



Martin County grand jury hands down indictments

Authorities accuse Midland man of attempted aggravated sexual assault

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

A Martin County grand jury has handed down 11 indictments, including a true-bill for a 32-year-old Midland man accused of attempted aggravated sexual assault.

Donald Samuel Campbell, 32, of 5600 East County Road 60 in Midland, is charged with first-degree (enhanced) felony attempted aggravated sexual assault for a July 10, 2004, incident that occurred in Martin County.

Details on the case were not available at press time.

Also indicted were:

• Aaron Hernandez, 21, of 3375 County Road C2400 in Stanton, bur-

glary of a habitation (second-degree felony).

• Alicia Arguello, 21, of 407 North Saint Mary in Stanton, tampering with a governmental record (third-degree felony).

• Donald Samuel Campbell, 32, of 5600 East County Road 60 in Midland, attempted aggravated sexual assault (first-degree felony, enhanced).

• Steven Cortez, 34, of 1000 Matamoras in Odessa, driving while intoxicated (third-degree felony).

• Arnulfo Esquivel Jr., 18, of 2800 South County Road 1221 in Midland, burglary of a building (state jail felony) and criminal mischief (state

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THE RACE IS ON!



Eleven-year-old Dylan Edwards pilots a pushcart as Tyler Barnes, 8, and Nick Williams, 9, put the power behind the homemade racer during Saturday's annual Boy Scout Pushcar Race at the Wal-Mart parking lot. All three boys are members of local Pack 29.

HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

Newly formed Cruisers will rumble Saturday

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

There's nothing quite like being the new kid on the block, but for the members of the Big Spring Cruisers, it's all about being the new club on the block.

The new car club, that is. Members of the Cruisers will be hosting the Fall Car Fest Car

Show, sponsored by Advance Auto, on Saturday in the Advance Auto parking lot, located at 701 Gregg Street.

Cruisers President Helen Partlow said the show will serve as a fund-raiser for the group, which plans to put the money to good use this holiday season.

"The Cruisers have only been

a club for about a year now," said Partlow. "However, many of us have been in various car clubs through the years. Last year, the club I was a part of helped adopt angels from the Salvation Army's Angel Tree. That's something our club would like to do this year."

Partlow said the money raised will serve a second purpose.

"The donations are how we judge the cars in the contest," said Partlow. "Each car will have a donation can with it, and the car that raises the most money will win a trophy. We have five trophies in all to award during the show."

Partlow said car enthusiasts attending the show will get to see an array of different vehi-

cles. "There will be a 1940 Ford at the show," said Partlow. "There will be cars from all different areas, ranging from antiques to classics. There's really no limit. There will probably even be a few motorcycles."

Partlow said the group is See CRUISERS, Page 3A

Key Club makes day sweeter for young ones

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

It was trick or treat with a twist — this time, the candy came to the kids.

The Big Spring High School Key Club members gave local children a head start on Halloween by distributing more than 2,000 bags of candy at Big Spring elementary schools Monday afternoon.

The project, which was the brainchild of club member Jessica Bravo, involved weeks of preparation and the combined efforts of more than 30 Key Clubbers and sponsors Cody and Marie Wells, not to mention the expense involved

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Courtesy photo/Jessica Bravo

Big Spring High School Key Club President Paul Diaz, right, distributes candy to Marcy Elementary students Monday. Key Club members distributed more than 2,000 bags of candy to Big Spring elementary students for Halloween.

Celebration of Life Memorial Service set as public event

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Features Editor

A Celebration of Life Memorial Service pays tribute to those who are gone, allowing family members who have lost a loved one to publicly express their feelings and acknowledge their loss.

Just such a service is until 12:45 p.m. Wednesday at the Old Settlers Pavilion, sponsored by Odyssey Healthcare.

"We are so privileged to do what we do and so privileged to help people with those tough, end of life decisions," said the Rev. Walter McCall, chaplain for Odyssey Healthcare.

What: Memorial service paying tribute to those who have died.

Where: Old "Settlers Pavilion at Comanche Trail Park.

When: 12:15 p.m. Wednesday.

"This memorial service is open to anyone who has lost a loved one, whether the passing has been in the past year or several years. This is for all those who want to come," McCall said.

Odyssey will recognize 210 patients who died during the past year, he said. The families of

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PROM DRESS REVIVED

HARRISON, Ark. (AP) — Marlene Wyatt went to a second-hand store to buy a Halloween costume last week. And what she found was eerie — the prom dress she had made 33 years ago.

"I thought, this material looks familiar," Wyatt said. "Then I thought, 'Surely not' and finally, 'That's my dress!'" Melissa Martin, proprietor of The Fashion Exchange, said she knew something special had happened because of the look on Wyatt's face. "This is amazing," she said. "What are the odds of something like this happening?"

Wyatt sewed the white double-knit polyester dress when she was in high school.

SENIOR FUN FEST

A health fair, information booths, food, a fashion show and a dance are all part of the activities of the Senior Fun Fest, set for Friday and Saturday, sponsored by Canterbury, RSVP and the Big Spring Senior Center.

The event begins at 8:30 a.m. Friday at the Dora Roberts Community Center with the health fair and lunch is at the senior center with a fashion show. Cost for the lunch is \$2.50 for those 55 and older. A chili supper and dance begins at 6 p.m. Saturday.

For more information, contact Canterbury at 263-1265, RSVP at 264-2397 or the senior center at 267-1628.

RELAY KICKS OFF TODAY

The Howard-Glasscock Relay for Life Community Kickoff will be held at 6 p.m. today in First United Methodist Church's Garrett Hall.

The Relay, which raises money for the American Cancer Society, is the most successful such organization, per capita, of any in Texas.

Event organizers have set a goal of \$170,000 for the 2006 Relay, which will be held May 19-20 at Blankenship Field. Last year, the event raised \$166,000 for cancer research. Relay Co-Chairman Howard Stewart said cancer survivors, sponsors, team captains and committee members are invited to the meeting.

Obituaries

Robert Wayne Broughton

Robert Wayne Broughton, 69, of Angleton passed away at his home Sunday, Oct. 30, 2005. Robert is survived by his loving wife of 23 years, Alpha Broughton; children, Teca Rodgers, Susan Ellis, Robert Weldon Broughton, Mariann Wallace, Jerry Atkinson, Scott Atkinson and Mark Echols; 15 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his parents, two brothers and a sister. A funeral service will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 219 N. Arcola, Angleton. Burial will be at the Forest Park Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. today at Forest Park East Funeral Home in Webster. Arrangements are under the direction of Forest Park East Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

W.A. Steagald Jr.

W.A. Steagald Jr., 83, of Lubbock, formerly a long-time resident of Howard County, died suddenly Oct. 27, 2005, in Aledo. He retired from Cosden. He is survived by one son, W.L. Steagald of Seattle, Wash.; three daughters, Janice M. Grant of Aledo, Linda Kay Brown of Irving and Debbie Cross of Lubbock; 11 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Josephine Garcia

Josephine Garcia, 88, of Pecos, formerly of Big Spring, died Monday, Oct. 31, 2005, in a Pecos hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Support Groups

- SUNDAY**
- Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 p.m. until 6 p.m.
- MONDAY**
- Encourager's Support Group meets the first and third Monday of each month. All widows and widowers are invited to the Spanish Inn, 200 N.W. Third St. For more information, call 398-5522.
- TUESDAY**
- The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets at 6 p.m. the last Tuesday of each month in the College Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1005 Birdwell Lane. Call Tracey at 263-4948 for more information.
- THURSDAY**
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30-7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.
- FRIDAY**
- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Noon open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Take Note

- **AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY'S 2006 RELAY FOR LIFE COMMUNITY KICK-OFF** is set for 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. today in Garrett Hall, 400 Scurry St. Call 263-7176 for more information.
- **BENEFIT AUCTION FOR TRISTIN RANGEL** at the Event Center on East Third Street from 11:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday. Tristin was diagnosed with leukemia when he was 5 and funds are needed to cover ongoing medical expenses. Live entertainment and chuckwagon-style cooking part of the scheduled events. Call Linda Brown at 816-6096, Carla Oliva at 816-4574 or Mike Oliva at 816-5527 for more information.
- **CANTERBURY ARTS AND CRAFTS BAZAAR** is set for 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Dec. 3 and booth space is limited. Call 263-1238 to reserve a booth.
- **HERITAGE MUSEUM IS HAVING A WREATH DECORATING EVENT.** Any theme is acceptable and wreaths will be displayed at the museum during the Christmas season. Wreaths should be turned into the museum by Nov. 29. For more information, call 267-8255.
- **HOME HOSPICE HAS COOKBOOKS** with nearly 500 recipes on sale for \$18 with proceeds to benefit Hospice House. Recipes submitted by volunteers, coordinators and owners of Home Hospice. Call Sherry Hodnett at 264-7599 for more information.
- **POTTED FALL MUMS TO BENEFIT THE BSHS CARNEGIE HALL BAND TRIP** are on sale now at Johansen's Nursery for \$15 while supplies last.
- **EARLY DISMISSAL FOR BIG SPRING STUDENTS** Friday for the football game in Plainview. Bauer Elementary dismisses at 2 p.m.; all other elementary and secondary schools dismiss at 2:15 p.m. Call 264-3600 for more information.
- **SENIOR FUN FEST** is set for Friday and Saturday offering a variety of activities for senior citizens. Call Shannon Nabors at Canterbury, 263-1265 or Nancy

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Monday and 8 a.m. today:

Local police and fire department officials are investigating a report of attempted arson in the 2100 block of Nolan. According to Big Spring Fire Marshal Carl Condray, someone tried to set fire to a home in that area. However, the ignition never occurred and no damage or injuries were reported.

- **BILLY WAYNE STARR**, 27, of 8521 Interstate 20 N. Service Road, was arrested Monday on two local warrants.
- **LISA MARIE MENDEZ**, 37, of 2603 Ent, was arrested Monday on four local warrants.
- **ROBERT SANCHEZ**, 41, of Colorado City, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 800 block of FM 700.
- **ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson.
- **ARSON** was reported in the 2100 block of Nolan.

Sheriff's report

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

- **ERNESTO MUNIZ**, 20, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a bondsman off bond warrant for motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana.
- **JUAN GARCIA MONREAL**, 38, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of possession of marijuana.
- **MARIA LOPEZ HILARIO**, 53, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **BOBBIE DEJESUS**, 24, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on charges of theft by check and driving while license invalid.
- **TONY CLEBURN RODRIQUES**, 22, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **JASON DALTON**, 22, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a motion to adjudicate warrant for criminal mischief.
- **ASSAULT** was reported on the 1600 block of Martin Luther King.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department/Emergency Medical Service reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL** was reported on the 900 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported on the 1900 block of Eubanks. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported on the 700 block of Tulane. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported on the 3000 block of Drexel. One person was transported to SMMC.

Weather

Tonight—Clear. Lows in the lower 40s. Light and variable winds.
 Wednesday—Sunny. Highs in the upper 70s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.
 Wednesday night—Clear. Lows in the upper 40s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.
 Thursday—Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 80s. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph.
 Thursday night—Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 50s.
 Friday—Sunny. Highs in the lower 80s.
 Friday night—Clear. Lows in the lower 50s.

Bulletin Board

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

- TODAY**
- Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
 - Relay For Life Community Kick Off set for 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Garrett Hall, 400 Scurry.
 - League of Latin American Citizens LULAC Chapter 4791 meets at 6 p.m. in the board room of the YMCA. For more information, contact Jennifer Patton at 714-4185 or 263-6351 or 816-6962.
 - Texas Motorcycle Rights Association meets at 7 p.m. in the Spanish Inn. The public is invited. Call 268-6421 for more information.
 - VFW Post 2013 meets at 7 p.m. in the VFW Hall, 500 Driver Road.
 - Sheriff's Posse meets at 7 p.m. in the clubhouse on the Andrews Highway.
 - Alzheimer's Association, the Greater West Texas Chapter meets at 2 p.m. in the Howard County Library conference room, 500 S. Main.
 - Gospel Singing in the Kentwood Activity Center at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome.
 - 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.
 - Senior Circle meets at 10:30 a.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call 268-4721.
 - Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
 - Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. at the Spring City Senior Citizens Center in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 or 267-1628.
 - Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.
 - Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge at 703 W. Third.

- THURSDAY**
- Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.
 - Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. in Gale's Sweet Shoppe.
 - Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-6479.
 - Genealogy Society of Big Spring meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.
 - Big Spring Masonic Lodge No. 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

- FRIDAY**
- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until about 3 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281 for more information.
 - AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.
 - Greater Big Spring Rotary meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
 - Spring City Senior Citizens country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. featuring Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area seniors are invited.

- SATURDAY**
- Open House and Ribbon Cutting at 10 a.m. in the new family estate area in the Garden of Meditation at Trinity Memorial Park. Call 267-8243 for more information.
 - Big Spring Cruisers cruise Gregg Street and at the Sonic Drive-In beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night:
 Winning numbers drawn: 11-21-23-24-26.
 Number matching five of five: none.
 Next Cash 5 drawing: Tuesday night.

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Monday night:
 Winning numbers drawn: 2-7-8-27. Bonus Ball: 29.
 Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: none.
 Estimated jackpot for Thursday night drawing: \$250,000.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-7-4

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with buying more than 10,000 pieces of candy. The payoff to all that work, however, was seeing the reaction on children's faces after receiving their sweet surprises. "I don't know how much

it cost, but it was all worth it, seeing all the kids thank us," said Key Club President Paul Diaz. "All the candy was donated by Key Club members. They bought five-pound bags of the stuff." Once the candy was secured, club members spent hours sorting, stapling and stamping the bags at a recent club

meeting, before heading off to the five Big Spring elementary schools Monday. While Diaz and Bravo did the majority of distribution Monday, he was quick to point out it was a club-wide effort. "I really want to thank the Key Club members for participating," he said. "If they hadn't, it would have

been a lot harder ... They had a lot to do with it." Diaz said anyone wishing the Key Club to help with its charitable activity should contact Cody or Marie Wells at Big Spring High School by calling 264-3641. Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331, ext. 234.

Husband sentenced to life in prison in slaying of wife

RICHMOND (AP) — A Mission Bend man has been sentenced to life in prison in the shooting death of his wife, whom he said was shot accidentally. A Fort Bend jury found Kevin E. Goodrich, 46, guilty of murder in the Sept. 13, 2003, death of Sandra K. Goodrich, 48. Goodrich had testified that he had fallen asleep while cleaning his pistol, according to a prosecutor. He said he was awakened by a noise and thought it

was an intruder. He walked to the front door where his wife was standing and, Goodrich said, the weapon accidentally fired, striking her in the head. Prosecutors said Goodrich shot his wife because she had planned to leave him. Assistant District Attorney Mark Hanna told the jury that residue from a gunshot on the victim's hand indicated it was near the pistol when it was fired.

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slightly nervous about hosting its first car show, but confident people in Big Spring will make it a success. "We just want the people to come out and have a good time," said Partlow. "We're going to have all kinds of fun games, including a fan belt toss, as well as plenty of food.

There's also a bake sale planned during the show and door prizes will be awarded." The show is slated from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m., but according to Partlow, the fun and camaraderie won't end there. "The first Saturday of every month that there's nice weather we all meet at the Sonic Drive-In on Gregg Street," said Partlow. "We get together and talk and show off our cars. People come up to us and ask us all kinds of questions. It's a

lot of fun. We'll be doing that on the same day at 6 p.m." Partlow said there are no admission fees for anyone wanting to attend or participate in the show. For more information, contact Partlow or her husband, Dickie, at 263-4909 or e-mail them at dpartlow@apex2000.net. Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

JURY

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jail felony). Randy Gonzales, 17, of 1102 West County Road 118 in Midland, burglary of a building (state jail felony) and criminal mischief (state jail felony).

Christopher O'Donnell, 17, of 4804 Bedford in Midland, burglary of a building (state jail felony) and criminal mischief (state jail felony). Albert Raymond Olivas, 35, of 509 S. Burleson in Stanton, theft (third-degree felony, enhanced). Brian Howard Denby, age not provided, of 981 County Road 1450 in Center, possession of a con-

trolled substance in a correctional facility (third-degree felony). Enrique Portillo-Ortega, 57, of Mexico, possession of marijuana - more than 50 pounds less than 2,000 pounds (second-degree felony). Edwin Keith Wade, 44, of 750 Cecil in Abilene, possession of marijuana - under five pounds (state jail felony).

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those patients have received invitations to the event. But he stressed the service is open to the public, for anyone who has experienced loss. "We'll have several ways to express the loss and honor the departed family member at the service, including helium balloons, an entry into a ledger memory book or taking part in a candle lighting service," he said. Odyssey Healthcare sponsors these services twice each year, once in the spring and again in the fall. But McCall said the organization is plan-

ning to start having two services twice each year. "And we have these services in Big Spring, Lamesa and Snyder," he said. Odyssey Healthcare, the second largest hospice provider in the country, according to general manager Donna Patrick, has a service area that stretches from Stanton to Sweetwater and from Lamesa to Garden City. "Basically, we travel in a 100-mile radius from Howard County. I was the primary chaplain for the service until our census

reached 80, then we hired two additional chaplains," McCall said. The newest chaplain on the block, Lynn Robertson, has been with Odyssey for three weeks. The third member of the team, James Byler, also serves as bereavement coordinator. Odyssey has 54 employees in the Big Spring office and currently has about 100 patients. "We do several other things throughout the year as well," McCall said. "We clown at the local nursing homes once

each year, where we dress as clowns and make balloon animals for the patients there. And we also do cookouts for the nursing home patients during Nursing Home Week." The memorial service, which will be conducted by McCall, is free to the public. For more information, contact Odyssey at 263-5999. Marsha Sturdivant is the features editor for the Big Spring Herald. Contact her at 263-7331.

Inmate disappears from prison van

GALVESTON (AP) — State-prison officials were searching Tuesday for an inmate who was placed in restraints and taken for medical treatment but turned up missing when the prison van arrived at the hospital. Carlos Kidd, was serving a 10-year sentence for a Milam County aggravated assault conviction, was put into a van for the 35-mile trip from the Rosharon prison unit to the prison hospital in Galveston. Michelle Lyons, a spokeswoman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, said

Kidd complained of feeling ill early Tuesday. When the van arrived in Galveston, guards found the restraints - but no Kidd, Lyons said. Kidd had been in prison since January 2002 and would have been eligible for parole next September.

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This story is about a pretty little duck, too. We all know what a duck is, don't we? Her name was Melissa Mae Duck! Now, we all know that ducks love to play in water. Melissa Mae was no different! But where Melissa Mae lived, there just wasn't much water. Vickie Varmint was not a very nice varmint. She never seemed to smile. She never wanted to say "Good Morning" to anyone. She never, not once, said "Good Night" to anyone, either! Until that day!
It was a day just like all other days—almost! Vickie Varmint woke up and she was just as grouchy as ever. Melissa Mae Duck woke up and she was just as happy as ever.
Vickie Varmint wanted to go swimming in her very own swimming pool. Did I forget to tell you that Vickie Varmint had a swimming pool? Are you laughing again? It's okay for varmints to have a swimming pool, isn't it? This is a bedtime story and a varmint can have a swimming pool, if she wants one, can't she? There was just one problem! Vickie Varmint did not know how to swim!
Melissa Mae Duck saw Vickie Varmint walking down to her great big swimming pool. If only Vickie Varmint would invite Melissa Mae Duck to go swimming in that big swimming pool! But she didn't!
Vickie Varmint did not know how to swim, but she did have a nice tube she loved to float on. She would sit on that tube all day long, sometimes gently floating across the cool water, and then letting the wind slowly push her back to the other side, and back again, and again.
But this day was going to be a little different! Vickie was floating and floating and then she heard it! The sound of the tube losing air. "WHooooosssshhhhhh," the air seemed to be saying as it came faster and faster from the tube, blowing Vickie Varmint's hair back, and blowing her from the tube, right into the water. Vickie Varmint is in big trouble now, isn't she?
"Help, help," she cried. Melissa Mae heard Vickie Varmint's screams and started running toward the mean little varmint, just as fast as her little feet would go. "Help, help," screamed Vickie Varmint. "I can't swim, help, help!" Melissa Mae Duck knew that she just had to get there even faster, and—What else can ducks do very well? Did you say, "fly"? I didn't hear you say it, but I know that you were thinking about it, weren't you? Yes, she started flying and that duck was in the pool in no time at all!
Melissa Mae Duck grabbed Vickie Varmint by the shirtleeves and pulled her to the edge of the pool, where that varmint could be safe! "Oh, thank you for saving me," said the varmint to the duck. "I don't know what I would have done if you had not been here." "I wish there was some way I could pay you." "Invite me into your pool, invite me into your pool," thought Melissa Mae Duck.
"I know," said Vickie Varmint. "I will let you help me clean my house!" "I am a duck," said Melissa Mae. "I am not very good at cleaning houses!" "I will let you clean my swimming pool," said Vickie Varmint. "I am not very good at cleaning swimming pools," said Melissa Mae.
"If I can ever think of any way to pay you for saving me, I will come see you," the varmint said to Melissa Mae Duck.
"Invite me into your swimming pool," thought Melissa Mae Duck.
"Please, invite me into your swimming pool!" But, Vickie Varmint said nothing!
Poor little Melissa Mae Duck turned and started walking away, towards her own home. She wanted to get away from there even faster, because she was so disappointed. She lifted her wings to fly!
"Wait, wait," said the voice from that little varmint. "Do you like to swim? If you really like to swim, please, come anytime and bring your friends along. My swimming pool will be yours too, forever!"
I had you for a minute there, didn't I? You thought this story was not going to have a happy ending, didn't you? I always want bedtime stories to have a happy ending, don't you? Don't forget, in the morning, find out what a varmint really is! Vickie and Melissa are out in the pool right now, but they said to tell you, "Good Night!"

EDITORIAL

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OUR VIEWS

Take advantage of an opportunity to go vote early

The time for early voting in this year's state constitutional amendment election is rapidly winding down and we'd encourage readers to cast their ballot this week.

Polls opened on Oct. 18 at the Howard County Courthouse and voters have through Friday to cast their ballots early.

Voters can weigh in on the eight proposed amendments from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Election day is Nov. 8.

There are plenty of reasons for voting early, not the least of which is the unpredictability of our West Texas weather. Warm, dusty, rainy, a cold front — the only thing you can count on is that the weather will change.

Another reason to cast your ballot in the next few days is human nature. The fact is, the longer we put things off, the less likely we are to ever get them accomplished. Too many other things come up, and suddenly we find ourselves out of time.

Among the hot-button topics to be voted on is Proposition 2, which would provide that marriage in Texas is solely the union of a man and woman, and that the state and its political subdivisions could not create or recognize any legal status identical to or similar to marriage, including such legal status relationships created outside of Texas.

Also drawing attention this election season is Proposition 4, which would authorize a district judge to deny reinstatement of bail or new bail to a person accused of a felony, if the person's bail had been revoked or forfeited as a result of the person's violation of a condition of release related to the safety of a victim of the alleged offense or to the safety of the community.

While constitutional amendment elections rarely draw the attention from the public that those involving races for office, a simple look at the proposed changes to our state constitution make it clear that voters have quite a bit to decide.

We hope you will take time to study the proposed amendments, then make your choice at the polls.

And we hope you'll do it soon.

HOW TO CONTACT US

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

What we all need, Lord, is faith and you'll take it from there.

Amen

Condi positioned for VP candidacy

Hillary v. Condi. For a while, I didn't get it. It was too easy. No one gets to be president without running. Least of all a woman. Women need to work twice as hard to get half as far.

Which is the answer, of course. Anybody-Rice v. Clinton. Anybody may still be Condi v. Hillary to enough voters to change an election.

Vice president. The job you don't run for, except very subtly. Obvious. The ticket.

Will African-Americans vote for an African-American woman for vice president, or will they vote for Hillary? In the last election, 93 percent of all African-Americans voted for John Kerry. Take that down by any significant percentage, and you take key battleground states — start with Ohio — out of contention. Increase turnout in that ultra-loyal group, as demographics and the Clinton appeal will doubtless do, and you take key battleground states — start with Ohio — and put them squarely into contention.

What percent of all African-Americans, particularly conservative African-American women, would vote for a Republican ticket if it had Condi Rice in the No. 2 spot? How about that message of empowerment?

I have spent the last two weeks literally following former Clinton aide and now ace No. 1 Hillary Hater Dick Morris around the country. Our books were published the same day. Mine is titled, "The Case for Hillary Clinton." His is titled, "Hillary v. Condi."

Shortly before publication, he disappointed our publisher's transparent plans by announcing that

he would do no joint appearances, lest he be reduced to discussing Hillary and detract from either his sales or his focus on Condi. So instead, I had to respond after the fact to the angry callers he left behind on talk radio, having worked up more than one audience by comparing Hillary to Richard Nixon and declaring that "she must be stopped," and only a draft-Condi movement could do it.

In a way, it was much too easy. I didn't attack Condi. I just pointed out that the analogy to Ike doesn't work at all, that in those days a minority of states held primaries and caucuses, that all the rules have been rewritten since then to take power away from the backrooms and the bosses, and as that happened in the Democratic Party, it extended to the Republican Party, as well.

There's no such thing as a draft. What we have is a series of endless individual elections, and you have to run to win — and if you're a woman, like Hillary, you're going to have to run hard, and face the Dick Morrises of the world, and raise more money, and take more heat, and have a lot of supporters willing to start early and help you even before you hit the trail. But the idea that Condi could never run, and then be nominated, just makes no sense.

Besides, look at her issue positions. She doesn't have them on domestic issues. And if she did, the conservative women who are jumping to support her might well be jumping in the other direction. Is she pro-choice in some circumstances? Does she agree with the affirmative action policies followed and enforced at Stanford, where she was provost? How about the policies as to tolerance for diverse lifestyles and relationships?

A Condi-Rice candidacy is at its best on the day before it begins, when it's at the "idea" stage.



SUSAN ESTRICH

before it's quite real — the stage it's at right now. The vice presidential stage.

None of the men or women who called up to attack Hillary really cared about Condi's positions on anything. They didn't have answers about Iraq, let alone where she would stand on domestic issues. They were calling to discuss Hillary, which was, of course, why Dick wasn't there.

In that discussion, Condi was simply the counterpoint, the type of better person we needed because she has better values, is more genuine, is not so ambitious or morally bankrupt, according to them. Presented as the essential counterpoint to the devil-ette herself, the most vilified woman on the Democratic side, does it really matter whether Condi Rice has detailed her platform on domestic issues? She is accepted as the answer to the enemy, the friend to the friend — accepted and, indeed, trumpeted.

She is, in short, positioned perfectly for the vice presidency, which is just what Dick has in mind. That's what he is running her for. And he has already taken the group that might have been most skeptical — hard-core conservatives — and converted them by positioning her as the only answer to Hillary.

On that, he might be right. There is no tradition at all in this country of voting for vice president. If any significant number of minority women bucked that tradition, it could spell disaster for the Democrats.

To find out more about Susan Estrich, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com.

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I DIDN'T MIND THE LONG LINES OR THE THREAT OF BEING BLOWN TO BITS, BUT THIS PUNCH CARD BALLOT IS AN OUTRAGE.



YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

The Mustang Draw Woodcarvers would like to thank the following folks for helping to make our recent rally and show such a success: the CVB for its help in securing the Dora Roberts Civic Center and all the publicity; the Big Spring Herald for the great pictures and articles, KBST and KBYG for programs/interviews; Wal-Mart for allowing us to set up and demonstrate some carving techniques; and especially to everyone who came out on Saturday to see our work.

We are looking forward to a bigger and better rally next year.

JAMES FRYAR
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

I read in the Herald that organizers for the local Relay for Life are going to kickoff their campaign on Tuesday, Nov. 1. I wish them good luck and hope they reach their goal. However, I wish they would wait until another major fundraiser, the United Way, could complete its campaign before the Relay

began.

The United Way campaign runs from September through November, three months. It seems that the Relay for Life could show some respect and practice common courtesy and wait a little longer.

A Nov. 1 kickoff means the Relay campaign will run a full six months until the actual Relay takes place in May. That is a long time.

There are some groups associated with the Relay who raise funds year round.

It seems the Relay volunteers could make better use of their time and possibly raise more money by following the lead of the United Way.

PETE THIRY
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

Concerning the county jail issue and commissioners being divided 2-2, Mr. Crocker keeps crying about a \$12 million facility so we can bring more prisoners to Big Spring.

First of all, Mr. Crocker, we working people do not want them here.

Second, the county is crying about inmate-to-prisoner ration. If they build this facility all the way across town, how are they going to transport inmates back and forth to court without hiring more people at another expense and pose more risk of escape?

Third, why work so hard to share this with the city? We gave them the landfill and when it started getting full, the city was going to charge just the people in the county for dumping, remember?

Just think it over. Could we not build across the street from the courthouse and block off a street, like Trinity Baptist Church did? No people to move. No records to move. Less chance of mistakes or escapes.

I, for one, commend Gary Simer and Emma Brown for their stand. Hopefully our citizens will take their stand and make things start working for the good of everyone.

RON "SMURF" SAWYERS
BIG SPRING

Central Texas College using PDAs for a new program with military

By WENDY GRAGG

Killeen Daily Herald
KILLEEN — Central Texas College is about to take college education where it has never gone before — your pocket.

CTC is piloting a program that will allow a small number of students to take an entire college course on a personal digital assistant, or PDA for short.

"There's nothing that we can put on online, we can't put on PDA," CTC Chancellor James Anderson said.

CTC is embarking on its latest education venture with its partner Coastline Community College. The guinea pigs for the PDA Pilot Program are students in the Navy College Program for Afloat College Education.

"We're it," said Jim Yeonopolus, deputy chancellor of continental and international campus operations.

Anderson said the PDA program is exciting because it allows access to education that some students wouldn't otherwise have. A perfect example is sailors aboard a ship who have neither the room for a traditional class nor access to the

Internet.

"There's no doubt about it, this is not the ideal way to take a course. But, clearly, if you're in the bowels of a submarine, it's a pretty good alternative," he said.

On Monday, 100 PDAs were to be shipped out, with 50 going to the West Coast and 50 to the East Coast. Next, CTC will have to advertise the courses.

Students won't actually begin their PDA matriculation until next year. The courses offered are biology, communications, English, government, management, math and psychology.

The courses come in computer chips the size of postage stamps, which simply plug into the PDAs from Dell Inc. The class instruction and assessments come via the PDA, but an old-fashioned textbook is also used as support material.

A PDA course isn't just a nonstop scroll of text. The course is a multimedia experience with video and audio along with text.

CTC distance learning specialists are already at work tweaking the PDA program.

A letter back home from the front lines

EDITOR'S NOTE: It's been some time since we asked readers to share their letters and e-mails from military personnel serving overseas. The first to respond was Brenda Edwards, owner of *TexaStone Quarries in Garden City, who shared this e-mail send by her son-in-law, Lt. Col. Bret A. Crenwolge on Oct. 21. The Air Force officer is a Big Spring High School graduate and lived in Big Spring most of his life. Edwards says she's proud of her son-in-law's patriotic zeal and wishes all Americans had the same.*

Hi friends and family, Just wanted to drop you all an e-mail and say thank you for the e-mails, prayers and support over the last four months. My squadron's deployment over here is winding down its 120-day tour and we'll be back on the ramp at Dyess on 25 Oct.

We came here as a C-130 flying squadron full of mostly "20-something-year-old" aviators. We survived 125 degree heat, humidity that would put San Antonio to shame, sunshine over dirt and rocks that proved Rayban does make the best sunglasses, four months of semi-tasteless food, bad guys that tried to stop us, hours of flying boredom

and a few flying moments of stark terror.

Here is what we did in the last four months:

- Direct support of three theaters of operation — Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom and Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa.
- 3,800-plus combat flying hours.
- 1,700-plus aircraft sorties.
- 24,000-plus passengers (troops) hauled into or out of the combat zone.
- 3,900-plus tons of cargo hauled into and out of the combat zone.
- Combat airdrop of food and ammunition to troops currently engaging the enemy in the Afghan mountains.
- Combat airdrop of humanitarian goods (food and water) to Afghan villages.
- Transported half of Congress on "fact finding" missions.

• Transported Iraqi and Afghan diplomats and government officials.

• Transported terrorist prisoners.

• Respectfully repatriated the remains of fallen soldiers.

• Flaw aero medical evacuation missions for survivors of roadside bombs.

Here's is what that effort achieved:

• Supported the first parliamentary elections in Afghanistan in more than 20 years.

• Supported the completion of Iraq's constitution.

• Supported the first democratic vote on Iraq's constitution.

• Bad guys died in their country, not ours.

• Two countries are closer to establishing their own forms of self government.

On the lighter side: The aircrews did consume their three authorized

adult beverages per day; they did fly 1962 model C-130s; they did keep a positive attitude despite being gone from their families for six months of every year; did gain freedom to this part of the world; and we maintained our dignity, wear the American flag daily, are proud to serve and are coming home.

I had the experience of a lifetime over here. I could not be a prouder 40-year-old operations officer of a combat hardened C-130 squadron.

The people I work with daily are my heroes and they have grown immensely in this environment.

They serve with dignity and honor.

This is by far the greatest group of individuals I have ever served with in my life. Mission accomplished, again.

Chill the beer, we're coming home!

'Mrs' degree no longer: Home Ec programs evolving, attracting men

By GREG BLUESTEIN

Associated Press Writer
ATHENS, Ga.

University of Georgia student Brandon Esco has faced his share of razzing for being a nutrition science major — a field traditionally dominated by women. "You're only in that major because of the girls," is the most common teasing he's heard.

But at the school's College of Family and Consumer Sciences, Esco is part of a growing trend. Five years ago, only about 10 percent of the college's students were men. Last year, nearly one-third of the 1,700 students — and roughly 40 percent of the tenure-track faculty — were men.

Those changes — shared by other schools

nationwide — are helping to undermine the stereotypes long acquainted with home economic programs, often sneeringly chided as a "Mrs." degree.

Experts say even the moniker "home ec" itself is outdated: Many schools have changed their program titles to terms such as "human sciences" to reflect a broader nature.

"Our students graduate to become lawyers, loan counselors, directors of day care, dietitians," said Sharon Nickols, dean of UGA's College of Family and Consumer Sciences. "We just don't know their major because they don't

say, 'I'm a family and consumer scientist.'"


The cookie-baking classes and pop quizzes on laundry essentials that once dominated some home ec courses in junior high have broadened into courses geared toward "life skills," including tips for budgeting, and basic knowledge of supply and demand.

Those changes have drawn more male students, said Dan Bower, president of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, once called the American Home Economics Association.

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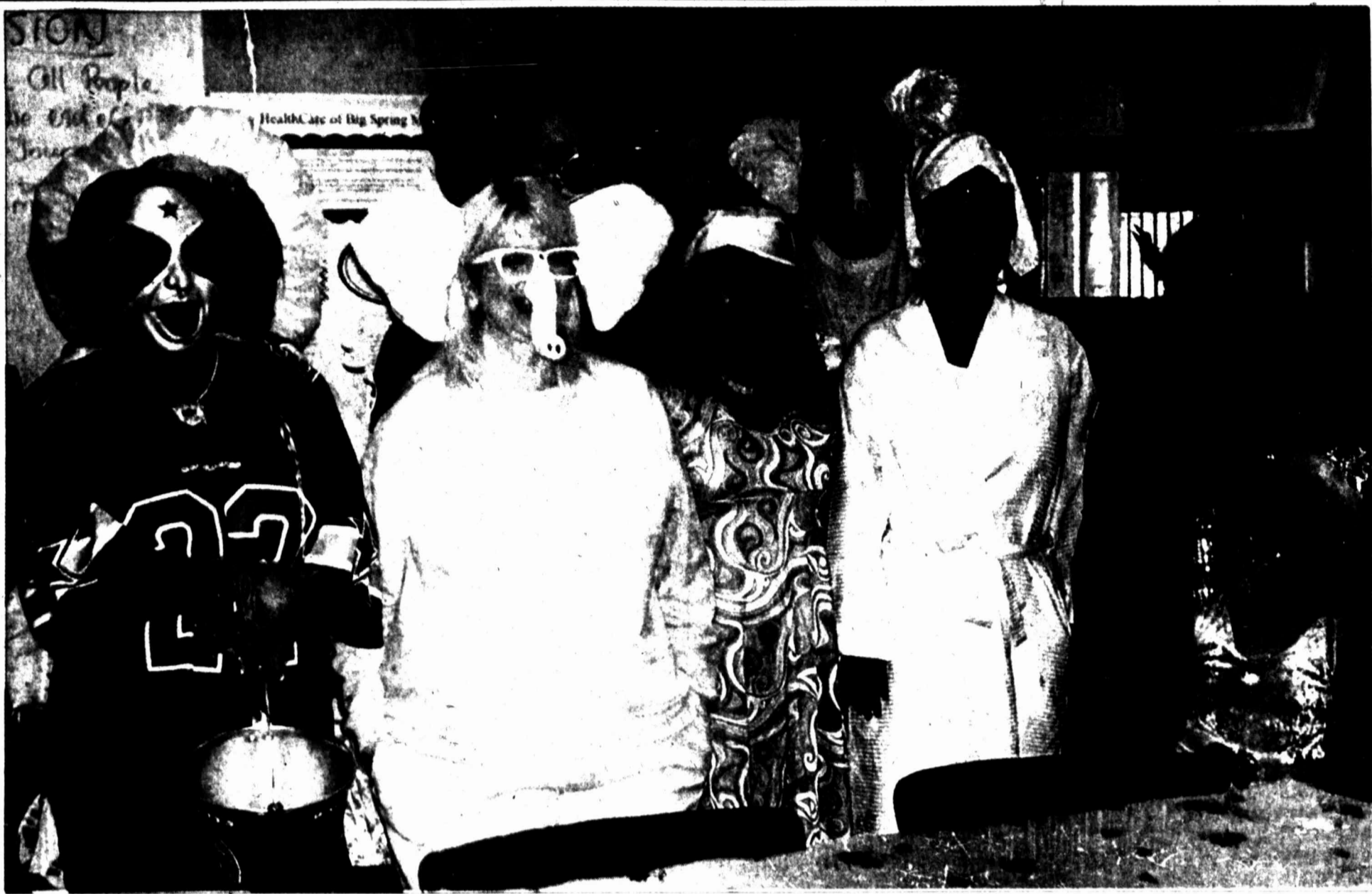
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Odyssey Healthcare employees dressed up for a Halloween costume contest Monday, including Emmitt Smith, a baby pink elephant, a blue elephant, a go-go girl, a pink elephant, a spa lady, a flapper and one employee's child, dressed as an angel. After the contest, employees had a covered-dish luncheon.

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Cossack Greg Bodine seasons hamburgers while fellow cyclist Ron Maddox looks on at the Cossacks Motorcycle Club Halloween Party Saturday. Proceeds from the party will be used to support the CMC's annual "Bykes for Tykes" Christmas run.



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Cossacks Motorcycle Club member Heather Grigg shows off her smile — not to mention her costume — at the CMC's Halloween Party Saturday.

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November 2 • Wednesday

- Sit & Be Fit - 10:30 am (Chair Exercise) Senior Circle Activity Room
- Senior Appreciation Day - 11:30 am Senior Circle Members Eat In The Hospital Cafeteria For \$2.00

November 3 • Thursday

- Mall Walking - 8:00 am (Meet at the Mall & walk together)
- Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 am
- Senior Circle Office Closed-Vacation

November 4 • Friday

- Senior Circle Office Closed-Vacation

November 7 • Monday

- Senior Circle Office Closed-Vacation

November 8 • Tuesday

- Mall Walking - 8:00 am (Meet at the Mall & walk together)
- Games - 2:00 pm
- Supper Club @ "Casa Blanca" - 5:30 pm

November 9 • Wednesday

- Sit & Be Fit - 10:30 am (Chair Exercise) Senior Circle Activity Room
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November 10 • Thursday

- Mall Walking - 8:00 am (Meet at the Mall and walk together)
- Coffee @ "Gale's" - 10:00 am
- Volunteer Jewelry Sale 8:00 am - 5:00 pm SMMC Lobby

November 11 • Friday

- Volunteer Jewelry Sale 8:00 am - 4:00 pm - SMMC Lobby

November 13 • Sunday

- Beau Jest Comedy Midland Community Theatre 1:00 pm

November 14 • Monday

- Lunch-N-Learn "Medicare Part D" - 11:30 am Senior Circle Activity Room

November 15 • Tuesday

- Mall Walking - 8:00 am (Meet at the Mall & walk together)
- Supper Club - "Red Mesa" 5:30 pm

November 16 • Wednesday

- Sit & Be Fit - 10:30 am (Chair Exercise) Senior Circle Activity Room
- Senior Appreciation Day - 11:30 am Senior Circle Member Eat In The Hospital Cafeteria For \$2.00

November 17 • Thursday

- Mall Walking - 8:00 am (Meet at the Mall & walk together)
- Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 am

November 18 • Friday

- Volunteer Bake Sale 7:00 am - till gone - SMMC Lobby
- Pot Luck & Bingo - 11:30-2:00

November 21 • Monday

- Lunch Bunch Birthdays @ Gale's - 11:30 am
- GAMES - 2:00 pm

November 22 • Tuesday

- Mall Walking - 8:00 am (Meet at the Mall & walk together)
- Supper Club - "La Posada" 5:30 pm

November 23 • Wednesday

- Sit & Be Fit - 10:30 am (Chair Exercise) Senior Circle Activity Room
- Senior Appreciation Day - 11:30 am Senior Circle Member Eat In The Hospital Cafeteria For \$2.00

November 24 & 25 • Closed

Happy Thanksgiving

November 28 • Monday

- Casino & Horse Racing 9:00 am - RSVP Early

November 29 • Tuesday

- Mall Walking - 8:00 am (Meet at the Mall & walk together)
- Supper Club @ "Cowboys" - 5:30 pm

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Quarterback club sets meetings

The Big Spring football booster club will meet every Monday at 7 p.m. at the ATC through the football season.

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

Flag football league to begin Sunday

The Midland Flag Football League will begin play Sunday, said Wayne Brandt.

The eight-on-eight tournament costs \$250 per team and takes place every Sunday through the middle of January.

For more information, contact Brandt at 432-230-5255.

Basketball officials needed for new year

Basketball officials are needed for the 2005-2006 basketball season involving junior high, freshman and junior varsity games in Coahoma, Forsan, Garden City and Sterling City.

If interested in officiating, contact Adam or Mandi Rodriguez at 263-8731 (after 6 p.m.), 517-0300 or 816-1963.

C.G.A. cancels its final tourney of year

The Chicano Golf Association has announced its final tournament of the year — the Grand Tournament — has been cancelled due to unknown health reasons inside the organization.

Olesen announces free tennis clinic

Big Spring tennis pro Ted Olesen has announced a free junior tennis league at the Figure 7 Tennis Center at Comanche Trail Park for students in second and third grade.

The league will start tonight and will continue for three weeks after that on Tuesdays. It goes from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. each night.

Interested participants may bring a racket, but one may be provided if available. There is no specific start date as participants can show up on any Tuesday.

The first week will concentrate on forehand and backhands, the second week will cover volleys and overhands, the third week will focus on serves and the fourth week will consist of matches.

For more information, contact Olesen at 806-236-8901 or visit bigspringtennis.com.

Lady Steer Booster Club sets meeting for next Monday

There will be a Lady Steer Booster Club meeting Monday at the Big Spring Athletic Training Center (ATC) beginning at 6 p.m.

For more information, contact Carol Pollocky at 432-466-3800.

Houston extends Garner's contract

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer
HOUSTON — The Houston Astros rewarded manager Phil Garner on Monday for leading the club to its first World Series by extending his contract by one season. The new deal keeps him in the dugout through 2007.

With his trademark mustache and occasionally unexpected moves, Garner has guided the Astros to a 137-99 record over 1 1/2 seasons, plus two major postseason feats. Houston won its first playoff series last year then made it a step farther by reaching the World Series this season.

"This is a show of confidence in what we did this year," Garner said. "It is important to have continuity in the organization, that players and staff and everybody knows that we still have someone that's going to be here this year, next year and the year after."

The Astros needed big comebacks to clinch wild-



KRT photo/J.B. Forbes, St. Louis Post-Dispatch
Houston Astros manager Phil Garner smiles in the dugout in the fifth inning of Game 6 of the National League Championship Series against the St. Louis Cardinals Oct. 19. The Astros won the series 4-1 and advanced to the World Series where they lost to the Chicago White Sox in four games. Garner was awarded a contract extension for his efforts this year.

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Trojans reclaim top spot in BCS ratings

• Virginia Tech closes in on top two spots after win over B.C.

By RALPH D. RUSSO

AP Sports Writer
NEW YORK — Southern California and Texas flip flopped again, putting the Trojans back on top of the Bowl Championship Series standings.

USC jumped over the Longhorns Monday, returning to first place after a one-week stay in second. It's the first time in the eight-year history of the BCS that the top two teams in the standings switched positions in consecutive weeks.

"I'm not sure how it happened last week and I'm not sure how it happened this week," Trojans coach Pete Carroll said. "We weren't cheering when the new BCS ranking came out this morning. I know that. The BCS ranking is really important when you finish the season, not now."

The margin between USC and Texas is still small — only .0038 — though up from last week when the difference between first and second in the standings was the slimmest it's ever been.

Third-place Virginia Tech gained on the top two this week, but the Trojans and Longhorns remain on course for a Rose Bowl showdown.

The switch didn't faze Texas.

"The sun's going to come up tomorrow. We'll be all right," Texas tackle Justin Blalock said.

Coach Mack Brown said, "I don't care. I want to be one or two."

The top two teams in the final BCS standings play in Pasadena, Calif., on Jan. 4 for the national title.

The first five teams in

the latest BCS standings are unbeaten, with Alabama fourth and UCLA moving up a spot to fifth.

"If we let ourselves start worrying about this and that, that's the quickest way to get yourself beat," Alabama coach Mike Shula said.

It's the second straight season that the BCS top 10 has five unbeaten teams with five weeks to go in the regular season. Last season, Auburn became the first team from a conference with an automatic BCS bid to go undefeated in the regular season and not play in the national title game.

USC beat Oklahoma in the Orange Bowl and won the national championship. The Tigers finished 13-0 with a win in the Sugar Bowl and were ranked No. 2. Utah (12-0) also finished the season unbeaten.

"The (BCS) has got to hope there's not more than two undefeated teams at the end or they've screwed up again, very honestly," Brown said. "That's what they've got to hope."

USC has been No. 1 in The Associated Press, coaches' and Harris Interactive polls all season, but last week Texas inched ahead in the BCS standings because the computer rankings favored the Longhorns. It marked the first time in the past two seasons USC was not No. 1 in the BCS standings.

Both the coaches' and Harris polls make up a third of a team's BCS average. A compilation of six computer rankings makes up the final third, with best and worst grades thrown out for each team. A perfect BCS average is 1,000.

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Gee, Pan American competes in Florida

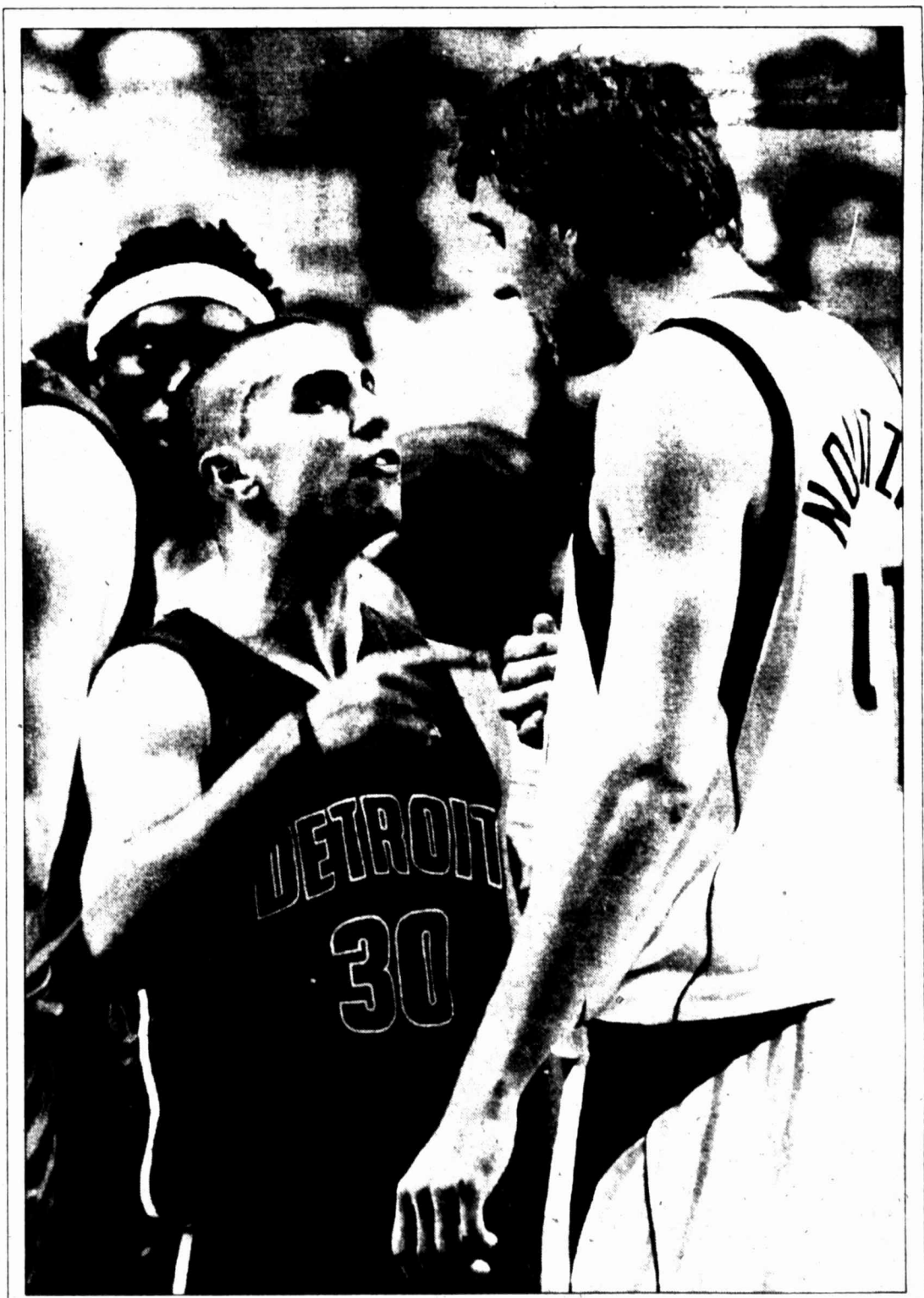
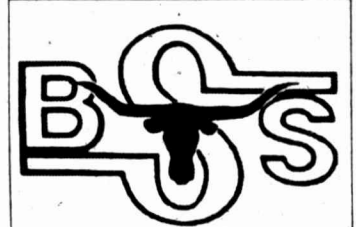
• Broncos to take part in 28th Annual Pat Bradley Invitational at the famous Doral

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
Former Big Spring golf standout Rachel Gee will take part in another NCAA Division I tournament as the University of Texas Pan American qualified for the 28th Annual Pat Bradley Invitational.

The tournament will be played through tomorrow at the famous Doral in Miami, Fla., and is hosted by Florida International.

The Broncos placed eighth at the University of North Texas Invitational, seventh at the Bay Tree Classic in Myrtle Beach, S.C. and sixth at the Battle of the Lake in Tulsa, Okla.



KRT photo/Kelley Chin, Fort Worth Star-Telegram
Detroit's Carlos Arroyo, left, faces off against Dallas' Dirk Nowitzki in a pre-season game in Dallas Thursday. Nowitzki was charged with a technical while Arroyo received two and was ejected from the game. The NBA season officially begins tonight. The Mavericks travel to Phoenix to take on the Suns.

Steelers need FG to edge Ravens

By ALAN ROBINSON

AP Sports Writer
PITTSBURGH — Fittingly enough on a night when a can't-lose game unexpectedly became a close one, the Pittsburgh Steelers nearly got tripped up on the word "easy." And on the

easiest play in football. But with Ben Roethlisberger leading them downfield on a gimp knee, the Steelers overcame a botched snap and rallied to beat the Baltimore Ravens 20-19 on Jeff Reed's 37-yard field goal with 1:36 to play Monday night.

"It was ugly," line-backer Joey Porter said. "But we'll take it." The Steelers led the underdog Ravens 17-16 in the fourth quarter when rookie long snapper Greg Warren needed only to put the ball into punter

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Texas is tops in the computer rankings again this week, but USC's 55-13 victory over Washington State helped boost the Trojans' computer score enough for them to reclaim first. The Longhorns rallied from 19 points down to beat Oklahoma, State 47-28 Saturday.

"It's the game of football and key is to win games and we won the game. Teams are going to struggle with teams, that's just going to happen," Texas defensive tackle Rod Wright said. "It's kind of like you have to blow everybody out and that's not realistic."

Southern California's BCS average is .9767. The

Trojans have won 30 straight game going into Saturday's home game against Stanford. Texas is at .9729 and plays at Baylor this week.

Virginia Tech is .0435 behind second-place. The Hokies get their best chance to change the minds of voters and up their computer grade Saturday at home when they face Miami, which is sixth in the BCS standings.

Notre Dame (5-2), which needs to finish the season with nine wins and a top-12 finish in the BCS standings to be eligible for the Sugar, Orange or Fiesta bowls, is 14th. The Fighting Irish have moved up one spot each of the last two weeks.

Penn State, LSU, Florida State and Ohio State round out the top 10.

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card berths both seasons. They had a 36-10 finish in 2004 and overcame a 15-30 start in '05.

"We are very pleased about the performance of our team under Phil," team owner Drayton McLane said. "It is an exciting time for the Houston Astros, and we feel Phil's leadership and efforts have contributed greatly to our success. We look forward to having him as our manager as we continue our mission toward a World Series championship."

McLane had a million-dollar smile plastered on his face Monday afternoon as Garner said he was "delighted" and "flattered" with the extension.

All this excitement might soon turn to concern though as the Astros face many obstacles in reshaping their club for 2006, starting with the pending futures of Roger Clemens and Jeff Bagwell.

Clemens hasn't decided whether to return for a 23rd season. He's not under contract, but the amount the team would have to pay him could loom over their offseason plans.

"We have not yet reached out to Roger's agent but we will do in the next several days," general manager Tim Purpura said. "We will at least start the process on finding out what his thoughts are for next year."

"We have no indication at this point," Houston already has

about \$65 million committed to only five players, including Bagwell, who isn't sure whether his surgically rebuilt right shoulder will be able to handle the strain of playing the field.

Purpura said the only drawback to making it to the World Series is having about a month less to handle offseason business.

Garner has a career record of 845-901 (.484) as a manager over 13 seasons, including stints with the Milwaukee Brewers and Detroit Tigers. He also played seven of his 16 big-league seasons for the Astros, including their 1986 division-champion club.

No financial terms of the deal were released, but Garner said it was a raise and called it a "significant financial step on

their part." Garner said he won't rest simply because the Astros got to the World Series.

"We didn't complete the task," he said. "We got most of it done and I got to tell you it was a remarkable season in a whole lot of ways. But the bottom line is we want to bring a trophy to sit here in Houston so the people can come and see it."

Purpura said they wanted to recognize Garner for the strides he's made with the team, not just this year, but also last year after arriving midway through the season.

"I think it's certainly a show of how much we appreciate what Phil has done and what we expect him to do in the future," Purpura said. "We want to continue to build on what we have had here."

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Chris Gardocki's hands. But in what coach Bill Cowher called "a first" for him in the NFL, Warren misheard the snap count and prematurely sent the ball sailing off blocking back Sean Morey's leg.

The ball wound up in the Ravens' hands, and not Gardocki's, at the Steelers 45. And the Ravens took advantage by driving for Matt Stover's third field goal of the quarter and an improbable 19-17 lead with 3:27 remaining.

"The two words are 'easy' and 'ready,'" Cowher said of the misheard snap call. "They both have 'e' in them."

But after losing their last two home games in similar fashion, on a field goal on the final play against New England and in overtime to Jacksonville on a turnover, the Steelers (5-2) found a way to win a game they supposedly had no chance to lose.

Especially after a team that went 8-0 at home last season seemed on the verge of a third consecutive home loss. However, this game wasn't supposed to be nearly this close, not with the Ravens (2-5) missing their two best defensive players in the injured Ed Reed and Ray Lewis and Baltimore's offense in disarray after going seven consecutive quarters without a touchdown. Also, the Ravens have lost seven consecutive road games.

But the Steelers should know nothing comes easy against the Ravens, who had won two of their last three against them.

Of course, almost doesn't count in a league that rewards only victories and not effort. The Steelers remain a half-game behind AFC North leader Cincinnati (6-2), while the Ravens have all but tumbled out of the race with a half season to play. About their only chance to get back into contention is to sweep their two games against the Bengals and their rematch against Pittsburgh over the next month.

Roethlisberger, bothered by a sore knee after catching a cleat in the turf while being hit in the first quarter, threw touchdown passes to rookie tight end Heath Miller on the opening drive of each half.

With the Ravens limiting the Steelers to 101 yards rushing a week after they ran for 221 yards against Cincinnati, Roethlisberger threw twice as much as he did against the Bengals and went 18-of-30 for 177 yards.

Still, the Steelers had little offense — two Reed field goals — except for the two start-of-the-half drives, and that allowed the Ravens to hang around. Stover kept them in it, making 4-of-5 field-goal attempts in a stadium where visiting kickers make only 67 percent of their attempts. Also, Anthony Wright threw a 13-yard TD pass, to Chester Taylor while going 25-of-44 for 252 yards.

Epstein turns down three-year contract extension with Boston

By JIMMY GOLEN

AP Sports Writer
BOSTON — Theo Epstein traded Nomar Garciaparra for the last pieces of a championship, dangled Manny for A-Rod and courted Curt Schilling over Thanksgiving turkey.





And then, after building Boston's first World Series winner since 1918, Epstein made his boldest move yet. He walked away from his boyhood team Monday after the most successful three-year run a Red Sox general manager has had.

After a fierce and Freudian standoff

between the boy GM and the mentor who nurtured him from an intern to a World Series champion, Epstein turned down a three-year offer for a reported \$4.5 million. That was quadruple his previous salary, but still short of the \$2.5 million the Red Sox offered Oakland's Billy Beane in 2002 before hiring Epstein.

In the end, though, the salary mattered less to Epstein than his desire to come out from the shadow of Red Sox president Larry Lucchino, who hired him in Baltimore and brought him to San Diego and then Boston.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

It's All Saints' Day and the Mexican Day of the Dead, and the new moon brings in the first day of the month. The new moon represents a kind of "death." This actress of the zodiac disappears behind the stage curtain in order to ready herself to take on her next role. Go inside yourself to focus your mind on an area of life you'd like to start fresh.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

You're rockin', and if you're not making the big bucks yet, you will.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's a beautiful day on all accounts. Anyone who tries to take the wind out of your sails will fail miserably. Tonight, you'll enjoy being where you were meant to be — at the center of the attention.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your loved ones can't seem to get it together enough to love one another, and so there you are in the middle again. There are only two kinds of problems in the world — yours and theirs. This is the latter.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The stars want you to face up to your talent, both at work and at play. Regarding that hobby you've been working on: You're good. Now all you need to do is get noticed!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There is no shortage of solutions. But many people don't know what their real problem is. Figure out yours, and you're halfway there. Admitting there's a problem isn't negative, by the way.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Financial problems are masking other problems. Look beyond the money issue, and see what you really gain from the financial excuse. If you're afraid to try, now is the time to admit it and get past it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Modern problems are featured — technical difficulties, logistical complications and a host of other inconveniences. They're all worth the trouble, because in the long run, you'll be doing less work and saving a lot of money.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The fear of losing will keep you from gaining. Upright energy can only hurt your chances at romance. Be easygoing and sweet — your usual self, in other words. The stars cheer on your creative approach to relationships.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You have all the ideas, so don't be stingy! Spread the joy. Day-to-day struggle produces more of the same. Plant a surprise where surprises are desperately needed.

ASTROLOGICAL NEW MOON SPECIAL: The new moon gets no love. When she's in her "full" costume, the intrigue, myth and legends spin out. Are more babies born on the full moon? Are there more accidents? Why do werewolves and vampires prefer the full moon? Poor lonely little new moon hides in her cloak of introspection, often slipping through the month completely unnoticed. That's why taking the time to notice or even communicate with the new moon brings such profound benefit. It's like talking to the shy girl at a party — she has so much depth and devotion to give, and she'll only give it to the one wise enough to take the time to get to know her. If you're guilty of ignoring the new moon, now is your chance to reconnect. The new moon is in Scorpio, which is a double whammy on the subject of renewal. Want to kick a bad habit? Start a relationship anew? Forgive yourself and move on? Go outside tonight, and have a conversation with the new moon about your problem. You may just barely see her, or she may be completely hidden. It's not unlike talking to a priest on the other side of a confessional. Spill your heart out, and accept forgiveness and a fresh start.

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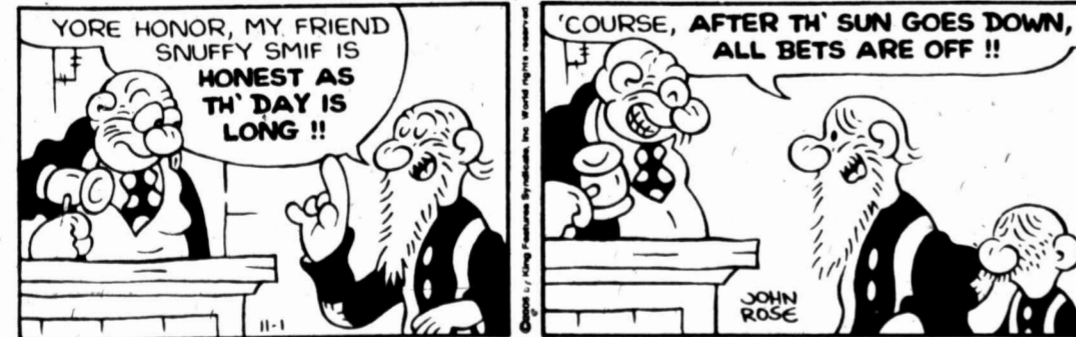
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Nov. 1, the 305th day of 2005. There are 60 days left in the year. This is All Saints Day. Today's Highlight in History:
 On Nov. 1, 1765, the Stamp Act went into effect, prompting stiff resistance from American colonists.
 On this date:
 In 1512, Michelangelo's paintings on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel were first exhibited to the public.
 In 1604, William Shakespeare's tragedy "Othello" was first presented at Whitehall Palace in London.
 In 1861, Gen. George B. McClellan was made General-in-Chief of the Union armies.
 In 1870, the United States Weather Bureau made its first meteorological observations.
 In 1944, "Harvey," a comedy by Mary Chase about a man and his friend, an invisible 6-foot-tall rabbit, opened on Broadway.

In 1950, two Puerto Rican nationalists tried to force their way into Blair House in Washington to assassinate President Truman. The attempt failed, and one of the pair was killed.
 In 1952, the United States exploded the first hydrogen bomb at Eniwetok in the Marshall Islands.
 In 1954, Algerian nationalists began their successful eight-year rebellion against French rule.
 In 1973, following the "Saturday Night Massacre," Acting Attorney General Robert H. Bork appointed Leon Jaworski to be the new Watergate special prosecutor, succeeding Archibald Cox.
 Today's Birthdays:
 Newspaper columnist James J. Kilpatrick is 85. Golfer Gary Player is 70. Country singer Bill Anderson is 68. Actress Barbara Bosson is 66. Actor Robert Foxworth is 64. Actress Marcia Wallace is 63. Magazine publisher Larry Flynt is 63. Actress Jeannie Berlin is 56. Pop singer-musician Dan Peek is 55. Rhythm-and-blues musician Khalis Bayyan (aka Ronald Bell) (Kool and the Gang) is 54. Country singer-songwriter-producer Keith

Stegall is 51. Country singer Lyle Lovett is 48. Rock musician Eddie MacDonald (The Alarm) is 46. Rock singer Anthony Kiedis (Red Hot Chili Peppers) is 43. Rock musician Rick Allen (Def Leppard) is 42. Country singer "Big Kenny" Alphin (Big and Rich) is 42. Rapper Willie D (Geto Boys) is 39. Singer Sophie B. Hawkins is 38. Country musician Dale Wallace (Emerson Drive) is 36. Actress Toni Collette is 33. Rock musician Andrew Gonzales is 33. Actress Aishwarya Rai is 32. Actor Penn Badgley is 19.
 Thought for Today: "God give me strength to face a fact though it slay me." — Thomas Huxley, English biologist (1825-1895).

Answer to previous puzzle

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 - 14 Snoozer's sound
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 - 17 Term of endearment
 - 19 Leprechaun land
 - 20 Help a hoodlum
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 - 37 Longish skirts
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 - 52 City road
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 - 59 Husband of a British countess
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- 63 French money
 - 65 Term of endearment
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 - 68 Electrified swimmers
 - 69 Music symbols
 - 70 Something owed
 - 71 "Doggone it!"
 - 72 Curvy letters
 - 8 Wide tie
 - 9 Instructional institution
 - 10 That girl
 - 11 Term of endearment
 - 12 Fictitious name
 - 13 Called up
 - 18 American buffalo
 - 24 Attendance-book notation
 - 26 Mexican foods
 - 27 Battery fluid
 - 28 Notion
 - 29 Wine-bottle stopper
 - 30 Term of endearment
 - 31 Place for trash
 - 35 Spelling competition
 - 36 Shredded cabbage
 - 38 Turkey neighbor
 - 39 Put in a mailbox
 - 41 Fly high
 - 46 Bowling-alley button
 - 49 Got uptight
 - 51 Prepares to propose
 - 52 Fry lightly
 - 53 Sky-high structure
 - 55 Review one's notes
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Wacky Facts

- November is National American Indian Heritage Month.
 - Oklahoma has the largest Native American population of any state in the U.S. and is tribal headquarters for 39 tribes.
- World Almanac for Kids

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Chatter Box

"Treat the earth well. It was not given to you by your parents, it was loaned to you by your children." "Only when the last tree is cut; only when the last river is polluted; only when the last fish is caught; only then will they realize that you cannot eat money." — Indian proverbs

CLAYING AROUND

Wallace chats about cheese, Gromit and being a ladies' man



Wallace

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A pesky creature is gobbling up all of the top entries in West Wallaby's Giant Vegetable Competition, and gardeners are frantic. Lady Tottington (below), the host of the annual contest, hires an unsuccessful inventor, Wallace, and his loyal dog, Gromit, to save the day.

Time For Kids interviewed Wallace to find out what happens next in his movie, "Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit."

TFK: What's with your intense fascination with cheese?

WALLACE: I love cheese. I always have. I can't think of one I dislike. I've recently been in Philadelphia and was eager to try some of that cream cheese they have there. But (director) Nick Park said we were too busy and that we can get it at home. We went to Boston recently and I went to the Boston Cheese Party, it was very interesting. We always have lots of cheese in the kitchen at West Wallaby Street.

TFK: It looks like you have the hot for Lady Tottington, who is a big veggie lover. Would you ever consider giving up cheese for vegetables?

WALLACE: Well I would consider giving up many things for Lady Tottington but please, not cheese. Gromit tried to get me on veggies and as you will see in our film, it didn't go too well.

TFK: Your invention to chase away that pesky were-rabbit was pretty elaborate. How do you come up with your inventions?

WALLACE: I spend most nights at home thinking of new inventions. I've invented many things so far and I know one day a major corporation will want to buy them all up. Just waiting for the phone call. I find a nice pot of tea helps me to come up with ideas. Gromit's very good at making tea.

TFK: What is your favorite invention so far?

WALLACE: I have many favorites as you can imagine. I think my favorites are the ones that work, which I must add is most of them. Well, some of them, OK, a couple of them have

worked successfully. My BunVac 6000 works very well, as you will see. Patent is pending, by the way.

TFK: Although your pal Gromit never says a word, it seems like you understand him just fine. Do you have a secret nonverbal language?

WALLACE: It is amazing how well he understands me. He is a very clever dog. He listens to me and I can usually tell what he is thinking by the look on his face.

TFK: Some folks might say that Gromit is the brains of the operation. Would you agree?

WALLACE: Who said that? I would like to meet them. I'll box their ears. It's very unfair to think of me like that. I am an inventor to which many in this world aspire. Please remember it was me who built a rocket ship that went to the moon. Look at all the money NASA has spent on its rockets. I built mine in the basement of West Wallaby Street. Worked fine!

TFK: How does it feel to win the girl in the end?

WALLACE: Interesting question, I don't really know if I have won "the girl" in the end. It

does seem as though I am attractive to women. Though Lady Tottington is a very high-class lady, I can see why she is attracted to me. I think it's my clothes. My interesting personality also attracts them.

TFK: What's next for you and Gromit?

WALLACE: It's a secret and if I tell you, you might tell someone else. Well actually we are going to ... oops, hang on. Mr. Nick Park has just knocked on the front door. I'll get back to you soon. Ta-ta!

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Try This



Fall in love with fall
Celebrate autumn with these fun activities

Your family will go nutty for these clever fall treats, which look like acorns but taste a lot sweeter.

DOUGH NUTS

- Here's how to make one dough nut, above:
1. Frost a third or so of a plain or glazed doughnut hole with chocolate frosting or peanut butter.
 2. Next, roll the frosted top in crumbled toffee (look for it in the baking section of grocery stores).
 3. Add a small piece of pretzel for the stem.

— FamilyFun magazine



ACORN CUPCAKES

To make one, first frost a cupcake (baked from your favorite recipe or a mix) with orange-tinted frosting.

Add some foliage by using small cookie cutters to cut oak leaf shapes from fruit leather. Set the leaves on the cupcake, then add decorators' gel veins. Next, make a tasty acorn by fixing a chocolate kiss to a mini vanilla wafer with a dollop of frosting, then set the acorn atop the cupcake.

— FamilyFun magazine



LEAF THROUGH THIS FALL READ

Fall can be an educational treasure hunt when leaves float to the ground. Kids ages 6 to 12 can learn how to identify leaves and turn their collections into an album with "Rona Beame's Backyard Explorer Kit" (Workman Publishing, \$11.95).

The leaf and tree guide helps kids learn names of leaf shapes and how to identify trees based on their leaves. It explains how to dry, press and mount leaves in the kit's album. The kit also comes with a plastic leaf-collecting envelope, a sheet of stickers and a shoelace for binding the album.

— Martha Sheridan

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