



## Stanton gearing up for Old Sorehead Trade Days

By THOMAS JENKINS  
Staff Writer

What do you get when you mix a festival-style atmosphere with hundreds of vendors hocking wares of every shape and size?

The Old Sorehead Trade Days in Stanton, of course.

The city of Stanton will once again open its arms to West Texas Oct. 14-15 for the annual event, which will feature an array of vendors and services

for everyone in the family.

According to organizers, one of the largest draws for the event, which is held three times each year, is the food. This trade days will feature two "food court" areas for visitors to check out. The first will be located by the single traffic light near First National Bank and Stanton Drug, with a second area near the Stanton Community Center.

"Many visitors come to the trade days just to sample the

dishes the food vendors have to offer," said Bud Lindsey, spokesman for the event. "All kinds of food are available. Curly fries, funnel cakes, turkey legs, roasted corn, seafood and Mexican food. There are all kinds of soft drinks and bottled waters in the food court areas."

The trade days will feature plenty of entertainment as well, with various groups providing music throughout the day on the Martin County Courthouse

lawn.

"We'll also have plenty of rides and games for the kids," said Lindsey. "We'll have a special area set aside for all of that."

Old Sorehead Trade Days will begin at 8 a.m. on Saturday and continue until 7 p.m., and resume on Sunday from noon until 5 p.m.

"Scattered around the town, a visitor may find just about anything from trash to rare collectibles," said Lindsey. "We'll

have antiques for sale in the Antiques on Main Store and throughout the trade days — Coca-Cola collectibles, Humble Oil and Sinclair Oil signs, wagon wheels — if you can dream of it, it's most likely at Old Sorehead Trade Days."

For those that aren't familiar with the streets of Stanton, trade days volunteers will be on duty to help direct visitors to the different areas, including

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## Airsho 2006 set for weekend



Members of the Red Baron Squadron flight team will perform their signature formation aerobatics during the 2006 CAF- Fina Airsho Oct. 7-8 at Midland International Airport.

By THOMAS JENKINS  
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MIDLAND — West Texas residents will get a chance to take a trip "Through Hostile Skies" Saturday and Sunday at Midland International Airport, as the Commemorative Air Force and Alon USA once again team up to present the Fina-CAF Airsho 2006.

And while previous Airsho events have focused on World War I and World War II battles and events, this year's show will include a Vietnam segment — the rescue of a downed pilot.

Featured will be L-19 and O-2A Forward Air Controller planes searching for the pilot while an A-1 Skyraider, T-28 and A-26 make enemy suppression passes and an AC-47 "Spooky" gunship orbits while waiting for the AH-1 Cobra and UH-1D Huey to come in for the rescue.

Of course, it wouldn't be Airsho without the fantastic flying of pilot Jan Collmer in the FINA Extra 300L.

From snap rolls on take-

off to inverted flight. Collmer is a 20-year plus Airsho veteran pilot, continuing to dazzle Airsho crowds with a thrilling performance of dynamic dimensions.

Collmer said the annual Airsho represents an opportunity to not only fly, but to entertain a special group of people he looks up to.

"I love this air show. I stay in practice, and I'm ready to fly anytime you say go. Takes me about three or four minutes to be in the air," Collmer laughed. "My wife says I would do a show for a one-eyed cow and an old dog, and that's about right."

The neat thing about this show is that it's the show where World War II veterans show up in big numbers, and their numbers are declining these days at a pretty terrible rate. You can come out here and walk amongst this crowd, and you're walking amongst guys that flew the big bombers and fighters and took the hits. These are wonderful

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## Border fence may face environmental obstacles in Texas

By ALICIA A. CALDWELL  
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EL PASO — Plans to build a fence along about 700 miles of the U.S. border with Mexico could mean the destruction of costly environmental restoration projects and could cut into lucrative tourism and cross-border spending in the Rio Grande Valley and elsewhere in South Texas.

Congress approved a homeland security bill Friday that included \$1.2 billion for fence construction.

It's unclear exactly where the two-layer fence could be built. But a House proposal includes

plans for a barrier in El Paso, a nearly 60-mile stretch of fence between Del Rio and Eagle Pass and a final section along more than 220 miles of border between Laredo and Brownsville.

Republicans in Congress, including Majority Leader John Boehner of Ohio, hailed the plan as "a giant step" in controlling the flow of illegal immigration across the U.S. Mexico border.

Environmentalists say the plan could destroy habitats and cut off access to water for

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Clay Grizzle, United Way of Big Spring and Howard County's campaign chairman, presents a plaque of appreciation to Carmen Colon, manager of the HEB store in Big Spring, and Rod Spencer, assistant manager. The Big Spring HEB store was recognized for being the first company in Big Spring to complete its employee campaign, as well as having 100 percent participation — raising almost \$15,000 with 120 employees. The employees were also recognized for increasing their giving by more than 50 percent from the previous year.

## Opponents rip Perry on health care

By THOMAS PEIPERT  
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ARLINGTON — Candidates vying to oust Republican Gov. Rick Perry in the November election tried to lure voters on Saturday by criticizing the incumbent's handling of health care in the state.

"Everyone in this room knows Texas has a long way to go when it comes to health care," said Democrat Chris Bell, who joined independent candidates Carole Keeton Strayhorn and Kinky Friedman at the University of Texas at

Arlington. "As governor I will lead Texas toward universal health care. Health care is a right that everyone deserves."

Bell, who lost his mother to Parkinson's disease in 1999, repeated his call to make the state a leader in stem cell research and said he would fight for full access to emergency contraception for rape victims. But he dedicated much of his time to criticizing Perry, who didn't attend the event.

"He can't even bother to show up, but if I had Rick Perry's record I probably wouldn't show up either," Bell said,

calling the governor's term a "reign of error."

Bell pointed to cuts in the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) since Perry became governor.

Total enrollment in CHIP has dipped below 300,000 for the first time since 2001, and more than 30,000 children have left the state's low-cost insurance program since Dec. 1.

In April, the state granted a reprieve to 28,000 children after learning that families reapplying for the program

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weren't given enough time to respond to letters requesting enrollment fees or missing information.

Robert Black, a spokesman for Perry, said Bell's criticism was "a few years old because all

of the cuts that have been made in 2003 have been reinstated" and that the state has increased health care spending by \$9 billion since Perry became governor.

But Bell said the state needed to "maximize CHIP and Medicaid to cover 700,000 Texas kids who are eligible but not enrolled."

He proposed a revision

in the business tax to raise money for the program, while Strayhorn vowed to save money by consolidating governmental agencies and allowing small businesses to pool for health insurance.

"We have the dollars," she said. "We just have misplaced priorities and failed leadership."

Strayhorn said she would push for more well-

ness programs, an expansion in nursing education and for electronic medical records for all Texans by the end of the decade.

Friedman, wearing his usual black cowboy hat and grasping an unlit cigar, said legalization of gambling would raise money for health care, and he would allow Texans to buy cheaper prescription drugs from

other countries.

Though he acknowledged that he wasn't a health care expert, the joke-cracking writer said Texans would benefit from a leader that has not been tainted by years in politics.

"Between Perry, Grandma (Strayhorn) and Bell, you have 89 years of politics."

"As you know I have

none whatsoever. None," he said. "The difference between a politician and a statesman is enormous. A politician is thinking about the next election. A statesman is thinking about the next generation."

The candidates, including Perry, will meet Oct. 6 during a debate to be aired on Texas Cable News in Dallas.

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numerous creatures, including the already endangered ocelot and jaguarundi.

"They move back and forth across the water," said Mary Lou Campbell, a conservation chairwoman with the Sierra Club's Lower Rio Grande Valley Group. "When you isolate a species, you also (alter) their gene pool."

Campbell said construction of the fence would

also destroy the habitats of countless other creatures that live in the marshy brush along the river.

"We're concerned about the overall animal population," Campbell said. "I'm sure they would be cutting down trees, and brush and underbrush to make way for this wall and all of it will be destructive to wildlife."

Some rare birds not found in other parts of Texas or the United States could also lose prey and either die off or be forced

to leave the area in search of food, Campbell said.

The North American Butterfly Association, which runs the International Butterfly Park in the small border town of Mission, worries that the fence could cut off a part of their 72-acre park.

"It would have a huge negative impact on what we're doing," said Sue Sill, executive director of the park. "Seventy-two acres sounds like a lot, but it's not."

Sill said she and other

park officials have spent nearly four years restoring native plants to the park, a project that was partially funded with about \$205,000 in state and federal grants.

It's hard to know how many people might shy away from the park's annual events, including the Rio Grande Prix of Butterflying, but Sill said she suspects a massive wall designed to keep illegal immigrants out isn't likely to help attendance.

"We want our border secure, we want to be pro-

tected, but we also don't want to go overboard," Sill said. "We would hate to see the destruction of what we've already done."

Animals aren't the only concerns in the Rio Grande Valley and South Texas, where crossing the international border is a daily event for thousands of residents in both Texas and Mexico.

Nancy Millar, vice president and executive director of the McAllen Chamber of Commerce's Convention and Visitors Bureau, said McAllen is a

top shopping destination for Mexican nationals. A fence could stymie that economic traffic the community relies on.

"The whole idea of a fence is certainly going to give a negative impression of our hospitality here," Millar said. "It depends on where it is built, but how could (Mexican tourists) not feel unwanted in our country?"

A negative impression could also deter eco tourists and the so-called "Winter Texans."

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people that made it possible to have this air show, so for me it's a wonderful privilege to be able to fly for them."

Collmer's red, white and blue Extra 300L was constructed in Germany, and according to the stunt pilot is as maneuverable as many modern jets being utilized by the US Military.

"The Extra is designed and built by a gentleman by the name of Walter Extra, and is a German built airplane," said Collmer. "He built about 160 of them, and this one is number 19 of that group, and was delivered to me in February of 1996. It's stressed to plus 10 G's and minus 10 G's, and it's roll rate is equivalent to all of the modern jets. It's an absolutely wonderful airplane, and it's comfortable to be in."

"I've flown this plane all over the country. I've had it as far west as San

Diego, Calif., and as far northeast as Boston, Mass., to Daytona Beach, Fla. So I've covered everything except the northwest."

Also among the performers, the Red Baron Pizza Squadron will bring the death-defying era of barnstorming back to life at Airsho 2006, according to Airsho officials. Flying fully-restored historic Boeing Stearman biplanes, Red Baron Squadron pilots have been performing their exciting aerobatic maneuvers for more than 25 years, thrilling millions of families across the United States.

Internationally-known, award-winning pilot Julie Clark is also scheduled to perform. According to Airsho officials, Clark is America's only solo T-34 aerobatic performer. Clark's aerial ballet "Serenade in Red, White and Blue" with a special added patriotic tribute is choreographed to Lee Greenwood's "God Bless the USA," building to a dazzling firework finale.

Airsho also gives visitors the rare opportunity to get close to some of the world's rarest airplanes, including the world's only flyable B-29 Superfortress and the SB2C Helldiver. Other aircraft taking to the skies will include the B-17 Flying Fortress, FM-2 Wildcat, P-63 King Cobra, FG1D Corsair, P-51 Mustang, SBD Dauntless and many more.

Aerial dogfights will fill the skies and simulated bomb explosions rock the ground as the CAF's collection of classic warbirds reenact some of the most famous aviation battles of World War II.

The Commemorative Air Force — originally known as the Confederate Air Force — was formed in 1957 by five pilots who pooled their money to buy a P-51 Mustang. After purchasing two more aircraft in 1958, the group began to search for other World War II aircraft.

In 1961, the CAF was chartered as a nonprofit Texas corporation to preserve, restore and fly World War II era aircraft.

What started out as a hobby for the group became an urgent mission to preserve history.

All World War II veterans will be invited to Airsho as the CAF's special guests, with a free ticket to Airsho and a hospitality tent located on the grounds. Each veteran may be accompanied by one guest.

Gates open at 7:30 a.m. both days. Aircraft will be available for viewing from 7:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Show times are noon until approximately

4 p.m. both days. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$6 for children ages 6 to 12. Children five and under get in free.

For more information about the Fina-CAF Airsho 2006, please call

(432) 563-1000 or go to [www.Airsho.org](http://www.Airsho.org).

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parking areas for the handicapped and overflow parking. Golf carts will also be available to help get shoppers to and from their vehicles.

Lindsey said those wanting to take in the entire affair may want plan on spending quite a bit of time in Stanton.

"If you want to see everything at the Old Sorehead Trade Days, you need to plan to come early

and stay late," he said. "Admission is free and anyone who needs information on the event can call our trade days hotline at (432) 756-2006, or visit us on the Web at

[www.stantonfolks.com](http://www.stantonfolks.com)."

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Scientists say premature births account for more than 30 percent of infant deaths

By MIKE STOBBE
AP Medical Writer

ATLANTA — Scientists now say a third of infant deaths are due to premature births — a much larger percentage than previously thought. In the past, “preterm birth” has been the listed cause of death in fewer than 20 percent of newborn fatalities. But that number should be 34 percent or more, said researchers at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. That’s because at least a dozen causes of newborn death are actually problems that go hand-in-hand

with premature births, such as respiratory distress syndrome caused by underdeveloped lungs. “This brings preterm birth, as a cause of death, to the kind of level that we think it deserves,” said the CDC’s Dr. Bill Callaghan, the lead author of a study appearing Monday in the journal Pediatrics. The revised statistic may lead to greater efforts to counsel pregnant women about taking care of themselves and avoiding actions that can lead to preterm births — such as smoking and drug use. It also may help organizations lobbying for more

research into why some women who follow medical advice still have preterm babies. The March of Dimes is advocating to expand federal research into preterm labor and delivery and the care and treatment of premature infants. At issue is how to label the causes of deaths for infants who die before they reach their first birthday. “Preterm birth” generally describes infants who are born before 37 weeks gestation, and the term is also used as an official cause of death. Two-thirds of infant deaths

occur in children who were preterm, but their cause of death is often attributed to one of the several specific problems that can occur in preterm babies. “The only way that an infant gets assigned (“preterm birth”) is if there’s nothing else on the death certificate,” said Callaghan, a senior scientist in the CDC’s maternal and infant health branch. “That may result in an underestimation of what the real problem is.” Callaghan and other researchers reviewed about 28,000 U.S. infants that occurred in 2002.

Congressman’s inappropriate actions toward teenage pages threatens House Republicans

By LARA JAKES JORDAN
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WASHINGTON — While GOP leaders scramble to contain the political fallout from the latest Washington sex scandal, the FBI is examining Republican Rep. Mark Foley’s e-mail exchanges with teenage boys to see if laws were broken. The FBI “is conducting an assessment to see if there’s been a violation of federal law,” FBI spokesman Richard Kolko said, declining to elaborate. Foley, a congressman from Florida, abruptly quit Congress on Friday after reports surfaced that he’d sent sexually charged electronic messages to boys working as congressional pages. The disclosure sent House Republicans into damage control mode amid charges by Democrats that some House leaders may have known for months about Foley’s inappropriate overtures toward the young pages. White House press secretary Tony Snow, asked about that Monday on ABC’s “Good Morning America,” urged greater efforts to “figure out what happened here.” He called it “a terrible story” and said he considered it unfortunate that “people are thinking, ‘OK, can I get political advantage out of this?’” House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., in a letter sent Sunday to Attorney General Alberto Gonzales, asked the Justice Department to “conduct an investigation of Mr. Foley’s conduct with current and former House pages.” White House counsel Dan Bartlett called the allegations involving Foley shocking, while Democrats demanded that investigators determine whether Republican leaders tried to cover up Foley’s actions for political reasons. “The attorney general should open a full-scale investigation immediately,” Senate Democratic leader Harry Reid of Nevada said in a statement, including whether GOP leaders “knew there was a problem and ignored it to preserve a congressional seat this election year.” Foley’s district is heavily Republican, but now may be won by a Democrat. Republicans are struggling to maintain their House majority in the upcoming election. FBI cyber sleuths are looking into the text of some of the Foley messages, checking to see how many e-mails and instant electronic messages were sent and how

many computers were used, according to a law enforcement official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because of the ongoing investigation. The FBI also was trying to determine if any of the teenagers who received messages are willing to cooperate with the investigation, the official said. Ironically, Foley, who is 52 and single, could be found to have violated a law that he helped to write as co-chairman of the Congressional Missing and Exploited Children’s Caucus. “Republican leaders have admitted to knowing about Mr. Foley’s outrageous behavior for six months to a year, and they chose to cover it up rather than to protect these children,” said House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi of California. Rep. Thomas Reynolds of New York, head of the House Republican election effort, said he told Hastert months ago about the allegations involving a 16-year-old boy from

Louisiana. Hastert acknowledged that his staff had been made aware of concerns about what they termed “over-friendly” e-mails Foley had sent to the teenager — including one requesting his picture — in the fall of 2005, and that they referred the matter to the House clerk. But Hastert said those e-mails were not viewed as “sexual in nature” and that he was not aware of “a different set of communications which were sexually explicit ... which Mr. Foley reportedly sent another former page or pages.” Hastert asked the Justice Department to investigate “anyone who had specific knowledge of the content of any sexual-explicit communications between Mr. Foley and any former or current House pages and what actions such individuals took, if any, to provide them to law enforcement.” A Pelosi spokeswoman, Jennifer Crider, late Sunday said that Hastert

“seems more concerned by who revealed the Republican leadership coverup of Mr. Foley’s Internet stalking of an underage child than he was about ensuring the children entrusted to the House were protected.” “We need to make sure that the page system is one in which children come up here and can work and make sure that they are protected,” said Bartlett, the White House counsel, as he made the rounds of the Sunday morning talk shows. Congressional pages, a staple of Washington politics since the 1820s, are high school students who serve as gofers in the House and Senate. Republican leaders say it’s their duty to ensure House pages’ safety, and they’re setting up a toll-free hot line for pages and their families to call to confidentially report any incidents.

Contract Bridge

Famous Hand

North dealer. East-West vulnerable. NORTH ♦8 7 6 4 ♠A 10 3 ♣10 9 8 4 ♠K 5 WEST ♦K J 5 2 ♣Q J 9 6 4 ♦A J ♠A 10 SOUTH ♠9 ♠K 5 ♣K Q 7 6 5 3 2 ♠4 4 2 The bidding: North East South West Pass Pass 3 NT Pass Pass Pass Pass Opening lead — ace of clubs.

ner’s ace, and East returned a club, allowing West to ruff with the jack to put the contract down one. Although this outcome might appear unavoidable after West led the ace and another club, the fact is that South could have made the contract. After winning the club king at trick two, he should have played the K-A-10 of hearts and discarded his spade on the ten. With West unable to reach East’s hand, declarer would have lost only three tricks for a score of 510. At the second table, with a New Zealand pair North-South, the bidding went: North East South West Pass Pass 3 NT 4 NT Here the U.S. West chose the disastrous lead of the queen of hearts. The New Zealand declarer won with the king, finessed the ten of hearts and discarded his singleton spade on the ace of hearts. The only tricks the defenders could then score were a diamond and a club, so declarer made the contract for a score of 550 points. And so, the U.S. team lost 650 points on the deal. But if the declarer at the first table had made four diamonds doubled, and the West at the second table had led a spade instead of a heart, the U.S. team would have gained 610 points instead. All of which goes to prove that, just as in life, bridge also is a game of ifs.

It is, of course, much easier to play well when you can see all 52 cards rather than just 26. For a striking example of how even the best players occasionally veer from perfection, consider this deal played during the 1983 world championship match between the United States and New Zealand. At the first table, with a U.S. pair seated North-South, the bidding went as shown, and the New Zealand West led the ace and another club to dummy’s king. Declarer played a diamond to his king, losing to West’s ace. West then led a spade to his part-

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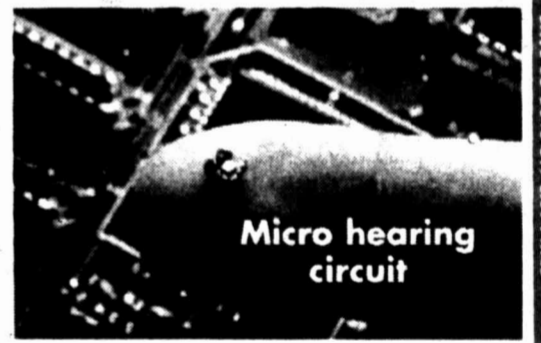


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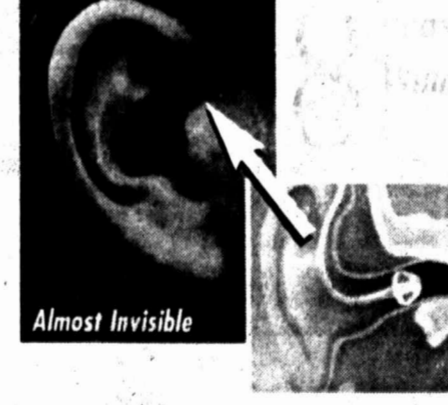
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### IN BRIEF

**Quarterback Club meeting is Monday**  
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.

**Junior Tennis League continues**  
A free Junior Tennis League continues at the Figure 7 Tennis Center. The league, open to players ages 8 through 12, is held from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday.  
Players should bring their own racquet, or one will be provided when available.

**Lady Steers down Estacado**  
LUBBOCK — The Big Spring Lady Steers volleyball team earned its first District 4-4A victory of the season with a 24-26, 25-19, 25-19, 25-18, 19-17 win over Lubbock Estacado Saturday.  
The Lady Steers, now 1-2 in league play, will look to even their district record Tuesday when they will host San Angelo Lake View's Maidens at Steer Gym.

Whitaker said she was proud of the entire team's effort, and was particularly pleased with the hitting and passing against the Matadors.  
"We ran our offense much better Saturday," Whitaker said following the victory. "We hustled and fought hard to win a game that lasted three hours. We still missed too many serves, but I am very proud of this team and we're looking forward to coming home and having our fans behind us on Tuesday night."

**Steers place third at Lubbock meet**  
LUBBOCK — The Big Spring High School boys' cross country team finished third at the 29th Annual Lubbock Invitational Saturday.

This marks the first time in five meets this season that the BSHS boys have not won a team championship.  
El Paso Chapin won the Saturday meet's team title, and was followed by Dumas and Big Spring.  
Zack Dawson was the top individual finisher for the Steers, placing second behind meet winner Gerzain Valenzuela of Hereford with a time of 15:51.2.  
Other BSHS finishes included: Michael Rodriguez, 14th (18:53.2); Jessie Sanchez, 15th (16:58.9); Chris Martinez, 24th (17:19.0); Shane Allen, 29th (17:51.1); and Jordan Valle, 30th (17:36.7).  
Mistie Aguilar and Catherine Leubner again paced the BSHS girls, who did not have enough runners to compete for team honors.  
Aguilar was 10th with a time of 12:47.4, while Leubner was 11th with a time of 12:58.9.

### SHOWING THEIR TRUE COLORS



Herald photo/Steve Reagan  
This group of Coahoma fans was definitely enthusiastic for their support of the Bulldogs during the CHS Homecoming game Friday night against Merkel. Merkel defeated Coahoma, 26-14.

## Detroit limps into playoffs

By MIKE FITZPATRICK  
AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK — If the Detroit Tigers are going to extend their surprising season by making a run in the playoffs, they'll have to get past the New York Yankees.  
After wasting several chances to wrap up an AL Central title, the slumping Tigers slipped to a wild-card spot Sunday and now must open the postseason Tuesday night at Yankee Stadium against New York's powerful lineup.  
"Once we get to New York, we'll be ready to go," Tigers first baseman Sean Casey said. "It's a new season come Tuesday night."  
All the other first-round matchups were also settled on the final day of the regular season. The playoffs begin Tuesday, when AL West champion Oakland visits Minnesota at 1:09 p.m. EDT.

In the National League, the St. Louis Cardinals play at San Diego in Game 1 at 4:09 p.m. Tuesday. The New York Mets will face the Los Angeles Dodgers, who took the wild card, in a series that starts Wednesday at Shea Stadium.  
All four first-round series are a best-of-five format.  
Making their first trip to the playoffs since 1987, the Tigers pulled out all the stops Sunday as they tried to win their division and earn home-field advantage in the first round. But they squandered a six-run lead against last-place Kansas City and lost 10-8 in 12 innings for their fifth consecutive defeat.

All-Star starter Kenny Rogers came out of the bullpen for his first regular-season relief appearance in three years, but

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## Dallas dumps Titans

By TERESA M. WALKER  
AP Sports Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — As long as Drew Bledsoe and Terry Glenn are connecting for touchdowns, they don't mind when Terrell Owens gets all the attention.  
In a game that featured T.O.'s appearance five days after an "accidental overdose" and the first NFL start of Tennessee rookie Vince Young, Bledsoe and Glenn hooked up on two 13-yard touchdown passes Sunday and the Dallas Cowboys beat the Titans 45-14.  
Bledsoe sees Owens, the five-time Pro Bowl selection, and Glenn, his for-



Raul Vasquez/Fort Worth Star-Telegram/MCT  
Dallas' Bradle James, right, celebrates with DeMarcus Ware after scoring a touchdown on an interception against the Tennessee Titans in Nashville Sunday. The Cowboys defeated the Titans 45-14.

## It's anyone's guess who will take North Division

By ERIC OLSON  
AP Sports Writer

OMAHA, Neb. — Nebraska needs overtime to beat Kansas 39-32, and Missouri defeats winless Colorado 28-13 but gets fewer yards than an offense that came in ranked 113th nationally.  
Call the Cornhuskers and Tigers favorites in the Big 12 North, if you will, but Saturday showed the road to the conference championship game could be a wild ride.  
Nebraska was the clear favorite in the preseason, and Missouri has emerged as a contender after getting off to a 5-0 start for the first time since 1981.  
But Kansas looks as if it could be a factor after outplaying the Huskers in the second, third and fourth quarters.  
Iowa State? Kansas State? Colorado?  
Don't bet against any of those teams winning a game they shouldn't and creating even more chaos in arguably the weaker, but no less entertaining, of the league's two divisions.  
When No. 22 Nebraska (4-1, 1-0 Big 12) jumped out to a 17-0 first-quarter lead, it was reminiscent

### BIG 12 PERSPECTIVE

of the glory days of the 1980s and '90s when lopsided wins over the Jayhawks were standard.  
When Kansas (3-2, 0-1) came back to take a one-point lead and then rallied again to tie it in the last minute of regulation, red flags were raised among the Husker faithful.  
"This is a wakeup call," I-back Brandon Jackson said. "We have to work harder. We have to be ready to play in any situation at any time."  
Nebraska's defense has received much acclaim, but now the pundits must reconsider after Kansas rolled up 574 total yards and ran 94 — yes, 94 — plays from scrimmage. Mighty Southern California managed "only" 399 yards and 68 plays against the Huskers.  
The vaunted Nebraska pass rush, so far, has been more fable than fact. The Huskers have seven sacks in five games, one by All-America candidate Adam

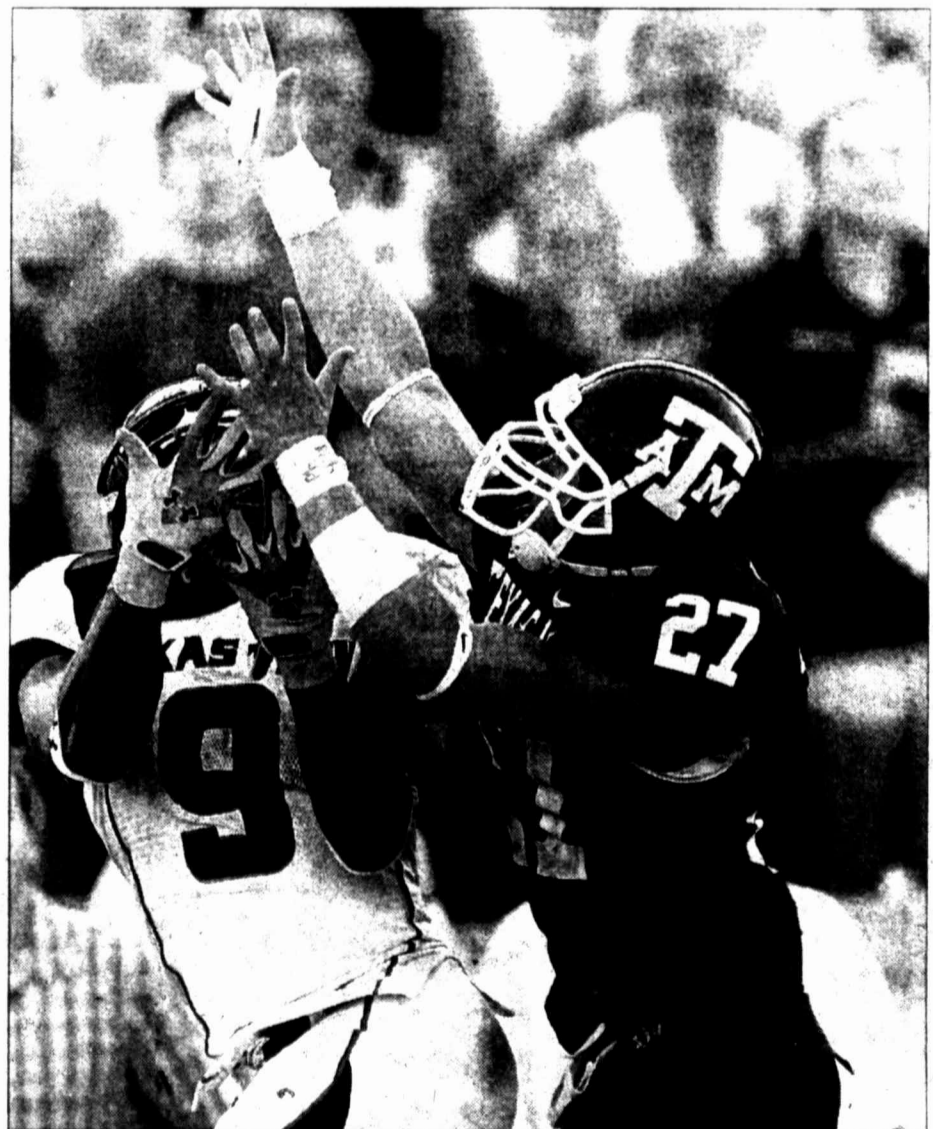
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## Texans get first victory

By KRISTIE RIEKEN  
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — On the brink of his first win as coach of the Houston Texans, Gary Kubiak couldn't bear to look.  
Too bad, because if he'd turned around he would have seen No. 1 draft pick Mario Williams make a game-saving play. Williams tipped a two-point conversion that would have tied the game and finally got his first sack as the Texans beat Miami 17-15 on Sunday.  
The Dolphins trailed 17-9 when Daunte Culpepper found Chris Chambers for a 16-yard touchdown with 1:39 to go to pull within two. Miami went for the 2-point conver-

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Ron Jenkins/Fort Worth Star-Telegram/MCT  
Texas Tech's Robert Johnson (9) catches the winning touchdown in front of Texas A&M's Jordan Peterson during the Red Raiders' 31-27 victory at Kyle Field in College Station Saturday.

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tion, but the pass by running back Ronnie Brown was tipped by Williams and sailed over Chambers' head. "He threw it and I just reached up and tipped it," Williams said. "I was in the right place at the right time." The Dolphins (1-3) tried an onside kick and almost recovered, but the ball squirted out from underneath Keith Adams and the Texans fell on it and ran out the clock. "That was pretty cowardly," Kubiak said, referring to his turning away from the play. "I've been that way in football through a lot of things. I'll make a call and just walk away. I heard everybody go crazy, so I knew it was good. That was a great sound." After quarterback David Carr's 1-yard score put Houston (1-3) ahead 10-6 early in the fourth, Williams got to Culpepper for a 3-yard loss. The sack was the first of his career and his first tackle of the game.

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mer teammate at New England, as the best tandem of receivers he's ever had. Still, Owens is the one who draws extra defensive help. "When Owens is out there, (Glenn) gets single coverage and you can't cover him one-on-one," Bledsoe said. Owens did indeed play with his broken right hand protected by a plate and a glove only five days after his hospital visit for an accidental overdose. He caught five passes for 88 yards but also dropped a pass in the end zone he couldn't pull in with his injured hand. "He caught a couple balls," Dallas coach Bill Parcells said. "You were there. What do you think? I was pleased with the offense." There was added drama when Titans defensive tackle Albert Haynesworth stomped on Dallas center Andre Gurode's face and was ejected. Gurode needed stitches above his left eye and didn't return because of blurry vision. Titans coach Jeff Fisher apologized;

Williams jumped for joy and hugged a teammate as the crowd responded with a standing ovation. "Now you can't say I don't have a sack," Williams said. "It was a good thing, but at the same time, playing a game and putting the pressure on him, that was a great ending to get a sack." On the next play, Williams and fellow rookie DeMeco Ryans combined to take Culpepper down again, this time for a 7-yard loss. The Dolphins were forced to punt and the Texans responded with another touchdown, this one a 3-yard catch by Andre Johnson that lengthened the lead to 17-6. Johnson finished with nine receptions. The Texans found a pass rush against the Dolphins, sacking Culpepper on the first play of the game and harassing him all day. Houston had just three sacks entering the game but got to Culpepper five times. The less-mobile Culpepper has been sacked 21 times this season in his return from reconstructive knee surgery.

Haynesworth was content. "If they suspend me that's fine," Haynesworth said. "Because for what I did, whatever they give me, I deserve it. I did it and it's wrong. That's not the game of football that's not how it's supposed to be played. I let my team down." Parcells said he didn't see what happened. Neither did Bledsoe, but he wasn't happy. "There is no place for that in this game," Bledsoe said. "That is something that you hate to see, and something that should not be a part of this game at all." The Cowboys (2-1) punted only once and ran for 217 of their 369 total yards. Julius Jones ran 23 times for 122 yards and a touchdown. Young looked very much the rookie as Dallas sacked him twice and intercepted him twice, with Bradie James returning the second 15 yards for a touchdown. Young also fumbled at the end of a scramble, which Dallas also recovered. He finished 14-of-29 for 155 yards and ran five times for 3 yards. Fisher tried to keep his decision to start Young a secret, but it leaked out

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Carriker. KU quarterback Adam Barmann was never sacked in 54 pass attempts. He completed 27 against a vulnerable Nebraska secondary — all after the first quarter — for 405 yards. It was the fourth-most productive passing day in Jayhawk history. If Nebraska fans are worried about what the rest of the season holds, they may or may not be comforted by coach Bill Callahan's "a-win-is-a-win" attitude that remains from his days in the NFL. "It became a dogfight," Callahan said. "You'll get into those types of situations in conference competition. That's the nature of the North Division." No. 23 Missouri (5-0, 1-0) is unbeaten at this point for only the fourth time since 1906. But the win over struggling Colorado did little to answer questions about just how good the Tigers are. Missouri's defense came in ranked No. 1 in the

land but surrendered 373 yards to the Buffaloes, who have lost nine straight games. Like Callahan, Missouri quarterback Chase Daniel says all wins count the same. Daniel, who hit 23 of 35 passes for 253 yards and four touchdowns, dismissed talk that the Tigers haven't beaten a quality opponent yet. "That's for the fans and that's for everybody else to figure out," he said. "We don't really worry about that. We just want to go out there and play our 'A' game." Back-to-back road games at Texas Tech and Texas A&M should provide more answers about Missouri. If the Tigers pass those tests, it could be very interesting when they visit Nebraska. "I think these guys will respond to any challenge that is put in front of them," Missouri coach Gary Pinkel said. RED RIVER RIVALRY: Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops compliments the job Colt McCoy is doing as Texas' first-year starter. That said, Stoops surely will be happy to see McCoy rather than Vince Young quarterbacking the Longhorns.

Saturday. The Cowboys were well prepared for the athletic rookie. "I expected to see him a lot," Parcells said. "He's a young kid. When you get behind 34-14, that's a different deal. So it's difficult. He's obviously got a good arm and athletic ability." Young showed the flashes of potential that prompted the Titans to make him the No. 3 pick overall in April, scoring a 2-point conversion on a draw. He also found receivers under pressure. But playing behind a banged-up offensive line, Young couldn't escape on called running plays. "I learned that you've

got to take care of the ball for one, and then also don't try to put too much on yourself," Young said. Fisher said later he is sticking with the rookie from here on out as his starter. "I said that one of the most difficult things to do was to deal with the temptation to play him sooner than we should... I never put a timetable on it," Fisher said. Dallas trailed only once — 3-0 — after Young guided the Titans to a field goal by handing off seven times on an 11-play drive. Bledsoe rebounded by driving the Cowboys 80 and 55 yards on the next two possessions.

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he gave up the go-ahead runs. Detroit's loss coupled with Minnesota's 5-1 victory over the Chicago White Sox gave Minnesota its fourth AL Central championship in five years. Playing at the noisy Metrodome, the Twins will send rested ace Johan Santana (19-6) to the mound in Game 1 against Oakland curveballer Barry Zito (16-10). Nate Robertson (13-13) will pitch Detroit's opener against Yankees righthander Chien-Ming Wang (19-6). "It's a lot easier to beat them three out of five than four out of seven," Tigers manager Jim Leyland said. "We needed our pitchers to give us more than we got in the

last five days. If we keep pitching like this, nothing else is going to matter." The NL East champion Mets, who tied the Yankees for the best record in the majors at 97-65, also are concerned about their pitching. The Mets will be without an injured Pedro Martinez throughout the postseason, while the Dodgers have Derek Lowe and Greg Maddux lined up to pitch the first two games. Los Angeles ended the season on a seven-game winning streak, while New York won its final four. "One benefit we have is we faced them a short time ago," Dodgers outfielder J.D. Drew said. "It will be a tough matchup. Their bullpen is pretty much set. I'm sure the loss of Martinez is disheartening to them."

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**DENNIS THE MENACE**  
Teacher said we're havin' dress rehearsal for our play tomorrow, but I'm not wearin' a dress for nobody!  
10-2

**THE FAMILY CIRCUS**  
"Grandma, you make the best scribbled eggs!"  
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**HAGAR**  
HALT! WHO GOES THERE? FRIEND OR FOE?  
WHAT DOES "FOE" MEAN?  
I THINK IT'S A NUMBER BETWEEN THREE AND FIVE.  
10-2

**BC**  
YOU KNOW YOU'VE OVERSLEPT WHEN YOUR SNOOZE ALARM MORPHS INTO THE NOON WHISTLE.  
10-2

**BLONDIE**  
I'D LIKE TO SPEAK TO DAGWOOD BUMSTEAD, PLEASE.  
HE'S NOT AVAILABLE RIGHT NOW. WOULD YOU LIKE HIS VOICE MAIL?  
ACTUALLY, IT WOULD BE NICE TO TALK TO A REAL LIVE PERSON.  
WELL, WHAT'S YOUR DEFINITION OF A REAL LIVE PERSON?  
SKNXXX-X  
10-2

**WIZARD OF ID**  
THIS MAN IS 85 YEARS OLD TODAY.  
YOU LOOK GREAT! WHAT'S YOUR SECRET?  
I STILL LIVE WITH MY MOTHER.  
10-2

**This Date In History**  
Today is Monday, Oct. 2, the 275th day of 2006. There are 90 days left in the year.  
Today's Highlight in History:  
On Oct. 2, 1967, Thurgood Marshall was sworn in as an associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court; he was the first black appointed to the nation's highest court.  
On this date:  
In 1780, British spy John Andre was hanged in Tappan, N.Y.  
In 1835, the first battle of the Texas Revolution took place as American settlers defeated a Mexican cavalry near the Guadalupe River.  
In 1919, President Wilson suffered a stroke that left him partially paralyzed.  
In 1941, during World War II, German armies began an all-out drive against Moscow.  
In 1944, Nazi troops crushed the 2-month-old Warsaw Uprising, during which a quarter of a million people were killed.  
In 1950, the comic strip "Peanuts," created by Charles M. Schulz, was first published in nine newspapers.  
In 1958, the former French colony of Guinea in West Africa proclaimed its independence.  
In 1975, President Ford welcomed Japan's Emperor Hirohito to the United States.  
In 1986, the Senate joined the House in voting to override President Reagan's veto of stiff economic sanctions against South Africa.  
Birthdays:  
Country singer-musician Leon Rausch (Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys) is 79.  
Former Dodgers shortstop Maury Wills is 74.  
Movie critic Rex Reed is 68.  
Singer-songwriter Don McLean is 61.  
Cajun/country singer Joel Sonnier is 60.  
Actor Avery Brooks is 58.  
Photographer Annie Leibovitz is 57.  
Rock musician Mike Rutherford (Genesis, Mike &amp; Mechanics) is 56.  
Singer-actor Sting is 55.  
Actress Lorraine Bracco is 52.  
Country musician Greg Jennings (Restless Heart) is 52.  
Rock singer Phil Oakey (The Human League) is 51.  
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**AGNES**  
AGNES, THE SCIENCE FAIR PROJECT IS DUE THIS WEEK.  
I'M ON IT!  
WHAT IS THAT?  
A PILL THAT MIGHT CURE HYPOCHONDRIA. WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE THE TEST PATIENT?  
NO.  
ME, NEITHER. I WORRY ABOUT THE PSEUDO SIDE EFFECTS.  
10-2

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42 Penna. neighbor  
43 Golf pegs  
44 Mascara sites  
45 \_\_\_ Were the Days"  
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50 Christopher of Superman

**DOWN**  
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2 Old king of rhyme  
3 Took the train  
4 Overhead trains  
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49 Make angry  
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52 Use a stopwatch for  
53 Shade trees  
54 Tremendously  
57 Tattletale

**HI AND LOIS**  
WHAT WAS THIS BOX OF COOKIES DOING IN THE BACK OF THE CABINET UNDER THE SINK?  
I PUT IT THERE.  
SHHH, IT MUST BE A GOOD HIDING PLACE IF THE KIDS HAVEN'T FOUND IT YET!  
10-2

**THE OTHER COAST**  
TENNIS CAMP  
TODAY YOU'RE GOING TO LEARN HOW TO GRUNT WHEN YOU HIT THE BALL.  
10-2

**SNUFFY SMITH**  
I AIN'T STARTED MY SPRING CHORES YET AN' ELVINEY JEST GIVE ME TH' LIST FER FALL !!  
RELAX, LUKEY, YO'RE AHEAD OF TH' GAME !!  
THEM STORM WINDOWS ARE ALREADY ON !!  
10-2

**BETLE BAI'EY**  
FIRST YOU SHOULD GO TO "A"... THE SECTION OFFICE...  
THEN TO "B"... THE ADJUTANT'S OFFICE...  
...THEN "M"... THE COORDINATOR...  
THEN "L"...  
WHAT'S HE DOING?  
TELLING ME WHERE TO GO TO FILE A COMPLAINT.  
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By THOMAS JENKINS  
Staff Writer  
With a month under its belt, Spring Department's Friendly Spay Project has nearly made its way through half its funding.  
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