



Final reading of smoking ban set for Tuesday

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

An ordinance banning smoking in public places is expected to be the hot topic Tuesday as the Big Spring City Council gets ready to consider final reading of the controversial measure.

Having passed first reading on a 5-2 vote — council members Greg Biddison and Manuel Ramirez Jr. both opposed the ordinance — the ordinance would effectively ban smoking

in all public places, including offices and office buildings that are open to the public, restaurants and department stores. Bars and lounges would be exempt.

"Restaurants that want to provide a smoking section will have to have a separate heating and air condition system for that area to prevent the smoke from being spread throughout," Shotts explained. "They would also be required to have the area walled off with a door that seals and separate heating and

air conditioning systems.

"Bars would be exempt from the ordinance, as would non-public businesses. If they don't have an office or building where customers can walk in, they wouldn't be subject to the ordinance."

The ordinance also includes a 50-foot "safe zone" around public places.

"If you have a bunch of people right outside the front door, you may have to walk through several feet of smoke just to get in the building," said

Councilwoman Gloria McDonald. "I really think we need to look at creating a safe zone — about 50 feet — outside the door so that wouldn't happen."

And while lighting up in a public place may be a misdemeanor, Shotts said the penalty carries some definite teeth.

"Because this ordinance is health related, the fine can range between \$1 and \$2,000," Shotts recently told the council.

During the council's last meeting, held Aug. 22, the ordi-

nance — which is based on a similar ordinance passed by the city of Lubbock several years ago — received both support and condemnation from local residents and business owners.

"I do not believe that your designation of public places is correct," local business owner Scott Emerson told the council. "My private business is open to the public, but it is still my personal property. I pay taxes on it and I collect sales taxes for you."

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REMEMBERING 9-11



The Big Spring Police Department Color Guard posts the colors during this morning's ceremony at the VA Medical Center remembering the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, D.C.

Nation marks fifth anniversary with somber reflection

By ERIN McCLAM
AP National Writer

NEW YORK — Five years after terrorists wrought death from clear skies, the nation began its observation of a solemn anniversary Monday, with plans for silent reflection and fresh mourning for the nearly 3,000 lives lost on Sept. 11, 2001.

On the 16-acre New York City expanse where the World Trade Center once stood, four moments of silence were planned for 8:46, 9:03, 9:59 and 10:29 a.m., the times when jetliners struck each of the twin towers, and when each tower fell.

Family members began arriving before 7 a.m. at the trade center site, some clutching bouquets of roses and framed photos of their loved ones. Others wore pins bearing pictures of the victims.

"I think it's important that people remember as years go on," said Diana Kellie, of Acaconda, Mont., whose niece and niece's fiancé were killed on one of the planes. "The dead are really not dead until they're forgotten."

Firefighter Tommy King and others stood beside a fire truck with a windshield emblazoned with the names of two comrades who died on Sept. 11.

"It's just weird being back here," King said outside the World Financial Center, where he hasn't been for five years. "This building here was a morgue."

Spouses and partners of the 2,749 people who died at the trade center were to read the names of the victims as families of the victims descend to roam the site and lay flowers.

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To mark anniversary of attacks, President Bush tours 9/11 sites

By JENNIFER LOVEN
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — President Bush is abandoning the quiet approach he has adopted in recent years to mark the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

On this, the tragedy's fifth anniversary, he's taking a grim but high-profile journey to weep with relatives of the fallen at each of the three scenes of devastation.

One year after the attacks, Bush also visited each site, tearfully embracing family mem-

bers and delivering symbol-laden speeches from the Pentagon and New York's Ellis Island. But the president hasn't taken that tack since, choosing to observe the anniversaries largely without fanfare.

He typically makes a trip across the street from the White House for a service of remembrance at St. John's Episcopal Church and then presides over a moment of silence on the South Lawn. Aides said this was in keeping with the president's view that the anniversary should be solely about the

9/11 families.

This year, it will be Vice President Dick Cheney who will remain in Washington to perform those duties. Bush, meanwhile, is spending nearly 24 hours traveling from New York's ground zero to the Pennsylvania field where Flight 93 was diverted from its murderous intentions into the ground to the rebuilt Pentagon wall where another hijacked jetliner pierced the most enduring symbol of American military might.

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Big Spring Postmaster Gary Crittenden (left) presents a framed enlargement of the Postal Services stamp honoring 9-11 firefighters to Big Spring Fire Department Deputy Chief Rich Grove and Lt. Cecil Cevallos.

Fair Queen Pageant deadline extended

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Managing Editor

The deadline to enter the 2006 Howard County Fair Queen Pageant has been extended to 5 p.m. Thursday.

Pageant coordinators had originally set the deadline for entries at 5 p.m. today. However, with the prospect of many people focusing their attentions on the fifth anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, the decision was made to extend the deadline for three days.

The pageant will get under way at 10 a.m. with a preliminary workshop at 10

a.m. Saturday. Judging and crowning will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday in the ballroom of the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Rules for the pageant state that each club; social, fraternal and religious group; business; or school organization in Howard County and adjoining counties may enter contestant. The contestant does not have to be a member of the sponsoring organization, but must be a resident of Howard or an adjoining county.

Contestants must also be enrolled in any area high school class or be

enrolled in Howard College or the Southwest Collegiate School for the Deaf. They must be single, have never been married and not have children.

Each sponsor is required to pay a \$35 entry fee, which must accompany the entry.

The contestants will be attired in denim sportswear and an evening dress during competition. The sportswear is of the contestant's choosing, but must be appropriate and be at least 50 percent denim. Evening wear is similar to prom

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Obituaries

James L. "Jim" George

James L. "Jim" George, 80, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Sept. 7, 2006, in a local nursing home. Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 11, 2006, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Chaplain Walter McCall of Odyssey Hospice, officiating and Rev. Elwin Collom, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church, assisting. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on July 27, 1926, in Dougherty, Okla., and married Dean Stallcup on Sept. 14, 1946, in Clovis, N.M.

Jim came to Big Spring in 1988 from Garden City. He had worked as a construction supervisor in the construction industry until retiring in 1993 after 46 years. He was a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church where he served as a deacon. Jim served in the United States Navy from 1943 to 1946. He was involved in and coached Little League Baseball for a number of years.

Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Dean George of Big Spring; three sons, Lee George of Big Spring, Michael George of Lakeland, Fla., and Cecil George of Ft. Stockton; one daughter, Gayle Graham of Tulsa, Okla.; 13 grandchildren, Chris and Patrick George, Michelle King, Matt Graham, Jennifer Guire, Michael and Ashley George, Shayly Burnham, Shelby Flowers, James George and Ryan, Joseph and Clayton Lauderdale; and 11 great-grandchildren, Ryan and Kevin King, Sydney, Karter and Bayley Burnham, Andie George, Sarah George, Tyler George, Taylor Flowers and Brooklyn and Delaney Guire.

Pallbearers will be Jerry Musgrove, David Roberts, Wendal North, Mike Moates, Mark Tissue and Mark Hyatt. Honorary pallbearers will be all Deacons of Hillcrest Baptist Church

The family suggests memorials be made to Odyssey Hospice, 1003 East FM 700, Big Spring 79720.

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

Paid obituary

Harry E. Salyer



Harry E. Salyer, 62, of Lubbock departed this life to enter his heavenly home on Sept. 9, 2006, after a courageous two-year battle with pancreatic cancer.

Harry was born June 9, 1944, in Jasper County, Ind., to Denzell and Martha Salyer. Upon graduation from Wheatfield High School, Ind., he entered active duty service with the U.S. Air Force in June 1962. Following basic training and technical training, he began his Air Force career as an aircraft mechanic at Webb AFB in Big Spring. There he met and married his wife, Mary Elaine Langley, in 1966. He served in various locations throughout his 26-year career including Thailand, Colo., Great Britain, New Mexico and Guam. His final assignment to Reese AFB brought him and his family to Lubbock in 1978. He attained the top enlisted rank of chief master sergeant, earning many awards and medals throughout his career, and retired on Oct. 31, 1989.

After his retirement from the Air Force, he worked at the physical plant at Texas Tech University for 11 years before retiring in March 2003. He also partnered with wife, Elaine, in their home construction business.

Harry's greatest pleasure was spending time with his family. He loved to attend his grandchildren's activities and would rarely miss one of their sporting events. He regularly traveled to visit his grandchildren who live out of town. His last trip was to welcome the birth of his newest granddaughter, born Aug. 1. He also loved to travel to Indiana to visit his six sisters and their families.

He is preceded in death by his parents in June 1993.

Survivors include his wife, Elaine; one son, Shane Salyer, and wife, Christi, of Lubbock; one daughter, Shawna Stapleton, and husband, Pete, of Montgomery, Ala.; six grandchildren, Maddie, Jake and Carley Salyer and Nick, Jack and Emma Kate Stapleton; six sisters, Mayola Humes, Mary Fifield, Maxine French, Betty Dobson, Ruth Brock and Carolyn Dykhuizen, all of Indiana; and his mother-in-law, Jean Langley Kelley. Also surviving are numerous loving nieces and nephews.

Visitation for family and friends will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today, Monday, Sept. 11, 2006, at Sanders Funeral Home.

Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2006, at Sanders Memorial Chapel with Mark Proctor officiating. Interment with military honors will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Sanders Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Fellowship Church Lubbock, Hospice of Lubbock or Pancreatica.org.

Paid obituary

Sara Chavarria



Sara Chavarria, 79, of Big Spring died Saturday, Sept. 9, 2006, in a local nursing home. Prayer services will be 7:30 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with her grandson Mike Villareal, officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Sept. 1, 1927, in Midland to Braulia and Evaristo Brito. She was a homemaker and a member of Templo Belen Assembly of God Church. She lived most of her life in Big Spring.

She is survived by three sons: Albert Chavarria and Vincent Martinez, both of Big Spring and Rey Chavarria of Midland; four daughters: Yolanda Villareal of Odessa, Olga Chavarria, Rosa Pineda and Ermelinda Cano, all of Big Spring; three brothers: Esequiel Nollola, Silverio Nollola, and Rudy Nollola, all of California; one sister: Esperanza Soria of Midland; 21 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Lalo Chavarria, Sr.; one daughter, Paula Villareal; and two sons: David and Edward Chavarria.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

Lois Mae Britton

Lois Mae Britton, 68, of Big Spring, died Saturday, Sept. 9, 2006, at her residence. Private family services will be held at a later date. She was born on May 28, 1938, to Henry and Edna Pearl Rhone in Odessa. She had been a resident of Big Spring since 1976 and was a Baptist.

She had worked as a waitress for Lou's Café for over 18 years.

She is survived by her husband, Herman Reinert, of Big Spring; one daughter, Tricia Jones of Lubbock; two brothers, Jerry Rhone of Merkel and Carl Rhone of Arkansas. She was survived by two grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, six brothers and sisters.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

Mary Evelyn Holmes

Mary Evelyn Holmes, 96, of Columbia, Mo., formerly of Big Spring, died Sunday, Sept. 3, 2006, at South Hampton Place, her residence since November 2001. Services will be held 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2006, at the First Christian Church in Big Spring with Rev. Doyle Holmes of Lubbock officiating and assisted by Rev. Ken McIntosh, pastor of First Christian Church. Interment will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

Visitation will be from 1 p.m. until service-time on Tuesday.

Evelyn was born Sept. 3, 1910, in Yoakum, to Charles Allen and Sylvia Daisy Peterson. She married Darius Justin Holmes, June 3, 1933, and moved to Big Spring in 1938. A stay-at-home Mom to two sons, Justin Allen and David Lewis, she was active in her children's school activities such as PTA, and Cub Scouts, and assisted as a classroom volunteer. For many years she volunteered at Big Spring State Hospital and Big Spring Veterans Hospital, and as a "pink lady" at Malone and Hogan/Scenic Mountain Hospital. Evelyn was also active in the First Christian Church, helping to prepare the church newsletter, participating in Christian Women's Fellowship, and several other church related activities.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her husband of 41 years; her son, Colonel Justin Allen Holmes; two sisters and one brother. Her survivors include son, three great-grandsons; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Memorials may be sent to the First Christian Church, 911 Goliad St., Big Spring 79720; or to South Hampton Place "Activity Fund", 4700 Brandon Woods, Columbia, Mo. 65203; or to a charity of choice.

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

Dickie Carl Partlow



Dickie Carl Partlow, 57, of Big Spring, died on Sunday, Sept. 10, 2006, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2006, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Elwin Collom, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. today at the funeral home.

He was born on April 6, 1949, in Big Spring, and married Helen Johnson on March 10, 1978, in Lovington, N.M.

Dickie worked for the Alon Refinery since 1972 and was the owner of Partlow's Big Spring Tire. His hobbies were rebuilding classic cars and motorcycles. He was a member of the Big Spring Cruisers Car Club and the C-C Rider Car Club in Colorado City.

He was a member of First Baptist Church and was a veteran of the United States Navy.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Partlow of Big Spring; one daughter, Erica Melton of Fort Worth; two sons, Treavor Partlow of Big Spring, and Michael Partlow of New Hampshire; one brother, George Adams of Fruit Vale; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Heart Association, 3205 W. Cuthbert, Ste A-5, Midland 79701.

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

Police Report

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 10 a.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. today:

- MICHAEL RAY LEWIS, 45, of 1404 Wood, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.
- ANNA MARIE CUELLAR, 37, of 2509 Chanute, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.
- MARK ROCHA, 30, of 631 Settles, was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- JASON HENRY, 28, of Killeen, was arrested Sunday on a Bell County warrant.
- JESSE OLGUIN, 22, of 5702 Wasson, was arrested Sunday on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
- GABRIEL BARRAZA, 20, of 2603 Hunter, was arrested Sunday on a charge of disorderly conduct displaying a firearm.
- LIZA RIOS, 22, of 1023 Bluebonnet, was arrested Sunday on a charge of interfering with the discharge of a police officer's duties.
- THEFT was reported:
 - in the 2500 block of Hunter.
 - in the 800 block of Interstate Highway 20.
 - in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.
 - in the 1200 block of 11th Place.
 - in the 1600 block of Fourth Street.
- POSSESSION/DELIVERY OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA was reported in the 1400 block of Sixth Street.
- RESISTING ARREST, SEARCH OR TRANSPORTATION was reported in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported:
 - in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.
 - in the 2300 block of Mishler.
 - in the 2400 block of Alabama.
- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 300 block of Union.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported:
 - in the 1700 block of Purdue.
 - in the 1400 block of Dixie.
- UNLAWFULLY CARRYING A WEAPON was reported in the 300 block of 11th Place.

Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night: Winning numbers drawn: 1-13-31-34-39-48. Number matching six of six: 0. Estimated jackpot for Wednesday night drawing: \$7 million.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Saturday night: Winning numbers drawn: 13-19-27-28-29. Number matching five of five: 0.

Weather

Today — Increasing clouds. A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 80s. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Tonight — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 60s. Northeast winds around 10 mph in the evening becoming light and variable.

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Float and Fly again draws model plain enthusiasts



Jonathan, left, and John Womack clean their model float plane after taking it for a spin during the annual Float and Fly Weekend event at Comanche Trail Lake Saturday afternoon.

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Flying your model airplane at the lake can be fun — as long as your plane doesn't end up in the lake, that is.

Several members of the Big Spring Model Airplane Association took advantage of ideal conditions this past weekend to participate in their annual Float and Fly event at Comanche Trail Lake.

Don McKinney, longtime model aircraft enthusiast, said taking off and landing a radio-controlled plane on water presents a different sort of challenge to doing the same on dry land.

"One thing about it is you're not restricted to a 20-foot or 100-foot runway," McKinney said. "You have as wide an area to take off or land as you want. It's just a different approach to flying, with different techniques."

"People get to doing this, and they just get addicted to float flying," he added.

McKinney first became interested in model air-

craft in the late 1930s, but got away from the hobby when he joined the service in 1942.

"In 1985, my son, his wife and my wife decided to buy me a plane for my birthday," he said. "It was the first time I worked on them since 1942 ... and I'm still working on it."

There's a certain thrill factor to float flying, enthusiast Robert Walker said.

"It's a big rush — just the adrenaline part of it is great," Walker said. "Float flying is a little more challenging. You have to finesse the plane more."

Building and flying model planes isn't cheap, but it won't break you, either, Walker said. Building a lake-worthy float plane can cost from \$300 up.

"It's like cars and motorcycles," he said. "It just depends on what you want on it."

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Public hearing on city budget slated tonight

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council is expected to hold several public hearings during its Tuesday evening meeting, as the municipality looks to give final approval to its 2006-2007 budget.

The council is expected to entertain final reading of an ordinance adopting the \$32.2 million budget, which was approved on first reading in August by a 6-1 vote, with Councilwoman Stephanie Horton the lone dissenter.

The budget, which manages to come in approximately \$346,000 below expected revenues for the fiscal year, provides for a number of improvements to city facilities, including T-hangars at the McMahon-Wrinkle

A similar public hearing held in late August drew no comments from area taxpayers.

Airpark and an automatic meter reading program for the city water department.

The council is also expected to hold a public hearing concerning the proposed property tax for 2006-2007, which is expected to be .71.63 cent per \$100 valuation.

A similar hearing held in late August drew no comments from area taxpayers.

Following the hearing, the council is expected to entertain first reading of an ordinance adopting the proposed tax rate.

Also on Tuesday's agenda:

Public hearings concerning renewal of the citywide curfew and a specific use permit for a telecommunications tower.

Final reading or ordinance allowing the Mayor to execute a contract with the Howard County

Elections Administrator; a resolution authorizing the mayor to execute an agreement with Howard County for operation of the Spring City Senior Citizens Center; a resolution authorizing the mayor to execute a lease agreement with Cornell Corrections; and accep-

tance of minutes from several municipal boards.

Final reading of an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances to place a ban on smoking in public places.

Emergency reading of a resolution authorizing the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Application for community development funds.

First reading of a resolution directing the mayor to execute an agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for a Routine Airport Maintenance Program grant.

First reading of a resolution authorizing the mayor to execute an agreement with Victim Services for lease of a

building.

First reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 14, Article 3 of the City Code entitled "Minors" by adding Section 14-30 entitled "curfew ordinance extended."

First reading of an ordinance providing for the issuance of a specific use permit for a telecommunications tower.

Also on Tuesday's agenda, the council is expected to adjourn into executive session to evaluate City Manager Gary Fuqua, City Attorney Jean Shotts and Municipal Judge Tim Green.

The meeting will get under way Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, located at 307 E. Fourth Street.

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"I really think my rights as a citizen of Big Spring are slowly being eroded, and I wish you, as a council, would rethink this issue just because I don't think you have any place in small business to tell a property owner

what they can do."

Local resident and cancer survivor Ronnie Wood spoke in favor of the measure, citing second hand smoke as a serious health risk.

"I support your ban on smoking in public

places," Wood told the council. "It would be beneficial to the health of the individuals sitting in these restaurants and other places where smoking is being carried on, and I support anything you or any other city can

do to eliminate that. As a health risk, it's an extremely expensive thing to pay for all of the things that go on to help resolve all of those illnesses."

The meeting will get under way Tuesday at

5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, located at 307 E. Fourth Street.

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dress attire.

Prizes for the pageant include \$600 in scholarships. The queen will receive a \$300 scholarship, in addition to a J. Renee photo shoot, a gift basket from Southwest Stylin' Station and one month of tanning sessions from Lady Bug.

The first runner-up will receive a \$200 scholarship, while the second runner-up will receive a \$100 scholarship. Miss Congeniality, who will be selected by a vote of the contestants, will receive a gift, as well.

Entry forms for the pageant are available at Faye's Flowers, Posey Cotton Company or the Howard County Extension Office. They must be returned to the County Extension office not later than 5 p.m. Thursday.

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OUR VIEWS

We must make sure of our aim in war on terror

Five years. The anger, shock and disbelief have subsided with time. And, to some extent, so has resolve. We as Americans survived the best terrorists could muster five years ago and started battling back.

We call today Patriots Day and honor those whose lives were forever changed on Sept. 11, 2001.

While there are still plenty of questions that we may never have answers to, as a nation we've been able to rebound from the shock of that day and are now engaged in a war on terror against those avowed to deprive us of our way of life.

There's no longer a shred of doubt in anyone's mind that Osama bin Laden and his fanatical following were responsible the hijacking attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon five years ago today.

But what has become even more evident in the past few years of this war on terrorism in which we are now engaged is that it is unlike any war the United States has ever waged, one that sadly we've all gotten used to.

Somehow, however, it seems in some very serious ways we've gotten off track.

America is now mired in what seems an unending mess in Iraq — a war that has now taken almost as many U.S. military lives as the total number of souls lost in the Sept. 11 attacks.

News from Afghanistan indicates that the Taliban has regrouped there and become stronger.

And bin Laden? U.S. intelligence sources haven't had a good lead on his whereabouts in two years.

The real problem, is that the "war on terror" has become a political football and becomes moreso with each passing day.

We think the real problem in our nation's war on terror deals with the fact that any of us ever thought the way to deal with Islamic terrorists was using our military might.

You simply don't win the hearts and minds of anyone by killing people. Instead, you develop fear and hatred, and in the process, create a vicious cycle.

As we have noted before on this date, perhaps we need to remember this war is a test of faith.

Will the truths our forefathers termed "self-evident" outlast religious fanaticism?

We still believe they will.

But we need to remember that our forefathers pointed to those self-evident truths in explaining their reason for rebelling against a nation trying to impose its political will on its American colonies.

And, more importantly, we need to remember that fanaticism is the enemy.

Those fanatics wanting to destroy the freedoms Americans have fought and died for during the past 230 years still need to understand that we can be ruthless and will continue to be when it was necessary.

But we need to make sure our wrath is visited on those who attack us.

Otherwise, we cheapen the loss of those who not only lost their lives on Sept. 11, but those who've died in our defense during the past five years.

We should remember and honor all of them.

A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we always remember loved ones, friends and You, Lord.

Amen

There is a political 'Plan B'

In 1984, we called it the "A Team." We were the small group of audacious women who came up with the idea that we were going to groom a woman for the vice presidential ticket, even before we knew who was going to be at the top of the ticket. Our top priority was Geraldine Ferraro, a three-term U.S. Representative whom most Americans had never heard of when I became her top aide on the Democratic Platform Committee. No problem. I brought in Madeleine Albright to brush her up on foreign policy. We held meetings and receptions around the country, helped her develop a national base — and, of course, she was the last woman to serve on a national ticket.

Twenty-four years is too long. Many Democratic women are pinning their hopes on Hillary for the top of the ticket.

But we women have been around long enough to understand that there always has to be a "Plan B."

After all, while I think Hillary will run, not everyone agrees with me. While I think Hillary will win the nomination, many women don't. Even many who support her are concerned that she could be upended in Iowa by John Edwards, run into trouble in South Carolina from Edwards and Virginia Governor Mark Warner, and be weakened by early losses. Anything is possible.

And women must be prepared.

There is more than one woman capable of being on the

Democratic ticket. Problem is, most people don't seem to realize that; and with a 500-pound gorilla like Hillary at center stage, it may be difficult to see.

Thus, Plan B. If Hillary is Plan A, with her race for the top of the ticket, then Plan B is the effort to do what we did 22 years ago — help prepare the party, its leaders and its potential candidates to put a woman in the number two spot.

Senior Democratic women are sure about this: We are not going to be satisfied with a ticket with two men on it in 2008. Not when we have not only Hillary, but a number of absolutely first-rate women governors who could, and should, be groomed for the number two spot on the ticket. Not when committed women like long-time Democratic donor Lynne Wasserman, Secretary General of the Council of Women World Leaders Laura Liswood, and pro-choice activist and Oklahoma Democratic Party leader Pam Fleischaker are ready to sign on to the effort. Not to mention yours truly.

And for once, we have a real pool of talent, beginning with two of the nation's outstanding governors, Janet Napolitano and Kathleen Sebelius, governors of Arizona and Kansas respectively. What amazing women these two are. And yet, I bet if you aren't from their states, you may not even have heard of them.

Governors are the traditional breeding ground for president.

Think George W. Bush, Bill Clinton, Ronald Reagan, Jimmy Carter, to name four.

Janet Napolitano is the first woman to chair the National Governors Association. A former

Attorney General and U.S. Attorney for Arizona, she has made law enforcement and border security two of her top priorities. But she has also phased in full-day kindergarten as an option for every child in Arizona. When she came into office, she faced a billion-dollar deficit, which she managed to erase without raising taxes or cutting vital services. What a profile. She is also a terrific campaigner and avid sports fan, and she inspires tremendous loyalty among those who know her. She is easily favored to win re-election to a second term this fall.

Kathleen Sebelius served four terms in the Kansas House of Representatives and two terms as Insurance Commissioner before being elected governor. Time magazine named her one of the nation's top five governors, citing her work to cut waste in government and bridge the partisan divide. During her term, she has come up with nearly \$1 billion in savings. She has made education and job creation top priorities of her administration, and more Kansans are working today than ever before.

Compare these two women's records with, say, George Bush's record as governor, or Bill Clinton's, also a former NGA Chair, or Ronald Reagan or Jimmy Carter, and the short answer is that there is no difference except in the people behind them pushing and supporting their rise to the top.

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A case of mistaken identity

With the disclosure that former Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage was the initial source for Robert Novak's July 2003 column that ousted CIA operative Valerie Wilson — also known as Valerie Plame, wife of former ambassador and Iraq-war critic Joseph Wilson — it is now clear that all the hype about a Bush-inspired vendetta against the Wilsons is bunk.

The outing of Wilson was not an act of treason. It was not a deliberate effort to smear an administration critic. It was not an act of revenge orchestrated by Bush political guru Karl Rove. It was not an effort to hurt anyone's CIA career. It was gossip.

As Newsweek reporter Michael Isikoff, co-author of the book "Hubris," about the Wilson leak and Iraq pre-war intelligence, wrote, "Armitage, a well-known gossip who loves to dish and receive juicy tidbits about Washington characters, apparently hadn't thought through the possible implications of telling Novak about Plame's identity."

No one knows how much Special Prosecutor Patrick Fitzgerald has spent in taxpayer money investigating this leak, but figure the probe came with a hefty price tag because he has been in business since December 2003. We do know now, however, that when Fitzgerald set up shop, the secretary of state and someone at the Department of Justice knew that Armitage leaked the story. As

Fitzgerald has failed to charge Armitage, it seems as though the leak was not a crime — which suggests that the investigation has been colossal waste of time and money.

What did America learn? Rove confirmed Wilson's identity. Big deal. As Mark Corallo, who served as Rove's spokesman during this controversy, noted, Rove "never made a single phone call to a single journalist on this matter. He simply answered two phone questions from two journalists." For confirming, not initiating, the Armitage leak, Rove was hauled before a grand jury five times.

Rove is not the only White House aide made to jump through hoops. Some 2,000 White House staffers also were hopping, as they had to produce phone records, diaries and correspondence.

Then-New York Times reporter Judith Miller spent 85 days behind bars before disclosing who told her about Wilson — even though she never wrote about the CIA operative's identity. That's another colossal waste of taxpayer dollars, which would have been better spent jailing a real criminal.

Fitzgerald has charged Scooter Libby, Vice President Dick Cheney's former top aide, with perjury and obstruction of justice. But the special prosecutor's failure to charge the original leaker makes one question whether Fitzgerald was mindful of his office's mandate — that a special prosecutor's probe, as Attorney General Janet Reno wrote in 1999, "be conducted ably, expeditiously and thoroughly, and that investigative and prosecutorial decisions will be supported by an informed understanding of the criminal law and Department of

Justice policies."

Instead, Fitzgerald's actions have been plodding and heavy-handed, landing a journalist who didn't write on the leak behind bars, while the leaker remained anonymous and free.

As for the timetable, while Deputy U.S. Attorney General James B. Comey told reporters that Fitzgerald had a reputation for working quickly, Fitzgerald has spent years investigating a leak that he has failed to prosecute, although the Libby case is pending.

The irony is that as Joe Wilson charged that the White House was pursuing him as an act of revenge, he emerges as a partisan bent on punishing those with whom he disagreed. Wilson, after all, once bragged that he wanted to see Rove "frog-marched out of the White House in handcuffs." The Wilsons filed a silly lawsuit against Libby, Cheney and Rove.

Armitage was not an Iraq war hawk, so it should come as no surprise that Wilson's attorney has given Armitage a pass. "Mr. Armitage's conduct does not change the facts of what Libby, Cheney and Rove did," Melanie Sloan told CNN. "The case is about the abuse of government power."

Yes, it is about the abuse of government power. The victims are the innocent staffers and journalists who had to face the threat of jail over three years, while Armitage was too ashamed to come forward and admit what he had begun.

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Prepare now to keep your family safe in a disaster

Although disasters kill hundreds and injure thousands of people each year in the United States, local residents can help keep themselves and their families safe in emergencies by taking a few steps to become prepared now.

September is National Preparedness Month, which is part of an annual effort to help communities in every state become better prepared for disasters. To help citizens become disaster-ready, Texas Cooperative Extension, the Texas Department of State



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Health Services, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the American Red Cross are offering information on the steps each person should take before a disaster occurs. Being disaster-prepared is more than just knowing what to do in case of a tornado or a fire. It also involves:

- Developing and practicing an emergency plan for your family
- Preparing 72-hour disaster supplies kits for your home, office and car
- Understanding your community's warning systems and evacuation routes
- Knowing whom to contact in your community for more information
- Getting involved in local preparedness efforts

Disasters most often are unpredictable, and they can be devastating. But the more you prepare, the better you will know exactly what to do and where to go and the more

likely that you and your family will be safe. For more information on this topic contact the Texas Cooperative Extension Howard County Office at 432-264-2236 or visit the office located in the basement of the Howard County Courthouse. Other tips are available through a nationwide network known as the Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN). Texas EDEN information is on the web at <http://texas-help.tamu.edu>.

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Spice up disease-fighting ability; some seasonings carry loads of antioxidants

By KERRY NEVILLE

Chicago Tribune

A tasty way to improve your health may be as near as your spice rack. Besides adding signature flavor and color to dishes, certain herbs and spices are chock-full of beneficial compounds that may help protect against cancer, heart disease, diabetes and even Alzheimer's.

A study by the U.S. Department of Agriculture found that ounce for ounce, some herbs and spices have more antioxidant activity than many fruits and vegetables. Antioxidants fight harmful free radicals in your body that might otherwise damage cells, potentially leading to disease.

Although the research is promising, adding herbs and spices to your foods isn't a magical cure-all. Most of the findings to date are based on lab and animal studies, not human trials, so the results are suggestive, not the definitive word. And many of the studies use amounts higher than you might normally shake on your foods and/or use the spices and herbs in pill forms instead.

Nonetheless, herbs and spices add great flavor — all without adding sugar, salt or fat — so potentially better health is even more reason to sprinkle them on.

Here's the current research on the beneficial properties of some herbs and spices, along with tips from Jackie Newgent, registered dietitian and culinary instructor at The Institute of Culinary Education in New York, on flavorful ways to add these ingredients to your diet.

Cinnamon: Of all the spices, cinnamon is one of the richest sources of antioxidants. Research on its health benefits has been building over the years, demonstrating cinnamon's very promising role in protecting against several diseases and conditions.

Previous studies that have tested cinnamon on people with type 2 diabetes have found that as little as a teaspoon of cinnamon a day can help lower the risk of the constellation of factors associated with metabolic syndrome — high blood cholesterol, triglyceride and glucose levels — by as much as 10 to 30 percent. Having metabolic syndrome puts you at increased risk for type 2 diabetes and heart disease.

A recent lab study by Richard Anderson, a scientist with the USDA in Beltsville, Md., helps explain some of the mechanisms behind cinnamon's insulin-like effects.



Tumeric, from left, oregano, cinnamon and ginger are displayed at a spice shop in Chicago.

He found that the antioxidants in cinnamon increase the amounts of three key proteins that are important in insulin signaling, glucose transport and inflammatory response.

Cinnamon has also been studied for other benefits, including its anti-microbial and anti-bacterial properties.

Other research has focused on cinnamon's role in improving cognitive function. Previous studies have shown that just smelling cinnamon can boost performance and alertness, stimulate the brain and cut fatigue. One study found cinnamon improved scores on tasks such as memory,

recognition, visual-motor speed and coordination and attention. More recent findings from researchers at Wheeling Jesuit University in West Virginia found that cinnamon's scent helped decrease frustration and increase alertness while driving.

Tasty tip: Simmer rice with a cinnamon stick for Middle Eastern flair, sprinkle cinnamon into chili as a Cincinnati-style secret ingredient or add a teaspoon into your coffee grinder with the beans for an aromatic wake-up.

Ginger: Used for centuries for its medicinal properties, ginger is best known for helping to soothe the nausea of

motion and morning sickness. Research shows ginger also is a powerful antioxidant. The active compound in ginger is gingerol, shown in studies to inhibit cancer growth in animals. It also acts as an anti-inflammatory so it may be useful in fighting a range of diseases from heart disease to arthritis and Alzheimer's.

Tasty tip: Stir grated fresh or ground ginger into low-fat mayonnaise and use as a condiment with grilled chicken.

Oregano: An antioxidant powerhouse, fresh oregano, on a per gram basis, has 42 times more antioxidant activity than an apple, 12 times more than an orange and 4 times more than blueberries. Of all the herbs studied, three different types of oregano — Mexican, Italian and Greek Mountain — scored highest in antioxidant activity, a USDA study showed. Other herbs that pack an antioxidant punch include coriander, bay leaf, dill, rosemary and savory.

Tasty tip: Stir finely chopped fresh oregano into couscous or simmer it in store-bought pasta sauce for a semi-home-made touch.

Turmeric: Curcumin is the compound found in turmeric, a key ingredient in curry powder that provides its distinctive yellow hue. But curcumin adds much more than just color.

Researchers think curcumin can help protect the brain against oxidative damage that might contribute to the development of dementia and Alzheimer's by thwarting the development of destructive brain plaques and easing inflammation that could exacerbate the disease.

Curcumin may also help with cystic fibrosis.

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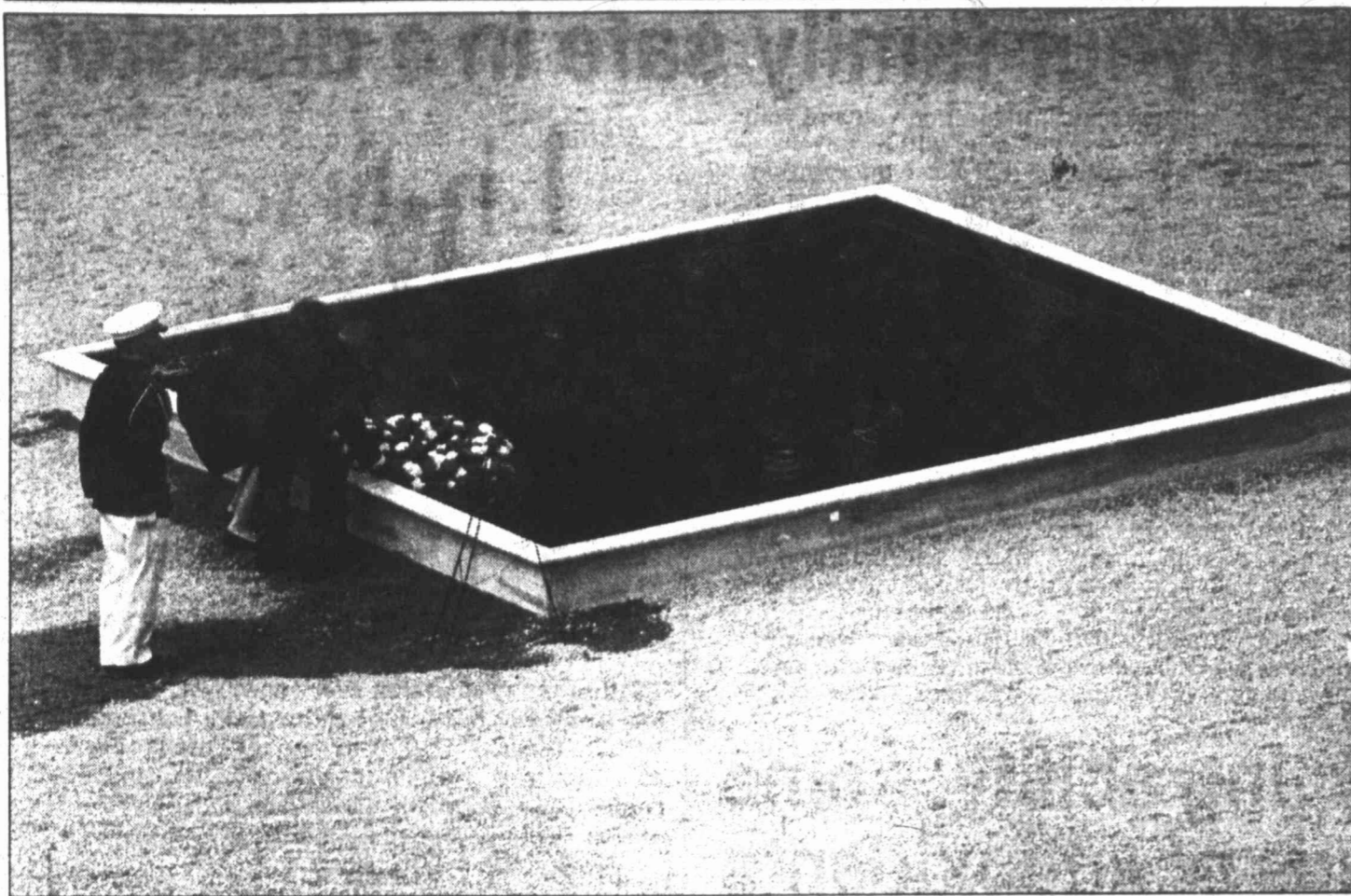
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President George W. Bush and First Lady Laura Bush place a wreath in a reflecting pool at the spot where the south tower of the World Trade Center once stood during a visit to ground zero in Manhattan Sunday.

BUSH

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The tour is packed with symbols that recall both the devastation of the day when terrorists killed nearly 3,000 on American soil, and the high point of Bush's presidency that followed.

Bush said in an interview broadcast Monday that on the day the country was attacked, he came harshly to grip with the reality that "we were involved in an ideological struggle akin to the Cold War."

"In the long term, we've got to defeat an ideology of hate with an ideology of hope," he said on NBC's "Today" show.

"There's a reason why people like (al-Qaida leader Osama) bin Laden are able to recruit suiciders," Bush said, "because if you don't have hope, you're attracted to an ideology which

says, it's OK to kill people and kill yourself."

In a separate interview, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice acknowledged that the United States does not know bin Laden's whereabouts, but said, "I know that his world has gotten smaller."

"I'd be the first to say the United States was not fully prepared" for Sept. 11, 2001, Rice told CBS' "The Early Show" Monday.

The president's Sept. 11 commemoration began Sunday with the laying of wreaths in two small reflecting pools in the pits that are all that remain of the once-soaring twin towers of the World Trade Center. Afterward, the president and his wife, Laura, attended a service of prayer and remembrance at nearby St. Paul's Chapel.

Jane V'igiano, who lost two sons in the attack — Joe, a policeman and

John, a firefighter — greeted the Bushes and sat next to the president. On Laura Bush's side was Bob Beckwith, the retired firefighter who handed Bush the bullhorn through which he vowed vengeance on his first ground zero visit just days after the attacks. Further down was Arlene Howard, the mother of 9/11 victim George Howard, a New York Port Authority police officer. Bush likes to talk about how he keeps Howard's badge as a constant reminder of the attacks.

The president also greeted firefighters at a rebuilt firehouse on the rim of ground zero and toured a private museum next door that is dedicated to 9/11 families.

A tight-faced Bush, clutching his wife's hand, told reporters outside the firehouse that the anniversary was about "renewing resolve."

"Laura and I approach

tomorrow with a heavy heart. It's hard not to think about people who lost their lives on Sept. 11th, 2001," he said. "I vowed that I'm never going to forget the lessons of that day."

After spending the night in New York, he was to observe Monday's anniversary at a Lower East Side firehouse nicknamed "Fort Pitt." There, in honor of the many first responders who rushed into the towers to save lives but lost their own, Bush was having breakfast with several dozen firefighters, city police and Port Authority officers and bowing for moments of silence marking the times when hijacked planes crashed into the two towers.

Later in the day, he was to place more wreaths, on the spot in Shanksville, Pa., where another of the hijacked planes hurtled to the ground and at the Pentagon.

On Sunday afternoon, the Bushes attended a memorial service at St. Paul's Chapel just off ground zero, where George Washington once prayed and where exhausted rescuers sought refuge in 2001 while they dug through the trade center rubble.

A youth choir sang "America the Beautiful" and "My Country 'Tis of Thee," and religious leaders of several faiths offered words of comfort.

At a ceremony Sunday at 7 World Trade Center, the gleaming first office tower to rise at ground zero, Pataki honored first responders and said American freedom represents "the ultimate threat" to terrorists.

Peter Gorman, president of the New York

Uniformed Fire Officers Association, took note of the day's vivid blue sky and said it reminded many of the late-summer morning of Sept. 11, 2001. "Today is still a glorious day in the glorious city of New York, the powerful state of New York, in the United States of America," Gorman said. "New Yorkers and Americans will never bow to terrorism, thanks to the U.S. military, thanks to every first responder in this country."

The anniversary dawned on a nation unrecognizable a half-decade ago — at war in Afghanistan and Iraq, governed by a color-coded terror alert system, newly unable to carry even hair gel onto airplanes.

ABC airs film on lead-up to attacks, despite criticism by Clinton officials

NEW YORK (AP) — ABC aired its miniseries "The Path to 9/11" on Sunday but made editing changes after former Clinton administration officials complained it contained fabricated scenes about their actions prior to the terrorist attacks.

ABC's editing of the five-hour movie, airing on two successive nights starting Sunday, was evident from the very beginning. Twice, the network de-emphasized the role of the 9/11 commission's final report as source material for the film.

The version that aired Sunday also changed a scene that, in a copy of the movie given to television critics a few weeks

ago, indicated President Clinton's preoccupation with his potential impeachment may have affected an effort to go after Osama bin Laden.

In the original scene, an actor portraying White House terrorism czar Richard Clarke shares a limousine ride with FBI agent John O'Neill and tells him: "The Republicans are going all-out for impeachment. I just don't see in that climate the president's going to take chances" and give the order to kill bin Laden.

But in the film aired Sunday, Clarke says to O'Neill: "The president has assured me this ... won't affect his decision-making."

Contract Bridge

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♣ A 9 3
SOUTH
♦ 7
♥ J 8 7 4 3
♠ 9 7
♣ K Q J 7 5

The bidding:
East South West North
1♦ 1♥ 1♠ 4♦
4♥ 4♠ 5♣ 5♥
Pass Pass Dble
Opening lead — four of diamonds.

This deal occurred in the final of the 1994 World Team Championship, which saw the United States come from behind in the last quarter to defeat Poland for the title. The deal is notable in part because it featured a highly competitive auction during which three consecutive bids were made on singletons!

The auction started innocently enough when Krzysztof Lasocki of Poland opened the East hand with one diamond, but when Michael Rosenberg of the U.S. elected to overcall on his skimpy heart suit, things heated up in a hurry. After

Piotr Gawrys' one-spade bid, North, Roger Bates, leaped to four diamonds, a "splinter" bid showing heart support and a singleton or void in diamonds.

Lasocki responded in kind by bidding the opponents' suit, and Rosenberg, perhaps carried away by the giddiness of the moment, returned the compliment. After eight consecutive bids, Lasocki made the first pass of the auction, and Rosenberg ended up at five hearts doubled.

With only two minor-suit tricks to lose and the king of hearts favorably placed, it appeared Rosenberg would have the last laugh. But when he played trumps, Rosenberg forsook the normal percentage play of finessing, playing for East to hold the singleton king. When the king did not fall under the ace, he was down one for a loss of 100 points.

At the other table, with a Polish pair holding the North-South cards, the auction was decidedly more subdued. Chip Martel and Lew Stansby, East-West for the United States, reached four spades in an uncontested auction. Cezary Balicki, looking at four virtually sure tricks in the North hand, doubled, and Stansby lost three spades, a heart and a club to finish down two — minus 500.

The 600-point combined gain gave the Poles a 12-IMP pickup on the deal, and a 21-IMP lead overall, before the U.S. began its surge at the end of the third quarter.

Tomorrow: The magic of good technique.

REMEMBERS

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President Bush visited ground zero Sunday and on Monday was to visit the two other attack sites: Shanksville, Pa., where 40 people were killed when a jet crashed into the ground, and the Pentagon in Arlington, Va., where 184 died.

Bush also planned a prime-time address from the Oval Office.

There were also moments of silence set for 8:46 a.m. in the American and United terminals of Logan International Airport in Boston. American Airlines Flight 11 and United Airlines Flight 175 took off from Logan before slamming into the towers.

On Sunday, Bush marked the eve of the anniversary with somber gestures and few words: He and his wife, Laura, set wreaths in small, square reflecting pools in the pit of the trade center site, one each for where the north and south towers stood.

The Bushes had

descended the long ramp from street level into ground zero accompanied by New York Gov. George Pataki, New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg and Rudolph Giuliani, hailed for his work as mayor in the months after the attack.

"It took about 30 years for this terrorism to develop," Giuliani said Monday morning on ABC's "Good Morning America" as he stood at the site. "It's going to take more than five years to deconstruct them."

"I'm kind of surprised at the progress we've made," he said. "We haven't been attacked in five years. I thought we would be. I thought for sure we would be. I thank god we haven't. But we have to prepare for it."

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Minuteman Project plans border-watch effort

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — After a moment of silence for victims of the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks, a group of civilian border-watchers plan to initiate a nearly two-month operation along the Texas-Mexico border to watch for illegal immigrants and bring attention to security issues.

The Minuteman Project, led by Jim Gilchrist, will team with its Texas affiliate and the American Border Patrol of Arizona to track suspected illegal immigrants and report them to the U.S. Border Patrol.

The groups plan a noontime rally Monday in Laredo to kick off the eight-week "Operation Sovereignty" and hope to start patrols in the highly trafficked Laredo area by Monday evening, said Texas Minutemen President Shannon McGauley.

Reynaldo Garza, acting chief patrol agent for the Laredo border sector, has said the volunteers help information flow to Border Patrol agents but emphasized that the agency never requests help from civilian groups.

Attorneys work on anti-illegal immigrant law

FARMERS BRANCH (AP) — City officials are continuing to work on an ordinance that would try to make it tougher for illegal immigrants to live and work within Farmers Branch.

Some thought the Dallas suburb had put off considering the proposal after officials adopted a resolution last week criticizing the federal government for not resolving illegal immigration.

City attorneys, however, are trying to write an ordinance that can withstand legal challenges, said Farmers Branch Mayor Bob Phelps.

Last month, City Council member Tim O'Hare proposed prohibiting landlords from leasing to illegal immigrants, penalizing businesses that employ undocumented workers and making English the city's official language.

Protesters scolded the proposal as a racist initiative that would single out Latinos, who make up about 37 percent of the city's population of 27,508, according to U.S. Census Bureau figures from 2000.

Corte back from Iraq with new feel for process

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — State Rep. Frank Corte is back from Iraq and says he has a new tolerance level for the legislative process in Texas.

"It's not perfect but it works. We don't have people killing our governor or provincial counselor or elected officials," Corte, 47, said in a story in Monday's San Antonio Express-News. "I know it's happened in our system. Over there it's all the time."

Corte, a Marine Reserve colonel, returned Saturday from seven months of duty where his main task was advising an Iraqi governor who was repeatedly the target of assassination attempts.

A crowd of supporters gathered at Eisenhower Park on Sunday afternoon to welcome Corte back and to carry away campaign signs or make donations to his re-election bid.

Corte, a Republican, faces Democratic challenger Larry Stallings in the Nov. 7 general election.

Bell hunts doves in West Texas

FORT DAVIS (AP) — Democratic gubernatorial candidate Chris Bell said a West Texas dove hunting trip was a chance to show common ground between Texas environmentalists and outdoors enthusiasts.

Bell, a lawyer and former U.S. House member from Houston, said the Sunday hunt was his first since a 1998 venture in the Panhandle.

"I'm certainly trying not to be anything I'm not," Bell said before the hunt. "A lot of what you do in a campaign is symbolic. Plus, I think I'll have some fun."

Bell said he supports a proposed constitutional amendment establishing the right to clean air and water in Texas. He also supports measures to ensure that money raised from a sporting goods tax intended for state parks is not redirected for other uses.

Bell is one of four challengers seeking to unseat Republican Gov. Rick Perry in November. Also running are independent candidates Carole Keeton Strayhorn and Kinky Friedman and Libertarian James Werner.

Authorities question man in woman's death

BARDWELL (AP) — A 49-year-old man being questioned in connection with the death of the elderly aunt of "Dateline NBC" anchor Stone Phillips remained in the Ellis County Jail late Sunday.

Authorities said the man, whose name they would not release, led investigators Friday night to an abandoned farmhouse outside Bardwell where they found the body of Doris Phillips.

Phillips, 81, disappeared from her Reagor Springs home on July 26. The Ellis County Sheriff's Department would not say how the woman died.

"This is still an ongoing investigation. We prefer not to discuss some things right now," said Lt. Clint Tims.

The man, who has been charged with burglary, is described as a longtime friend of the woman.

The suspect was linked to an undisclosed item missing from the woman's home, leading authorities to charge him with burglary. Officials hope to file additional charges after further investigation.

Weeks before her disappearance, Doris Phillips had felt uneasy, said her son, John Phillips, 50.

"There were things she said to her neighbors," he said. "She felt like she was being watched. She was picking up on some things."

Doris Phillips, who lived alone, acted in several low-budget films and performed every year in Waxahachie's Scarborough Renaissance Festival.

Woman killed in Richardson church's lot

RICHARDSON (AP) — Police were searching Sunday for a Garland man in connection with the death of a woman in a church parking lot.

Alveda Edwards, 43, of Richardson, was fatally shot in the face, police said.

Authorities said Tommy Edwards Jr., 46, of Garland, and Alveda Edwards met in the parking lot of Greenville Avenue Church of Christ before services began to discuss their relationship.

"She had moved out and wanted to file for a divorce," Richardson police Sgt. Kevin Perlich said. "He did not want to go through with a divorce."

He said the two were talking when Tommy Edwards pulled out a gun and shot at Alveda Edwards several

times before fleeing the area.

A warrant has been issued for Tommy Edwards' arrest, Perlich said.

Perlich said police have not identified the weapon, but they believe it might be a revolver as there were no shell casings in the parking lot.

The couple have two adult children, a son and a daughter, Perlich said.

Alveda Edwards was pronounced dead at Parkland Memorial Hospital.

Founding member of MALDEF dies at 81

AUSTIN (AP) — Civil rights attorney James DeAnda, a co-founder of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund, has died. He was 81.

DeAnda died of prostate cancer Thursday at his summer home in Traverse City, Michigan, the University of Texas School of Law announced Sunday.

The son of Mexican immigrants, DeAnda became the nation's second Mexican American federal judge in 1979 after being appointed by President Jimmy Carter.

"Judge DeAnda was a treasure of immense proportion to Texas, Mexican Americans everywhere, and to the United States. In dangerous and difficult times, he and the few other Mexican American lawyers worked tirelessly to defend our communities' interests before an indifferent judiciary and hostile legislatures," said MALDEF interim president John Trasvina. "We are all in his debt, and his co-founding of MALDEF planted the seeds that we still cultivate today."

The Houston native served with the Marines in the Pacific during World War II. He attended Texas A&M University and graduated from UT Law School in 1950 at a time when only a handful of Hispanic students were enrolled.

As an attorney, DeAnda fought for the civil rights of Hispanics through his work in the landmark cases of Hernandez v. State of Texas, Hernandez v. Driscoll ISD and Cisneros v. Corpus Christi ISD.

He was the youngest member of a legal team that brought Hernandez v. State of Texas before the U.S. Supreme Court. The 1954 decision overturned the murder conviction of Pete Hernandez by an all-white jury and held that Latinos had to be allowed to serve as jurors.

The Hernandez v. Driscoll ISD case focused on school desegregation and Cisneros v. Corpus Christi ISD extended the protections of Brown v. Board of Education to Mexican Americans.

DeAnda helped found MALDEF in 1968 and created Texas Rural Legal Aid in 1970, an organization that later became Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid.

"Judge DeAnda's life was marked by personal sacrifices and by his courageous advocacy for his indigent and minority clients," said Norma V. Cantu, UT professor of law and education.

He retired from the bench in the 1990s and worked in private practice until 2005.

"You will find law to be a most satisfying career because of the service you can give your fellow man," DeAnda told a group of law students. "I know of no other endeavor in which you can bring about healthy change and make a decent living. You can live well and do good."

DeAnda is survived by his wife Joyce, and four children.

Funeral services were planned for Wednesday in Houston.

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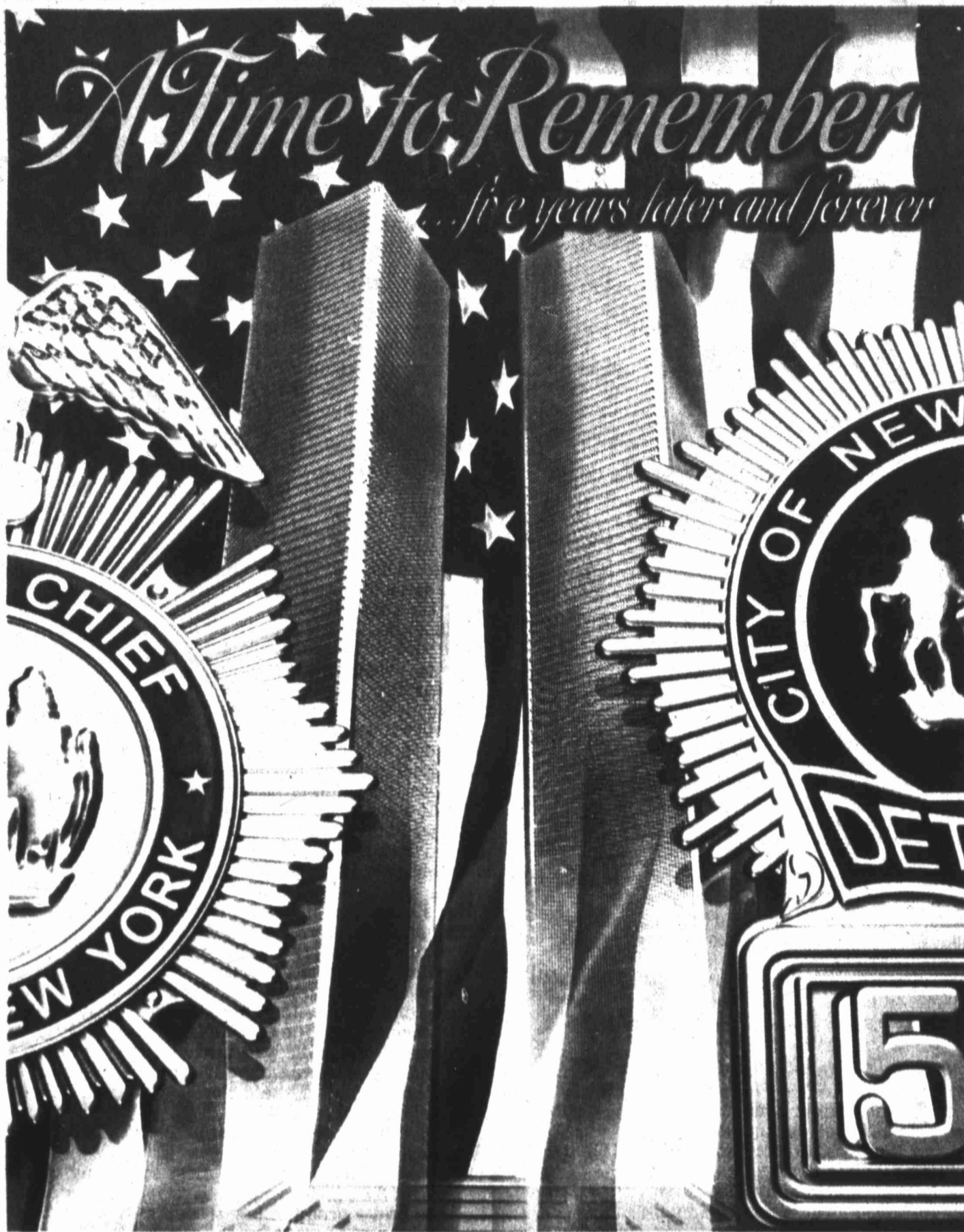
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IN BRIEF

Quarterback Club meeting is tonight

Big Spring High School's Quarterback Club will meet at 7 tonight at the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

Mark Tissue, the booster club's president, encourages all parents of BSHS football players and fans of the Steers to attend.

For more information, call Tissue at 816-3458.

CGA, Knights to host scramble

The Chicano Golf Association, in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus, will host the 10th Annual Father Delaney Golf Tournament Sunday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Format is a four-person scramble. Registration deadline is 9:45 a.m. the day of the tournament.

For more information, contact 264-7116.

Lady Steer boosters to meet

The Big Spring High School Lady Steers Booster Club will hold its first meeting of the year at 5:30 p.m. today in the Athletic Training Center adjacent to BSHS.

The booster club backs all BSHS girls sports including basketball and volleyball.

This will be an organizational meeting for the group.

For more information, contact Leslie Whitten at 264-2504 or 816-6764.

Forsan harriers fare well at meet

CARLSBAD — Forsan Junior High and High School cross country team members competed in the Concho Valley Cross Country Classic hosted by Water Valley High School. The results are as follows:

• Seventh Grade Girls — Stevie Wilson medaled, placing 15th with a time of 10:51. Lindsey Heckler just missed medaling, placing 33rd with a time of 11:24. Tatiana Flores and Larissa Dykes also ran well. Coach Robert Hillger said.

• Eighth Grade Girls — KayC Stanley placed 51st. Miranda Park, Morgan Harbour and Kayla Schlipf also ran well, all improving their times from last week. Hillger noted.

• Junior High Boys — All entrants placed in the top 50 with seventh grader Elgin Suazo medaling by placing 19th with a time of 9:14. Jake Rhoton placed 23rd with a time of 9:16. Kyle Stevenson placed 43rd with a time of 9:32 and Ty Johnson placed 48th, running a 9:36 on a 1.5 mile course.

• Varsity Boys and Girls — Dillon Walker placed 34th with a time of 20:31 and Kevin Zubiate placed 40th, running a 21:13. On the girls' side, both Kaasi Wash and Faith Belew placed in the top half of the field. Hillger said.

Tennis boosters meet Thursday

The Big Spring High School Tennis Boosters

Cross country team tops in Plainview

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

Even without one of their top runners, the Big Spring High School boys' cross country team had enough firepower to take top honors at the Plainview Invitational Saturday.

Zack Dawson, who won the individual title at Abilene earlier this season, missed Saturday's meet with a minor knee

injury. But the Steers barely missed a beat, taking the team title in the boys' division.

"The boys had an outstanding team victory, despite not having one of our top guns," BSHS Coach Randy Britton said.

Big Spring tallied 12 points better than runner-up Hereford. Dumas, Hart and Amarillo High School rounded out the top five.

Individually, Chris Salazar paced the Steers, placing ninth in a time of 15:58. Chris Martinez (16:04) and Jessie Sanchez (16:06) were 11th and 12th, respectively.

Other BSHS times were: Michael Rodriguez, 16th, 16:15; Jordan Valle, 22nd, 16:32; Shane Allen, 28th, 16:53; Dylan Yarbrough, 43rd, 17:30; and Casey Speck, 51st, 18:04.

The BSHS girls did not

have enough runners to compete for team honors; individually, the Lady Steers were paced by Misti Aguilar, who finished 30th in a time of 13:10, and Catherine Leubner, who was one place behind in the time of 13:11.

"The girls did well individually," Britton said. "Their times improved from last week."

Also competing for the

BSHS girls were Ester Tobar (13:30) and Giovanna Hernandez (17:27).

The Steers and Lady Steers return to action Saturday at the W.T. Micro-Graphics Invitational in Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331, ext. 234.

NFL WEEK ONE



Dallas Cowboys' Julius Jones runs for a first quarter touchdown against the Jacksonville Jaguars, Sunday at Aflac Stadium in Jacksonville.

Mistakes cost Dallas 'New-look' Houston against Jacksonville looks like old Texans

By MARK LONG
AP Sports Writer

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Terrell Owens gave the Dallas Cowboys almost everything they wanted in the season opener: big plays, a touchdown and no surly behavior.

The only thing missing was a victory.

Byron Leftwich threw a touchdown pass and ran for a score, Fred Taylor had 115 combined yards and the Jacksonville Jaguars spoiled Owens' much-anticipated Dallas debut with a 24-17 win Sunday.

"I was hoping he wouldn't even score a touchdown," said Taylor, who also had a 3-yard TD run with 3:13 to play.

Owens made his pres-

ence felt early and late. It was just too early to hurt the Jaguars and too late to help the Cowboys.

He finished with six receptions for 80 yards and a score, but the Jaguars held him without a catch through much of the second half. Still, Owens keyed all three of Dallas' scoring drives, including a 21-yard TD reception with 1:54 to play that cut the lead the 24-17.

Jacksonville recovered the onside kick and was forced to punt. The Cowboys got the ball back with 51 seconds to play, but Drew Bledsoe's third-down pass was intercepted by linebacker Mike Peterson.

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By KRISTIE RIEKEN
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — For all the changes the Houston Texans made this off-season, they sure looked the same on Sunday.

They were sharp early but soon devolved into their old selves in a 24-10 loss to the Philadelphia Eagles.

Donovan McNabb threw for 314 yards and three touchdowns, including one to Donte Stallworth in the start of their first post-Terrell Owens season. It was Stallworth's debut with the Eagles after a trade from the Saints. It was also McNabb's regular-season return after missing the final seven games of last season after surgery to repair a sports hernia.

No. 1 pick Mario Williams had three tackles but failed to make much of an impact while being shifted up and down the line in his and coach Gary Kubiak's first game as Texans.

"I'm very disappointed," Kubiak said. "I don't think any of us saw this coming."

Houston finished with just 70 yards rushing. That combined with a quiet game from Williams will continue to fuel talk Houston made a mistake by passing on running back Reggie Bush to get him.

Williams, who was outdone by fellow rookie DeMeco Ryans, wasn't happy with his perfor-

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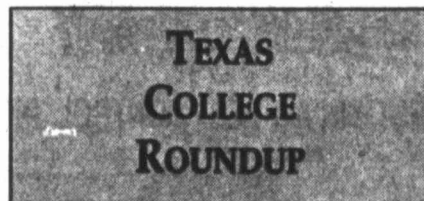
Buckeyes look every bit top team against 'Horns

AUSTIN (AP) — Before the Longhorn band played a somber "Eyes of Texas," Ohio State offensive lineman Kirk Barton ran to the sliver of the stadium filled with Buckeyes fans and flashed the Hook 'em Horns sign with both hands aimed down.

The message was clear: Ohio State showed the defending national champions who's No. 1.

In the first regular-season matchup of No. 1 vs. No. 2 in a decade, quarterback Troy Smith riddled Texas for 269 yards passing and two touchdowns, leading the Buckeyes to a 24-7 win Saturday night.

The victory keeps the Buckeyes (2-0) in perfect position for a run to a national title. Keep winning and they should stay



right where they are.

After the game, Buckeyes players charged toward their section of 4,000 or so fans tucked in a sea of burnt orange, alternately signing Horns Down and No. 1.

"We haven't claimed anything yet," Ohio State coach Jim Tressel said. "We still have to go back to the Horseshoe and keep winning games."

Still, the Buckeyes were having a heck of a party on the way

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Ohio State running back Maurice Wells carries the ball as Texas defender Derek Lokey (96) moves in to stop him in the third quarter. Ohio State defeated Texas, 24-7, at Royal Memorial Stadium in Austin Saturday.

'Dogs suffer loss

By EDDY PITCHFORD

Special to the Herald

SWEETWATER — Coahoma's Bulldogs occasionally growled, but were unable to bite Saturday night, falling to Roscoe's Plowboys, 53-6, in the Sammy Baugh Classic at the Mustang Bowl.

Coahoma capitalized on a recovered fumble late in the third quarter and avoided a shutout when Corey Roberts scored on a 13-yard run.

Bulldog quarterback Blaine Kerby and Plowboy lineman David Browne were honored as the most valuable players by Texas State Technical College-West Texas and scholarships were given in their names to their respective schools.

The Bulldogs fell to 0-2 on the season with the loss, that was due in large part to the prowess of Plowboy quarterback Villanueva, who passed for four touchdowns and sneaked in for another.

The Plowboys added another offensive touchdown and received help from their defense and special teams, as an interception and punt were returned for scores.

"Roscoe's a really good football team and once a bad ball gets rolling, it snowballs in a hurry," Bulldogs head coach Ken Cates said. "But we have a lot of season to go and we'll learn and grow from this game."

Cates cited the play of Kerby and linebacker P.J. Daylond as highlights for the Bulldogs, who hope to get into the win column Friday night when they travel to Ballinger.

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mance. Ryans led the team with 13 tackles. "It wasn't good enough," Williams said. "I got doubled here and there but I have to get past that and I have to break through and keep putting pressure on the quarterback." The Texans got out to a quick start, with Carr going 4-of-4 and Houston marching down the field. Eric Moulds caught an over-the-shoulder pass and spun to evade a defender before dashing into the end zone untouched for the 25-yard touchdown. Things went downhill from there. Houston's supposedly improved offensive line gave up five sacks — the

same as in the 2005 opener — and the Texans didn't score in the second half. "The sacks he's taking weren't his fault," center Mike Flanagan said of Carr. "He was making the right calls, he made the right throws, but we as an offense particularly the offensive line weren't good enough to give him a chance to let us win." Trent Cole had two sacks as the Eagles took advantage of rookie left tackle Charles Spencer. "They didn't do anything we didn't expect," Spencer said. The defensive ends were just a lot faster than I expected them to be." The Eagles sputtered in the first quarter, with a punt ending their first possession and an interception by McNabb stopping the second.

They got things going in the second quarter when Stallworth flew past a seemingly unaware C.C. Brown and caught a 42-yard touchdown pass to tie it at 7. It was the first of several times the Eagles would exploit Houston's inexperienced secondary. Stallworth struck again just before halftime when McNabb found him for a 37-yard reception to the 5. Reggie Brown scored on the next play to give the Eagles a 14-10 halftime lead. "We had an idea of the caliber of athlete he was," McNabb said of Stallworth. "We just kind of visualized what he could do in this offense. This is just a start. What he was able to display today, we have big-play capability."

Stallworth had four receptions for 124 yards by halftime and finished with a career-high tying six for 141 yards for his 10th career 100-yard game. "They brought me here to do a job and it feels good to get a win," Stallworth said. "I know I can get better every day, every week and make sure I'm really working with Donovan to make sure we're in sync." The Eagles opened the second half with a seven-play, 75-yard drive that ended with a 31-yard pass from McNabb to Brian Westbrook that pushed Philadelphia's lead to 21-10. Westbrook also had a 17-yard run and caught a 17-yard pass on that drive. He finished with 17 carries for 71 yards and had four receptions.

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supremacy in this sport. "Roger is at the top, and he's the only person at the top, regardless of how much people want to make rivalry comparisons and this, that and the other," Roddick said. "He's the best player in the game. There's no question in my mind or if you ask any player about that." The No. 1-ranked Federer went 27-1 at this year's Grand Slam tournaments, the only setback coming against Rafael Nadal in the French Open final. Federer moved alone into sixth place for total major titles behind Pete Sampras' record 14. Federer has won nine of the last 14 Grand Slam tournaments, dating to Wimbledon in 2004. "I've been on a roll since '04, and of course I am surprised how well it went, but at the same time I know I've given myself the best possible chance," Federer said. "In the end, maybe I'm not that surprised, because the hard work is paying off." It was a fitting conclusion to a U.S. Open that's been all about the greats of the game, beginning with the opening night

ceremony to rename the tournament's site in honor of Billie Jean King. Week 1 was the Andre Agassi Farewell Show, as he played in his final tournament. And Martina Navratilova swears she's retiring for good, too, after winning mixed doubles for her 59th Grand Slam title. "The way Roger plays the game is phenomenal," Navratilova said Sunday, when she was inducted into the U.S. Open's Court of Champions. "He's just a genius with the racket." That's the sort of thing people have been saying about Woods for years, and Federer spoke last week about wanting to get to know his counterpart. It happened Sunday, thanks to their shared management agency. "We've been trying to meet on several occasions. He promised me to come if I was in the finals," Federer said during the on-court trophy ceremony. "I'm happy he came. Thanks, Tiger." Woods and Federer have much in common. Both successfully hit shots none of their foes would try, and they're at their best when it matters most: Federer is 9-for-10 in major finals, the closest equivalent in tennis to Woods' 12-0 mark when leading going into the last round of a major.

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It was Bledsoe's third interception of the game and gave the Jaguars their ninth opening-day win in 12 seasons. "Too many mistakes," Cowboys coach Bill Parcells said. "We had our chances. We just couldn't get it all together there." Dallas missed several chances, most of them early. They scored on their first two possessions — a touchdown and a field goal — and were looking to make it 17-0 in the second quarter. But Bledsoe overthrew Owens, who was wide open near the goal line. The Jaguars kicked a field goal on the ensuing possession. Then, instead of running out the clock after a holding penalty with less than two minutes to play in the first half, Bledsoe tried to throw downfield and was

picked off for the first time. Four plays later, Leftwich found Reggie Williams in the end zone for a 6-yard touchdown that tied the game. Williams appeared to push Anthony Henry's head down before the ball arrived, but officials didn't throw a flag. "Once we let them hang around, we started making mistakes and that's the story of the game," said Bledsoe, who 16-of-33 for 246 yards and was sacked twice. Dallas had several other key miscues: — Owens had a 25-yard reception negated in the third quarter by an offensive pass interference penalty on tight end Anthony Fasano. — Jason Witten had a 10-yard TD catch nullified by offensive pass interference late in the third quarter. — He pushed Rashean Mathis just before the ball arrived. — Shaun Suisham, subbing for injured placekicker Mike Vanderjagt, missed a 36-yard field goal

two plays after Witten's penalty. The kick bounced off the right upright. "I don't like coming in and starting with a loss, but by no means are we down on ourselves," said Owens, who said all the right things following his debut. Owens was the catalyst for all three scores. He had two catches on Dallas' opening touchdown drive and helped set up a field goal on the team's second possession. He ran a simple slant pattern on Dallas' first play from scrimmage, beat Mathis and gained 13 yards. He jumped up, slapped Bledsoe's hand and returned to the huddle with a big smile. On the next possession, Owens drew extra coverage that allowed Julius Jones to run wide open down the sideline for a 39-yard reception, setting up Suisham's 32-yard field goal. "I thought he got us started pretty well early," Parcells said. "Made a big

catch there at the end and gave us another chance. That's about it. It's disappointing. It really is." Owens, benched by Philadelphia for the final nine games last season after griping about his contract and bickering publicly with quarterback Donovan McNabb, was released in March and signed with Dallas four days later. He missed most of training camp with a hamstring injury, but vowed to be ready for the opener. And he was, as the game started to look like it would become the T.O. Show. But the Jaguars adjusted and held Owens to just two catches in the second half while putting constant pressure on Bledsoe, who threw two interceptions in the fourth quarter. "He was not about to run out there on my Jaguar," defensive tackle John Henderson said, referring to Owens' famed pose on the Dallas star when he played with San Francisco.

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into their locker room. And for good reason. "We came in here and beat the No. 2 team in the country and the defending national champion in front of their home crowd," Buckeye defensive end Vernon Gholston said. "We showed everybody what we can do." The Buckeyes' defense, which replaced nine starters this season, looked championship caliber, holding a Texas team that had scored at least 40 points in 12 consecutive games to a single touchdown. "Anytime you hold a team like Texas to 7 points in their own stadium is incredible," Tressel said. As for No. 2 Texas (1-1), which saw its 21-game winning streak snapped, the Longhorns will need some help if they hope to go back to the national title game.

a crazy night at the Sun Bowl, capping a marathon contest that never seemed to finish when it should have — in part because Trlica missed from 51 and 34 yards in the fourth quarter. Still, coach Mike Leach never hesitated to send his kicker out in overtime. "We had quite a ways to go to get a first down. It was kind of a no-brainer, really," Leach said. "I guess it's a little like when Babe Ruth strikes out three times in a row. It makes it more likely he'll hit it the next time." Graham Harrell threw for 376 yards passing and two touchdowns and Joel Filani had 10 receptions for 169 yards and one score for the Red Raiders (2-0).

Baylor's first score. Wilson got some help from his offensive mates. Baylor quarterback Shawn Bell matched a career-high with four touchdown passes in the second game after implementing a pass-oriented system this offseason. He was 25-of-41 for a career-high 288 yards, as the Bears bounced back from an opening loss to No. 23 TCU. Bell threw three touchdowns in the second half. TCU breezes past UC Davis FORT WORTH (AP) — Jeff Ballard threw two touchdown passes and ran for another score to remain undefeated as TCU's starting quarterback after the No. 23 Horned Frogs beat I-AA UC Davis 46-13 on Saturday night for their 12th straight victory. After replacing injured senior Tye Gunn last sea-

son, Ballard has been the starter in the last 10 TCU wins. He was 18-of-23 passing for 190 yards before freshman Marcus Jackson took over to start the fourth quarter for the Frogs (2-0). Aaron Brown, again the only one of TCU's top three tailbacks to dress for the game, ran for 73 yards and two touchdowns. He took an option pitch to the right for a 4-yard TD, then swept to the left for a 7-yard score in the second half. UC Davis (1-1), which won 20-17 at Stanford last season, got a field goal on its opening drive in its first game ever against a Top 25 team. But TCU scored on its next four possessions to go ahead 23-3. Jon Grant was 13-of-25 passing for 211 yards with two interceptions and scored the Aggies' only touchdown on a disputed leaping dive into the end zone.

Baylor knocks off Northwestern WACO (AP) — Baylor's C.J. Wilson talks a good game. Against Northwestern State, Wilson showed he can play a good one, too. Wilson, who candidly considers himself a Heisman contender and believes Baylor can win a national title, intercepted two passes and returned one for a touchdown as the Bears beat Northwestern State 47-10 on Saturday night. "I heard a lot of stuff about me talking too much," said Wilson, who has three interceptions in two games. "But God can't use cowards. I'm going to back it up." Wilson's 52-yard interception return in the first quarter gave Baylor (1-1) a 14-0 lead. On Northwestern State's first offensive play of the game, Wilson picked off Ricky Joe Meeks to set up

Tech bests UTEP in OT EL PASO (AP) — Alex Trlica missed two field goals in the fourth quarter before coming through in overtime. Trlica's 49-yard field goal hit the left upright and bounced through the posts, giving No. 24 Texas Tech a 38-35 overtime victory over Texas-El Paso on Saturday night. "First time ever," Trlica said when asked if he'd ever nailed a game-winner. "It was relieving. Had I not missed the others, it might have been a little different. It was just a huge relief off my shoulders." It was a fitting ending to

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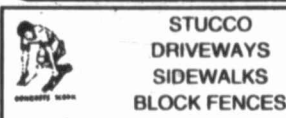
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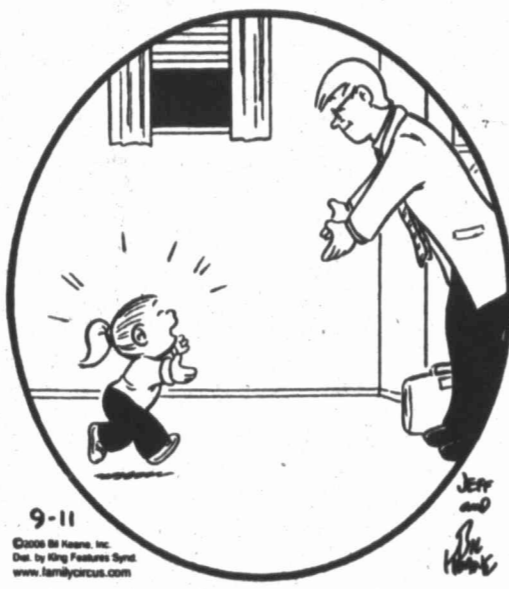
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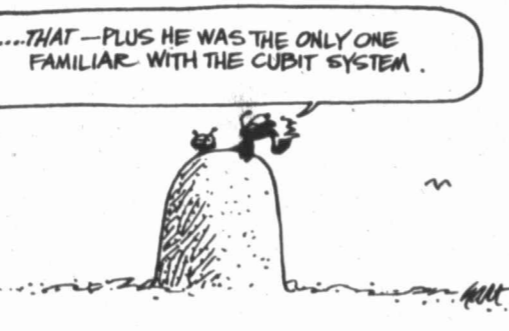
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, Sept. 11, the 254th day of 2006. There are 111 days left in the year. This is Patriot Day. Today's Highlight in History: Five years ago, on Sept. 11, 2001, in the single worst act of terrorism committed on U.S. soil, nearly 3,000 people died when two hijacked jetliners crashed into New York's World Trade Center, causing the twin towers to fall, a commandeered jetliner smashed into the Pentagon and a fourth hijacked plane crashed in western Pennsylvania. On this date: In 1789, Alexander Hamilton was appointed the first U.S. Secretary of the Treasury. In 1814, an American fleet

scored a decisive victory over the British in the Battle of Lake Champlain in the War of 1812. In 1941, Charles A. Lindbergh sparked charges of anti-Semitism with a speech in which he said "the British, the Jewish and the Roosevelt administration" were trying to draw the United States into World War II. In 1962, the Beatles made their first record for EMI, "Love Me Do" and "P.S. I Love You," at EMI studios in London. In 1972, the troubled Munich Summer Olympics ended. In 1973, Chilean President Salvador Allende died in a violent military coup. In 1974, an Eastern Airlines DC-9 crashed during a landing attempt in Charlotte, N.C., killing 71 of the people on board. In 1985, Pete Rose of the Cincinnati Reds cracked

career hit number 4,192 off Eric Show of the San Diego Padres, eclipsing the record held by Ty Cobb. In 1985, a U.S. satellite glided through the tail of the Giacobini-Zinner comet in the first on-the-spot sampling of a comet. Today's Birthdays: Actress Betsy Drake is 83. Actor Earl Holliman is 78. Movie director Brian De Palma is 66. Rock musician Mickey Hart (The Dead) is 63. © 2006 The Associated Press.

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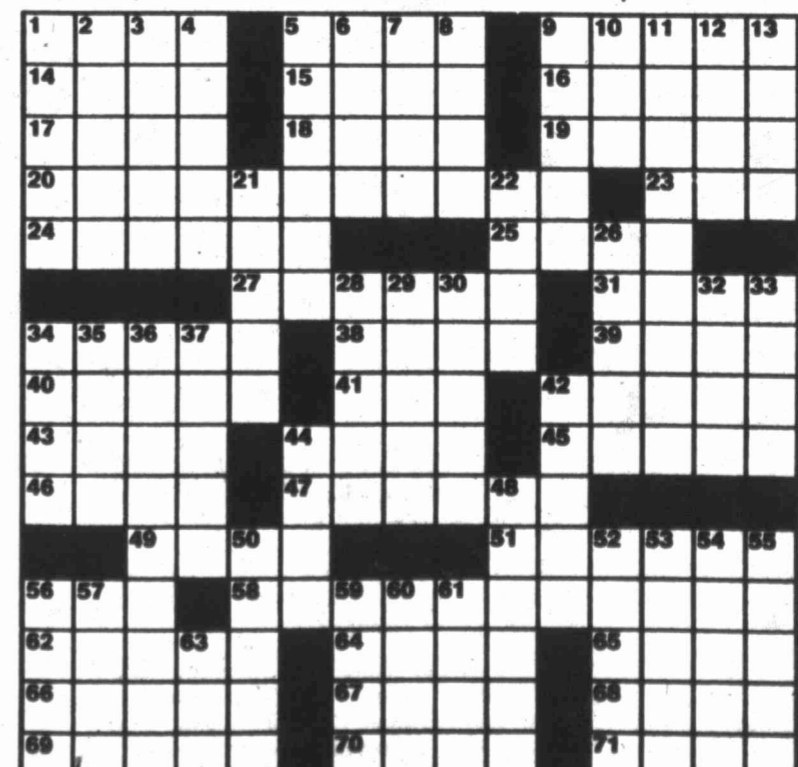
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