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Rain delays finish of final major of the year. Mickelson

Student transfers not always easy

In fact, it's downright impossible sometimes, school officials reveal

By STEVE REAGAN

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Staff Writer

Transferring your child from one Howard County school district to another can be either easy or impossible, depending on which school district you wish to enroll your child.

And transferring from one school to another

within a school district district. may not be a simple task, either.

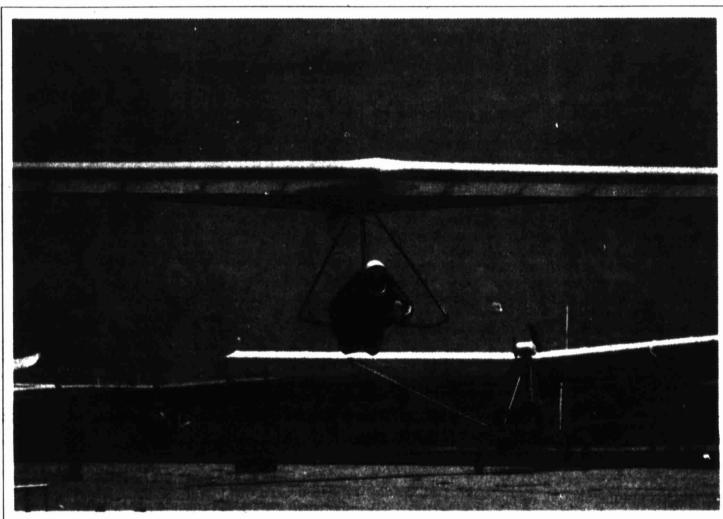
Starting with the impossible, Forsan Independent School District has already reached the maximum allowable number of incoming transfers for this school year, according to Diana Newton, business manager for the

When it is accepting transfer requests, FISD requires parents to come to the administration office and fill out the appropriate paperwork. interview with Superintendent Randy Johnson is next, and following approval from both him and the Texas See TRANSFERS, Page 3A

Education Agency, the transfer is allowed.

Coahoma, process is a little different. There, principals at the individual campuses make the determination whether to allow incoming transfers, said Judy Dobbs, administration





Despite less than ideal weather, gliding competition a success

☐ For results of the week's championships, see Page 6A.

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Despite less than ideal weather conditions all week, hang glider pilots from all over the world were able to preserve the Big Spring run of luck for the U.S. Hang Gliding Association National Championships as the competition wrapped up Saturday.

"The record is preserved" said David Glover, coordinator for the annual event, with a laugh. "We had 42 out of 42 days of launching and someone flying to goal!"

Glover said the cooler temperatures and rains may not have produced the type of hang gliding conditions Big Spring has become famous for over the last five years, but it did provide the pilots with plenty of fun and challenging flights.

"We still had a really good run of it, even with some of the weather,"

"It's to be expected that we won't have perfect weather all of the time, but we're still 42 out of 42 days for actually being able to have people take off and fly to goal."

said Glover. "We're really happy with the overall conditions anyway. It's to be expected that we won't have perfect weather all of the time, but we're still 42 out of 42 days for actually being able to have people take off and fly to goal, even if we're not able to call it a perfect task for everyone else."

And although heavy rains pummeled the Big Spring area Saturday afternoon — the last day of the competition — effectively shutting down the scoring, it did-

n't stop one pilot from making the ultimate run to preserve Big Spring's good name.

"We called the day but there were people who had already towed up," said Glover. "One guy actually flew all the way to the prescribed goal anyway. So that's pretty neat. Even on a day that doesn't look that good, people can still have a good day of flying."

Australian pilot Jonny Durand took first place in the flex wing division during the seven-day event, which was held at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

Florida native and self described nomad Davis Straub managed to walk away with first-place in the competition's rigid wing division

for the second year in a row. Straub said he enjoys flying in the Lone Star State, where minutes — even seconds — can be the difference between winning and

falling short of your goals. "I really like flying in Texas. I

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Rains wash across area

Flooding reported in some communities, roads closed

By The Associated Press

Heavy rains hit parts of West Texas for a second straight day Sunday, prompting high-water rescues in Midland, the evacuation of at least two homes in Fisher County and flooding in Snyder.

Locally, rain Saturday led to a "no fly" at the Hang Gliding **National** Association Champion ships. According to the USDA research center, Big Spring received 1.36 inches for the day, setting a record for Aug. 13. The people to stay off the previous mark was 0.43 inches, set in 1972.

Three feet of water covered some Midland streets as record rainfall fell there, said Todd Lindley, a meteorologist the National with Weather Serwice Midland. Rainfall totals at the airport west of Midland were 1.12 inches, but radar estimates showed as much as 2.5 inches hit the city.

Lindley said the rainfall came in three waves, with the second about noon leading city emergency management crews to ask for a warning for

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Budget deficit slumps again

Estimates show level of red ink will drop to \$331 billion

By ANDREW TAYLOR

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) -The federal budget-deficit picture turned brighter Monday as congressional scorekeepers new estimates showing the level of red ink for the current fiscal year would drop to \$331 billion.

The new report by the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office, which does budget analysis for lawmakers in Washington, gave the latest proof that surging revenues and a steadily growing economy are combining to bring the deficit down from a record \$412 billion posted last year. CBO predicts a \$314 billion deficit for the budget year starting Oct.

The report is welcome news for President Bush, who has seen the budget situation during his tenure deteriorate markedly from predictions of unending surpluses when he took office in January 2001.

"The CBO report confirms the dramatic improvement in the 2005 deficit picture that the Administration reported last month," said Scott Milburn, a spokesman for the White House budget office. "A strong economy

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STUNT GOES AWRY

LAND O'LAKES, Fla. (AP) - A radio station stunt that had three listeners dress like escaped inmates went awry Friday when dozens of people called 911. The three, shackled and dressed in what appeared to be jail uniforms, were competing to try to get motorists to give them a ride, Pasco County sheriff's spokesman Kevin Doll said. The first one back to the studios of WXTB-FM would win a trip in conjunction with a new Fox show called "Prison Break." But after 30 or 40 calls from "terrified" motorists and residents, sheriff's deputies took them into custody.

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RECORD RAIN SATURDAY

From 8 a.m. Friday until 8 a.m. today there has been 2.55 inches of rain, according to the USDA/ARS Cropping Systems Laboratory.

Saturday rainfall set a new record of 1.36 inches for the day. The old record for Aug. 13 was 0.43 inches, set in 1972. The total for the year is 11.29 and the normal precipitation to date is 11.41, according to researchers at the laboratory, which is located on the north service road of Interstate 20. There is a 50 percent chance of more rain tonight and Tuesday. according to the National Weather

Bill Cramer



Bill Cramer, 70, of Granbury died Friday, Aug. 12, 2005 in Glen Rose. Funeral services were 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 14, 2005, at the Granbury Church of Christ. Interment was 10:30 a.m. today, Aug. 15, 2005, in Perrin Memorial Gardens in Perrin.

Bill Cramer was born Nov. 13, 1934 in Big Spring, the second son of Boone and Swan Cramer. He and his older brother. Rodney grew up in Coahoma.

Bill was active in sports and school activities at Coahoma High School. Bill went on to play football at Rice and Abilene Christian College, where he met and married his wife, Jane (Heath) Cramer.

Bill and Jane were married Aug. 23, 1957, and Bill graduated from ACC in January 1958. He taught and coached in Waxahachie for two and a half years and then began a 32-year career with Shell Oil Company.

He and Jane attended church at Waxahachie Church of Christ, Hillcrest Church of Christ in Abilene, Golf Course Road Church of Christ in Midland, Bammel Road Church of Christ in Houston and Granbury Church of Christ. Bill served as an elder at both Granbury and Brammel.

Survivors include his wife, Jane Cramer of Granbury; brother, Rodney and sister-in-law, Shirley of Los Fresnos; sons and daughter and spouses, Alan and Teresa Cramer of Spring, Gary and Michele Cramer of Hurst and Teri (Cramer) and Wes Autrey of Littleton, Colo.; grandchildren, Andrew and Jared Cramer and Rachel, Natalie and Sarah Autrey; nine nieces and nephews, their spouses and children.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Royal Family Kids Camp, Granbury Church of Christ. Checks should be made to Granbury Church of Christ with a memo notation of "RFKC."

Arrangements were under the direction of Wiley Funeral Home in Granbury.

Juanita Herrera



Juanita Herrera, 78, of Big Spring died Saturday morning, Aug. 13, 2005, at her home following a long illness. Vigil services are 7 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass is 4 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2005, at St. Thomas Catholic Church with burial in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She was born May 16, 1927, in Bastrop to Fidel and Vicenta Martinez. She married Marcelino Herrera Dec. 13, 1943 in Lockhart. He preceded her in death in

1999. Juanita had been a resident of Howard County for 56 years. She was a member of St. Thomas Catholic

She is survived by six sons, Marcelino Herrera Jr., Sisto Herrera, Jesse Herrera and Roy Herrera, all of Big Spring, Ernest Herrera of Hamlin and Juan, Herrera of Coahoma; four daughters, Frances Rodriguez of Stanton, Consuelo Rodriguez, Chon Flores and Lupe Martinez, all of Big Spring; three brothers, Antonio Martinez of Stanton, Victor Martinez of Big Spring and Lupe Martinez of Coahoma; one sister, Chona Ruiz of Dallas; 32 grandchildren; 53 great-grandchildren; and one great-greatgrandchild. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com.

Take note

- DONATIONS TO DEFRAY COSTS OF FUNERAL **EXPENSES FOR 14-YEAR-OLD ISIDRO GONZALES** are being accepted at Myer's & Smith Funeral Home. He died Aug. 12 from leukemia. Make donations directly to Myers & Smith at P.O. Box 2760, Big Spring 79721-2760.
- THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY need good condition books for an annual sale. Paperbacks and large print items are especially needed. Donated books can be delivered to the library weekdays during regular operating hours. If unable to bring the books to the library, call 263-4980 and request a pick up. All money from the sale goes to purchase items not included in the library's regular budget.
- SAM SOLEYN, FORMER SPEAKER AT LIVING WATER FELLOWSHIP will be speaking at the Dora Roberts Community Center at 6 p.m. Aug. 20 and 10 a.m. Aug. 21. For more information, contact Jim Alexander at 457-2202.
- FOSTER PARENT/ADOPTION INFORMATION **MEETING** at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, 2525 N. Grandview in Odessa. For more information, call 432-686-2273.
- · HOWARD COUNTY FAIR WEB SITE is www.howardcountyfairoftexas.com
- THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM that delivers meals to the elderly and homebound needs volunteers to deliver meals. If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, you are needed. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered to recipients within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported_the following activity between 8 a.m. Saturday and 8 a.m. Monday:

- · GEORGE GONZALES, 51, 108 E. 16th, was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana and public intoxication.
- SUSIE LEDESMA, 20, 1108 Lloyd, was arrested on a charge of failure to identify a fugitive from justice and Hoard County warrants.
- JOANIE LEDESMA, 22, 1108 Lloyd, was arrested on a charge of failure to identify.
- ANGIE BROOKS, 37, 1712 E. 15th, was arrested on a charge of interference with a police officer.
- ROBERT BAKER JR., no age given, 1712 E. 15th, was arrested on local warrants and charges of evading arrest and criminal mischief.
- POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA was reported in the 100 block of E. 16th.
- PUBLIC INTOXICATION was reported in the 100 block of E. 16th.
- THEFT was reported in the 1100 block of Lamesa

Sheriff's report

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

- RENE RAMON, 20, was arrested on a charge of
- CHRISTINE MICHELLE BEAM, 24, was arrested on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia and a parole violation warrant.
- MARTIN HERNANDEZ, 33, was arrested on a motion to revoke probation on possession of marijua-
- · DIVINSIO VASQUEZ, 50, was arrested on a charge of indecent exposure.
- · JOHNNY LOPEZ, 25, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated, second offense.
- BLANCA C. FRANCO, 21, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- · MIGUEL ANGEL TOVAR, 24, was arrested on a motion to revoke probation for evading arrest.
- · GUSTABO ALFREDO RIOS, 24, was arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended.
- · BRIAN WILKERSON, 26, was arrested on a charge of evading arrest/vehicle.
- · PABLO MORENO, 27, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- · ROY DWIGHT BIDDLE III, 44, was arrested on a charge of theft by check.
- JOE E. VALENCIA, 22, was arrested on a charge of assault causing bodily injury.
- NORMAN EDWARD WARNKE, 19, was arrested
- on a charge of possession of marijuana. • DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the
- 1600 block of Todd Road. THEFT was reported in the 3400 block of Highway
- INDECENT EXPOSURE was reported in the 168 mile marker of Interstate 20.

Fire/EMS

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

- TRAUMA was reported on the 700 block of E. 11th Place. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported on the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to VAMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported at Highway 350 and Highway 87. Two people were transported to
- · TRAUMA was reported on the 1700 block of Lancaster. Service was refused.
- · TRAUMA was reported on the 2500 block of Albrook. One person was transported to SMMC.
- · MEDICAL was reported on the 1900 block of
- Wasson. One person was transported to SMMC. · TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported on the 100
- block of Colorado Road. One person was transported to SMMC. TRAUMA was reported on the 400 block of Dallas.
- One person was transported to SMMC.
- · TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported on the 181 mile marker of Interstate 20. Service was refused.
- TRAUMA was reported on the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to VAMC.
- · MEDICAL was reported on the 400 block of N.W. Eighth. One person was transported to SMMC.
- STRUCTURE FIRE was reported on the 2300 block
- of Avenue Rickabaugh. · MEDICAL was reported on the 1700 block of
- Lancaster. Service was refused. • TRAUMA was reported on the 4000 block of Vicky.
- One person was transported to SMMC.
- · MEDICAL was reported on the 4000 block of Vicky. One person was transported to SMMC.
- · TRAUMA was reported on the 1100 block of Mulberry. One person was transported to SMMC.
- · MEDICAL was reported on the 3200 block of Mulberry. One person was transported to SMMC.
- STUCTURE FIRE was reported on the 4000 block of Parkway. The fire was out upon arrival.

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TODAY

 Coahoma and Forsan students first day of school Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call

 Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third, for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.

- · Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets at 5:30 p.m. Monday in the 11th and Birdwell Lane Church of Christ. A different program is offered every week, and anyone 7 years old or older is welcome to attend. Please enter through the northwest door. Call 263-2786 for more information.
- · Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in the La Posada Restaurant.
- DAV and Auxiliary Chapter 47 meets at 6:30 p.m. at 610 Abrams St.
- · Christian Singles Fellowship meets from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Youth Hall. All singles in the community are invited for an evening of fellowship, food and table games.
- · Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

TUESDAY

- · Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- · Big Spring Band Boosters meets at 5:30 p.m. in the high school band hall. All band parents are invited to attend.
- RSVP Ice Cream Social from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center.
- · Big Spring Shrine Club meets at 6:30 p.m. for dinner with a meeting to follow at First and Goliad streets. All Masons are welcome to attend.
- · Big Spring Art Association meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library. All working artists and those interested in art are invited to attend.
- Concerned Citizens for Big Spring meets at 7 p.m. in the meeting room of the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.
- Order of the Eastern Star No. 67 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.

WEDNESDAY

· Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

· Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Weather Crimer

Tonight...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Locally heavy rainfall possible. Lows in the mid 60s. East winds around 10 mph in the evening becoming light and variable.

Tuesday...Partly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s. East winds around 10 mph.

Tuesday night...Partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of Showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s. Southeast winds Around 10 mph.

Wednesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 30s. Southeast Winds 10 to 15 mph.

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Support groups

 Encourager's Support Group — All widows and widowers are invited to a covered dish dinner beginning at 6 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church. Seventh and Runnels streets. Enter through the north door. For more information, call 398-5522.

TUESDAY

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

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Defiant Jewish settlers form human chains to block soldiers with eviction notices

NEVE DEKALIM, Gaza Strip (AP) Defiant and tearful Jewish settlers locked their communities' gates and formed human chains to block troops from delivering eviction notices Monday, as Israel began its historic pullout from the Gaza Strip after 38 years of occupation.

Police and soldiers waited patiently in the sweltering sun and avoided confrontation at the behest of their commanders. One sobbing settler pleaded with a brigadier general not to evict him before the two men embraced.

"It's a painful and difficult day, but it's a historic day," said Israel's defense minister, Shaul Mofaz.

Over the next three weeks, Israel plans to remove all 21 Jewish settlements from Gaza and four from the West Bank. The withdrawal marks the first time Israel will dismantle settlements in areas captured in the 1967 Mideast War and claimed by the Palestinians for their future state.

While Prime Minister Ariel Sharon says the pullout will improve Israel's security, Jewish settlers fiercely oppose the plan and have promised stiff — but nonviolent — resistance.

Israeli troops fired in the air Monday to keep back hundreds of Palestinians, including a few dozen masked gunmen, who were marching toward southern Gaza's Gush Katif bloc of settlements in celebration of the impending withdrawal. The crowd burned a cardboard model of an Israeli settlement, complete with an army watchtower.

In Gaza City, the Islamic militant group Hamas hung banners proclaiming the pullout is a result of attacks by militants on Israelis. "The blood of martyrs has led to liberation," one banner said.

Thousands of Israeli troops marched into Gaza's settlements, delivering eviction notices in some communities, but encountering protests in others. The notices gave settlers until midnight Tuesday to leave. If they ignore the deadline, they will be removed by force and could lose up to a third of their government compensation for the

Qwest, union end weekend without reaching contract: workers remain on job

DENVER (AP) - Nearly 25,000 **Qwest Communications employees** remained on the job Monday without a contract after a weekend of intense negotiations failed between the company and its largest union.

Among the key issues were health care, pension and mandatory overtime for the employees across a 13state region and retirees represented by the Communications Workers of America.

Qwest spokesman Bob Toevs said early Monday the parties would continue negotiations, but he had no specifics on scheduling.

"We look forward to reaching an agreement," he said.

A union bargaining team spent much of Sunday in caucus after talks broke around 4 a.m. Negotiations resumed about 12 hours later, but ended before midnight Monday.

The contract expired at midnight Saturday, but the two sides agreed to continue to talk. The union's executive board has authorized the president to set a strike date if merited, which could happen at any time, CWA spokeswoman Candice Johnson said.

The union said late Sunday that several issues remained open, including what it said were proposals from Qwest Communications International Inc. to increase mandatory overtime from eight hours a week to 13 hours a week and to create a two-tiered pension system where new employees would not have access to a defined pension plan. The union has requested to add an extra nonpaid personal day.

"There are a lot of areas yet that need to be worked through," Johnson said.

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Iraqi politicians scramble for agreement on constitution as deadline arrives

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) - With the deadline for the new constitution just hours away, Shiite and Kurdish leaders signaled they were prepared to submit the draft to parliament Monday — even over Sunni Arab objections.

Shiite lawmaker Hassan al-Sunnaid said there were "no deadlocks" and that the draft would be submitted to the National Assembly by the evening deadline. After al-Sunnaid spoke, however, Sunni Arab members Kamal Hamdoun and Haseeb Aref said there was no agreement on federalism and other divisive issues that have blocked an agreement for weeks.

Sidelining the Sunnis risks a backlash in the minority community that forms the core of the insurgency.

The United States, which has pressured Iraqi officials to meet the Monday deadline, hopes the constitution will serve as a major step in luring Sunnis away from the insurgency so that American and other foreign troops can begin to go home next year.

Hamdoun and Haseeb said they had been invited to a final meeting with Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari and political leaders but the invitation arrived late and they were unsure they would even attend.

Sunni Arabs have asked that the issue of federalism be put off until next year. Shiites and Kurds, the two other major groups in the country, are pushing autonomous regions in the southern and northern parts of Iraq.

BUDGET

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fueled by tax relief is generating stronger-than-projected revenues."

The White House foresees a \$333 billion deficit for the year that's about to end and a \$341 billion deficit for next year.

Last year's deficit was a record in dollar terms, though many previous deficits in the mid-1980s and early 1990s were largwhen measured against the size of the economy. The White House and most economists say that the more relevant measure of the deficit is to weigh it against the size of the economy. Measured that way, the latest estimates for this year are slightly worse than recent historic averages.

Democrats on Capitol Hill were quick to issue warnings about the longterm deficit picture, which will worsen considerably after the Baby Boom generation starts retiring in large numbers after the turn of the decade.

"While this year's deficit will be lower than last year's record shortfall, the improvement is likely to be short-lived. Declarations of victory over budget deficits only distract from the disturbing long-term budget outlook," said Kent Conrad of North Dakota, top Democrat on the Senate **Budget Committee.**

Unlike White House estimates released last month, CBO assumes that Bush's tax cuts are allowed to lapse at the end of the decade. Most of the cuts in Bush's signature \$1.35 trillion tax

relief law enacted in 2001 expire by 2010, but many lawmakers and the White House assume that they will be renewed by then.

Even if the tax cuts were allowed to expire, the budget would still stay in the red through the full 10 years covered by CBO's report.

If the tax cuts are renewed, the deficit picture would worsen by \$204 billion in 2011. By 2015, the cost of extending the 2001 and subsequent tax cuts would reach \$432 billion.

By CBO's scorekeeping rules, the agency must also assume that the costs of occupying Iraq and Afghanistan will stay at current levels, which probably inflates longprojections. term Congress in May passed an \$82 billion measure to provide more war funding, and CBO must assume spending would continue at that rate.

The projection for the deficit at the end of the current budget year on Sept. 30 remains far worse than when Bush took office. At that time, both White House and congressional forecasters projected cumulative surpluses of \$5.6 trillion over the subsequent decade.

Instead, deficits returned three years ago after four years of budget surpluses.

The chief reason was that forecasters assumed that a surge in revenue in the late 1990s would continue.

The economy hit a recession, the market tumbled and a surge in homeland security spending after the Sept. 11, 2001 terror attacks combined to produce a return to deficits.

TRANSFERS

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The bridge was in an area

cials from allowing transfer from such students in Big Spring because it had adversely affected the demographic makeup of BSISD's student census.

Big Superintendent Michael Downes said transfer of that non-minority students into a school district is prohibited if such action would change the ratio of those students in their former district by more than 1 percent.

This action was institut-

prone to flooding, Lindley

said. Lindley said there

estimated isolated totals

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Portions of two county

roads in Sterling County

were partially under

water, but county officials

reported they remained

passable Sunday night as

Also, two homes in

Fisher County were evac-

the Snyder area.

rains continued.

ed by state officials several years ago to prevent "white flight" out of school districts, Downes said.

Forsan. Appropriate paperwork, followed by an interview with Downes, is required before any requests can be approved.

Students wishing to transfer between elementary campuses in Big

uated on Sunday after

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ous farm-to-market roads

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worst-hit areas was Rule,

were some residents were

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usually Spring are approved, but Downes school year. said the district prioritizes those applications.

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Officials then consider requests from children of school district employees, and siblings of students who attended the campus

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"We do approve almost all transfer requests," First priority goes to Downes said. "But it's Students wishing to students who live in the very difficult to approve Spring transfer into BSISD must attendance zone of the every one them because

In particular, Downes said transfer requests cannot be granted if such action would result in the mandated student/teacher ratio of 22-1 being exceeded.

For more information on transfer requests, con-

Texas remained under a flash flood watch through Monday afternoon.

"We've got a cold front draped from southwest to northeast over Permian Basin," he said. Storms continued to develop over the region and move over the same area. Lindley said more rain is expected.

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FUNERAL HOME

Annetta Sue Parnell, 61, died Thursday. Funeral Services will be at 1:00 PM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Private burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Isidro Gonzales, 14, died Friday. Funeral Mass will be at 4:00 PM Monday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church burial with Coahoma Cemetery.

Juanita Herrera, 78, died Saturday. Vigil Services will be at 7:00 PM Monday at Myers Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 4:00 PM Tuesday at St. Thomas Catholic Church with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

FLYING

RAIN

night.

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have a lot of experience flying in Texas," said Straub, who not only travels the country competing in hang gliding competitions, but also authors "The Oz Report" at www.ozreport.com. "The trick this time was

just getting up there and going. You couldn't wait around. Friday we had a

big storm to the north and I came into goal in Muleshoe, and about three miles out it started to rain on me. I landed and I couldn't get out of the field because it was raining so hard. I had to sit under my glider and wait for the rain to stop.

"The guys that were five minutes behind me couldn't make it because they were five minutes too late. It's a lot of luck and going fast enough so that

five minutes makes all the difference.'

Straub simply smiled when asked if he plans to return to Big Spring for the national competition next year.

"Oh yeah, I'll be here," said Straub with a gleam in his eye. "I'll be here."

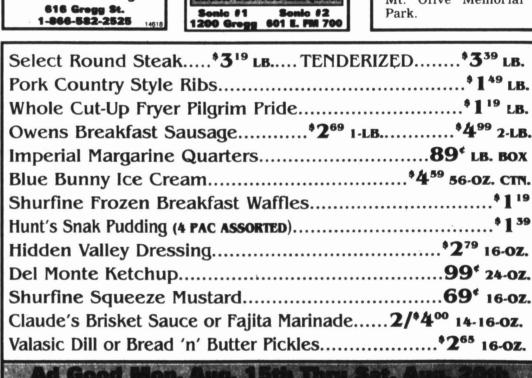
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Bill McClellar

OUR VIEWS

USHGA event was another big plus for our community

't was nothing short of a tremendous week. A collection of the world's best hang glider pilots spent all of last week in Big Spring, taking part in the United States Hang Association's U.S. Championships at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

This was the fourth year in a row for hang gliding to stage one of the sport's premier competitions in Big Spring, and the first time ever that the USHGA has staged its national championships in the same place for three consecutive

And just as was the case at this time a year ago, there's little question that as a community we can't wait until they come back.

Those who didn't get a chance to go out and see the pilots being towed into the sky or maneuvering their wings for a landing definitely missed out. And if you failed to take advantage of the chance to take a ride on one of the ultralight tow planes or a tandem hang glider ride, that's an even greater shame.

National Championships coordinator David Glover has made it clear that Big Spring will continue to be a favorite among with USHGA competitors, thanks not only to the ideal weather conditions West Texas skies usually provide, but the warm welcome our community offers its vis-

In fact, Glover has already noted that Big Spring will be the site for the world championships when they return to the United States in

We here at the *Herald* know Big Spring wouldn't be looking forward to that event and others scheduled by the USHGA were it not for the efforts of Airport Manager Jim Little, Bobby McDonald and a plethora of volunteers who were on hand all that week to make sure the competitors enjoyed their stay. They deserve a hand and pat on the back from our collective community because it was a job well done.

And as always, we want to make sure Glover and his compatriots know we want them to come back every year for some type of event. They are always going to be most welcomed guests.

We hope they has as good a time as we have.

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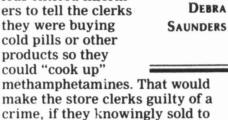
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Innocent presumed guilty

he latest insanity in the war on drugs comes to you from Georgia. As The New York Times reported last week, the feds arrested 49 convenience store clerks and owners essentially for selling legal cold and allergy pills.

"Operation Meth Merchant" is the government's way of making store clerks act as drug-enforcement agents - or if they don't, they could face jail time. The feds enticed informers to tell the clerks they were buying cold pills or other products so they could "cook up"



would-be meth-makers. Most of the defendants are Indian immigrants who don't understand English particularly well — and certainly don't know American slang. They're not drug dealers. They're working stiffs yet they face sentences of up to 20 years in prison.

"We really wanted to send the message that if you get into that line of business, selling products that you know are going to be used to make meth, you're going to prison," U.S. Attorney David Nahmias told The New York

Sorry, the feds should save prison for real drug dealers and stop scaring the daylights out of law-abiding immigrants. Several of the defendants refused to sell customers more than two bottles of cold pills, so they were charged with selling another two bottles to the same customers the next day.

"It's just a continuing strategy that we have to have a drug

panic," noted former San Jose Police Chief Joseph McNamara, now a fellow at the Hoover Institution. When he first became a cop, the big target for law enforcement was marijuana. "I remember the crackdown on pipes and the paraphernalia," he added. "The hysteria has to be maintained. The public alarm has to be maintained. And they have a real problem because some people, including myself, think the threat of terrorism is a lot worse than busting about 650,000 people a year for pot."

No lie. The feds are arresting convenience-store clerks selling cold pills when they should be investigating possible terrorist

Then there's the fairness issue. Bill Piper of the anti-drug war Drug Policy Alliance noted that Walgreens agreed to pay a \$1.3 million fine for selling over-thecounter cold medicine to a Texas methamphetamine dealer: "They have two standards, one for corporate chains and one for independent store owners — basically giving fines to corporate chains, while arresting the independent store owners.

Last month, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved a measure by Sens. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., and Jim Talent, R-Mo., that would require stores to keep cold medicines with pseudoephedrine behind the counter and limit the amount one person can buy to about 250 pills a month.

Feinstein spokesman Howard Gantman explained, "We hope that this legislation will provide a clear signal to the pharmaceutical industry that alternatives to pseudoephedrine should be found. Companies sell cold medications in Europe without pseudoephedrine, and the same could be true here.'

Even Bill Piper sees the behind-

the-counter requirement and purchase limits as reasonable regulations. But the bill goes too far in requiring consumers to sign a logbook and show identification to buy Sudafed.

Sorry, senators, but the fact that some of us have allergies is not Uncle Sam's business. Piper notes other products that can be used to make methamphetamine — rubbing alcohol, brake fluid, rock salt - then asks, "Are we going to require shoppers to show IDs and give stores their names and addresses to buy those products,

Oregon lawmakers passed a measure that will force consumers to get prescriptions to buy Sudafed. It makes no sense. First, the push to make emergency contraception available over-the-counter and now a law to make you see a doctor to get allergy medicine?

McNamara, who believes the government should end this modern prohibition on drugs, said, "There's no end to this, once you begin to do something you shouldn't be doing in the first place.'

Certainly it has come to this: Prosecutors are treating innocent store clerks as if they are drug dealers; the Feinstein bill treats law-abiding citizens as if they are lawbreakers. If you want to treat a cold or allergies, you have to check with the government. When drug warriors go after people who aren't drug users or dealers, they've made the conscious decision to treat innocent people like enemies.

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Teach children first about safety

reta van Susteren, my friend and Fox News colleague, may be "cleaning up" in Aruba, as the wire services put it, while the pointy-headed, professionally selfabsorbed journalism types debate why some disappear-

ances get more attention than others. But anyone who's watched any television knows there wouldn't be a story without Beth Holloway Twitty, the mother.

This is one unbelievable mother: attractive, articulate, poised, personable -

in other words, made for television, with unbelievable strength, courage and determination thrown

Beth figured out, correctly, that the best chance of getting to the bottom of what happened to her daughter was encouraging the media to follow the case, so she charmed, cajoled, sound-bited and literally led them right to the story's various doorsteps. Hop in the car with Beth ...

The reason her daughter got the attention was because her mother made it happen. That's why. Her mother made the story - a story needs a face and a voice, and it was hers.

Beth Twitty made mistakes, to be sure, as even the most experienced of us do - in her case, calling two of the men involved criminals and raising flags about respect for the justice system. But that's small potatoes compared to the scrutiny she brought in. If attention would have brought her back to life, or brought her killers

to justice, there would be a happy ending here.

There isn't. Beth has moved back to Alabama, as of last week. They've increased the reward to \$250,000, but her final interviews in Aruba were not promising. All this mother power, and what good does it do? Most mothers could not pull this off, but does it matter?

Beth Holloway Twitty insists that Natalee must have been kidnapped. There have been various reports: Maybe she drank too much, or drank something with the "date rape" drug in it. Or maybe she went out with three men she didn't know voluntarily, and things got out of her control.

It doesn't matter for purposes of the guilt of her killers. There's no cause for judging her. But it does matter when you think about mothers, and how we use that

power. Making a federal case of your daughter's disappearance is a terrible waste of power. It takes a huge amount, and it rarely works.

Trying to get through to her on what she MUST do to stay safe is less Herculean — and more likely to work.

It would be too cruel to ask Beth Twitty if she talked to her daughter about dealing with men she doesn't know in strange environments, whether it's a beach trip, a new college or an out-of-town party.

But for everyone else, there is a danger that teaching our daughters that they have rights, which they do, and that the victims shouldn't be blamed, which can be cruel, has lead us to forget to teach them to protect themselves.

The most powerful four-letter word in the English language is RAPE. It used to just mean a man with an ice pick against your throat in a dark alley.

It doesn't anymore. It means a great deal more — so much more, potentially, that all but the most hardened criminal will stop when he hears it. That is what law reform has accomplished. But the purpose is deterrence, not punishment; the greatest impact of reform may be its potential to give women the power to protect themselves.

Don't go alone with men you don't know. Period. Ever.

Always have a buddy when you go out. Make a deal before you leave, and consider the night out more dangerous than the neighborhood pool because it is. There is no lifeguard. A buddy can at least call for help.

Never drink liquids that someone hands to you, that don't come straight from the bottle, can, etc. No punch. Not unless someone's mother made it. Say it's too sweet. Say you hate punch. Watch your drink more carefully than you do your baggage.

Don't say "no," say "rape." This is my most important lesson. Some of the web sites I've seen tell women to "say 'no' like you mean it." It's easier than that. Say "rape," and say it loud. Better sooner, much sooner, than later, when the justice system doesn't do as well, and a mother's power can easily go to waste.

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Lung cancer: A wake up call

By Rosalind Brannigan, M.P.H. Knight Ridder/Tribune

ana Reeve's announcement and Peter Jennings' death is casting a spotlight on a dirty secret about lung cancer: you don't have to be a smoker to get it.

This year, deaths from lung cancer will exceed the number of deaths from almost every other cancer combined, and even people who gave up smoking decades ago, and people who have never smoked at all, will be among its victims.

Most people think of lung cancer as a male disease. Unfortunately, American women are catching up. I was surprised when I learned that I was one of them.

In November 2003, I broke my arm at my health club and was diagnosed with incurable (Stage IV) lung cancer that had metastasized to my shoulder and arm - a big shock for someone who stopped smoking 38 years ago, exercises an hour a day, and has worked in public health for the past 25 years.

At the time of my diagnosis, I was under the care of four highly-regarded physicians. My symptoms were hoarseness, complete exhaustion and severe pain in my arm — the result, I thought, of a sports injury. Two of my physicians had experienced recent sports injuries and were very sympathetic.

Since my diagnosis, I have read extensively about lung cancer and am fully aware of the challenges in diagnosing this disease. One reason for this is that lung cancer is often difficult to detect in its early stages, since there is no simple test, such as the PSA test for prostate cancer or

mammograms for breast can-

However, among the warning signs of lung cancer are the very symptoms I presented to my doctors. (Other symptoms include chronic cough, shortness of breath, unexplained weight loss, and pain in the chest, shoulder or arm). None of my physicians suggested a chest x-ray, even though I reported on all medical forms that my father had died of lung cancer. I had smoked, as had many Americans in the early 1960s, before the Surgeon General's landmark report on Smoking and Health in 1964. -Since I had quit smoking decades ago, lung cancer wasn't even on my radar screen in

Lung cancer is not on most women's radar screens, but it should be. Among U.S. women, lung cancer surpassed breast cancer as the leading cause of cancer death in 1987 and now

accounts for 25 percent of cancer deaths among women (just 50 years ago, it accounted for only three percent).

Although public health advocates have focused most lung cancer prevention efforts on smoking cessation, the risk of lung cancer is still higher for former smokers for at least 20 years after they stop smoking. Several studies suggest that women who are former smokers or exposed to secondhand smoke may be more likely to get lung cancer due to their diminished ability to repair damage in their lungs caused by carcinogens, and the role of estrogen in their lives.

Cancer now surpasses heart disease as the nation's leading killer. And lung cancer is the leading cancer killer. The time from apparent health to diagnosis to death can be devastatingly short, as we learned this week. And, as we also learned, it's not just smokers, and not just men, who are at risk

What can we do with these hard-learned lessons? Smokers, former smokers, and others at risk of lung cancer should ask their physicians about screening options, so that they can be diagnosed earlier than Peter Jennings — and I.

But to make a real difference, our country's health agencies need to devote more resources to improve the early detection of lung cancer. There are millions of lives at stake including the one out of 7 Americans who have quit smoking but are still at risk.

Rosalind Brannigan, M.P.H., recently resigned as Vice President of Drug Strategies, a non-profit research institute. She can be reached at 1239 South Oakcrest Rd., Arlington,

Cord blood presents soaring hope, debate

By JULIE DEARDORFF

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Once considered unsightly medical waste, a baby's tough, slippery umbilical cord now is a precious commodity that can be used to treat diseases such as leukemia, sickle cell anemia and immune deficien-

But while the blood inside the cord is rich with potentially lifesaving stem cells, the cords often are still tossed into the trash because most women don't know how or where to donate.

families Meanwhile, who do save umbilical cords often pay companies to store them for their own possible future use rather than giving them to public banks where they could be used now for people in need of stem-cell transplants.

Non-profit public banks say the lack of awareness and the explosive growth in private cord storage is hampering their effort to increase donations and diversify the national donor pool. The National Marrow Donor Program, a coordinated network of 14 public banks that provides a registry and search database for both cord blood and bone marrow, is working to have 150,000 blood units available in the U.S. by 2007. Currently about 43,000 units are available.

"Private banks are big, they have a lot of advertising, and it's a highpressure sell," said

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What to do

To donate to a public bank: Mothers must call the ITxM Cord Blood Program (877-GIV-CORD) before their due date. There is no cost, no pain and no interruption to the delivery process. LifeSource (go to www.lifesource.org and then click on "special programs") and the National **Marrow Donor** Program (www.marrow.org) also provide information on public cord-blood banking.

To privately store your child's umbilical cord: Three of the larger private storage companies are Co **Blood Registry** (www.cordblood.com); Cryo-Cell (www.cryocell.com) and Viacord (www.viacord.com).

Sharon Bolster Mills, manager of the stem-cell program for the Institute of Transfusion Medicine (ItxM) Clinical Services in Glenview, Ill., the public bank for the Chicago "Many of the women having their first baby receive the information in the mail and are afraid not to do it."

But for-profit private banks say that they are providing an important

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insurance policy and that there is no telling what medical breakthroughs will bring for the private route.

"Our clients are looking to bank for what we know cord-blood stem cells can successfully treat today, in addition to the future potential value over the next 5-, 10- to 15-year horizon for therapies that may go far beyond bonemarrow transplants," said Mercedes Walton, chairwoman and interim chief executive officer of Cryo-Cell, a private family stem-cell bank based in with Oldsmar, Fla., 100,000 customers.

Both public and private storage provide benefits, but the difference often is misunderstood. Private cord-blood storage, which is discouraged by the American Academy of Pediatrics, is considered biological expensive insurance. It costs \$1,000 to \$2,000 upfront and about \$100 annually to store cord blood.

The chances of a child needing a transplant are 1 in 20,000 to 25,000, said Patrick Stiff, director of hematology and oncology at the Loyola University Medical Center in Maywood, Ill.

families Regardless, hang on to their child's cord — a perfect genetic match — gambling that the stem cells someday will help cure diseases diabetes, such as Parkinson's and Alzheimer's. But so far applications are limited.

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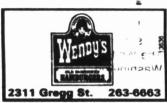
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The public banks, to treat patients with doctors feared her body which could get a boost from federal legislation that would set up a National Cord Blood Bank network, collect cord blood free of charge. The only catch is that the expectant mother must make arrangements before her due date. The cord blood, immediately available for needy patients, most often is used to treat young leukemia patients who don't have matching DNA from a brother or sister.

Cord blood has two main advantages over bone marrow, the traditional source of cells used



blood disorders. It doesn't require a perfect match and is more readily available.

Though the procedure children because only a small amount of blood can be collected, Chicago's Rhonda Kottke received a double cord-blood transplant at age 29 through ItxM to treat acute myeloid leukemia. Her leukemia.'

would reject a bone-marrow transplant.

"It was a complete rebirth," said Kottke, 33, a strategic planner for a most often is used with marketing communicacompany tion Evanston, Ill., who recently celebrated the threeyear anniversary of her transplant. "My immune system is as normal as anyone who never had



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Florida native Davis Straub accepts the first-place award for the rigid wing division in the U.S. Hang Gliding Association National Championship, which wrapped up at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark Saturday afternoon. Straub, who pilots hang gliders professionally, also authors a Web page dedicated to hang gliding at www.ozreport.com



Jonny Durand of Australia gives a quick speech following his acceptance of the first-place award in the flew wing division of the U.S. Hang Gliding Association National Championships. Following the competition, Durand is ranked No. 3 in the world among flex

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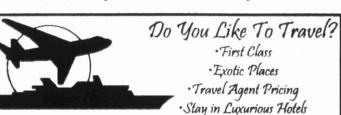
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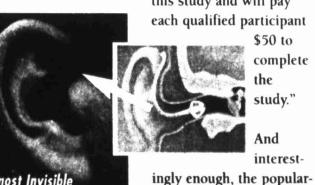
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announced a "meet the coaches" night will take place at Blankenship Field

The football team will have a practice from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. and fans are welcome to attend. There will also be a hamburger oper starting at 5

e supper is \$5 for a burger, chips and a drink and anyone who purchases a meal will be put into a drawing for a chance to win Big Spring sea-son tickets and a Steer gear package.

Meet the Bulldogs slated Tuesday

Coahoma fans are invited to "Meet the Bulldgs" Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Coahoma High School cafeteria.

Homemade cream, cookies and drinks will be served. Everyone is invited. The event is being hosited by the Coahoma Booster

Howard sets mini cheerleading camp

Howard College will hold a mini cheer camp Aug. 27 at the Garrett Dorothy Coliseum for grades first through six.

Registration will take place at 8 a.m. and the cheer/dance class session will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Participants | supposed to bring a lunch to eat at noon, bring a water bottle and wear tennis shoes. They are also supposed to put their names on their belongings and plan on meeting the Howard College cheerleaders.

All registered participants will also compete at the Battle of the Cheerleaders at the Rodeo Bowl that night during the county fair.

The cost of the camp For more informa-

Quarterback club sets remaining

tion, call 264-5024.

weekly meetings The Big Spring football booster club (quarterback will meet every Monday at 7 p.m. at the ATC through the football season. However, there will not be a meeting Aug. 22 due to the community pep rally.

For more information, contact Gene Piercefield at 816-1134.

BSHS football tickets on sale

Football season tick-ts for the Big Spring eers are now on sale r the general public lickets can be pu chased at the Bi pring Athletic

By MEL REISNER

AP Sports Writer TEMPE. Ariz. (AP) -Kurt Warner showed coach Dennis Green what he wanted to see out of Arizona's rebuilt offense. The Cardinals' defense showed up as well Saturday night - as long as the regulars were in.

It added up to a 13-11 victory over the Dallas Cowboys.

Arizona played without four first-team offensive players — wide receiver

nose), tight end Eric Edwards (pectoral) and linemen Oliver Ross (knee) and Stepanovich (hand).

But Warner fired up a unit that was 27th last year behind quarterbacks Josh McCown, Shaun King and John Navarre. He completed 14 of 19 passes for 151 yards and a 31-yard touchdown strike to Larry Fitzgerald, leading the Cardinals to a 10-0 lead before leaving the

Anquan Boldin (broken game after a punt with 6:17 left in the second quarter.

Arizona takes down Dallas in preseason opener

"It felt like a uniform to me," Warner said about his debut in red after playing for the blue-jerseyed St. Louis Rams and New York Giants. "I'm just excited about what we've got. I think we have a great defense.'

"I wish we'd scored more, but he played a quarter and a half," Green said. "It was about what we expected."

Warner, a two-time NFL MVP and the MVP of the 2000 Super Bowl, wasn't Arizona's only important addition through free

agency.

The offense had good field position on his watch because of a defense bolstered by three newcomers - defensive end Chike Okeafor, linebacker Orlando Huff and safety Robert Griffith.

Okeafor and Bertrand Berry each sacked Drew Bledsoe in the second See COWBOYS, Page 2B

quarter, preventing the Cowboys' regulars from scoring a touchdown.

Dallas, 0-3 against the Cardinals in exhibition games but 53-27-1 in the regular season, had to be content with Cundiff's field goals of 47 and 34 yards and a 33yarder by Jose Cortez, partly because of penal-; ties. The Cowboys committed 12 for 91 yards the most costly a false

Final major gets extra day

 Slated for Monday finish due to rain; Mickelson leads by 1

By JIM O'CONNELL **AP Sports Writer**

SPRINGFIELD, (AP) - The PGA Championship finally got a break from days of sweltering heat. It also got an extra day.

The threat of severe thunderstorms Baltusrol Golf Club forced tournament officials to suspend play Sunday with 12 players still on the course, including Phil Mickelson, who was one stroke in front of Steve Elkington and Thomas Bjorn.

That meant the final holes of the year's final major were to be played Monday morning, and that could be an advantage because the heat temperatures over the par-3 16th and 17 and 18, weekena reacnea 100 degrees — and wind were drying out the greens.

"The course was significantly harder," said Mickelson, who led or shared the lead for the first three rounds. "The difficulty is really on the greens because they're so fast that the wind is moving them at about an inch or two per foot. That's the biggest challenge and why we haven't seen as low scoring. Plus, they're a lot firmer."

Mickelson, who was facing a short par putt on the 14th green when the sirens sounded, was at 4 under with a one-shot lead. He and Davis Love III started the final round as co-leaders at 6 under, one shot in front of Bjorn.

Monday's forecast called for showers early and a chance of isolated thunderstorms late in the day, with temperatures dropping to a high of 86.

The extra hours of waiting weren't going to bother Mickelson at all.

"This is a tremendous advantage, I think, because we get a few extra holes to play and hopefully calm weather after hopefully some rain will maybe soften it up a little bit," the 2004 Masters champion said. "That gives me one more hole over my competitors to possibly make birdie."

Elkington, the 1995 PGA champion, had just bogeyed the par-4 15th to fall out of a tie with Mickelson when the delay was called.

"I didn't want to play the last three holes into the wind," he said of the the only par 5s on the Lower Course.

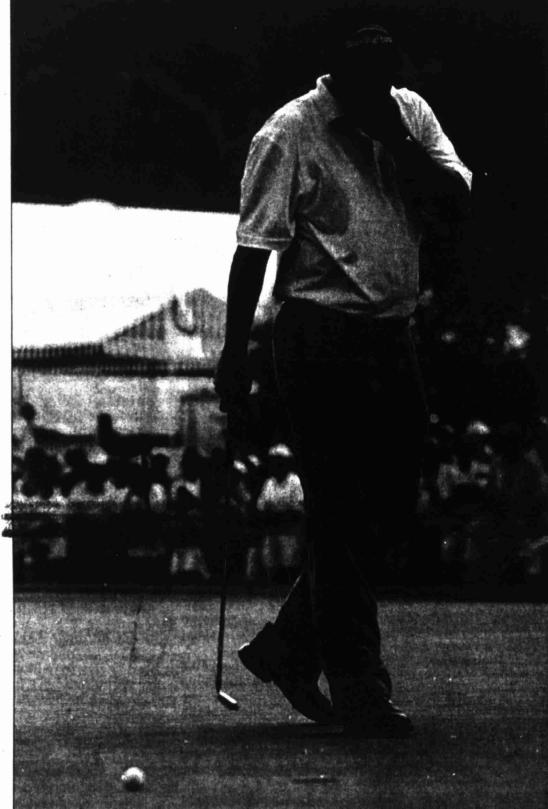
'Something like this is the luck of the draw, the rub of the green you might say."

Other players below par who were to return were defending champion Vijay Singh (2 under through 15), Love (2 under through 14) and Retief Goosen (1 under through 16).

The last time the PGA had a Monday finish was 1986 when Bob Tway birdied the 72nd hole from a bunker to beat Greg Norman by two shots.

Mickelson's Sunday was quite an adventure.

He made an 8-foot birdie putt on the par-3 4th to



Phil Mickelson misses a birdle putt on the 17th hole hole during the third round of the PGA golf Championship at the Baltusrol Golf Club in Springfield, N.J., Saturday.

then made four bogeys in starting to hit some good a five-hole stretch, either hitting into the rough or a bunker and missing some makable putts.

take a three-shot lead but holes," he said. "I was Then he missed par putts shot of the lead.

shots and we have some birdie holes coming in."

Elkington took the lead when he chipped in from "I just didn't get up and behind the 11th green. He down on some of those called it a "500-to-1 shot."

on 13 and 15 to fall to 3 under. Bjorn, who matched the

low round in majors history Saturday with a 63, made a 40-foot birdie putt on 13 to get within one

Denver scores late, drops Houston

By MICHAEL GRACZYK

Associated Press Writer HOUSTON(AP) - JakePlummer accomplished his goal to get an early touchdown for the Denver Broncos, then turned the game over to the guys hoping to be his understudy.

Bradlee Van Pelt and Matt Mauck both made their case.

Todd Devoe broke free with a short pass from Mauck, then scampered 92 yards late in the fourth quarter to provide the winning margin in the Broncos' 20-14 preseason victory over the Houston Texans Saturday night.

Devoe, who spent his rookie year last season on the Baltimore practice squad, broke a tackle inside his own 20, then raced down the sideline for the touchdown with 4:18 to go in the game.

The late score came after Van Pelt, who

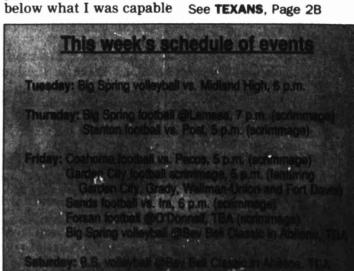
played more than half the of." game, improved his chances to become Plummer's chief relief by leading the Broncos to a pair of field goals by

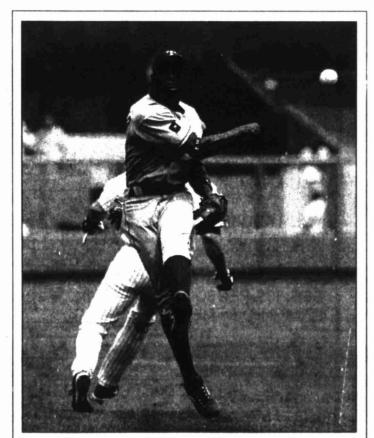
there but I wanted to play better," Van Pelt said. "I wanted to get some touchdowns and hit some more passes. I felt I played

Jason Elam.

Denver coach Mike Shanahan gave Van Pelt a positive review.

"This was his first game and you could see his athletic ability," Shanahan "It felt good to get out said. "I'm proud of the way we came back and had a big-time drive against an excellent defense."





KRT photo/Paul J. Bereswill, Texas Rangers second baseman Alfonso Soriano fires to first trying to turn a double play on ball hit by Tony Womack of the New York Yankees in the second inning Saturday. The Yankees completed the sweep over the Rangers Sunday, winning 10-3.

The Big Spring Lad Steers Booster Club will meet tonight at 6 p.m. in the Athletic Training Center.

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

Softball tournament set to benefit LULAC

The La Raza Unida softball tournament, which will benefit the LULAC scholarship, will take place Aug. 26-27 at Cotton Mize Field inside Comanche Trail Park.

The entry fee is \$110 per team and the tournament begins the evening of Aug. 26.

For more information or to enter a team, contact Janey at 263-6351 or leave a message at 268-9155.

Henson Memorial fund-raiser set

The Second Annual Pfc. Clayton Memorial Henson Scholarship Fund-raiser golf tournament has been set for Sept. 10.

The tournament will be a four person scramble and will cost \$80 per person.

It will take place at the Phoenix Golf Club in Stanton.

Tee times be from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. while a BBQ, auction, and night golf scramble will take place later in the evening.

For more informaa contact withe Phoenix Golf Club at 756-2556 or Wally Hazelwood at 756-2424

Local bowling leagues now forming

Bowling leagues at Bowl-A-Rama Lanes are now being formed.

There will be several leagues throughout the week.

A senior league will take place Fridays at 6 p.m. for players 55 and over.

The league meeting will take place Sept. 9 at 6 p.m. and the league will begin Sept.

16. Also, a children's league will take place Saturday mornings at 10 for bowlers age 4

through 17. The children will also have the chance to bowl for scholarships.

For more information, call 267-7484.

B.S. youth soccer signups announced

The Big Spring Youth Soccer Association will begin its annual sign-up session Monday.

The sign-ups will take place Monday-Saturday.

They will take place at All-District Printing Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and at the Big Spring Mall Saturday from 1 p.m.

to 5 p.m. The league is open for children ages 4 through 13. The cost is \$45 for the first child and \$40 for each addi-

tional child. For more information, contact Jamie Scott at 213-0430 or All-District Printing at

263-4647.



KRT photo/Sam Riche Tony Stewart celebrates after winning the Alistate 400 at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway two weeks ago. Stewart won again at Watkins Glen Sunday and remains in first place in the NASCAR Nextel Cup Standings.

No. 1 pick struggles in first action

 After No. 1 draft pick Alex Smith struggled in his first NFL action, Tim Rattay threw touchdown passes to Brandon Lloyd and Arnaz Battle early in the second half to help Francisco beat San Oakland, 21-13.

cornerback Rookie Derrick returned an interception for 88 yards.

COWBOYS

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Drew Henson rallied the

Tyson Thompson, who

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But Tom Crowder broke

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"Pretty sloppy first out-

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Cowboys to eight points

in the fourth quarter.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) 87 yards for a touchdown as the 49ers, shut out in the first half, scored 21 points in 4 1/2 minutes early in the third quarter behind Rattay.

Smith went 3-for-9 for 25 yards and was sacked by Warren Sapp while the 49ers failed to get a first down in the rookie's four Johnson series. Rattay was 4-for-5

> quarter, and Matt Fordyce sent Arizona to a 13-6 lead with a 33-yard field goal with 8:07 remaining.

J.R. Redmond, a freeyard, potential winning agency pickup from Oakland and a local The ball was moved back 5 yards, and correlate farorite because he vod at Arizona State. missed wide left with 1:03

set up the late scoring drive with a 48-yard kick-Arizona defensive end off return after Cortez Calvin Pace also had two made his only field-goal attempt with 11:24 left in ter — the second moving the game.

Redmond, one of three candidates to replace 2004 returner Karl Williams, also set up Arizona's first score when he broke two tackles on his way to a 22yard punt return to near midfield with 8:36 left in the first quarter.

Three plays later, the Cardinals made the game's first first down a 20-yard pass from Warner to Bryant Johnson — and Neil Rackers kicked a 41-yard field goal with 5:52 left after the offense sputtered again against Dallas' new 3-4 defense.

Green left the first unit to start the second quarter, and Warner began to find his rhythm.

In a seven-play drive, he completed passes of 20 yards to Fitzgerald, 18 yards to rookie Adam Bergen, 12 yards to Johnson and the TD to Fitzgerald, a gem that the second-year sprawled full-length to catch off the grass, got up and lunged into the end

zone. "Actually, it was kind of a broken play," Warner said. "I kind of let the ball go a little early, and Fitzgerald made a great play just to make the catch, but then to have the awareness to get up Navarre directed a and get into the end

short drive in the fourth zone."

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Van Pelt, who was 10-for-17 for 107 yards, spent all of last season on the practice squad and hadn't appeared in a game since last preseason.

He took over early in the second quarter for Plummer, who played three series and tossed a 3-yard TD pass to tight end Stephen Alexander that tied the game at 7.

"We wanted to score on the very first drive to get the guys off the field," Plummer said. "We got a touchdown in the red zone, and that's what we needed.

"I feel real relaxed out there. There were a couple of situations where they just had the perfect defense for what we had called, and that's going to happen sometimes."

The Broncos, retooled their defensive line by dipping into the free-agent market in the offseason, got a lift early when the Texans failed to score after a first-and-goal the 1.

Four straight running plays by Domanick Davis went nowhere, even with 328-pound defensive end Robaire Smith making his debut as a blocking back in the short-yardage situation.

It was the lone series for quarterback starting David Carr, who threw just two passes, completing one for 15 yards, and ran for another 11 yards.

Houston Texans Remaining preseason games Aug. 20: vs. Oakland Aug. 27: @Dallas Sept. 1: @Tampa Bay

his brief appearance, however, a priority this year for the Texans, who allowed a league-worst 49 sacks last season.

"We executed pretty much flawlessly, except when we got down obviously inside the 1-yardline we'd like to get that in," Carr said. "There's no doubt they're going to be able to 9 million more times after this. That was just a great job by their defense."

Davis said, "The guys just pinched down and brought the outside guys and kind of just cramped down on me at the line. I didn't put it in, but before that I think we did pretty good moving the ball."

Taking over for Carr, Tony Banks moved the Texans 44 yards in six plays, connecting with backup tight end Matt Murphy down the middle for a 31-yard touchdown that gave Houston a 7-0 lead in the first quarter.

Plummer didn't start clicking until Broncos' third possession, when he took them 76 yards in 10 plays, finishing with the scoring pass to Alexander.

That was Plummer, who last year tied a Denver record with 27 TD passes but also led the league with 20 interceptions.

He was 6-for-10 for 60 yards, and no intercep-He was not sacked in tions, giving way to Van ries.

Pelt.

"This is the is the first time he's been out there without coaches standing around there yelling at him," Plummer said of Van Pelt. "He's an outstanding athlete and I thought he played well after missing all this time."

On his first series, Van Pelt, a seventh-round pick in 2004, completed just two of five passes but put the Broncos into scoring position at the Texans 26 with a 40-yard run on a third-and-4.

"It was a quarterback draw and a crease opened up and I decided to run," Van Pelt said. "That helped my confidence a lot. But I made a lot of mistakes that will drive me nuts tonight. They will show up later on the film."

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Van Pelt tried to connect with Jerry Rice in the end zone, but missed the NFL's career leader in receptions.

Rice is hoping to land a spot with Denver and a 21st year in the league.

He finished with one catch for six yards.

The Texans made it close when third-stringer Dave Ragone threw a 10yard TD pass to LaTerance Dunbar with 1:52 to go in the game.

The Broncos, trying to sort out running backs, started Mike Anderson, a former offensive Rookie of the Year coming back after a groin injury sidelined him all of last season. Anderson finished with 12 yards on six car-

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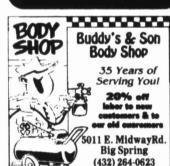
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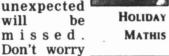
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

By Holiday Mathis

The direct motion of Mercury is always a relief to those of us who have a low tolerance for chaos. But even

though it's nice when day-to-day happenings as planned, one must admit that the drama of the unexpected will be missed.



— there are still a few spontaneous uprisings left to overturn our best intentions.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You derive inspiration from everyday events and you give it to others through your words and actions. Who needs rosecolored glasses when you can have rose-colored contacts? Your positive attitude is subtle, but effective.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Signmate Kelly Clarkson belts out great advice for you today: Take a risk, take a chance, make a change. A shift in the cosmos brings fantastic about upheaval. The coming months are a prime time to redirect your life.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You aced the kindergarten lesson on how to share. Friends get the benefit of your generosity. While they may not be able to repay you monetarily, their appreciation may be payment enough.

22). Outside forces put you in a tough spot financially. Review all of your expenditures, especially the ones you don't typically think about. A few adjustments will provide

some financial breathing

room. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're easygoing, but your friend really isn't. That one with the difficult personality can create stress — but only if you let it happen. If you continue to roll with the punches, you'll enjoy yourself despite the other person's weird attitude.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). A friend has features that you envy (and are not likely to possess without surgery). Acknowledge and admire good qualities, and be thankful you're surrounded by beautiful people. They feel the same way about

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your routine provides consistency and efficiency ... and sometimes boredom. Mix it up by doing things out of order or just plain differently. Tonight. you emit a positive energy, and others perceive you as glowing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). World events cause you to ponder your existence. Rather than dwell on the negative, focus on what you can do to help others. Simply making a conscious effort to be kind will do wonders for your psyche.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). A crutch you've been using to get by is not CANCER (June 22-July as helpful as it used to be.

Let go of this person or object, and try doing things on your own. Your success is proof that you never really needed the assistance in the first place.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Everyone thinks they can help you now, but take advice with a grain of salt, and incorporate only that which coincides with your beliefs. Paying your bills on time is good, but knowing how much you have left over is better.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When your body feels good, your mind does, too (and vice versa). For the best results, spend some time working on both. Your improved outlook energizes you to broaden your horizons.

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ASTROLOGICAL QUES-TIONS: "My birthday is Jan. 12, 1962. I abruptly quit a 19-year career (law enforcement) a year ago. After a year of reflection and returning to first dogs and terrific husband), I am feeling uncertain about the future. Do you have any insight for me?"

I commend you for taking a year off. That must have been a very difficult do. Many signs work to card in the mail.

live, but your sign tends to live to work. In fact, your chart reveals that you have the drive to go into business for yourself. With your Aries moon, you are likely to have beginner's luck and won't have to go through years of schooling in order to make a decent living. Because of some very smart and conservative earth sign influences in your chart, I think you are an ideal real-estate investor. But I'm not sure that would satisfy the inventive Aquarian side of your nature. (You have three major planets in Aquarius.) Perhaps you should start two businesses and split your time about evenly between them. For your second business, how about combining your love of art and dogs to become a pet portraitist? Best of luck!

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Steve Martin is a megamultitalented Leo. His considerable successes as come up with an idea a comedian, actor, musician and writer have put him in a class all his own, calling all the shots in his career and affecting many with his choices. This year, his awareness of that effect could cause him to start a foundation for the arts. To assess loves (art, writing, my how a Leo is feeling at any given time, just note his level of generosity!

If you would like to write to Holiday Mathis, please go to www.creators.com and click on "Write the Author" on the Holiday Mathis page, or thing for a Capricorn to you may send her a post-

Annie's Mailbox -: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: I have an 85-year-old acquaintance who has dementia. "Rosa" lives alone, but she can no longer cook, operate the microwave, stove or even the toaster, so a year ago, I called Meals on Wheels.

Yesterday, I picked Rosa up at home, and when she opened the door, the heat almost knocked me over. It was in the 90s, and instead of turning on the air conditioning, Rosa had accidentally turned on the TV. She was wearing the same suit she'd worn to church for two weeks, and it was filthy and stained. Her hair hadn't been combed in days.

Rosa has no idea what day of the week, month or year it is. A woman comes to help her four hours a day, but Rosa doesn't trust her, so they argue constantly, and the care is substandard. Meals are not eaten or refrigerated, her clothes are not washed, and she is not bathed. She also doesn't take her medication.

I have called Social Services, taken her to doctors' appointments, and I pick her up for church three times a week. Most of the time, I have to dress her or she will stand in the middle of the floor, completely confused.

A few months ago, I took Rosa to the hospital because she had chest pains, but the doctors found nothing physically wrong. Her son came into town (only the second time in over a year), and they said she could not go home alone. He took her to a nursing home, but she refused to stay, so he took her back home and left her.

I cannot find anyone to help me. Social Services won't do anything unless Rosa agrees to enter a rursing home, which she won't. Her son does nothing. Can you offer any suggestions? Chesapeake, Va.

Dear Chesapeake: You are a caring friend. If you think the son would be willing and can afford it, suggest he hire a geriatric



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care manager to handle his mother's situation. He can contact the National Association of Geriatric Care Managers at caremanager.org. Otherwise, it's time to call Adult Protective Services before Rosa sets the house on fire and forgets how to

open the door to get out. Dear Annie: My sister graciously hosts our family's Labor Day party at her home. The problem is "Karen" bakes that numerous pies (her specialty) from scratch in her "one-butt" kitchen after everyone arrives. She is monopolized with food preparation and therefore

has no time to visit. We all contribute food to the celebration. How can we tactfully get Karen to bake her pies ahead of time so we can all sit on the spacious wraparound porch with a glass of iced tea? We have suggested this, but she insists the pies are best when served right out of the oven. What do you think? — Eyes on the Pies

Dear Eyes: We think Karen likes to be in her "one-butt" kitchen. If she preferred to be on her spacious porch, she would prepare the pies in advance. You can tell her that you don't notice much difference if the pies are made ahead, and the real treat is spending more time with her. But otherwise, let her do what she wants.

Dear Annie: When J was a young teen, a family member informed me that when my mother was in high school, before she married my father, she became pregnant. The young man with whom she was involved refused to take responsibility and marry her. As a result, the baby was given up for adoption.

knew this and respected her right to privacy. I am now 46 years old, and Mom is 70. I know I have an older sibling out there somewhere. I had promised myself that I wouldn't pursue any kind of search until my mother was deceased, but now I wonder if I should ask her

about this. I am not judging anyone. The times were what they were. If, however, something happens to my mother, all this information will be carried to her grave. Do I have the right to know, or should I just leave it alone? I don't want to cause my mother any pain or heartache, so I will follow whatever advice you give. — Indy

Dear Indy: It's entirely possible that your mother would like to find this child, or that she wishes she could discuss it with someone else in the family. It's also possible that the person who originally told you about your sibling was mistaken.

Approach Mom gently. Tell her that many years ago, you were given this information. Let her know that, if indeed there is a sibling, you would be interested in a search, not only for your sake, but to give this child his or her medical history and family background. If Mom asks you not to pursue it, however, please respect her wishes.

Dear Annie: My fiance's sister-in-law (his brother's wife) constantly flirts with him. She rubs against him, touches him a lot and kisses him on the face (not on the lips) right in front of me. Is this innocent, or should I be worried by it? My fiance was married before, and his ex-wife didn't like this behavior, either. — Annoyed Bride

Dear Bride: A certain amount of affection in the family is normal, but if it makes you this uncomfortable, it's probably too much. Does your fiance encourage this flirtation? If so, you should be worried, and so should her I never told my mother I husband. They are playing with fire. Otherwise your fiance should make it clear to Sis-in-Law that

she's overdoing it and to knock it off. Dear Annie: Not long ago, I came across a poem about children going off to college. It was something about "holding fast the summer." Can you find it for me? My son is leaving home soon. Thank

Dear Dad: Here it is. We do not know the author. but the sentiment is well worth printing: Hold Fast the Summer

you. — College Boy's Dad

Hold fast the summer. It is the beauty of the day and all it contains. The laughter and work

and finally the sleep. The quiet. Oh September, do not

put your weight upon my mind. For I know he will be

going. This son of mine who is now a man — he must go. Time will lace my thoughts with joyous

years. The walls will echo his "Hello." His caring will be around each corner.

His tears will be tucked into our memory book. Life calls him beyond

our reach — to different walls. New faces, shiny halls, shy smiles, many places. Greater learning — he

must go. But wait, before he leaves, be sure he knows you love him.

Hide the lump in your throat as you hug him. He will soon be home again — but he will be dif-

ferent. The little boy will have

disappeared. How I wished I could take September and shake it. for it came too soon.

I must look to the beauty of each new day, and silently give thanks.

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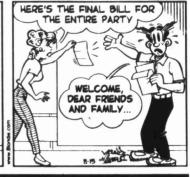
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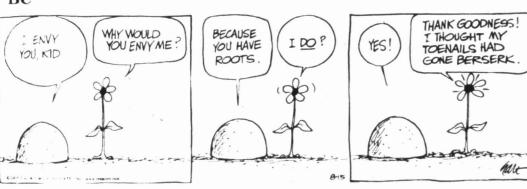
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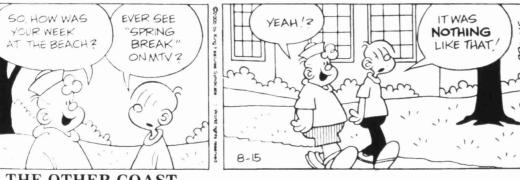
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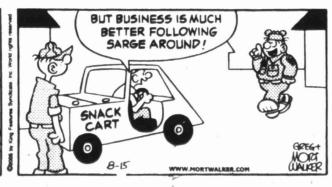
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Aug. 15, the 227th day of 2005. There are 138 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

Aug. 15, 1945, was pro-claimed "V-J Day" by the Allies, a day after Japan agreed to surrender unconditionally.

On this date: In 1769, Napoleon Bonaparte was born on the island of Corsica.

In 1935, humorist Will Rogers and aviator Wiley Post were killed when their airplane crashed near Point Barrow, Alaska.

In 1944, during World War II, Allied forces landed in southern France. In 1947, India became

independent after some 200 years of British rule. In 1969, the Woodstock

Music and Art Fair opened in upstate New York In 1971, President Nixon

announced a 90-day freeze on wages, prices and rents.

In 1994, Ilich Ramirez Sanchez, the terrorist better known as "Carlos the Jackal," was jailed in France after being captured in Sudan.

In 1998, 29 people were killed by a car bomb in Omagh, Northern Ireland; a splinter group calling itself the Real IRA claimed responsibility.

Ten years ago: The Justice Department agreed to pay \$3.1 million to white separatist Randy Weaver and his family to settle their claims over the killing of Weaver's wife and son during a 1992 siege by federal agents at Ruby Ridge, Five years ago: A group of

100 separated family members from North Korea arrived in South Korea for temporary reunions with relatives they had not seen for half a century; a group of 100 South Koreans visited the North.

One year ago: In Athens, the U.S. men's basketball team lost 92-73 to Puerto only the third Rico, Olympic defeat ever for the Americans and first since adding pros.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Rose Marie is 82.

Political activist Phyllis Schlafly is 81. Rhythm-andblues singer Bill Pinckney (The Drifters) is 80. Civil rights activist Vernon Supreme Jordan is 70. Court Justice Stephen Breyer is 67. Author-journalist Linda Ellerbee is 61. Britain's Princess Anne is 55. Actor Zeljko Ivanek is 48. Rock singer-musician Matt Johnson (The The) is 44. Country singer Angela Rae (Wild Horses) is 39. Actress Debra Messing is 37. Actor Ben Affleck is 33. Actress Natasha Henstridge is 31. Thought for Today: "To

feel that one has a place in life solves half the problem of contentment." _ George Edward Woodberry, American poet, critic and educator (1855-1930).



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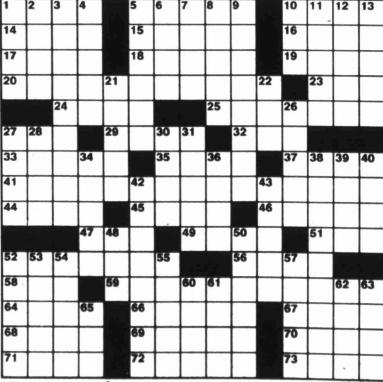
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