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## Foul play suspected

#### Police exhume woman's body

By THOMAS JENKINS

**Staff Writer** 

The body of a Big Spring woman who died in May was exhumed Thursday and sent to Lubbock for an autopsy after local law enforcement uncovered evidence her death may not have been from natural causes.

The body of 72-year-old Norma Faye Morrow was exhumed from its resting place Trinity Memorial Cemetery after detectives with the Big **Spring Police Department** learned foul play could have possibly played a role in her death.

"There's a possibility there was foul play," said Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer with the BSPD. "No arrests have been made at this time."

According to Everett, Morrow died May 20 and was laid to rest May 24.

"We learned that she (Morrow) died from a lengthy illness but her death may not have been due to natural causes," said Everett. "A court order to exhume the body was obtained based on evidence obtained by the detectives working the case.

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## LEADERSHIP GROUP IN ACTION



Wayne Stroup, left, and John Ybarra help install an irrigation line at the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center Thursday morning. Members of Leadership Big Spring installed the lines as part of the group's annual community service project.

# **BSHS** gets new head coach/AD

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Tim Holt, who has developed a reputation for turning around struggling programs, has been named new head football coach and athletic director at Big Spring High School.

Holt, currently the head coach/AD at Taylor High School near Austin, was selected by the Big Spring Independent **District Board of Trustees** during its monthly meeting Thursday night at the high school board room.

The new athletic director reportedly will be signed to a two-year, \$69,000 a year contract, school officials said.

Holt replaces Dwight Butler, who stepped down last week after 14 years at the helm at BSHS to pursue other administrative duties within the school district.

BSISD Superintendent Michael Downes said Holt was selected from

about 40 candidates for the position.

"We are very pleased to announce the hiring of Tim Holt," Downes said after the school board meeting. "He's taken over four programs in the past that were struggling and turned them around ... He really stood out and we're pleased to welcome him to Big Spring."

Holt has guided Taylor since 2001. Before that, he was head coach/AD at Falfurrias, George West Gregory-Portland. and Overall, he has a won-loss

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# BSISD trustees to work with bare-bones budget

☐ District reviews drug-testing data. See Page 3A.

#### By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Big Spring Independent School District trustees will have a fairly bare-bones budget to work with when they begin crafting a new financial package for the district next month.

BSISD Business Manager Sandra Waggoner told trustees during Thursday's board meeting that she will present a balanced budget for the 2005-06 school year when trustees hold their budget workshop in July.

Waggoner added that the budget, although balanced, was arrived at only after some serious pruning. Gone are several much-needed purchases and projects, including:



\$190,000 repairs to bleachers

at several district Instead, facilities. \$40,000 has been earmarked for that pro-

• \$113,000 for the purchase of four vehicles for the maintenance and transportation depart- See BSISD, Page 3A

• \$140,000 for the purchase of school buses. The district's transportation department requested four new buses, but will receive www.munder Waggoner's preliminary figures.

Also not in the preliminary budget are raises for teachers above Step 20 in the state teacher pay scale, personnel

# Report: FBI missed clues prior to 9/11

By PETE YOST

**Associated Press Writer** 

WASHINGTON (AP) -In the weeks and months before Sept. 11, 2001, the FBI had some clues, but didn't see them. It had a lead from one of its own agents, but didn't follow

A sobering inside look at pre-Sept. 11 intelligence operations by the Department's Justice inspector general chronicles how the FBI missed at least five opportunities to uncover vital information that might have led agents to the hijackers.

The way the FBI handled these matters was a significant failure that FBI's hindered the

chances of being able to detect and prevent the 11 attacks." Inspector General Glenn Fine said in a hewly released report Thursday.

Attorney General Alberto Gonzales acknowledged Friday that there were laws on the books before the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks that "discouraged the sharing of information" among law enforcement and intelligence agencies.

Appearing on NBC's "Today" show, Gonzales noted that many of those laws "have now been dismantled" and said he thinks the government is in a better position than

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## Mishap on U.S. Highway 87



Emergency service personnel remove a woman from her car following an accident at the intersection of N. Highway 87 and FM 2230 this morning. According to law enforcement officials at the scene, the woman was traveling south on N. Highway 87 when a Tessco commercial truck crossing through the intersection failed to yield the right of way. The driver of the truck escaped with no injuries and the driver of the car, who is from Ackerly, was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center emergency room with minor injuries.

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#### WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

 Stargazing party at Big Spring State Park, Saturday, beginning at 9 p.m. Admission \$2. Children 12 and under free with an adult.

Despite possible thunderstorms forecasted for the Big Spring area Saturday night, Big Spring State Park Manager Ron Alton said he is hopeful the weather will clear up in time for the annual event. For more information, including whether cloudy skies will force the event to opt for its July 9 back-up date, contact Alton at 432-268-3503.

• Big Spring Model Aircraft Association Fly-In and Swap Meet.

Buzbee Field. 10 a.m. until late Saturday and 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday. Free admission with a brisket lunch on both days. For more information, contact Don McKinney at 399-4793 or Charles Buzbee at 267-7114.

· Old Sorehead Trade Days, downtown Stanton, Saturday from 8:30 a.m. until "dark-thirty" and Sunday from noon until 5 p.m.

 Community Angels Auction is set to start at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Railroad Plaza to benefit the Christmas project. For more information, call 268-9070.

## **Obituaries**

#### **Josephine Melloo Duflot Dawes**



Josephine Melloo Duflot Dawes, age 95, died Wednesday, June 8, 2005, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. She was preceded in death by her husband of 63 years, William Robert Dawes Jr.

Mrs. Dawes was born August 28, 1909, in Mayfield, Ky., to Joseph Leo Duflot and Elizabeth Shanklin Melloo Duflot. In 1915, the family moved to Amarillo, where her father took a position as high

school principal.

In 1918, they moved to Canyon, where she completed her elementary and high school years at the training school of West Texas State Teacher's College and where her father was a professor of sociology and

She graduated salutatorian of her high school class and in 1928, graduated from West Texas State Teacher's College with a bachelor of arts degree.

Josephine entered college at West Texas State at the age of 15. During her college years, she took a leading part in the Pi Omega Society, Elapheian Literary Society and various musical organizations, as she was also an accomplished pianist.

When she was a senior, she became captivated by someone she had heard playing Rachmaninoff's Prelude in C sharp Minor, in the reception hall of the girls' dorm. That someone was William Robert Dawes Jr., son of a pioneer Big Spring family, who would become her husband.

In the meantime, she was employed as a history teacher in Marathon, making many good friends and enjoying the Big Bend area, until her two-year teaching certificate expired and she returned to Canyon to earn her permanent certificate.

Josephine married William Robert "Bill" Dawes Jr. Aug. 15, 1933, at the Episcopal Church in Las Vegas, N.M. Their honeymoon was at El Porvenir, in the mountains above Las Vegas, N.M.

They lived for the next four years in Lovington, N.M., where Bill taught public school music. Josephine worked as a typist in an abstract office until their first child, Joseph O'Hara Dawes was born.

Returning to Texas and Bill's hometown of Big Spring, Josephine taught junior high music appreciation. With the births of Robert Leo, James Richard and Martha Elizabeth, she was once again a full-time mom, keeping up with all their activities, as she has done with dedication all her life.

Being the consummate organizer, she had household files she visited frequently whenever a bit of information was needed. Once Martha started school, Josephine became the secretary to the assistant superintendent, then to the superintendent of the Big Spring schools until her retirement in 1973, the same year that Bill retired after serving 14 years as the first principal of Marcy Elementary School.

She and Bill volunteered in the Mobile Meals program and were members of the Big Spring Retired Teacher Association. Josephine had been a volunteer at the Malone and Hogan Hospital gift shop and she and Bill were quick to visit friends or relatives who were hospitalized or in nursing homes.

For many years, she held an office with the Howard County Historical Commission and was a significant contributor to the production of the centennial history book. As a lover of good music, she was a long time supporter of the Big Spring Symphony.

Retirement also gave her the opportunity to pursue her artistic talent, and she leaves many fine oil paintings, watercolors and sketches to be enjoyed.

At age 95, she still played the piano, being especially fond of a set of original compositions written by a young Nancy Dawes, her late sister-in-law. A lover of good literature, she would still recite to an interested listener, lines from poems such as "The Children's Hour."

She is survived by her four children and their families: Joseph O'Hara Dawes and wife, Susan Cupp Dawes of Big Spring and their daughter, Kathryn O'Hara Dawes Zetterstrom, her husband, Bjorn Petter Zetterstrom of Lubbock and their two children, William Henrik Zetterstrom and Espen Andreas Zetterstrom; Dr. Robert Leo Dawes and wife, Rosemary Nelson Dawes, of Bedford and their two daughters, Sara Michelle Dawes and Karen Melissa Dawes; James Richard Dawes of San Antonio and his two children, Alexander Barton Sommers and Emily Kate Melloo Sommers-Dawes; and Martha Elizabeth Dawes Davis and husband, Charles Edward Davis, of Southlake and their two children, Emily Elizabeth Davis and Scott William Dawes Davis.

She is also survived by her sister, Merrie Elizabeth Duflot Kendrick of Toledo, Ohio, and her children; her sister-in-law Rosemary Duflot and the children of her brother, the late Dr. Leo Scott Melloo Duflot, of Corpus

A kinder person has not lived, nor one who has more loved her fellow man. To her children and grandchildren she has been the link to their family genealogy, as she has taken an active part in furthering knowledge of family history. It has been a privilege to have benefited from the long and healthy life of our mother and she will be deeply missed.

"I have you fast in my fortress, And will not let you depart, But put you down into the dungeons In the round-tower of my heart.

And there will I keep you forever, Yes, forever and a day, Till the walls shall crumble to ruin, And moulder in dust away!"

...from "The Children's Hour," by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Graveside services for Josephine Dawes will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 11, 2005, at Mount Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. James Liggett officiating. Memorials may be made to the Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry Big Spring 79720 or a favorite local charity.

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

#### Mr. J.H. Guelker



Mr. J.H. Guelker, 78, of Colorado City died peacefully Wednesday night at his residence surrounded by his family. Services will be 10 a.m., Saturday at the Colorado City Country Club. A private burial will follow in the Colorado City Cemetery, under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Guelker was born to Mattie Gehring and Henry Fredrick Guelker Dec. 19, 1929, in Busby, Nolan County.

He graduated from Sweetwater High School in 1944. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and married Esther Jones Oct. 7, 1951, in Colorado City.

He was a master electrician and from 1962 he owned and operated Colorado City Electric, until his retirement in 1991. He served as a director for 20 years on the Colorado City Housing Authority

He coached Little League, Minor League and Senior League baseball and contributed to community projects, including Christmas in Action. He was an avid golfer, active in the Men's Golf Association and an enthusiast of his

grandchildren's activities. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Esther Guelker of Colorado City; one

son, Carl Guelker and wife, Sue of Colorado City; two daughters, Terri Robben and husband, George of Las Vegas and Genia Conner and husband, Kent of Owasso, Okla.; daughter-in-law, Debby Guelker of Colorado City; seven grandchildren, Christine Michelle Guelker of Colorado City, Samantha Guelker-Reyes and husband, Brandon of Ellsworth Air Force Base. Chevenne Guelker of Colorado City, Daniel Sierra and wife, Laura of Denver, Jessica Sierra of Savannah, Ga., Corey Conner of Owasso, Okla., and Trevor J. Conner of Owasso, Okla.; one great-grandson, Gabriel Thomas Sierra of Denver; two brothers, Morris Guelker of Sweetwater and Johnnie Guelker and wife, LaNell of Andrews; one sister, Peggy Morris and husband, Bob of Abilene; two sisters-in-law, Gwen Guelker of Muleshoe and Elizabeth Guelker of Sweetwater; one brother-in-law, Tommy Edd Hale of Sweetwater; several nieces and nephews; numerous coustns; and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a son, Tommy Jay Guelker, a sister, Betty Hale and brothers, Alvih Guelker, Eugene Guelker, Floyd Guelker and a sister-in-law, Mitzi Guelker.

In lieu of flowers, please make memorials to the Heart of West Texas Home Care at P.O. Box 454 Colorado City 79512; Home Hospice at 111 E. Seventh Ste. A, Big Spring 79720; or the Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department at 620 E. 11th St.. Colorado City 79512.

The family will receive friends at Kiker-Seale Funeral Home from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. today. Paid obituary

Gary Don Carey

A memorial service for Gary Don Carey, 61, who died May 22, 2005, is scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday at First Christian Church, 911 Goliad, with the Rev. Gary Groves officiating.

Paid announcement

#### Kent Morgan

Kent Morgan, 81, of Big Spring died Friday, June 10, 2005, in a local hospital. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

## Weather

Tonight-Increasing clouds. A 40 percent chance of Thunderstorms. Some thunderstorms may be severe with damaging winds, heavy rainfall and large hail. Lows in the mid-60s. South winds 15 to 20 mph. Saturday—Decreasing clouds. A 20 percent chance of

showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 90s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday night—Increasing clouds. Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s. South winds around 15 mph. The chance of rain is 20 per-

Sunday—Decreasing clouds. Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 90s. South winds 10 to 20 mph. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

Sunday night—Partly cloudy. Isolated showers and thunderstorms in the evening. Lows in the lower 70s. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

Monday—Partly cloudy. Highs around 100. Monday night—Partly cloudy. Lows around 70.

Tuesday—Partly cloudy in the morning then mostly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the mid 90s. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

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TODAY

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

**SATURDAY** 

 Railroad Museum at the corner of Second Street and Main Street is open from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

# Police blotter

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

 DAVID LYNN DOW, 22, transient, was arrested Thursday on two local warrants.

AMANDA DENISE GRAY, 19, of 1001 Bluebonnet,

was arrested Friday and held for the HCSO.

• THEFT was reported: - in the 900 block of Willia.

- in the 2300 block of Wasson.

- in the 1100 block of Lamesa.

- in the 1700 block of FM 700. - in the 1800 block of FM 700.

 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 4000 block of Parkway.

BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported:

- in the 100 block of 16th Street.

- in the 1600 block of Johnson. ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 400 block of Fourth Street.

# Sheriff's report

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

• MELISSA EDMONDSON, 28, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on charges of failure to appear, bondsman off bond for possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, bondsman off bond for failure to identify as a fugitive from justice and theft by check (three counts).

 THOMAS BRADLEY CATES, 37, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on charges of assault and assault by threat.

 MICHAEL ZUBIATE, 22, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for burglary of a habitation.

· AMANDA DENISE GRAY, 19, was arrested Thursday by DPS on a charge of disregarding a stop

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported on the 1600. block of Old Colorado City Highway.

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

· MEDICAL was reported on the 2000 block of Virginia. One person was transported to SMMC.

 MEDICAL was reported on the 2300 block of Wasson Road. One person was transported to SMMC.

 TRAUMA was reported on the 300 block of Veterans Boulevard. Service was refused.

· MEDICAL was reported on the 2300 block of Wasson Road. One person was transported to SMMC. MEDICAL was reported on the 300 block of West Fourth in Forsan. One person was transported to

 MEDICAL was reported on the 300 block of Texas in Coahoma. One person was transported to SMMC.

 MEDICAL was reported on the 5000 block of N. County Road 23. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported at the County Courthouse. One person was transported to SMMC.

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The latest Texas Legislature didn't get as tough on crime as past Legislatures, a study shows.

Lawmakers passed about a dozen measures to cre ite new felony crimes or increase sentences for existing felonies. That's about half as many as in the 2003 legislative session, according to an analysis released Thursday by the Senate Criminal Justice Committee. It seems the cost of tougher penalties had greater weight with lawmakers this year.

"I think there's a growing realization or acknowldgment in the Legislature that we simply can't afford to get tougher and tougher on penalties every session," said state Rep. Ray Allen, R-Grand Prairie, the former chairman of the House Corrections Committee. "Enhancing penalties may have been politically popular in the past, but we simply don't

have the money or the (prison) space now to do it." About 100 proposals were filed during the session to toughen felony penalties.

Two sentenced to prison in marriage scam

HOUSTON (AP) — Two women considered leaders in an immigration marriage fraud ring have been sentenced to prison.

In what prosecutors called the largest sham marriage operation ever investigated, Aminata Smith, 44, was sentenced to four years and Emma Guyton, 47, was sentenced to two years Thursday.

"This is an egregious offense, as far as I'm concerned," U.S. District Judge David Hittner said.

Smith, a Mali citizen, must also pay a \$10,000 fine, and Hittner ordered her deported immediately after serving her sentence.

Guyton, however, received a reduced sentence because she cooperated with investigators. Defense attorney Adrian Almaguer had requested probation so Guyton could care for her two daughters.

Chip can found in place of woman's remains

HOUSTON (AP) - Two daughters have sued a synagogue after they found a potato chip can in place of their mother's remains behind the locked, glass door of her niche in a mausoleum.

When the women visited Vivian Shulman Lieberman's niche in a Houston mausoleum a year ago, they found the cedar chest containing her ashes missing and a can of sour-cream-and-onion potato chips in its place.

The ashes are still missing, said Philip Hilder, an attorney for Lieberman's two daughters.

"We have been devastated," Marcelle Lieberman said this week. "We hope we will be able to find her remains before we die, to give us closure of some sort."

Marcelle Lieberman and her sister, Harriet Lieberman Mellow, filed the lawsuit recently against Congregation Beth Israel and two funeral businesses.

Redistricting headed back to Supreme Court AUSTIN (AP) - A redistricting map that opened the way for Republicans to land a majority of Texas' congressional spots is likely on its way back to the

U.S. Supreme Court after a three-judge federal panel The panel on Thursday rejected for the second time

a constitutional challenge to the 2003 congressional redistricting plan spearheaded by House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Sugar Land, that put the most Texas GOP officials in Washington since Reconstruction.

"This has just always been a step along the road back to the Supreme Court," said Renea Hicks, an attorney for Democrats who challenged the plan.

Attorneys for Democrats and minority interests, who said an appeal of the panel's decision is almost certain, argued the map of congressional districts was overly partisan, politically motivated and diluted minority votes.

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott, who defended the map in court, said he hoped the panel's ruling would end the more than two-year saga.

Small plane crashes into home, causes fire

CONROE (AP) - A small plane crashed into a Montgomery County house Thursday, killing the pilot and burning the house to the ground, officials

No one was inside the home when the plane crashed. Shirley McMillan said her 15-year-old daughter normally stays home during the day but had asked to join her mother at work that morning.

"We hear planes go overhead all the time. Some of them fly really low and sound like they're going to take your roof off, but you never really expect anything like this to happen," McMillan said in Friday's edition of The Courier in Conroe.

Conroe Fire Department officials said the crash happened shortly after takeoff from the Montgomery County Airport late Thursday afternoon.

#### **BODY**

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Everett declined to elaborate on a possible cause of death, saying the matter is still under investigation.

The autopsy, which is being performed by the Medical Lubbock Examiners Office, should take four to eight weeks to complete, according to Everett.

Morrow, who was born in Breckenridge in 1931, was manager of the Big Spring State Hospital Federal Credit Union for

23 years, retiring in 1991. The investigation is being conducted by Det. Jim Rider of the BSPD.

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

# Big Spring ISD completes first round of drug testing; results yield 10 positives

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

The first round of drug testing of Big Spring Independent School District students resulted in 10 positive results from almost 400 students test-

**BSISD** recently instituted a drug testing policy for students involved in competitive extra-curricular activities, and this spring marked the first time students were actutested, ally Superintendent Michael Downes said.

Downes noted that 156 junior high school students were tested, with no positive results reported. At the high school 10 out of 227 drug tests came back positive.

He cautioned, however, that a positive indication doesn't necessarily mean the student was taking drugs. If a student refused to take the test, for example, that would be considered a positive test result.

Downes said it was highly likely that several of the positive results

seniors, in their last semester of school and not facing any meaning-

> refusing to take the test. A student who tests positive for the first time is required to meet with the school principal and participate in mandatory counseling. A second pos-

ful punishment, simply

activities for a year. The tests, which cost the district \$6,757, were conducted four times dur-

itive result could result in

the student's suspension

extra-curricular

were the results of ing the Spring 2005 semester. No second positive test results have been reported in the district, Downes said.

"Any students who test positive the first time are no longer subject to random testing," he said. "They will be tested every time officials are here conducting the tests."

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com.

#### COACH

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record of 109-66 and has guided his teams to the playoffs nine of the last 12 years.

He, his wife Gwen (who was hired by the district as peer coordinator) and four children are looking forward to the move, he said in a telephone interview this morning.

"First of all, we really think it's a career 19 years ago. He had coach-

in," he said. "As a family man, I think Big Spring is a good place to raise a family ... And it's good football country. As a coach, you always look forward to the opportunity to play against quality opponents.'

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Holt, who received his bachelor's and master's degrees in education from Fort Hayes State University in Kansas, began his coaching

good community to raise your kids ing stints in Oklahoma and Colorado before beginning his Texas career in Alice in 1997.

> Holt, who was unable to attend Thursday's board meeting because of an illness in the family, will be formally introduced at a news conference at noon Monday in the board room.

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#### **BSISD**

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custodial, maintenance and food services, and administrators.

Waggoner said the district will end the current budget year with a deficit of about \$400,000, due mainly to lower-than-expected attendance figures, which resulted in reduced state financing.

Superintendent Michael Downes said that, without increased state funding, the district will have to tighten its financial belt next school year.

"As it stands right now, there won't be any extra (state) funds for next year, that much is certain," he

Trustees can vote during the budget workshop to restore funding for these projects, but that would entail dipping into the district's reserve funds, Downes said. Reserve funds are established by local school districts to ensure continued operation for a few months in case of a cutoff in state financial aid. In other business, trustees:

 Accepted the resignations of James and Melissa Kinnear, teacher/coaches at the district.

· Approved the hiring of Tana reporter@bigspringherald.com.

Howard (kindergarten teacher, Bauer Magnet), Janice Derington (third grade teacher, Kentwood Elementary), Alonzo Garza (teacher/coach, junior high), Jennifer Morgan (math teacher, high school), Randall Shaw (teacher/swimming coach, high school) and Naomi Shelley (reading teacher, junior high).

· Approved bids for the food services and athletic departments.

· Approved updates to the district's legal and local policies.

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#### **FBI**

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before to avert such attacks. "You have the ability to connect the dots" of terrorist plots, Gonzales said.

An FBI agent suggested to the chain of command two months before the attacks that there was a coordinated effort by Osama bin Laden to send students to the United States to study ways to take down U.S. aircraft.

Failure to fully heed the agent's theory was indicative of an agency that failed to accord strategic analysis the attention it deserved, the report said.

Even when the bureau had hard information shortly before the attacks about the presence in the United States of eventual hijackers Nawaf al Hazmi and Khalid al Mihdhar, "the FBI's investigation then was conducted without much urgency or priority," the report conclud-

The investigation of Mihdhar "was given to a single inexperienced agent," the report said.

The FBI said it has since taken substantial steps to deal with the issues the report raised.

Today, "no terrorism lead goes unaddressed,' and new policies are in place to share information among intelligence agencies, the FBI said.

The IG's review is only now being released because of a court fight with lawyers for imprisoned terrorist conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui over how much of it should be disclosed. The portions on Moussaoui were deleted.

CIA employees and four FBI agents assigned to the CIA's bin Laden unit on Mihdhar, including that attacks. he was traveling and that The two Saudis rented a Eastern men. he had a U.S. visa. Those room in the home of a facts weren't disseminat- longtime FBI terrorism ed to the FBI.

The information was written up that day by one of the FBI agents assigned to the CIA's bin Laden unit. The FBI agent sought, but was never able to get, the required go-ahead from the CIA's deputy chief of the unit to send the draft to the FBI. Ten days later, Mihdhar and Hazmi were in Los Angeles.

All of the CIA and FBI personnel who were involved in the matter now say they remember nothing about the document that wasn't sent. The document is called a Intelligence Central Report, or CIR.

'When we interviewed all of the individuals involved with the CIR, they asserted that they recalled nothing about it," the report stated.

Mihdhar came under CIA scrutiny because the **National Security Agency** had picked up communications that al-Qaida operatives were planning travel to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, and Mihdhar showed up at the meetings.

Once in the United States, Mihdhar and Hazmi lived openly in San Diego and "should have drawn some scrutiny from the FBI," the report said.

The head of the San Diego FBI office respond-



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informant, and also

befriended a fellow Saudi who had drawn FBI scrutiny in the past. The informant identified the two men to his FBI handler only by their first names, and the report criticizes the FBI handler as "not particularly thorough or aggres-

sive" in following up.

The two men also befriended Omar al-Bayoumi, a Saudi who had established himself in the area. The FBI briefly investigated him in 1998 when the manager of his apartment complex reported that al-Bayoumi



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had received a suspicious package, had strange wires in his bathroom and hosted frequent weekend gatherings of Middle

Associated Press writer Seth Hettena in San Diego contributed to this report.

#### **MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME** & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288 Gary Don Carey, 61, died Sunday, May 22, Memorial 2005 Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at First Christian Church.



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## OUR VIEWS

# We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

- Organizers and participants the annual Denim and Diamonds gala street dance, which raised funds for the Big Spring State Hospital.
- Local and area law enforcement agencies that banded together to form a Registration, Enforcement, Apprehension and Prosecution (REAP) program to ensure convicted sex offenders in our community are abiding by the
- Hangar 25 Air Museum, which recently received two grants totaling about \$10,000 to help with improvements at this wonderful facility.
- Big Spring Independent School District on its partnership with Helping Hands International which will allow the district to dispose of equipment it no longer uses while benefiting school children in foreign countries.

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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The Herald welcomes letters to the editor.

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Sign your letter.

 Provide a daytime telephone number, as well as a street address for verification purposes. We reserve the right to edit for style and clarity.

 We reserve the right to limit publication to one letter per 30-day period per author.

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# Impose government, but only by the people

f you are imposing democracy - the will of the people can you be called a dictator? Apparently, Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez seems to think so. When U.S. Secretary of State

Condoleezza Rice called on the nations of the Americas to "support democracy where it is threatened" and "strengthen democracy where it is weak," Sunday

night, Chavez said the U.S. government "is trying to install a global dictatorship." Mind you that this

MIGUEL PEREZ is coming from an elected president who has been using his country's democratic institutions to impose authoritarian rule, a president who wants to become a dictator.

Such is the hypocrisy of the

Venezuelan leader.

In a speech that launched the three-day summit of the **Organization of American States** in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Rice told OAS delegates that their institution must abide by its pro-democracy charter. She reminded them that the 34 member nations pledged "to defend our people's rights to democracy" by signing the Inter-American Democratic Charter four years ago.

And then she laid out an ambitious U.S. proposal that calls for the OAS to create a mechanism that allows the group to monitor and intervene in member nations to foster or strengthen democracy.

The plan attempts to give the OAS — historically inept in solving hemispheric troubles — a better chance, not only to prevent the downfall of elected governments, but to force elected leaders to follow democratic principles. "Together, we must insist that

leaders who are elected democratically have a responsibility to govern democratically," Rice said. "Governments that fail to meet

this crucial standard must be accountable to the OAS.'

She didn't mention Chavez or Venezuela. But Chavez took it very personally.

Even before Rice's speech, Chavez went on is radio program and charged that the U.S. proposal is a ploy to justify U.S. intervention in the Americas.

"The times in which the OAS was an instrument of the government in Washington are gone," Chavez said. "Are they going to try, through the OAS, to monitor the Venezuelan government? Ö Those who think they can put the peoples of Latin America in a corral are mistaken."

But you have to wonder why any democratically elected leader would be threatened by calls for a democratic code of conduct.

Unless they have authoritarian ambitions or they're already engaged in a systematic powergrab, why would anyone feel corralled by freedom?

"If the shoe fits O" goes the saying. And Chavez is wearing it.

More and more, Chavez is acting like his mentor and idol, Cuban dictator Fidel Castro, who has spent 46 years saying the Yankees are coming after him and blaming the United States for all his failures. Cuba has been suspended from the OAS since 1962, three years after Castro took power.

And of course, Chavez didn't appreciate Rice's comments about Cuba at the OAS, either.

"There remains an open seat at the table — a seat that will one day be filled by the representatives of a free and democratic Cuba," Rice said, drawing applause from the crowd, as did President Bush when he addressed the OAS summit Monday.

Bush also cited the Inter American Democratic charter, noting that it declares that "the people the Americas have a right to democracy and their governments have an obligation to promote it and defend it."

The president said that "in the

new Americas of the 21st century, democracy is now the rule, rather than the exception." And he noted that "what was once a distant dream" of a completely democratic hemisphere "is now within our reach."

He said that in 1974, the last time the OAS general assembly met in the United States, fewer than half its members had democratically elected governments. Today, he said, "all 34 nations participating in this general assembly have democratic constitutional governments.

"Only one country in this hemisphere sits outside this society of democratic nations," Bush added. "And one day the tide of freedom will reach Cuba's shores, as well.'

Bush said that bringing a better life to the people of the Americas "requires choosing between two competing visions.'

He said that while one vision is founded on representative government, integration into the world markets and a faith in the transformative power of freedom in individual lives, the other vision "seeks to roll back the democratic progress of the past two decades by playing to fear, pitting neighbor against neighbor and blaming others for their own failures to provide for their people."

Of course, to Chavez and other Latin American leftists, those are fighting words.

Take Brazilian Foreign Minister Celso Amorim, who became so defensive that he actually said that "Democracy cannot be imposed."

I beg to differ. Democracy — a government run by the people is the only form of government that should be imposed.

To find out more about Miguel Perez, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.cre-

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## Your Views

TO THE EDITOR:

I just wanted to drop a line to congratulate Dwight Butler for his years of service and success as the head coach at BSHS. In all the years I have worked with coaches, there aren't many that stand out in my mind as Butler. He truly was a class act.

Regardless of whatever is said, Dwight Butler cared about his players more than he cared about wins and losses. With that said, I doubt if there was any coach (with the help of his assistants, Dwight would say) that ever got so much out of an undersized, out-manned and overachieving team.

I read with a heavy heart that Dwight had stepped down. I respect him for his approach to the game and the kids. I didn't always agree with every play, but I'm sure he didn't always agree with me, either. Still, I hope the community realizes the impact he had.

As most people know, I am a diehard six-man football fan and that I have often said I wanted my two sons to play six-man. However, I would say, if "Worm" and "Pete" were to play 11-man, I would want them to play for Dwight Butler. That, to me, is the highest compliment I can give him as a coach and a man.

I am saddened that he is stepping down ... but I'm also glad because (hint, hint) there are a few six-man head coaching positions open.

> **TOMMY WELLS** DEVILS LAKE, N.D.

TO THE EDITOR: Who is responsible?

Who is responsible for the clean up of the city lots? I live in Jones Valley and I appreciate the work the city is doing to our streets, but our neighborhood still looks awful.

There are weedy lots all around matter and should not be spread some of the people personally but with no sucess. My husband and I are proud of our neighborhood and keep our yard looking clean and pleasing to the eye. But as soon as you look around, you can see the six-foot high weeds on either side of us. And the mosquitos are terri-

My pain is this: People, if you have empty lots somewhere in Big Spring, please keep up with them or sell them. A lot of times the people next to your lots will be more than happy to buy them from you. If not, please keep them clean. Would you like living next to a weedy lot where your children cannot go outside to play because you as a parent are deathly afraid of West Nile virus? How do you think we feel?

CONNIE BAKER **BIG SPRING** 

TO THE EDITOR:

I realize that it is policy to place all police investigations in the newspaper, but I sincerely believe that when the case has been ruled a suicide by law enforcement, then out of respect for the family, especially the

and

detail the story. I feel that most of the Big Spring community and surrounding areas would agree. I speak especially about the article about Judy Thompson.

deceased, it would be better not to

**AMY RINEHART** GAIL

TO THE EDITOR:

friends,

I wanted The Big Spring Herald to know how upset I was to see the article about Judy Thompson's death in the paper. I feel that this is a private family

As a fan of the Big Spring Steers, the neighborhood. I have contacted across the town. There were people who didn't need to know what happened to Judy. When they read it in the paper it will be very upsetting. Just knowing that she passed away was hard enough for all of us who loved her to know. I realize this is probably policy

that you have to report all such happenings in a death, but policies sometimes require change. I never heard anything on the radio about Judy except what should have been reported — that she had passed away. Please take this matter into

regard on a possible policy change. I wouldn't want this out if something like this happened in my family.

> MOLLY RUPARD **BIG SPRING**

TO THE EDITOR:

Once again, the Herald has shown why most people in Big Spring do not even consider it a real newspaper.

The Herald, as a corporate citizen, should use some logic and forethought in its publishing prac-

Do you really think that it was wise to publish the address of a recently deceased woman in an article about her death? Did you stop to think the family has enough to worry about without you telling every thug and thief where a possibly vacant house may be? Why don't you publish your vaca-

tion schedule and home addresses in the Sunday edition? Maybe next time you will weigh

the need to feed the gossip mill with some concern about the privacy and property of your neighbors.

> FRANKLIN WEBER **BIG SPRING**

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East Fourth Street Baptist Church at 401 E. Fourth invites the Big Spring community to Sunday services. Sunday school starts at 9:45 a.m. for all age groups and the morning worship service begins at 11 a.m.

A Youth Discipleship Royal class, Ambassadors, Girls in Action, Mission Friends and Mission Babies are offered for children of all ages Sunday nights at 4:45. Choir practice begins Sunday night at 5 and the evening worship service begins at 6 p.m.

**Vacation Bible School is** through Monday Wednesday from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m.

There will be a luau party June 12 at 6 p.m. for kids and parents to register for VPS and to meet the teachers.

Call Amy at 267-2291 for more information.

**Birdwell Lane Baptist Church** 

The junior youth, ages 8-12, will go to Fort Davis youth camp Monday through June 17. Sunday worship services are at 10:55 a.m. and at 5 p.m. Midweek services are at 7 p.m. Wednesday. For information, call 267-7157 or 267-8214.

#### **First United Methodist Church**

The Rev. Keith Wiseman, pastor FUMC, Big Spring from 1980 to 1988, is the guest preacher Sunday, helping celebrate Retired Ministers' Sunday.

Worship services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m.

Fun Days is Saturday and June 18 from 10 a.m. until noon and 8 p.m. until 10 p.m. at Westside Community Center. The Hispanic Ministries will have Bible study, videos, arts and crafts and snacks for the children.

Chancel Choir rehearses at 2 p.m. Sunday, the combined Youth meet at 6:30 p.m.

The new youth minister arrive will around Wednesday.

Monday, 12 junior high youth leave for camp, returning, June 17. The senior high camp is scheduled July 11-15.

Spirit Wind, the official youth choir of the Northwest Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church, will perform in concert June 18 at 6 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Local singer Josh Plaia is a part of the 2005 Spirit Wind.

The Spirit Wind choir program began in 1981 and choirs have per-

formed in many places in family the United States as well as Britain and New Zealand.

The United Methodist Army will come to Big Spring June 19-25. This group of 90 to 100 Methodists will make nocharge repairs on the homes of 25 to 40 lowincome families in Big Spring. The group is coming from southeast Texas.

Disciple I Bible Study begins in early September. Anyone interested in participating in this 32-week study may pick up a brochure in the church foyer or call the church office.

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

#### YoungLife

Club members are raising funds to cover the cost of Frontier Camp in Buena Vista, Colo., July 2-10.

Three YoungLife Big Spring leaders are escorting 12 local high school students to the camp and donations are needed to cover the cost of the trip. A special fund-raiser is

scheduled for June 24-25. YoungLife is a non-profit Christian organization for high school students.

For more information or contribute 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.

#### **New Covenant Christian Worship Center**

The mid-week Bible study starts at 6 p.m. Wednesday and at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sunday is wor-New ship service. Covenant meets at the Event Center, 1607 E. Third St. Call 816-1584 for more information.

#### Cornerstone Church

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

The youth in grades seven through 12 meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday. These teen-agers are raising funds for a national conference in Nashville, Tenn., in July.

Cornerstone, located at about

Childcare is available for newborns through preschool. Call Pastor Craig or Cherise Felty at 263-3072 with any ques-

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## Salem Baptist Church

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. with the morning service following at 11 a.m. The evening service is at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is at Parkplace at

Joe Whitten and His Children, a prison ministry, are performing June 26 during the morning service. A fellowship meal will follow the performance.

#### Iglesia Bautista

Iglesia Bautista has Vacation Bible School beginning Monday and continuing through Friday from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. for those between the ages of infant to 100 years old.

There will be classes for every age group and activities include music, Bible study, sports, crafts, snacks, prizes and more. For transportation call 264-0918.

#### First Assembly of God

Roger Kuykendall will be the special guest speaker Sunday in the 10:40 a.m. service.

He is preparing to go to Africa as a missionary for the Assemblies of God and will be sharing with the congregation of First Assembly his burden and vision for these people.

He has broad experience in ministry, having served in "Chi Alpha" a college ministry to youth. He worked for several rears at Texas Tech University in ministry.

His most recent ministry has been that of Youth Directory in the West Texas District of the Assemblies of God.

The Rev. R.T. Havener and the congregation of First Assembly, located at Fourth and Lancaster, invite the public to this service.

#### St. Mary's **Episcopal Church**

Everyone is invited to attend worship service at St. Mary's Sunday. Holy Eucharist is celebrated at 9:30 a.m.

The Vestry of St. Mary's will meet at 6 p.m. Monday in the Parish Hall.

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

For more information St. Mary's the corner of 12th and Episcopal Church, call Owens streets, offers a 267-8201 or visit the Web

family atmosphere of site at www.stmarysb-praise and worship. sts.org. St. Mary's is located at 1001 S. Goliad.

#### First Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Matthew Miles will speak on text taken from Matthew 9:35-10:8 Sunday. Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m. and Take 10 is at 10:35 a.m. Worship service is at 11 a.m.

Plans are being finalized for the church-wide outing June 17-19 at Fort Davis. Everyone in the church is invited to participate. There will, however, be a church service at the usual time for those who do not attend the outing.

Committee meetings are Wednesday. Everyone is welcome at First Presbyterian Church, located Runnels on between Seventh and Eighth streets.

#### **House of Hope Community Church**

House of Hope Community Church will be celebrating the first anniversary of their pastor and wife, the Rev. and Mrs. Floyd Green Jr. at 3 p.m. Sunday.

The Rev. and Mrs. Green are longtime residents of Big Spring and all of their friends of Big Spring are invited to join the church members in this appreciation service. The Rev. James Green

of Brazoria, the broth**er** of the Rev. Floyd Green, is the speaker of the hour. House of Hope is located

in Colorado City at 200 W. 17th Street.

For more information, call 432-263-3830 or 432-816-1703.

#### East Side • **Baptist Church**

"Sunday Fun Time" continues Sunday at 9:45 a.m. In the afternoon July 3, the church congregation presents a gospel concert featuring two groups and two soloists. Watch for more details.

East Side Baptist holds regular family service each Sunday at 10:45 a.m. Call for a ride, 267-1915.

#### Friends of Unity

Members met last Sunday to plan for future ministries. There is a renewal of commitment to be a spiritual blessing to Big Spring. All meetings are open. The Quest study is

Sunday at 2 p.m., Higher Consciousness studies at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday and the Course in Miracles at

5:30 p.m. Thursday.

#### **Baptist Temple** Church

A community-wide baby shower to benefit Birthright is set for 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. June 25. Bring a baby present or a donation for this organization that offers a variety of services to those experiencing a crisis pregnancy, serving more than 500 families in the past year.

**Vacation Bible School is** set for 6:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. June 26-30 for children 4 through sixth grade. VBS begins with a hot dog supper at 4 p.m. June 26. The theme this year is "Kingdom of the Son," using the Lord's Prayer as a guide through a safari.

The ladies ministry is doing a Bible study, "A Woman After God's Own Heart." Iglesia Bautista Roca Eterna is a new Spanish worship church, conducted by the Rev. Luis A. Pena Sr.

For more information, call 267-8287 or visit www. baptisttemplechurch.org.

#### **Midway Baptist** Church

Vacation Bible School children present the musical "Ramblin' Road Trip, Which Way Do I Go," Sunday at 11 a.m. The children have worked on the musical, which reinforces the Bible study learned during VBS. The youth are joining the cast, assisting with the drama parts.

Sunday School is at 9:45 a.m. and a potluck dinner follows the musical.

Call 263-6274 for more information.

#### **Trinity Baptist Church** Vacation Bible School is



June 17 for children 4 years old through junior high school. Monday VBS a.m. Tuesday through

set for Monday through

is 8:30 a.m. until 11:30 Friday VBS is 9 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Trinity Baptist Church is located at 810 11th Place.

#### VBS photographs sought for July issue

The life! section of the Big Spring Herald is seekphotographs Vacation Bible Schools for a special VBS lifestyle cover to publish in July.

Photographs should be of good quality of activities taking place during VBS week. Individuals in the photographs must be identified.

To submit photographs for the publication, contact Marsha at 263-7331 or e-mail life@bigspringherald.com.

#### Church and Club **News policies**

The Big Spring Herald accepts submissions from churches and clubs for publication Friday.

Church News should be concise and may not be written in first person.

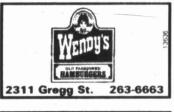
The goal of Church News is to inform the public about upcoming church events and opportunities. Club News is published

to inform the public about meeting times and locations as well as activities. All submissions should

contain a contact name and telephone number. Photos are accepted.

Submissions are due by noon each Wednesday for Friday publication and will be edited for content, style and space. Contact life! at 263-7331

e-mail life@ bigspringherald.com.



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# Going, Going...Yours!

The Big Spring Community Angels will be hosting a LIVE AUCTION on Saturday, June 11th 10:00 am

at the downtown Railroad Plaza (in front of Nannie's Attic). This promises to be a fun as well as beneficial event for the Community and all proceeds are earmarked for the Community Angel fund. Auction items can be viewed from

9:00 AM until 10:00 AM, on auction day. Just some of the items up for auction are:

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#### **Blood drives** scheduled

United Blood Services has scheduled these blood drives for July: 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. July 13 at Scenic Mountain Medical Center the Bloodmobile will be in the parking lot; from 8 a.m. until noon July 19 at ALON USA the UBS Bloodmobile: and from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. July 27 at the Federal Correctional Institution, an employee blood drive is scheduled.

Everyone donating at any of these blood drives is entered into a drawing to win a Carnival Cruise for two. For more information, contact Peggy Hards at 432-561-5539, ext.

#### **Bicycles awarded for** perfect attendance

Two elementary students attending Garden City Elementary School received bicycles for perfect attendance for the 2004-2005 school year, donated by Best Home

A total of 12 students maintained perfect attendance for the year and were entered into a drawing for the bicycles.

Winners drawn were second grader Daeley Havlak and third grader Amie Lopez.

#### Georgia church tells at-large thief: We forgive you

BISHOP, Ga. (AP) -The bulletin board outside Oconee Baptist Church is usually reserved for routine church announcements.

When a thief broke into the church in April and stole an amplifier and four guitars, the message board gave the congregation a perfect opportunity to let the thief know what they thought about the act.

"To the person who broke in - God loves you," was posted soon after the \$3,000 burglary. with no leads from police.

Other messages recommend Bible verses for the thief to read. "To the person who broke in — Read Corinthians 1:6-10," the sign read recently, referring to a passage in Paul's second letter to the Corinthians about suffering and consolation.

Church member Jimmy Love, a retired sheriff's deputy from Clarke County, started posting the signs right after the break-in, assuming the thief would eventually drive by the church.

"I know he had been here before, because he knew where everything was and he knew where to park," Love said. "I wanted to leave a little note and tell him that God loved him and that he would forgive him."

The Rev. Steve Powers, the church pastor, said members have abandoned efforts to convince the thief to surrender.

"At this point, we're more interested in letting him know that God will forgive him than having him arrested or finding the instruments," Powers said. "That's for the sheriff's department to worry about. We're more interested in where he's going to spend eternity than finding the instruments.'

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### College Baptist Church celebrating 50 years of service

College Baptist Church celebrates

50 years of service to Big the Spring community Saturday and Sunday with variety

activities. At 7 p.m. Saturday, a special McMeans service is = planned, followed by a cake and

punch reception. Sunday special worship service begins at 10:55 a.m., followed by a luncheon. This will be followed by a 2 p.m.

special worship service. Mayor Russ McEwen is expected to issue a proclamation during the morning service.

For more information, contact the church at 267-The church is located at 1105 Birdwell Lane.

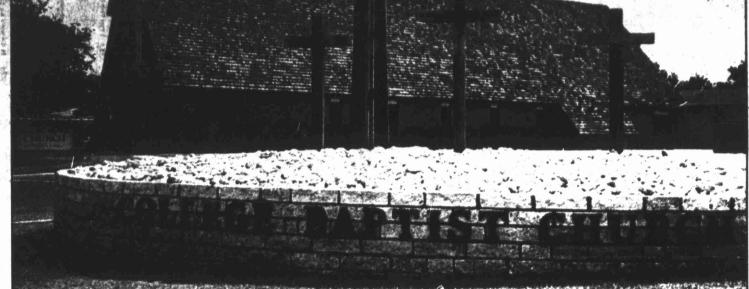
The work of College **Baptist Church began 50** years ago, June 10, 1955.

It was on this date that the formal opening of College Baptist Chapel, a mission of First Baptist Church, was held.

The dedicating message was given by Dr. P.D. O'Brien, pastor of First Baptist. About 70 people gathered in what is now the Fellowship Hall.

Linda Leonard Walker recalls that the pews did not arrive in time, so folding chairs had to be used.

H.W. Bartlett was the first pastor. The mission was constituted as a church on June 9, 1957. There were 227 charter



members.

no other.

The present sanctuary was completed in 1965, when R. Byron Orand was the pastor.

Pastors include:

H.W Bartlett 1955-1961 M.B. Smith 1961-1962 R. Byron Orand, Th.D. 1962-1971

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# A Pastor's Message

#### Covering all the bases

I'd been asked to conduct the funeral of a lady whom I didn't know well; she was an inactive member the congregation I was then serving in Nashville, Tenn.

Having been unable to reach any family members by telephone, I showed up at the funeral during scheduled visiting hours the night prior to this lady's planned service, hoping there I could meet family or friends and learn more about this woman and her life.

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While at the funeral home, oddly enough, I didn't find any family members, but I did meet a number of her friends. In talking with them, I something discovered very interesting.

The deceased had not only been on the membership roll of my church, but she'd also been, simultaneously, a member of at least three other local churches in

the same neighborhood. Her friends didn't think that was particularly strange. In fact, several of proudly them also bragged to me of being members of Baptist, Presbyterian, Methodist, Lutheran, Catholic and other community congregations — all at

one and the same time. Between four ladies, I tallied 17 church memberships.

Why these women multiple maintained church memberships in a variety of denominations and congregations I never found out, but from long pastoral experience, I can

hazard a guess or two. Many folks I meet like to hedge their bets when it comes to religious affiliation.

Just in case the Catholics aren't right, I'll also be a Baptist and split my allegiance between them.

If per chance, the Assembly of God isn't teaching all about the true way, I'll join the Lutherans, too. Surely God will be pleased to see how hard I tried to cover all the possible bases.

I'm not sure how God will this sort out, nor whether God even cares, regarding the various and sundry multiple church affiliations of Christians, whether simultaneous or successive.

But from the Holy Word of God, I do know this: The God of Abrah Isaac and Jacob — the Father of Jesus Christ is a jealous God.

God is most definitely not pleased by those who claim to believe in Jesus and in Mohammed and in Buddha scientology.

The new age "spiritual soup" to which an alarming number of folks today subscribe absolutely wrong in the eyes of the Lord. God desires that we pledge our allegiance to His Son, Jesus — and to Him only.

As I write this for printing in the Big Spring Herald, I fully realize that there are some, perhaps many, who will disagree with me.

In an age when 'tolerance" has become a high value, I'm guilty of intolerance of the worst kind religious intolerance.

I don't ever take delight in being offensive to others, but I must speak the truth from my heart Jesus is Lord; there is SCENIC MOUNTAIN

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# Club News

#### Captain Elisha Mack Chapter of the Daughters of the **American Revolution**

The Captain Elisha Mack Chapter of the **Daughters** of **American Revolution met** in May at the Big Spring County Club. There were 17 members present. After the business meeting, three members were honored.

Two different families with four generations each were represented.

Nadine Hodnett was honored as the only active member over the age of 90. At the presentation was her daughter, Karen Hodnett Madry, her granddaughter, Kim Madry Pollard and her great-granddaughter, Erin Pollard.

Nadine Haynes Hodnett was born Aug. 17, 1911, in Scurry County. She was one of eight children. She married Merle Hodnett in November of 1932 in Carlsbad, N.M. They had three children, Haley Lynn, Thomas Fredrick and Helen Karen. She taught school in Howard County and has been active in her church. She has five grandchildren

#### Parents, student suing school

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - A 10-year-old boy and his parents are suing the youngster's school after the principal would not let him hold a Bible study during recess.

Samuel and Whitson and their fourthgrade son Luke are seeking an injunction to stop school officials from "banning or threatening to ban religious expression in the form of Bible reading and discussion at Karns Elementary School during recess."

Last month the Knox County **Board** Education said that while reading the Bible is acceptable during free time, recess is not considered free time.

The Whitsons' attorney, Charles Pope, argued it should be.

"Our position is the Constitution says yes to Bible reading and discussion outside class time." he said.

Luke Whitson and some of his friends began a Bible study at recess during the school year, and the family said in the lawsuit that another parent complained to the principal.

The Whitsons said the principal interrupted the Bible study and "demanded that they stop their activity at once, put their Bibles away and, from that point forward, cease from bringing their Bibles to school.'

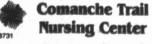
#### Pets attend church service in England

NORTHAMPTON. England (AP) - More than 25 furry and feathered animals accompanied their owners to a service dedicated to pets at a British church last Sunday.

"People said they were amazed at the number of people coming in smiling," Bayes said.

The special pet service, part of the church's 80th celebration. birthday focused on the need to live in harmony with animals.

"Sometimes we don't respect them as much as we should," Bayes said.



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and seven great-grandchildren. She became a member of the Captain Elisha Mack Chapter of the Daughters of the Revolution American April 20, 1990.

The chapter also gave two of its junior members a joint baby shower after the meeting.

Anne Witherspoon and Heather Schafer are expecting babies this summer. Heather Schafer had her mother, Mary Schuelke, grandmother, Pauline Schuelke and her daughter, Amanda Schafer present.

Witherspoon is expecting her first child, a son and is the daughter of John and Sue Ann Damron of Big Spring. Schafer is expecting her third, a surprise and is the daughter of Jim and Schuelke Ackerly. The girls have been friends since junior high school.

Anyone interested in more information about the DAR and how to become a member can contact Mary Schuelke at 432-353-4337 or Sue Ann Damron at 432-393-5790.

The purpose of the DAR is to perpetuate the mem-

ory of the men and women who served in some capacity to achieve American independence during the Revolutionary War.

The DAR also educates the public on current political issues and zenship.

#### Sand Springs **Lions Club**

The Sand Springs Lions Club met Monday at K.C. Steak House with Laura Hill presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Fred Franklin and the opening prayer was worded by Tex Irvin. Hill introduced guests

Cassie Thompson, Ray Coleman, Jacque Mauch, Lallye Moore, Shyrle Reid and speaker, Tom Mills. Downtown Lions Club and his wife, Carolyn.

Fred Franklin was honored as the Lion of the Year. Officers installed were: President Johnny Moore; Past President Hill, Vice President Phillip Reid, Secretary/Treasurer Boadle, Madeline Membership **Betty** Franklin, Lion Tamer



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Shelly Vela and Tail Twister Tex Irvin.

Others serving are Institutional Representative Fred Franklin, Safety Chairman Phillip Reid, One-Year Directors Shelly Vela and Tex Irvin and Two-Year Directors encourages patriotic citi- Ben Boadle and Fred Franklin.

The next meeting is June 20 at the Sand Springs Community Center at 6:30 p.m. All interested persons welcomed to attend.

#### **Keep Big Spring** Beautiful

Janell Davis offered the invocation for the June meeting Monday.

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President Jan Hansen welcomed new member Glenna Ellis, county extension agent, who will serve on the community development committee.

Congratulations were passed out to the fundraising group for the successful flea market and the outstanding golf tour-

Both were well supported by the community and were a boon to the club treasury. Tentative plans are to help take the donations and aid the clean-up after the concert for Pops in the Park.

Katherine Wiseman, public awareness chairman, presented a new mascot idea, Bonnie Bee



or Bubba Bee.

These mascots will encourage everyone to "Keep Big Spring BEE-Yu-ti-ful" by picking up litter.

Todd Darden reported that law enforcement hopes to buy a surveillance camera to help prevent vandalism in public

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Members also discussed having a booth at the county fair and encouraged participation in the state convention in August. The club was honored with several different awards at the state convention. The next meeting is Aug. 1 at the Spanish Inn. New members are welcome.





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# Lasater leads Steers' all-District 4-4A selections

 Big Spring lands two to first team. three to second unit

By TROY HYDE

men's basketball

camps in mid-July

onth of July.

The Howard College

men's basketball staff

will host two week long camps in the

take place July 10-14,

while the second camp

starts July 24 and ends

July 28. Both camps

will cost \$250 per play-

er who wants room

and board and \$175 for

a commuter. Both

camps will take place at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on the cam-

pus of Howard College. The Hawk camp for-

mat consists of morning and afternoon sessions. All sessions include specialized clinics on both the

offensive and defensive phases of the game. For more informa-

tion, contact Mark

Adams at 816-6957 or

Jason Sautter at 816-

Big Spring sets first

Quarterback meeting

ball booster club has

set its first quarter-

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The Howard College

women's basketball

program will be host-

ing three camps this

The first camp will

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**Sports Editor** Big Spring junior Andy Lasater was one of two unanimous first team selections to the District 4-4A baseball squad. The Steers landed five others to the two teams. The other unanimous selection was second baseman Daniel Barron of Lubbock Estacado.

Lasater played through Green. a shoulder injury, which was sustained during football season, throughout much of the season and was the team's designated hitter, but pitched in two games at the end of the season.

Lasater led the Steers at the plate this year and was picked unanimously as a first team designated hitter for his efforts.

The other five all-district selections were Matt Hilario, Mark Lozano, J.W. Beauchamp, Lance Murphy and Justin

Hilario was voted to the first team as a shortstop, while Lozano

pitched his LASATER way to a team first nod Beauchamp (second base), Murphy (outfield) and Green (outfield) were all second team selections.

The Steers won two district games this year, including a victory state-ranked against

Lubbock Estacado in Lubbock.

Tyler Lyons of Frenship and A.J. Ramos of Lubbock Estacado were voted as co-Most Valuable Players, while Andrews' Nathan Bryan was picked as the Newcomer of the

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# Close game turns to rout after S.A. heat up in fourth

 Duncan keeps Spurs close, Ginoboli catches fire in second half

By GREG BEACHAM

**AP Sports Writer** 

SAN ANTONIO (AP) -Manu Ginobili barreled into the lane with his hair flying and elbows flailing. Somehow avoiding two Pistons, he lofted the ball toward the hoop while he tumbled the other way.

By most measures, it was a terrible shot — but it hit the rim and dropped through, impervious to logic, physics or Detroit's defense.

Ginobili seemed to have a million of 'em, and the San Antonio Spurs used that Argentine energy to take an early lead in the NBA Finals. He scored 15 fourth quarter, and Tim Duncan added 24 points and 17 rebounds in San Antonio's 84-69 victory in Game 1 on Thursday night.

The winner of the finals opener has won about 70 percent of the championships in league history, but there hadn't been a Game 1 so dominated by defense in 51 years. Only Ginobili's marvelous late allowed Antonio to get comfortable, and this series seems sure to be decided by tiny margins and big

individual efforts. Ginobili's freewheeling game has seemingly improved with every round of his third trip to the playoffs, but he was upset with himself at halftime.

The Pistons limited him to four points on 1-of-6 shooting, and he knew the Spurs needed more.

"The emotional part of this game is so big," Ginobili said. "When I started feeling that everything was going so good for me and I was able to finish ... I just felt I couldn't feel better."

He went 6-for-6 in the final quarter, and he started the Spurs' decisive 19-4 rally by drawing a personal foul and a subsequent technical on Ben Wallace, the NBA's top defensive player this season. Ginobili has matured immeasurably in his three seasons with the Spurs, but had never carried his team to a victory under such a spotlight.

"No doubt that my conof his 26 points in the more, and that's what I love doing.

After Ginobili's succession of drives, dishes and a swooping one-handed dunk, the Spurs praised him much more than their own defense — even though they hounded Detroit into one of the worst offensive performances in finals history.

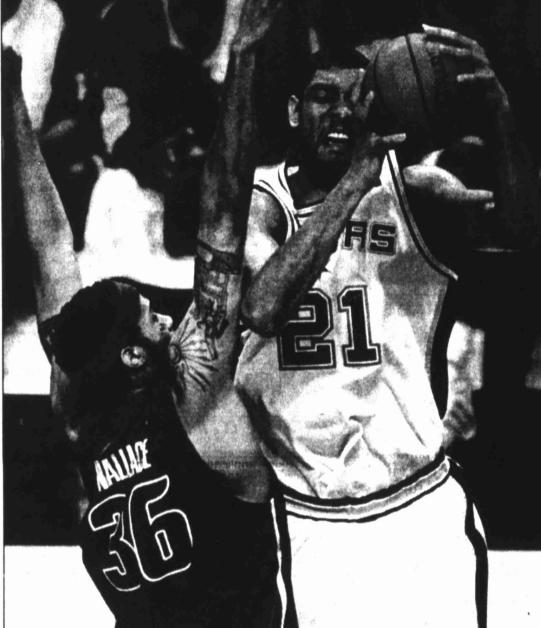
"I don't think we did anything to separate our-Gregg Popovich said. "We got out of kilter in the first half, and I think everybody was trying to do it themselves. ... Offensively, it was Manu Ginobili. He was some-

For the first three quarters, the NBA's two best defensive teams seemed capable of playing to a draw. The game proceeded at the pace most expected, with long possessions, few fast breaks and more attempts at drawing charges than most teams would try in a

fidence has been built up a lot," he said. "Now I know that even if I don't play that well at the beginning, I'm going to be on the court, and probably in the fourth quarter, I'm going to have the ball in my hands. ... It's a whole different role. I feel that responsibility at the end of the game way

thing else." month.

The clubs' 153 total points and the Pistons' 69 were the lowest marks in an opening game of the



KRT photo/Eric Seals, Detroit Free Press The Pistons' Rasheed Wallace defends against the Spurs' Tim Duncan in the second quarter of Game 1 of the NBA Finals in San Antonio Thursday. Duncan finished with 27 points

selves," Spurs coach NBA's final playoff round since 1954, when Minneapolis Syracuse 79-68. Only two teams scored fewer points in a finals game than Detroit managed against San Antonio's stifling

and 14 rebounds

schemes. Game 2 is Sunday night. Pistons coach Larry Brown disliked most aspects of his team's performance after the opening eight minutes, when they briefly took a 13-

point lead. While the Spurs initially struggled to reclaim their rhythm after eight days off, the Pistons seemed to run out of fuel in the fourth quarter, when San Antonio made its decisive run.

"We got up and got a good lead, and kind of forgot about how we got the lead," said Chauncey Billups, who scored 25 points in his first finals game since winning the series' MVP award last year. "I thought we had some energy (in the fourth quarter). I don't think they just really outworked us. They outplayed us, and out-executed us in some stretches."

The point total tied for the fourth-lowest in the finals in the shot clock era, eight off the record set on April 7, 1955, when Fort Wayne beat Syracuse 74-71.

The Pistons' 69 points were the third-lowest in the finals, 15 off Utah's total in a 42-point loss to Chicago on June 7, 1998.

The Pistons were shut down, but they caused many of their own problems.

Rasheed Wallace vanished, going scoreless and taking just three shots in the final three quarters, while Richard Hamilton had 14 points on 7-for-21 shooting.

"We missed so many shots tonight,' easy Hamilton said. missed a lot of layups. We missed a lot of 5-foot jump shots and things like that. We've just got to relax a little bit. At times, we were real good. We just have to relax a little bit and take our time and run our offense."

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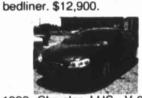


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of glee, frustration and victory. The thing one not advised under these stars is holding your emotions inside. Just as holding in sneeze causes



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unnecessary ; pressure on your blood vessels, holding in your forceful emotions exerts unhealthy pressure on your life. ARIES (March 21-April

19). A project would be going well if it weren't for that one element (or person) you're constantly having to work around. You don't deserve to be hung up! When you have doubts, don't just listen to them. Take action to eliminate them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It would be marvelous if the perfect career opportunity sought you out, but unfortunately, you'll have to hunt it down like a pig rooting out a truffle. Dignified? Maybe not, but the result is magnificent.

**GEMINI (May 21-June** 21). Your power of persuasion can lure even the most timid person to attempt daredevil feats. Singles: Use this power to get a reluctant partner onto the dance floor. Sparks fly and phone numbers are exchanged.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're feeling expansive — big ideas and lots of love to give. Your schedule and job could be cramping your style, or even worse, constricting your soul! Figure out how to free up some time and energy so you can embrace the new.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll wonder: Is a good relationship worth pursuing this adamantly? Are you kidding? Of course it is! A solid, nurturing love connection can heal the crimes and misdemeanors that happened to you in childhood.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Realize that you don't need to prove your worth in a relationship — not at work and not at home. Anyone who doesn't take you as is is probably not worth your superpowered efforts.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You hit the social jackpot tonight when you meet up with friends unexpectedly. You're out and about. They're out and about. You may as well be out and about together. For extra luck, try an exotic new restaurant.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Work borders on the mundane — repetitive tasks are the bane of your existence. Create challenges to add pizazz and move the day along. The faster you finish, the more time you have to fantasize about your next vacation.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-**Dec. 21). Make it easy for luck to approach you. By being open-minded, even to the point of vulnerability, you send out the message that you're ready for fate to give you what you want.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You've got people around you working at top speed, but that's simply not fast enough. Jump in the trenches, and show them how it's done. While perfection is ideal, this is one of those projects that just needs to be finished.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20

Feb. 18). Everyone wants to feel included, but you want it so much now that you may volunteer for things you simply shouldn't be wasting your time doing. You're enough. Look in the mirror, and repeat this 100 times.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). A burst of energy led to the completion of several projects and an abundance of clutter. Get your workspace in order by putting everything away. You'll have a fresh start come Monday and a clear conscience for the weekend.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: Mars is entering its home of Aries, and passion is the name of the love game. Lukewarm love simply won't cut it! ARIES: You're in power. The trick is to focus in on the person who most fulfills you. TAURUS: Forget about deciphering mixed messages. Let potential sweeties know that they must be demonstrative and certain of their feelings for you. GEMINI: Love doesn't judge. Let the little stuff go. CAN-CER: News in your family affects your love life. LEO: Quite simply, you'll experience fireworks! VIRGO: The stars favor

chance encounters at libraries or bookstores. LIBRA: The busier you are, the more people want to date you. SCORPIO: You'll make an exception to your usual rules of romance and be happy you did. SAGITTARIUS: You are drawn to someone with a foreign accent. **CAPRICORN**: You'll spend more than you meant to on things romance-related, but you have a terrific time in the process. AQUARIUS: You thought you knew what you liked, but someone new makes you change your mind. PISCES: There is always a way to work it out if both people are committed to the relationship.

COUPLE  $\mathbf{OF}$ THE WEEKEND: The way Aries and Leo relate may look tumultuous, overthe-top and dramatic to outsiders. But to Aries and Leo, it just seems normal. The face of passion for these two is none too subtle. They enjoy declaring affection to the world, and the world reflects back to them all the wonderful attributes their partner possesses. This weekend, Mars infuses extra excitement into the relationship.

# Annie's Mailbox •

Dear Annie: I was married to my husband for 30 years. He was an airline pilot, and he left me for a stewardess. (Yes, the cliches are sometimes true.) He never once said he was sorry or even explained his feelings. He just said he wanted a divorce. I've spent years trying to conceal my anguish, and went to counseling, su groups and the like. support

Now that I have grandchildren, they ask a lot of questions about their grandfather, and I refuse to lie to them. When they ask if I like PaPa, I say yes because he is the father of my children. But when they ask if I like his wife, I say no. It's the truth. The two of them committed adultery, and when we went to court to arrange alimony, she sat has an odor problem, was next to him, protecting her "assets."

A few months ago, my 6year-old granddaughter told PaPa that she had a secret. It was that "she" (the other woman) took PaPa away from Grandma. PaPa called my daughter and told her, and then everyone attacked me. Of course, my granddaughter knows that PaPa and I were once married, but I honestly do not know where she got this "secret." I have never once said such words. Children are pretty savvy nowadays, and somehow she put it together her-

an apology for the accusation, and while my exhusband and I have not spoken since the divorce, he blasted me with a horrible e-mail, saying, "Shame on you." I know I have to get over my hostile feelings toward them, but I cannot. It's been 14 years, and I'm still angry. Do I have to tell the grandchildren that I like their stepgrandmother? — **Troubled and Hurt** 

I asked my daughter for

Dear Troubled: You don't have to say you like give a negative impression, either. When asked, reply neutrally, "She makes PaPa happy." Your grandchildren can pick up on your hostility whether you express it verbally or not, and it doesn't help for them to believe that their grandparents hate each other.

After 14 years, you have not managed to let go of your anger toward your



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husband for leaving, nor have you accepted there is no satisfying explanation for the divorce. Whatever counseling you received didn't do enough. Please go back.

Dear Annie: I feel that your advice to "Legal Assistant," whose boss off base. You suggested that air fresheners around the office would help. While this may alleviate their noses, it is not going to solve the problem.

I, too, had to deal with a colleague who had body odor. One day, I took her aside and gently let her know that she may need to change soaps or "Legal deodorant. Assistant" needs to bite the bullet and tell the man tactfully that he smells. Though there may be awkwardness, I doubt that she will be fired. I know I would appreciate someone letting me know instead of talking behind my back. — Office Odor

Dear Office: We agree that the discreet, direct approach is usually best, but "Legal" was absolutely not going to do that. It is difficult, even under the best working conditions, to have that kind of conversation. Read on for more:

From Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif.: I volunteer in a large hospital emergency room. Whenever we have a bad smell from a patient, we put dry. her, but you don't have to fresh, un-perked coffee grounds in a container and place it where it is needed. The grounds absorb the odor, and we can all breathe again. This really works.

Minnesota: The only thing that takes care of body odor is a good daily shower and underarm deodorant. If a face-to-face statement is not possible. then an anonymous letter is needed.

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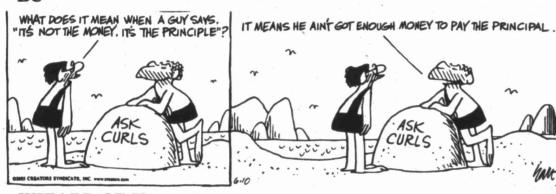
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, June 10, the 161st day of 2005. There are 204 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

June 10, 1935, On Alcoholics Anonymous was founded in Akron, Ohio.

On this date: In 1801, the north African state of Tripoli declared war on the United States in a dispute over safe passage merchant vessels

through the Mediterranean. In 1940, Italy declared war on France and Britain; Canada declared war on

In 1942, the Gestapo massacred 173 male residents of retaliation for the killing of a Nazi official.

In 1946, Italy replaced its abolished monarchy with a republic. In 1964, the Senate voted

to limit further debate on a

proposed civil rights bill. shutting off a filibuster by Southern states.

In 1967, the Middle East War ended as Israel and Syria agreed to observe a United Nations-mediated cease-fire. In 1978, Affirmed won the

Belmont Stakes and with it, horse racing's Triple Crown. In 1985, socialite Claus

von Bulow was acquitted by a jury in Providence, R.I., at his retrial on charges he'd tried to murder his heiress wife, Martha "Sunny" von Bulow.

In 2002, organized crime figure John Gotti died at a prison hospital in Missouri at age 61. Five years ago: Syrian

President Hafez Assad died at age 69; he was succeeded by his son, Bashar. One year ago: Singer-

musician Ray Charles, known for such hits as "What'd I Say," "Georgia on My Mind" and "I Can't Stop Loving You," died in Beverly Hills, Calif., at age

Birthdays: Today's Britain's Prince Philip is

84. Columnist Nat Hentoff is 80. Actress June Haver is 79. Attorney F. Lee Bailey is 72. Singer Shirley Alston Reeves (The Shirelles) is 64. Actor Jurgen Prochnow is 64. Media commentator Jeff Greenfield is 62.Actress Gina Gershon is 43. Modelactress Elizabeth Hurley is 40. Rapper The D.O.C. is 37. Rock singer Mike Doughty is 35. Rhythm-and-blues singer Jo-Jo is 34. (Actor Shane West is 27. Singer Hoku is 24. Actress Leelee Sobieski is 23.

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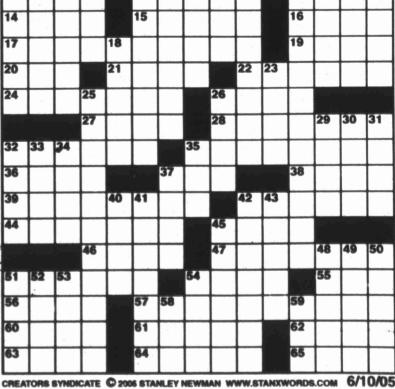
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# Golf Insider

IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR GAME

## Annika Sor-in-sand

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

ven great players like Annika Sorenstam end up in the bunker once in a while, and they don't always catch a good lie. In the photos below, Annika is shown facing a downhill lie that seems almost impossible to the average golfer, but it's not all that tough if you know the technique.

This is a hard shot for most golfers because the tendency from the downhill lie is to swing up on the ball in order to get it in the air. Unfortunately, this causes you to straighten up as you swing back to the ball, a sure way to hit the ball thin and drive it into the bank of the bunker or send it sculling over the green.

The Technique

For the downhill lie, play the ball farther back in the stance (practice will tell you exactly how much) — the more downhill the lie, the farther back the ball. Annika has a medium amount of slope, so she plays the ball in the middle of her stance rather than off her left instep as she would for a level greenside sand shot.

Because the ball is below her back foot, the lowest point of her swing is just back of center, and that's exactly where she wants the club head to enter the sand — behind the ball, ensuring that she hits the sand first.

Next she draws her rear foot back a bit so that her stance is slightly closed to the target. This levels out her hips, creating a lower-body posture that is as normal as possible under the conditions. It also gives her some space to swing into, space that isn't filled with her back knee.

From this awkward stance, she checks to make sure that at least 90 percent of her weight is on her front side — exactly where it should remain throughout the swing. She'll focus on rotating her shoulders and hips, but limiting her weight shift.

Last, Annika tilts her shoulders by making her front shoulder lower than her back shoulder so they match the angle of the slope. Now all she has to do is make sure to swing down the slope, as if the club head were going to land at the bottom of the bunker.

The biggest mistake you can make on a shot like this occurs just before impact if you try to lift the ball into the air. Take care to stay down and allow the ball to come out on a cushion of

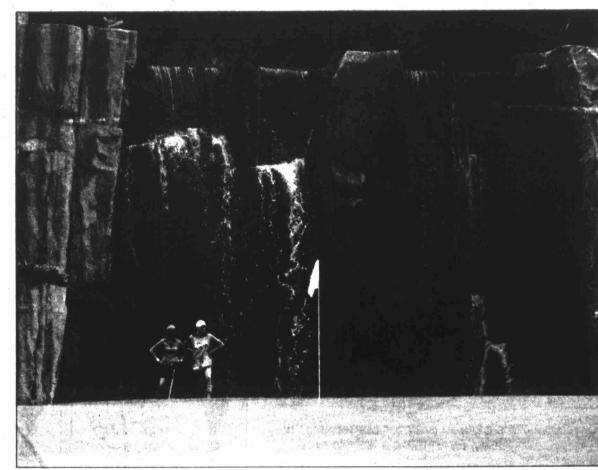
And don't be greedy: Give yourself some room because this shot will run once it hits the green. Expect the run, visualize it and then let it ramble



Annika is most concerned with the bank behind her and how it might interfere with her swing. She'll try out a number of practice stances and backswings to make sure she takes the bank out of play. In this case, Sorenstam will abandon her normal pre-shot routine in order to figure out how to adapt her swing.



Annika has tilted her spine down the fall line and will keep that angle until well after impact.



Photos by Cox News Service

The Trump International Golf Club in West Palm Beach, Fla., was recently named by Golf Digest as having the second-best course layout in Florida.

# ADT to turn into \$1 million playoff

By CRAIG DOLCH Cox News Service

West Palm Beach, Fla. he LPGA Tour hopes to boost its popularity by combining three elements — a NASCAR-style playoff, a \$1 million prize and Donald Trump's \$40 million golf course.

The ADT Championship at Trump International Golf Club in suburban West Palm Beach will continue to conclude the Ladies Professional Golf Association season. But starting in 2006, the tournament will be modified: Four to eight players will compete for the richest payday in LPGA history.

Borrowing a page from NASCAR's ultra-successful "Race to the Cup," the LPGA announced Tuesday that the 2006 season will be split into two parts, with 15 players from each half, along with two "wild cards," advancing to the season-ending ADT Championship.

At the ADT, the field will be gradually cut each day until Sunday, when either four or eight players will be playing for the \$1 million first prize - almost double the current high of \$560,000 at the U.S. Women's Open.

What the LPGA Tour has done is beat the men's PGA Tour to the punch by being the first major golf tour to spice up its seasonending schedule with a major format change

It seemed only fitting that the biggest change would take effect at Trump's signature course, which already has raised the profile of the LPGA in the four years the ADT has been held there in mid-November. Before moving to Trump, the LPGA's season-ending tour championship had a nomadic history and a shaky

future. The Donald changed all that, thanks to the course that recently was named the second-best layout in Florida by Golf Digest, trailing only famed Seminole Golf Club of Juno Beach. Needless to say,



**Donald Trump** (left, with last year's ADT winner Annika Sorenstam) said "If you put the Trump name on it, it sells better. Between the women and the waterfalls, and now the \$1 million first prize, this has become a big-time event."

Trump was delighted to hear history will be made at one of his clubs.

"Frankly, the LPGA did not have great luck in Palm Beach County or with this event until they came to Trump International," Trump said by telephone from his New York offices. "For some reason, if you put the Trump name on it, it sells better. Between the women and the waterfalls, and now the \$1 million first prize, this has become a big-time event."

LPGA commissioner Ty Votaw said the tour looked at NASCAR and the NCAA basketball tournament, as well as other sports, for inspiration.

The changes will "energize our schedule and generate fan and media interest throughout the year," Votaw said by phone from the LPGA Championship in Havre de Grace, Md. "We feel this will bring us more in line with how

other sports conduct their regular season and playoffs.'

While some of the details still have to be finalized, there are several ways for LPGA players to qualify for The LPGA Playoffs at The ADT:

· Winners of the four majors automatically qualify, with other top-10 finishers earning points.

winners of limited-field and select full-field events will automatically qualify, but no other points will be earned, turning the week into an all-or-nothing situa-

· Select full-field events will offer points through 10th place, albeit the winner won't get an automatic bid.

· The players with the best performance in the Asian swing in the fall — which has struggled to attract the top players — also will qualify.

The huge difference between the winner's prize and the runner-up check of \$100,000 at the ADT should produce some dramatic moments. Previously, the top 30 players on the LPGA's money list earned a spot in the ADT Championship, which this year has a purse of \$1 million and a first prize of \$215,000 - a far cry from the \$6.5 million purse offered by the PGA Tour for its season-

ending championship. The man responsible for writing the seven-figure winning check said he can't wait for the 2006 ADT

to get here. "This is huge, said Michael Snyder, president of ADT Security Services Inc. "This is one step of trying to get women's purses more in line with the men. This gives our company a chance to send a message that we're a diverse organization that's thrilled to be involved with women's golf."

The four ADT Championships at Trump International have been won by elite players: Annika Sorenstam (2002 and 2004), Hall of Famer-to-be Karrie Webb (2001) and reigning U.S. Women's Open champion Meg Mallon (2003).

#### **SCHEDULE**

All Times EDT **LPGA TOUR LPGA Championship** • Site: Havre de Grace, Md. · Schedule: Thursday-Sunday. • Course: Bulle Rock Golf

Club (6,486 yards, par 72). · Purse: \$1.8 million. Winner's share: \$270,000. • TV: The Golf Channel (Thursday, 4-6 p.m., 7:30-9:30 p.m.; Friday, 4-6 p.m., 9-11 p.m.) and CBS (Saturday, 3:30-6 p.m.; Sunday, 3-6 p.m.).

> **PGA TOUR Booz Allen Classic**

• Site: Bethesda, Md. · Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.

• Course: Congressional Country Club, Blue Course (7,232 yards, par 71).
• Purse: \$5 million. Winner's

share: \$900,000. • TV: USA (Thursday-Friday, 4-6 p.m.) and ABC (Saturday-Sunday, 3-6 p.m.).

#### CHAMPIONS TOUR **Bayer Advantage**

Classic • Site: Overland Park, Kan. • Schedule: Friday-Sunday. • Course: Nicklaus Golf Club at LionsGate (7,192 yards, par 72). • Purse: \$1.65 million.

Winner's share: \$247,500. • TV: The Golf Channel (Friday, 6-8:30 p.m., 11 p.m.-1 a.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 5-7:30 p.m., 9-11:30 p.m.).

#### **PGA EUROPEAN TOUR KLM Open**

· Site: Hilversum,

Netherlands.

 Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.

• Course: Hilversumsche Golf Club (6,660 yards, par

• Purse: \$1.84 million. Winner's share: \$307,410. • TV: The Golf Channel (Thursday-Friday, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 9 a.m.-noon).

#### **NATIONWIDE TOUR**

**LaSalle Bank Open** · Site: Glenview, III. Schedule: Thursday-· Course: The Glen Club (7,219 yards, par 71). Purse: \$650,000 million. Winner's share: \$117,000. • TV: The Golf Channel

(Thursday, 1:30-4 p.m.; Friday, midnight-2 a.m., 1:30-4 p.m.; Saturday, 2:30-4 a.m., 1:30-4 p.m.; Sunday, 1-2:30 a.m., 1:30-4 p.m.; Monday, 1-2:30 a.m.).

#### **LEADERS**

**WORLD RANKINGS** 1. Vijay Singh, Fij 2. Tiger Woods, USA 12.47 3. Ernie Els, SAf 10.21 4. Phil Mickelson, USA 9.20 5. Retief Goosen, SAf 6. Sergio Garcia, Spn 5.46 7. Chris DiMarco, USA 8. Adam Scott, Aus 5.41 9. Padraig Harrington, Ire 5.29 10. David Toms, USA 5.22

#### **MONEY LEADERS PGA TOUR**

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Player	Money					
1. Vijay Singh	\$5,292,006					
2. Phil Mickelson	\$4,185,056					
3. Tiger Woods	\$4,100,290					
4. David Toms	\$3,251,343					
5. Kenny Perry	\$2,455,613					
6. Fred Funk	\$2,272,880					
7. Chris DiMarco	\$2,161,104					
8. Justin Leonard	\$1,993,711					
9. Luke Donald	\$1,836,693					
10. Adam Scott	\$1,757,574					

#### **LPGA TOUR**

Player	Money
1. Annika Sorenstam	\$1,233,23
2. Cristie Kerr	\$820,377
3. Lorena Ochoa	\$454,782
4. Catriona Matthew	\$371,806
5. Juli Inkster	\$368,749

#### THE GOLF DOCTOR

#### Wrong expectations can ruin sand game

A student of mine came for a sand lesson, and before he started, he said, "I know that the sand shot is supposed to be an easy one, but I can't seem to figure it out."

Why do golfers think sand shots are easy? Because the golf press has brainwashed them into thinking

You hear it all the time: the golf pundits complaining about how easy it is for pros to play from greenside bunkers. But is this true?

The stats say no way. Last year the leader out of the sand on the PGA Tour was Dan Forsman at 62.3 percent — he failed to get up and down in two or less from a greenside bunker 38 percent of the time. Tiger's failure rate was 46.5 percent, and Sergio's was 52 percent. Ernie Els couldn't get it done 52 percent of the time, while poor Mike Heinen, who finished

last on tour, made three or more from the sand a whopping 68.2 percent of the time.

The man in the middle of the field, Steve Elkington, missed 51 percent of the time, meaning that half of the field on the PGA Tour can't get it up and down from the bunkers 50 percent of the time.

Now remember, these are greenside bunkers, which means the pros are only a few yards from the hole and still it takes them, on average, three shots.

And if it's tough for them under perfect condi-

tions, where every grain of sand is combed more regularly than Paris Hilton's hair, how hard is it for the average golfer whose ball is liable to be in a footprint with a rock behind it?

If you think you're supposed to get it up and down on a regular basis from the bunker, think again. The stats tell us that no matter who you are, bunkers are hazards to your game. So either stay out of them or learn to play safe getting out of them.

#### **ASK THE PRO**



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

Q: During a recent round, I was running low on golf balls and even though I didn't run out, my buddy and I got to talking about what would have happened legally under the rules. Am I finished or can I borrow some of his? — B.W. from Odessa, Texas

A: If you're playing a friendly round (and it must be friendly at \$3 a ball), you can borrow as many as you need to get to the house. But if you're in a tournament where the one-ball rule is posted, you need to borrow the exact type of ball you started with. If you can't, then you are finished.

Believe it or not, this rule almost knocked Tiger Woods out of the 2000 U.S. Open at Pebble Beach. In the first round, he hooked his drive into the ocean on No. 18 and asked his caddy for another ball. Tiger planned to hit another driver, but his caddy, fumbling to find a ball, realized that there was only one left. Tiger had taken the rest out to practice putting on the floor of his hotel room the night before.

If Tiger hooked another one into the water, he would be disqualified ROB, "ran out of balls." His caddy tried to convince Tiger to play safe, but did not tell him why. Tiger stripped it and went on to win the