.

Last year Coca-Cola extended its contract through 2011 with the Tour Championship. That might not have happened without an opportunity for enhanced ratings and prestige from an earlier date.

There are other changes to the PGA Tour schedule being consid ered.

The Wachovia Championship could be the lead-in to The Players Championship, possibly taking the May 3-6 spot in 2007, with TPC following May 10-13. Wachovia organizers have been assured that in a new contract, it must precede a

Players Championship held in May. Houston or New Orleans could move into the BellSouth's spot the week before the Masters. Houston already has expressed an interest to be earlier than its current date of April 21-24. New Orleans was the Masters lead-in before the BellSouth took over in 1999.

The Accenture Match Play Championship might move from La Costa in Carlsbad, Calif., where it has suffered from cold, rainy weather and thin galleries, to Tucson. That would mean better weather for the World Golf Championship event and a larger spotlight for Tucson. which has been field-challenged opposite the Match Play since 1999.

October's WGC American Express Championship could take over The Players Championship's March date when the event is held in the United States, possibly rotating with another event when the AMEX goes overseas.

**Events following the Tour** Championship, perhaps after a short break in the schedule, could be deemed unofficial or count toward the next money season. There also are rumors of an international expansion, possibly to

The official season could start later than the current schedule, which begins with the Mercedes Championship in early January, followed by the Sony Open in Hawaii. Starting the week after the Super Bowl would be likely.

#### SCHEDULE

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· Schedule: Thursday-Sunday. • Course: Muirfield Village Golf Club (7,265 yards, par

· Purse: \$5.5 million. Winner's share: \$990,000. • TV: ESPN (Thursday-Friday, 4-7 p.m.) and CBS (Saturday, 3-6 p.m.; Sunday,

**LPGA TOUR** ShopRite LPGA Classic · Site: Galloway Township,

• Schedule: Friday-Sunday. Course: Seaview Marriott Resort & Spa, Bay Course (6,071 yards, par 71). • Purse: \$1.4 million. Winner's share: \$210,000. • TV: ESPN2 (Friday, 4-6 p.m.; Saturday, 2-4 p.m.; Sunday, 3-5 p.m.).

**CHAMPIONS TOUR** 

**Allianz Championship** • Site: Polk City, Iowa Schedule: Friday-Sunday. Course: Tournament Club of lowa (6,756 yards, par 71).

• Purse: \$1.5 million. Winner's share: \$225,000. • TV: The Golf Channel (Friday-Sunday, 5-7:30 p.m., 9-11:30 p.m.).

#### **PGA EUROPEAN TOUR Wales Open**

• Site: Newport, Wales. • Schedule: Thursday-Sunday. · Course: Celtic Manor Resort, Roman Road Course (6,743 yards, par 69).

Purse: \$2.72 million. Winner's share: \$453,800. • TV: The Golf Channel (Thursday-Friday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 9 a.m.-noon).

> **NATIONWIDE TOUR** Chattanooga Classic

• Site: Chattanooga, Tenn. Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.

 Course: Black Creek Club (7,044 yards, par 72). Purse: \$450,000. Winner's share: \$81,000.

#### • TV: None. **LEADERS**

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3. Tiger Woods	\$3,814,290	
4. David Toms	\$3,102,843	
5. Kenny Perry	\$2,411,063	
6. Fred Funk	\$2,272,880	
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9. Luke Donald	\$1,836,693	
10. Adam Scott	\$1,744,748	

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1. Annika Sorenstam	\$1,023,238
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5. Wendy Ward	\$343,527
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#### Sharpen your putting machinery

What makes Tiger Woods such a good putter? Of course he's a great green reader, and his mechanical stroke is flawless. But all this wouldn't be enough without his ability to give himself the permission to trust the read and make the stroke.

Tiger generates permission by using a putting routine that, he says, "when I really get locked into what I'm doing, you can put a stopwatch on it." Woods was actually timed recently in a tour event, and every putting routine was within a 10th of a second of 18

seconds. Now that's automaton-like. Following a routine gives you permission because once you've completed the routine you know you've done everything you could in the way of gathering information about the distance and direction of your putt. And when there is nothing left to do, you have ermission to begin the stroke.

The routine is a series of temporary commitments to variables such as the grain, the slope and the wind, that culminate in a final commitment to both the read and the stroke. Since there is always a final commitment, its partner, permission, will also show up just before you stroke the putt. When you leave unfinished business before a putt -

haphazard information-gathering and a random sequence of procedures - you do not deserve permission to make the putt, nor will you get it.

Earl Woods, who taught Tiger to follow a strict routine as a child, says: "When he gets over the ball and starts his procedure, watch him after he sets his putter. He checks his alignment. He adjusts his feet. He takes one look, another look and then strokes the ball."

Should you consider adding this power tool to your repertoire? I believe so. And if you're worried about becoming so robotic that it compromises your creativity remember this: Robots don't choke.

#### **ASK THE PRO**



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Q: I'm wondering what the best way to get loose is before I play I usually don't have time to hit warmup balls before my round, and I'm stiff for the first couple of holes and don't play my best. - Mel, from

A: The two best warm-up exercises are "Baseball-to-Golf" and the

#### "Superman Stretch." **BASEBALL-TO-GOLF**

Stand upright and make a few practice swings as though you were hitting a chest-high pitch in baseball. Keeping the motion continuous, slowly incline your spine toward your normal golf swing

position until you're clipping the grass. Repeat five times.

#### **SUPERMAN STRETCH**

Stand with both arms stretched out in front of you. Reach under your left arm and curl your right wrist behind your left elbow. Keeping this relationship, place your right palm on the right side of your face.

Now, with your left arm straight, bend from your hip joints into your golf posture, just as if you were about to make a swing with your 5iron. Make a slow-motion backswing, swinging an imaginary club to the top of your swing. Hold for 30 seconds, then reverse for other side.