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Big Spring ISD looks to trim calendar

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

Big Spring school trustees are looking to trim about five days off next year's calendar.

Trustees learned at Thursday's board meeting that, because of recent mandates, school districts are required to start school no earlier than the

fourth Monday in August, beginning with the 2007-2008 school year.

In Big Spring ISD's case, that means school will start about two weeks later than it did this year. It also means that officials will have to do some trimming and juggling of the calendar if the school year is going to end by the preferred target date of

June 1.

"Knowing that the first instructional day next year is Aug. 27, and that that date is two weeks later than the start date this year, it would follow that the end of the respective semesters would shift back two weeks, as well," Superintendent Michael Downes said.

As things stand now, if BSISD

starts the next school year Aug. 27, and keeps the same number of holiday and off days in the calendar as this year, school will let out around the second week of June 2008.

That is unacceptable to officials.

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James Fryar, left, and Monroe Casey of the Mustang Draw Woodcarvers Club display some of the items created by club members. The club will hold four days of classes and its annual show and sale beginning Monday at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Whittlin' with pride Mustang Draw Woodcarvers set for annual show and sale

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

Give some folks a knife and a piece of wood and there's no telling what they'll create.

Members of the Mustang Draw Woodcarvers Club will show off their talent and wares to the public next week when they hold their 16th annual Show and Sale at Dora Roberts Community Center.

As a run-up to the actual show, there will be four days of woodcarving classes beginning Monday at the center; the show and sale will be held the following Friday and Saturday.

Club members James Fryar and Monroe Casey said the classes are available to everyone and cover the gamut from beginners to

advanced woodcarving. The class schedule is:

- Beginners class will be taught by Fryar beginning Monday. Cost is \$5.

- Chip carving will be taught by Claudie Atkins Monday and Tuesday. Cost is \$20.

- Bark houses will be taught by Lloyd Claxton Monday. Cost is \$10.

- Barn owls will be taught by Jim Stewart Monday. Stewart will then teach a class Tuesday on carving roses. Cost for each class is \$15.

- An advanced class will be taught by Debbie Edwards Tuesday through Thursday. Cost is \$150.

Costs for the classes will not include materials, although those will be available for sale at the time, Fryar said.

"The classes are for everyone,

from beginners to intermediate to advanced," Fryar said. "If they don't know which side of the knife to use, we've got a class for them. We'll even furnish the Band Aids."

Casey said you can create almost anything with a knife and a piece of wood, and almost anything is just what will be on display at the show and sale. Realistic and caricature renditions of animals and humans, sceneries, religious items and items with a Western theme are among those that will be judged or for sale.

"If someone wants a one-of-a-kind Christmas present, this is the place to get it," Fryar said. "And we're bound to have something in their price range."

This is the fourth year that the

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Guilty plea nets 6 years

Stanton woman to serve time for manslaughter

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

A Stanton woman pleaded guilty to manslaughter this week and received a six-year sentence in a state penitentiary for the 2005 vehicle-pedestrian accident that claimed the life of an 11-year-old boy.

Julie Lynn Luna, of 708 W. Broadway in Stanton, was indicted in May on charges of intoxication manslaughter (second-degree felony); criminal negligence (state jail felony); and criminally negligent homicide (state jail felony) for the Oct. 28, 2005, accident that killed 11-year-old Michael Almanza of Stanton.

According to Howard County District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson, the plea bargain was offered

shortly before jury selection began in the case Tuesday morning in Martin County.

"We were getting ready to begin jury selection when the defense council approached us with a proposition," said Wilkerson. "The defendant agreed to plead guilty to manslaughter, a second-degree felony punishable by two to 20 years in prison and a fine not to exceed \$10,000."

Wilkerson said Luna received a six-year sentence to a Texas Department of Criminal Justice facility and will be eligible for parole in approximately two years.

"Our goal was to get some prison time on this," said Wilkerson.

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Be costume-safe for this Halloween, fire marshal urges

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

The race is on for children and adults alike to find the perfect Halloween costume, and while just how freaky or spooky the costume appears might be the deciding factor, area officials are warning holiday-goers to consider something else: How safe is it?

According to Big Spring Fire Marshal Carl Condray, parents should prepare a "safety check-

list" before deciding what costume to purchase or make for their children.

"You want it to be a fantastic costume, but you shouldn't forget about safety," said Condray. "One of the most overlooked issues, especially with homemade costumes, is whether or not the costume is flammable. You need to make sure that the costume will not catch fire if the material comes in contact with a flame, even for a very brief period."

"Keep in mind that your children will be going up on porches with

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SHE'S MOST DEFINITELY A 'MCBRIDE'

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ga. (AP) — Shawnta McBride is apparently more than living up to her name.

McBride, 31, has married five men without divorcing her first husband, according to warrants issued by Gwinnett County Police detectives. She is charged with five counts of bigamy and false swearing.

Police are searching for McBride, whose last known address was in Decatur.

Police said her case is similar to those of two men arrested in the suburban Atlanta county in September. Police suspect the men married half a dozen or more women each to help them gain American citizenship.

Four of McBride's groomsmen were born in Ghana, one was from Morocco and one was a London native, said Lorraine Stafford, the Probate Court administrator.

No 'LOOSIES' SOLD IN ST. PAUL



ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — St. Paul is about to lose "loosies."

The City Council voted Wednesday to ban the sale of single — or loose — cigarettes.

The council cited the lack of health warning labels on single smokes and said their cheapness makes them attractive to minors and the poor.

Council President Kathy Lantry proposed the ordinance after getting complaints from neighbors about the sale of loosies, which are found at some convenience stores, gas stations and liquor stores.

"I think it's taking advantage of people," she said. "It really is a way that kids start smoking."

Research indicates the sale of loosies dates to the 1930s, when Depression-era smokers couldn't afford a full pack of cigarettes.

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Obituaries

Samuel Glen Pardue



Samuel Glen Pardue died Thursday, Oct. 12, 2006. Glen was born on June 12, 1948, in Jonesboro, La. to Howell and Maxine Pardue.

Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. at the Evergreen Cemetery Chapel in Stanton with Rev. David Harp pastor of First Baptist Church Stanton, officiating.

Glen is survived by his wife, Gail, of Stanton; daughter, Lori of Colorado City, and her husband, Doug Shoemate; daughter, Aimee of Stanton and her husband, Heath North; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Winfred and Jeanne Pardue of Midland and Bill and Connie Pardue, of Stanton; one sister, Nanette Pierce of Stanton; three granddaughters; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Howell and Maxine Pardue.

Glen and Gail Wilson were married on Feb. 11, 1970. He loved to build and fix things. Glen was self-employed as a maintenance man and heavy-equipment mechanic.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Hospice Midland, PO Box 2126, Midland 79702. We extend a special thank you to Glen's hospice nurse, Jacklyn Denson.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Helen Wheeler

Helen Wheeler, 80, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2006, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Private services will be held at a later date in California.

She was born June 19, 1926, in Stephenville to Horace and Roby Newton. She was a longtime Big Spring resident and a homemaker.

She is survived by two sons. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Michael Cranford

Michael Cranford, 55, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Oct. 12, 2006, at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Polly Atchison

Polly Atchison, 83, of Stanton, died Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2006, at her residence. Her services are pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Take Note

• **BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL'S ROMEO AND JULIET** will open Oct. 26 at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Following performances will be held Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. and Oct. 29 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for students. Proceeds will benefit the drama department's one act play in the Spring.

• **WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY FALL FESTIVAL** will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday. Admission is free; booth tickets are four for \$1. Children are invited to wear costumes. Activities include a Coke toss, cake walk, potato sack race, fish pond, face painting and more. There will also be drawings for gifts. All funds raised will go to projects at Washington Elementary.

• **THE POWWOW COMMITTEE OF BIG SPRING** is planning its 2007 Powwow and is in need of new members and volunteers. Anyone interested in Native American dancing or just interested in helping to bring an exciting weekend event to Big Spring is encouraged to contact Robert Downing at 263-3255 or Randy McKinney at 267-4843.

• **THE SECOND ANNUAL HAUNTED HANGAR** will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at the Hangar 25 Air Museum. The Halloween alternative event is open to children of all ages. Admission is \$2. There will be a pumpkin carving contest. Bring your own carved pumpkin between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. for judging. Among the activities will be 15 games booths, face painting, dance and costume contests and a performance by the Dance Gallery. For more information contact Heather Wallace at 264-1999.

• **CHRIST COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP IS COLLECTING INFANT CAR SEATS AND CARRIERS.** These are given to new mothers who cannot afford them. To donate your old or new car seats and carriers, call Karen Allen at 263-3517 or leave a message at Christ Community Fellowship, 263-love. All donations are appreciated.

• **ROAD TO RECOVERY**, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This requires just a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call Nancy Koger at 267-7809.

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Police blotter

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

- **ERIC TORREZ**, 30, of Colleyville, was arrested Thursday on a Taylor County warrant.
- **ISRAEL FLORES JR.**, 26, of 700 West Interstate Highway 20, was arrested Thursday on charges of public intoxication and possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.
- **UNLAWFULLY CARRYING A WEAPON** was reported in the 1000 block of Main Street.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.
- **RESISTING ARREST, SEARCH OR TRANSPORTATION** was reported in the 700 block of 17th Street.
- **POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA - TWO OUNCES OR LESS** was reported in the 700 block of Interstate Highway 20.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported:
 - in the 700 block of 17th Street.
 - in the 800 block of Interstate Highway 20.
 - in the 500 block of Birdwell Lane.
 - in the 1300 block of Dixie.
- **AGGRAVATED ASSAULT** was reported in the 2400 block of Simler.

Sheriff's report

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 52 inmates at the time of this report.
- **JESSIE CASTILLO JR.**, 41, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of racing on the highway.
- **THOMAS RAMIREZ CASTILLO**, 39, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of racing on the highway.
- **ANNA MARIE ISLAS**, 37, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of violation of parole - driving while intoxicated, third or more offense.
- **JOSEPH ALTON MURLEY**, 27, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of theft.
- **ROBERTO FRANCO JR.**, 25, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of burglary of a vehicle.
- **ROSHAUN BERNARD JONES**, 23, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of failure to appear.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 500 block of Jeffrey Road.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 3200 block of Fordham. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1900 block of North Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the area of Memorial Stadium. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1800 block of North Highway 87. One person was transported to the VAMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 200 block of West Marcy. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 800 block of Scott. Service was refused.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported near the intersection of Rockhouse Road and Wasson Road. Service was refused.

Support Groups

- FRIDAY**
- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.
- SATURDAY**
- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 615 Settles 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.
- SUNDAY**
- Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 p.m. until 6 p.m.
- MONDAY**
- Encourager's Support Group for all widows and widowers meets the first and third Monday of the month. For more information, call Nancy Hale at 398-5239.

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TODAY

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

SATURDAY

- Make a Difference Day. Keep Big Spring Beautiful is encouraging everyone to help pick up trash throughout the city. Call Pat Simmons at 263-4607 or 213-5444 to volunteer.
- Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.

MONDAY

- The Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teacher's Association meets in the Cactus Room at Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third, for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets at 5:30 p.m. in the First Christian Church of Big Spring, 911 Goliad. A different program is offered every week. Enter through the south side door off 10th Street. Call 263-2786 for more information.
- Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Event Center, 1607 E. Third St.

Weather

Tonight—Mostly cloudy. Warmer. Lows in the upper 50s. Southeast winds around 10 mph in the evening becoming light and variable.

Saturday—Cloudy with showers and thunderstorms likely. Highs in the lower 70s. Southeast winds around 10 mph. The chance of rain is 60 percent.

Saturday night—Cloudy with numerous showers and thunderstorms. Locally heavy rainfall possible. Lows in the lower 60s. South winds around 10 mph. The chance of rain is 60 percent.

Sunday—Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 70s. South winds around 10 mph.

Sunday night—Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 60s.

Monday—Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 70s.

Monday night—Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 50s. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

Tuesday—Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 80s.

Tuesday night—Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 50s.

Wednesday—Mostly sunny. Highs around 80.

Wednesday night—Partly cloudy. Lows around 50.

Thursday—Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 70s.

Lottery

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Thursday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 4-5-27-31. Bonus Ball: 6.
Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 0.
Estimated jackpot for Monday night drawing: \$375,000.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 3-7-10-25-33.
Number matching five of five: 1.
Prize per winner: \$28,143.
Winning ticket sold in: Arlington.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Friday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 0-9-9

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Abilene woman pleads guilty in adoption scam

LUBBOCK (AP) — An Abilene woman accused in a scam in which three families thought they would get to adopt her baby pleaded guilty to federal charges Thursday. A federal judge ordered a presentence investigation for 26-year-old Tawana Lynn Howard after she pleaded guilty to wire fraud. Howard faces up to 20 years in prison, sources said. Prosecutors say Howard defrauded three adoption agencies and three sets of potential adoptive parents in 2004. Howard never told the agencies or potential parents that she was dealing with more than one entity. Then, late in 2004, she informed the families and the agencies that she was no longer offering her unborn child for adoption. The victims lost nearly \$35,000, including legal and administrative fees. No sentencing date has been set. Howard initially faced an eight-count indictment charging her with mail fraud

and wire fraud.

Man sentenced to 43 years for son's death in meth lab fire

ANSON (AP) — A West Texas man was sentenced Thursday to 43 years in prison for the death of his 6-year-old son in a mobile home fire started by a methamphetamine lab. Russell Lee Dentler, 37, was convicted Tuesday of murder in the death of Colton Blain Dentler, who was killed in the 2004 fire at their mobile home near Anson, about 20 miles northwest of Abilene. Dentler also was convicted of possession of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container and two counts of bodily injury to a child — one for Colton and one for Dentler's daughter who was rescued from the burning mobile home. Dentler was sentenced to 43 years on the murder charge, 43 years each on the two bodily injury charges and 10 years on the possession charge. The sentences will be served concurrently. He faced a maximum sentence of life.

Alternative transportation to be studied along proposed Ports-to-Plains roadways

LUBBOCK (AP) — The Texas Department of Transportation will study whether railroads and utility lines could be added to the proposed Ports-to-Plains roadways that would eventually link seaports in Mexico with the U.S.-Canada border. The study is expected to take about 90 days and could lead to additional funding to finish the project, TxDOT director Michael Behrens said Thursday at the Ports-to-Plains annual meeting. Along its north-south route, Ports-to-Plains includes U.S. Highway 87 through Big Spring. The Ports-to-Plains project could get some revenue from leasing the rights of way along Interstates 20 and 10 for transmission lines to carry wind energy. The most recent federal transportation bill included about \$120 million for the Ports-to-Plains route. Organizers want about \$2.8 billion to finish the current plans for the project. "We know the (federal) gas tax isn't provid-

ing enough. We should look at doing something different," Ports-to-Plains President Michael Reeves said. The goal is to turn existing roads from Laredo to Denver into four- or six-lane divided highways. About half the project is either complete, in the works or has been designed. The study of alternative transportation possibilities will mirror one used for possible routes of the Texas Corridor, Behrens said.

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year by May 30 if at all possible," Board Secretary Ricky Robertson said. "We can shorten some of the holidays if we need to." Downes and the board agreed that the school year should end by the start of June to give students — as well as teachers — time to enroll in summer courses at college, something that may not be

possible if the school year dips further into the month. Downes said to end the school year by June 1, officials will have to take five holiday days out of the calendar. "We're just going to have to cut back on holidays," Board Member Irene Galan said. "We can't get around it." Work on next year's calendar will begin in earnest in November, with finalization expected in February. Downes said there are several options the district will explore, but some incon-

venience is to be expected with the new calendar. "It's not like this task is impossible, but there's some things we've grown accustomed to that won't happen (in the new calendar)," he said. "The 2007-2008 calendar will be different from the previous year, and it will cause some adjustments to be made, but I believe those adjustments will be made." In other business Thursday, trustees: • Approved the resignation of Alternative Ed Principal Mark Owen,

Washington kindergarten teacher Jamie Owen, Goliad assistant principal Don Dulin and junior high English teacher Jennifer Patterson. • Voted to continue an agreement in which BSISD provides special education services for Forsan ISD. • Awarded bids for student letter award jackets.

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pumpkins that have a lit candle. Children can brush against a pumpkin with long, flowing costumes." Condray said it's important to purchase or make the costume so the child can move about freely, and is visible to motorists. "Make absolutely sure that the child can move freely and see well. Remember that young children will be climbing steps and walking

through yards," said Condray. "Make sure your child can be seen. Select costumes that are bright colored. If that is not possible be sure to decorate the costume with reflective tape or reflective fabric paint. "Reflective tape can be incorporated into the costume. For instance, if your child wants to be a witch with a black cape, cut stars out of reflective tape and put them all over the cape." While being seen by others is a major concern come Halloween night, Condray said it's important to consider how well

the children can see, as well. "You can avoid a lot of scrapes and bruises by making sure your child can see well," said Condray. "A lot of times that means cutting larger eye holes in makes. Also keep in mind it's much harder for children to breathe with a mask on, so you may want to cut mouth holes as well. "Face paint is a really good alternative to masks because it doesn't impair the children's vision like a mask does. However, some face paints with a lot of petroleum product in them can cause the

children to break out or develop a rash. Be sure to test the paint on the child a few days before the holiday to be sure they won't have a reaction to it." Condray also suggests sewing a name tag into your child's costume, giving their name, address and phone number.

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club will hold its show and sale in Big Spring. "It was a whole lot smaller than it is now," Casey said. "We fill up

the big room at the community center every year." "We just want everyone who came last year to come back — and bring somebody with them," Fryar added. To register for classes

or learn more about them or the show, call Casey at 267-7687.

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"and we accomplished that. It's a conviction and we're satisfied with it. I really had expected this one to go to trial, but we're satisfied with the outcome."

According to Department of Public Safety officials, Almanza and his 14-year-old brother were crossing the Interstate 20 north service road near their homes to board a school bus during the morning hours when both were struck by a Pontiac Grand Prix, driven by Luna, that was traveling east on the same road.

The 14-year-old received only minor injuries, but Almanza was critically injured in the incident. He was transported to Midland Memorial Hospital, where he died a day later. Almanza was a student

at Stanton Junior High School and the son of Angie and Mike Rodriguez of Stanton.

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

- West Texas Centers for Mental Health Mental Retardation and the Big Spring State Hospital for conducting free depression screenings this fall.

- Syndie Robertson, the 17-year-old daughter of Rick and Valerie Robertson, who was crowned as the 2006 Howard County Fair Queen and reigned over-activities that took place during the fair.

- Alon USA personnel who once again played a role in bringing the public the FINA-CAF AIRSHO.

- Big Spring's Steers, who chalked up their first win of the season last week with a 35-7 rout of Andrews, ruining the Mustangs' homecoming celebration.

- Artist Kay Smith, who after three years of requests, has provided the display of her work, "Expect the Unexpected" at the Heritage Museum. The exhibit will be on display through Nov. 4.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

When we are faced with moral choices, Lord, may we go to Your word for help.

Amen

All you can say is 'dadgumitt'

A flowery language is a big deal to me. I love to listen to how people say things and if you can just be quiet long enough you can tell a lot about somebody. Do you call it a road or a street? When you say, "I told you so," do you leave the "I" out as most Texans do and say "I toad you so" or "its code in December."



TROY BREWER

I listen for that kind of stuff. It's a lot like being able to pick up on subtle aromas in different coffees throughout the world. I love it.

Good Googly Moogly

In 20 years of ministry I have come across some flowery mouths. If you preach as often as I do, you are going to ruffle some feathers and a little while back the female version of "Abdullah the Butcher" came a callin' to rend the Brewer with her bear-like paws.

Without so much as even a knock, an overweight lady in tight spandex who looked like she had been on a worldwide tour of Bingo halls came striding into my office. She took one look at me and said, "Yeah; you're the preacher," identifying her enemy and marking the target.

You see, besides being a talented drawer of muscle men and cars with 50 engines, one of the greatest gifts I have is that I attract crazy people.

I am a magnet for the disturbed and as the Bible says, "deep calls unto deep."

Goshamighty

She was mad because we would not pay an outrageous bill she had. Having found out that we had paid a bill for a friend of hers, she was there to get her "fair share." Even though we give away over a million pounds of food a year and spend the biggest part of our budget on poor and hurting people, I'm not a sucker. I am benevolent but that doesn't make me stupid. She wanted me to do great financial things for her and as the rant continued, I "toad" her it would never happen in God's lifetime.

I made every polite gesture of dismissal I could. I stacked papers and put them on the corner of my desk. I offered to pray. I stood up and edged toward the door. She kept her backside (I dare not say firmly) planted into my poor leather chair and left an indelible impression like they have down in Glen Rose. My only hope was to call the Law or a Triple A tow truck.

Shoot Fire and Save the Matches

She called me everything she could think of and told me how every church in Johnson County had done her wrong. She belatedly weak attempts to compare me to a big haired TV evangelist. I took offense noting that I have only been on television three or four times in my life.

When the phone rang I answered it and carried on a conversation with my friend while the Brewer queen continued her tirade. After 10 minutes or so I hung up and she said, "I hope that phone call was important." "Oh it was," I said.

said smiling. "That was Evel Knievel and he wants to jump your church."

I learned that day it takes more than a beef from a sheriff's deputy to find our church. I also learned it is necessary to train our deacons, Bible study fighters. On that day I learned the fact that a preacher in Johnson County not only needs a Bible and a Springfield commentary close by, but also a taser and a gun. He needs to be the 21st century cowboy of Texas.

Holy Oleo

The Bible says that you can't get a good thing out of a bad one. You can't get a good thing out of a bad one. You can't get a good thing out of a bad one. If it is possible for a man to have peace in his mind, he can have peace in his mind.

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Price supports, not payment caps

Recent headlines on federal budget deliberations highlight President George W. Bush's proposal to cut farm subsidy programs and a proposal by Sen. Charles Grassley (R-Iowa) and Sen. Byron Dorgan (D-N.D.) called the "Rural America Preservation Act." The president's proposal would cut 5 percent in every "subsidy" category, limit Loan Deficiency Payments (LDP) to historical production instead of current production, and cap subsidy payments to farmers at \$250,000. The Grassley-Dorgan bill prescribes a similar payment cap as a silver bullet to "preserve rural America."



GEORGE NAYLOR

The proponents of payment caps claim this reform will fulfill the public's desire to stop farm consolidation and save taxpayers a handsome sum that can be used for other worthy purposes or to balance the federal budget. I believe these payment cap proposals will do neither.

First of all, payment cap reform ignores the fundamental problem of the current farm bill, the use of "marketing loans" that result in farmers producing crops at less than the cost of production with no alternative but to plant fencerow-to-fencerow. Selling any commodity into the domestic market or overseas at less than the cost of production has a corrosive effect on our economy beginning with the incomes of local rural economies and the related tax receipts that vanish into thin air. Farm subsidy payments are the only thing keeping farmers from going broke overnight given typical commodity prices.

Secondly, how can politicians

ignore the fact that government payments to farmers are highest when commodity prices are lowest? Why don't they focus on the windfall profits afforded corporate livestock feeders, exporters and processors of cheap commodities, instead of the government payments to farmers that don't begin to make up for low prices?

Taxpayer savings? According to President Bush's budget calculations, his payment cuts, including the cap on payments, would amount to less than \$600 million per year. The Grassley-Dorgan payment cap alone saves even less. Surprisingly, both these proposals ignore the opportunity for much, much bigger savings. The 2003 drought increased market prices of most commodities so that almost no LDP or countercyclical payments were paid to farmers, saving taxpayers a real chunk of change — \$10 billion! That's "b" for billion, or over sixteen times the projected savings of a cap on payments and other payment cuts projected by the president's budget. This points the way to real subsidy reform: Eliminate subsidies by raising commodity prices with price supports and supply management.

What about stopping farm consolidation? It is well recognized that a \$250,000 payment cap will affect very few corn and soybean farmers unless extremely low prices jack up government payments. But let's say some big rice and cotton farmers do approach the cap, what will they do? They will switch more of their acres to corn and soybeans, lowering their total payments, but helping drive down corn and soybean prices, thus driving up payments to every producer of those crops.

Besides adding to government outlays for these crops, two more effects that are significant must be

factored into the production of corn and soybeans will mean lower prices for farmers around the world, including Mexico and Central America, and (2) these crop price programs will result in increased industrial livestock production, meaning family farm production of international

The current farm bill, by Senators Byron Dorgan and Charles Grassley, would cap farm subsidy payments to \$250,000.

Payment caps inaccurately portray subsidies as a big farmer versus small farmer problem.

Payment caps without price supports and supply management would severely impact taxpayers little relief on corporate agribusiness, which continue to replace diversified production on family farms with giant feedlots. Highly processed food created from corn, wheat, soy, flax and soy oil would further support healthy diets and local food markets around the world.

The trend of farm consolidation needs to be reversed so that our young people have opportunities to make a decent living in rural America. Farm bill reform needs to create price floors for commodities related to their true cost of production and stop fencerow-to-fencerow farming.

Taxpayers will benefit only when giant agribusiness pays rational prices to farmers.

This will happen when politicians stop putting farmers against other farmers and speak for the public interest, not that of giant agribusiness.

George Naylor, president of the National Family Farm Coalition, farms near Churdan, Iowa, and is a member of Iowa Citizens for Community Improvement. He can be e-mailed at moonbean@wcccta.net



Tony Kennedy, left, trustees, presents a plaque to the school board.



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Tony Kennedy, left, president of the Big Spring Independent School District board of trustees, presents a plaque to Kentwood Elementary Principal Karen Saunders in recognition of her school being named an Exemplary campus by the Texas Education Agency.



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From left, Carie Dunnam, Wenda Christopher and Ruben Cervantes, principals for Marcy, Bauer and Washington elementaries, respectively, hold plaques lauding their schools being named Recognized campuses by the Texas Education Agency.



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In the photo at left, Forsan ISD Board President Allen McDowell, left, is presented a plaque proclaiming Forsan's status as a Texas Education Agency "Recognized" district by Fisd Superintendent Randy Johnson. According to the TEA, only 26.9 percent of school districts in the state achieved this status.

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Forsan ISD Board President Allen McDowell, right, presents Elbow Elementary principal Steve Osborn with the "Recognized Campus" plaque. This rating is presented by the Texas Education Agency in recognition of high achievement on the state's Academic Excellence Indicator System.

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Birdwell Lane Baptist Church

The ladies will be traveling to a Ladies Retreat Friday and Saturday in Springtown at Calvary Heights Baptist Church. The Seniors will leave Monday for a Senior Saints Retreat at Ft. Davis Camp and return Thursday.

The members at Birdwell Lane Baptist Church invite you to worship with them at 1512 Birdwell Lane. Sunday worship services are 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Midweek services are at 7 p.m. Wednesday. A nursery is provided.

For further information or a ride to church, call 267-7157 or 267-8214.

East Fourth St. Baptist Church

We have several events coming that many should add to their calendar. The "Singing Women of Texas" will be here Oct. 21 at 6 p.m. On Oct. 28, we will be hosting our annual, "Trunk or Treat" for the little children of our community. They are invited to come to our parking lot starting at 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. to go from car to car, receiving their halloween candy and some good Christian tracts.

This Sunday, our pastor will be preaching about God revealing Himself to us from Romans 1:16-25. We extend an invitation to you to join us. We are located at 401 East 4th Street across from the police station and right next to city hall.

Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church

The 63rd Anniversary Meeting of Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church will be held Oct. 13-15. The guest minister for this special series of services will be Tim Harris of Tifton, Ga. Times of services are scheduled for Oct. 13, 7 p.m.; Oct. 14, 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. and Oct. 15, 10 a.m.

Location of the church is 201 East 24th St. where

visitors are always warmly welcomed. Bible study is held each Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Anyone desiring farther information on any of these services may contact John Wayne Metcalf at 394-4067, or Dennis Walker at 264-1363.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Worship services and Holy Communion, 9 a.m. Sunday School and Bible classes, 10:15 a.m.

LWML is sponsoring Christmas Child Shoeboxes again this year. All donations of small new items that will fit in shoeboxes are appreciated. Monetary donations for shipping are also encouraged. We will be packing shoeboxes Nov. 19. Empty shoeboxes are needed.

LWML still has cookbooks for sale at \$10 each. These are excellent for cookbook collectors and make good Christmas gifts.

Relay for Life calendars and pocket calendars are for sale in parish hall for \$6. All proceeds go for Relay for Life.

October care package items are individual packets of instant coffee, tea, cocoa mix, spiced apple cider. Also soft packets of baby wipes emery boards and nail clippers. Red licorice in small packages are the treat for the month. ATT phone cards are appreciated. All these will be mailed after the last Sunday in October. We appreciate any help.

First United Methodist Church

Sunday, Pastor Shane Brue will be preaching

his seventh sermon on the parables. This week's topic will be "More Prodigal than You Know" from Luke 15:11-32. Regular committee meetings and activities will resume following a most successful and blessed Lord's Acre.

Tuesday, Oct. 24 the senior adult ministry, better known as SAM, will hold its last hotdog supper of the year beginning at 6 p.m. in Garrett Hall. There will be a brief program with explanations and/or instructions regarding physician directive forms. Those attending are asked to bring a new stuffed animal for the Chaplaincy Program.

The Singing Men of West Texas will present a special concert in the sanctuary Thursday, Oct. 26 at 7 p.m. The public is urged to attend what should prove to be a delightful musical treat.

And for those who like to sing, you are invited to take part in this year's production of The Living Christmas Tree. Rehearsals will begin soon. Call Jim at the church, 267-6394.

First United Methodist Church is located in downtown Big Spring at Fourth and Scurry — open doors, open minds, open Hearts.

Mt. Bethel Baptist Church

The Mt. Bethel church family invites the public to join us in revival Oct. 16-18 at 7 p.m. The Rev. Darron Edwards of United Believer's Community Church in Kansas City, Mo., will be the speaker. He is a graduate of Texas A&M and received the Buck Weirus

Student Excellence Award. He has been noted as a Charles Haddon surgeon scholar by the Billy Graham School of Missions, Church Growth and Evangelism at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. He is a distinguished alumnus of Harvard Divinity School. The Rev. Edwards is an avid writer for several magazines and has completed his first book "I Second that Emotion."

Mt. Bethel is located at 630 Sgt. Paredes St. (N.W. Fourth). The Rev. William Vaughn Jr. is pastor.

We invite you to worship and fellowship with us for Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. Worship service is at 11 a.m. Bible study is at 5 p.m. each Sunday and Women's Missionary Society is each Monday at 6 p.m. Youth ministry meets each Sunday at 5 p.m. and Wednesday at 6 p.m.

East Side Baptist Church

Come hear "John Wayne" impersonator Dr. Gene Howard and "The Robby Wright Family" in concert at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 21 and 9:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Oct. 22.

Regular services are Sundays at 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. Youth meet at 6 p.m. and Bible study is at 7 p.m. A nursery provided for all services.

Friends of Unity

The Railroad Plaza where the Center is located is especially beautiful in this season. Friends meet at the Center at 1 and 2 p.m. Sunday and at noon and 5:30 p.m. Thursday. For more information call 263-6311.

Members are reminded to bring non-perishable food items for the food drive. They are to be placed in the cart in the Narthex of the church. Members may also make monetary donations if they choose.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m.

St. Mary's Vestry will meet at 6 p.m. Monday. The Blessing of the Animal will be at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Bennett Garden.

For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-8201 or visit www.stmarysbs.org. St. Mary's is located at 1001 S. Goliad.

First Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Matthew Miles will speak on text taken from Mark 10:35-45 at Sunday worship service. Sunday school begins at 9:45 and Take Ten starts at 10:35.

On Saturday, a board meeting and Church Women United Get Acquainted Tea will be held at 11 a.m. in the church parlor. Monday at 6 p.m., the Encouragers Group will meet. Wednesday at 7 a.m., the monthly Men's Breakfast will be held. At 5:17 p.m. Wednesday, Bible study will be held and choir practice will follow at 6 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church is located on Runnels between Seventh and Eight street. The office telephone number is 263-4211.

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church

The North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church will have its annual stew and cornbread supper Saturday from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. This event is held each fall as a thank you to the community for their support of the church and its mission projects. This year the Gospel Jubilees, a group of young girls led by Bernadine Grissett and accompanied by James Grissett, will sing during the meal. The meal is free and a book sale will be held. Door prizes will be

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October 17 * Tuesday • Mall Walking - 8:00 AM • Supper Club "Al's Bar-b-que" - 5:30 PM	October 25 * Wednesday • Sit & Be Fit - 10:30 AM • Senior Appreciation Day - 11:30 AM • Lunch-n-Learn Vivian Gordon - Radiology Tour
October 18 * Wednesday • Sit & Be Fit - 10:30 AM • Senior Appreciation Day - 11:30 AM	October 26 * Thursday • Mall Walking - 8:00 AM • Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 AM
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October 23 * Monday • New Mexico Casino & Horse Racing 9:00 AM - Senior Circle Members Only	October 30 * Monday • GAMES - 1:00 - 3:00 PM
	October 31 * Tuesday • Mall Walking - 8:00 AM • Supper Club "Cowboys" - 5:30 PM

The SMMC Volunteers will be hosting a Wirewood Jewelry Sale on October 19 and 20 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. These pieces of jewelry are handmade. Come out and browse this unique collection of items.

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Firebrand backer for married Catholic clergy finds cool reception from allies

By BRIAN MURPHY
AP Religion Writer

It would seem that Roman Catholics challenging the ban on married priests have found a leader in Archbishop Emmanuel Milingo. He's defiantly appeared with his bride from a 2001 wedding where hundreds of couples tied the knot. He stood his ground last month after being excommunicated for installing four married men as bishops.

But the 76-year-old prelate from Zambia finds himself more shunned than celebrated, even by his ideological allies. Many of the established movements pushing for optional celibacy are keeping a cautious distance. Milingo's flamboyant style and unusual associations — including the Rev. Sun Myung Moon — are simply too edgy for those trying to work within the system to alter centuries-old church views on marriage and the priesthood.

It's another example of how head-on defiance of the Vatican — whether the issue is openly gay clergy or ordinations of women — can attract widespread attention but often winds up putting anti-status quo forces on the fringe of the debate. The "married priest" groups, led by American

Catholics, mostly favor a different strategy: seeking to avoid direct clashes with Rome. Instead, they believe time is on their side.

They predict the Vatican may be forced in coming decades to seriously consider married clergy because of pressures including declining vocations and more tolerant views from the next generation of bishops.

"The general feeling is that Milingo is a bit too 'out there' for us. Do we really want to tie our future to a loose cannon?" said Bob Motycka, who served for nearly two decades as a Chicago-area priest before leaving to marry in 1998. He now helps lead a group known as Weorc — the Old English word for "work" — that includes nearly 2,000 men who were ordained priests and later wed.

"People have shied away from Milingo for the same reason they shy away from people calling for schisms or those hanging out a shingle and starting a breakaway church," he said. "Yes, we are dissident, but we still remain faithful and loyal to the church."

Such a straddle is possible because priestly celibacy is long-held practice but not immutable doctrine.

In early Christianity, there was no formal ban on marriage for clergy. The Bible mentions St. Peter's mother-in-law and many scholars suggest other apostles had wives — as well as at least some popes such as the 9th century Hadrian II.

In the early Middle Ages, however, movements for celibacy gained momentum and it became a requirement by the 12th century.

The Vatican grants some loopholes, including giving full status to married priests who convert from Anglicanism and selected other denominations. Eastern Rite churches, which follow Orthodox traditions but are loyal to the papacy, also permit ordination of

married men in their historical homelands in the Middle East and Eastern Europe.

But the Vatican has strongly resisted calls for broader openings despite some rising voices.

Last year, one of France's most respected Catholic figures, Abbe Pierre, wrote that he favored allowing priests to marry. In 2003, more than 160 priests in the Milwaukee Archdiocese signed a letter supporting married clergy.

Most groups estimate there are at least 25,000 men in the United States who left the active priesthood to marry, and between 100,000 to 150,000 worldwide. The church considers them outcasts. Some totally drop out of

religious life. But others continue to independently carry on rites such as marriages even though they are not considered valid in the eyes of the church.

The Vatican often ignores such acts. Milingo, however, crossed one of the red lines.

The church comes down hard on any unauthorized ordinations and, especially, installations of bishops. The reason is fear of a snowball-effect schism: the maverick bishops creating more like-minded priests and bishops, and so on.

Milingo ignored Vatican appeals and in

Washington on Sept. 24 installed four married men as bishops who claim affiliation with the break-away Synod of Old Catholic Churches. Milingo and the four men were excommunicated.

Milingo has been in escalating disputes with the Vatican since 2001 when he was married to a South Korean acupuncturist chosen by Moon's Unification Church. Milingo later renounced the union, but has apparently reunited with his wife — who attended a conference last month in New Jersey organized by Milingo's group Married Priests Now!

Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association

The Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday in the Cactus Room at Howard College. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.

Local historian Rick Hamby will give a talk on the legendary Earl of Aylford. All retired school personnel are invited to attend the meeting.

CHURCH

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awarded.

Tailgate Trick or Treat for area children will be held Oct. 31 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the church parking lot.

Entering its third month is the Angel Food Ministries. For \$25, a box of food items can be purchased and is calculated to last two people for one month. Food items include meats, staples, boxed items and eggs. The food is top quality; no out dated, dented cans or commodities. The meat is frozen and is FDA approved. Food items dif-

fer each month and menus may be obtained from any church member or by calling 267-4052 or 267-2203 after Oct. 21. The food is picked up in Lubbock and brought to the church for distribution. This month's distribution will be Saturday, Oct. 21. Orders will taken that day and Nov. 3.

Sunday services are 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday school classes are at 10:30 a.m. A short version of Disciple Bible Study is being held the first and third Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and United Methodist Women meet the second and fourth Thursday at 4:30 p.m. led by Jacque Mauch.

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2. ♠AQ972 ♥106 ♦87 ♣KJ42
3. ♠KJ984 ♥K95 ♦A962 ♣7
4. ♠AQ85 ♥J8 ♦KQ105 ♣J65
5. ♠KQ965 ♥J ♦63 ♣AQ842

1. **Two hearts.** All you can do at the moment is show a preference for partner's first suit. Partner's actual strength is unknown — he might have a minimum opening bid or extra values not yet disclosed. Two hearts shows willingness to stop at a partscore and therefore implies that your first response was based on fairly minimum values. If partner were now to bid three hearts, however, you should happily carry on to four, since you have more than your first two bids have shown.

2. **Three clubs.** This invites partner to go on to game with more than a minimum opening, but he is, of course, not forced to bid again. In this sequence, three clubs indicates about nine to 11 points.

3. **Three hearts.** It would be wrong to bid only two hearts, which would represent a much weaker hand, as in the first problem. Counting the heart fit, your singleton club and 11 high-card points, you have the equivalent of an opening bid facing an opening bid — which means game. Accordingly, you jump-raise rather than give partner a simple preference in hearts. You could also respond two diamonds (forcing), planning to vigorously support hearts at your next turn.

4. **Three notrump.** With 13 high-card points opposite an opening bid, you must undertake game, and it is likewise clear that the best chance for game lies in notrump. There is not much point to bidding two diamonds, even though this would be a forcing bid. It would suggest a more distributional hand rather than the notrump-type hand you have.

5. **Four clubs.** Game is highly likely, and even a slam is not out of the question. Though you have only 12 high-card points, your distributional features easily justify the jump-raise (forcing). While three notrump could prove to be a feasible contract, there is no way of reaching a notrump game without sacrificing the advantages of the jump-raise.

Tomorrow: Better safe than sorry.
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Quarterback Club meeting scheduled
Big Spring School's Quarterback Club will meet Monday at 7 p.m. in the Athletic Training Center.

Mark Tissue, booster club's president encourages all parents of BSHS football players and the teams' fans to attend.
For more information, call Tissue at 816-...

Junior Tennis League continues
A free Junior Tennis League is continuing to play at the Fitness Tennis Center. League competition is open to players through 12, is held 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday. Players should bring their own racket. However, rackets can be provided when needed.

Golf tournament at Commanche Trail
Family and friends of Juan Ortega will be hosting a benefit golf tournament to help pay for his medical expenses. On Saturday, Oct. 14, there will be a four-hole scramble (it's a your team event) at Commanche Trail Golf Course. Play is scheduled for 9 a.m. shotgun start. Entry fees will be \$10 per player and include the noon meal. For additional information, call Linda at 264-2366, or email Linda@CTCG.com.

Ladies Steers Booster Club meeting scheduled
Big Spring School's Lady Steers Booster Club will meet on Oct. 13 at 5:30 p.m. in the BSHS Athletic Training Center. Leslie Whitten, booster club's vice president, encourages parents of Lady Steers players and fans to attend. For more information, call Whitten at 816-...

AP Top 25 Football Poll
The Top 25 teams Associated Press Football Poll with first-place votes, parentheses and records through Oct. 9.

1. Ohio St. (63)
2. Florida
3. USC
4. Michigan
5. W. Va. (2)
6. Texas
7. Louisville
8. Tennessee
9. Notre Dame
10. California
11. Auburn
12. Clemson
13. Ga. Tech
14. Iowa
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16. Arkansas
17. Oregon
18. Missouri
19. Boise St.
20. Nebraska
21. Va. Tech
22. Oklahoma
23. Rutgers
24. Wisconsin
25. Wisconsin

Others teams receiving votes: Boston Col., Florida St., 25, Miami, UCLA, 13, Penn State, Washington, 9, Penn State, N.C. State, 3, Tech, 2, BYU, 1, Forest, 1.

IN BRIEF

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Big Spring High School's Quarterback Club will meet Monday at 7 p.m. in the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

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AP Top 25 Football Poll

The Top 25 teams in the Associated Press College Football Poll with number of first-place votes in parentheses and season records through Oct. 9.

1. Ohio St. (63)	6-0
2. Florida	6-0
3. USC	5-0
4. Michigan	6-0
5. W. Va. (2)	5-0
6. Texas	5-1
7. Louisville	5-0
8. Tennessee	5-1
9. Notre Dame	5-1
10. California	5-1
11. Auburn	5-1
12. Clemson	5-1
13. Ga. Tech	5-1
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17. Arkansas	4-1
18. Oregon	4-1
19. Missouri	6-0
20. Boise St.	6-0
21. Nebraska	5-1
22. Va. Tech	4-1
23. Oklahoma	3-2
24. Rutgers	5-0
25. Wisconsin	5-1

Others teams receiving votes: Boston College 79, Florida St. 25, Miami 13, UCLA 13, Penn St. 10, Washington 5, Pittsburgh 6, N.C. State 3, Texas Tech 2, BYU 1, Wake Forest 1

Facing Bledsoe, Texans thinking more sacks

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — After sacking Daunte Culpepper five times in their last game, the Texans are more than a bit excited to face Drew Bledsoe a week after he was taken down a season-high seven times.

"Anytime you have a quarterback that is not like Michael Vick, who can take off and is faster than anybody on the field, then it's a good thing for us," top pick Mario Williams said.

The defensive end got the first sack of his career in Houston's win over Miami and is looking to build off of that.

"We have to go there and make things happen," Williams said. "I'm still working on my technique. I just have to keep my feet

going and just keep going hard." Coach Gary Kubiak warned against underestimating Bledsoe after last week's subpar performance.

"I've been in this league long enough to have been beat by him many, many times and he's a fine player and can light you up throwing the football," Kubiak said.

While Houston's defense looks to get more sacks, Texans quarterback David Carr is happy that he's taking fewer of them this season. Through four games last year he was sacked 27 times. That number has dropped to 15 this season.

"It's a distinct advantage when you can actually go out and practice on Wednesday and actually feel good instead of having to

limp around until Friday to where you don't feel good, you don't feel healthy," he said. "And you even go into games on Sunday, where you don't feel 100 percent...and I've felt a lot better going into these games than I have in the past."

The Texans hope to finally get their running game going this weekend and that Ron Dayne's experience in facing the Cowboys will help.

Dayne had seven carries for 98 yards and a touchdown for Denver in a 24-21 win over Dallas last year. Houston is averaging just 76 yards rushing a game.

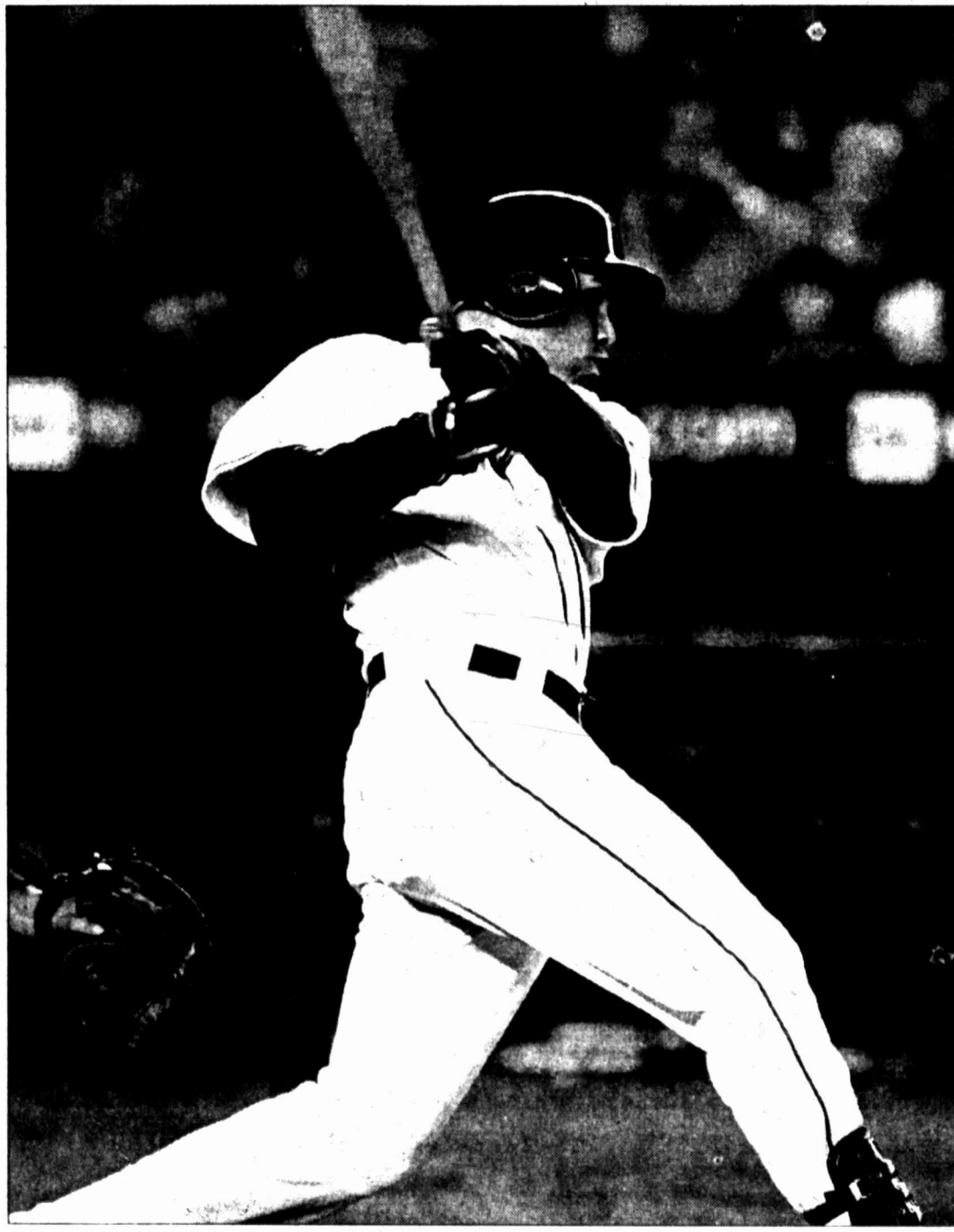
"I'm hoping he gives us something extra because he's looking like a better player every day," Kubiak said. "I'm hoping y'all see him improve every week."

The 1999 Heisman Trophy winner, who is Houston's leading rusher this season with 47 carries for 153 yards, said he's prepared for any role he is given.

"Really whatever it takes for us to win," he said. "If it's a lot of carries and wearing them down, I'm ready to do it or if it's a few carries and I'm scoring, I'm ready to do that too."

The Texans might also use newly signed fullback Vonta Leach against Dallas. Kubiak has been impressed with him in practice this week after he was signed on Monday, but was unsure if he would play Sunday.

Receiver Andre Johnson, who leads the team with 30 receptions for 410 yards, is eager to see the running game catch up to Houston's passing game.



New York Mets' Carlos Beltran hits a two-run home run that scores Paul LoDuca in the sixth inning during Game 1 of the National League Championship Series against the St. Louis Cardinals. The Mets lead the best of seven series 1-0.

Mets blast Cards, 2-0

By MIKE FITZPATRICK

AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK — Tom Glavine tossed another gem, Carlos Beltran rocked Shea Stadium with a homer that crashed off the scoreboard, and the New York Mets jumped in front of St. Louis in the NL championship series.

Glavine shut down Albert Pujols and extended his postseason shutout streak to 13 innings, pitching the Mets to a 2-0 victory over the Cardinals in Game 1 on Thursday night.

Beltran, who wore out St. Louis in the NLCS with Houston two years ago, hit a two-run shot off an otherwise impressive Jeff Weaver in the sixth. That was all the offense New York needed to win its eighth straight game, dating to the regular season.

After rain postponed the opener Wednesday night, the Cardinals bumped up ace Chris Carpenter, who will pitch on regular rest Friday night in Game 2. Rookie right-hander John Maine will be on the

mount for the Mets.

Missing injured starters Pedro Martinez and Orlando Hernandez, the Mets are counting heavily on Glavine this October as they chase their first World Series title in 20 years.

The 40-year-old left-hander, sharp and deceptive as ever, has delivered in a big way.

He threw six scoreless innings in Game 2 of the first round, helping the Mets to a three-game sweep of the Los Angeles Dodgers. And the two-time Cy Young Award winner, who waited four seasons to reach the playoffs with New York after doing so year after year in Atlanta, was just as good against St. Louis.

Helped by two inning-ending double plays and a sprawling catch by super sub Endy Chavez, Glavine yielded only four hits and two walks.

He struck out Pujols in the first, walked him in the fourth and retired him on a liner to shortstop in the sixth.

Guillermo Mota worked

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A&M, Missouri using new form of option

By CHRIS DUNCAN

AP Sports Writer

COLLEGE STATION — The quarterback option is making a comeback of sorts, and Texas A&M and Missouri are among the teams putting it to use.

Both the Aggies (5-1, 1-1 Big 12) and 19th-ranked Tigers (6-0, 2-0), who meet Saturday at Kyle Field, have incorporated the option into their spread offenses. The so-called "zone reads" allow the quarterback to decide whether to pitch to a running back or take the ball — and the punishment — himself.

Before the snap, a quarterback must count the defenders near the line of scrimmage. If the number of blockers equals the number of defenders, the play should, theoretically, work.

A&M coach Dennis Franchione said the zone reads are a new twist on traditional option plays, a response to changing defenses.

"Defenses started a few years ago starting to

bring one more guy to the box than you could block," he said.

"Somehow, you've got to devise plays that can overcome that."

The Aggies ran the option often against Texas Tech two weeks ago and dominated time of possession in a 31-27 loss. Last week, they passed more in a 21-18 win at Kansas.

"I think the worst thing we can do as an offense is become too much one way or the other," Franchione said. "What we have to do as coaches is go into the game with a plan for all of our components and then find the component that is most successful."

Sophomore quarterback Stephen McGee is A&M's second-leading rusher. He's taken some hard hits running the option, but likes the dimension it brings to the offense.

"It's tough to prepare for so many different things," McGee said.

"Being able to do that really does add an extra element for them to have to prepare for. It's a

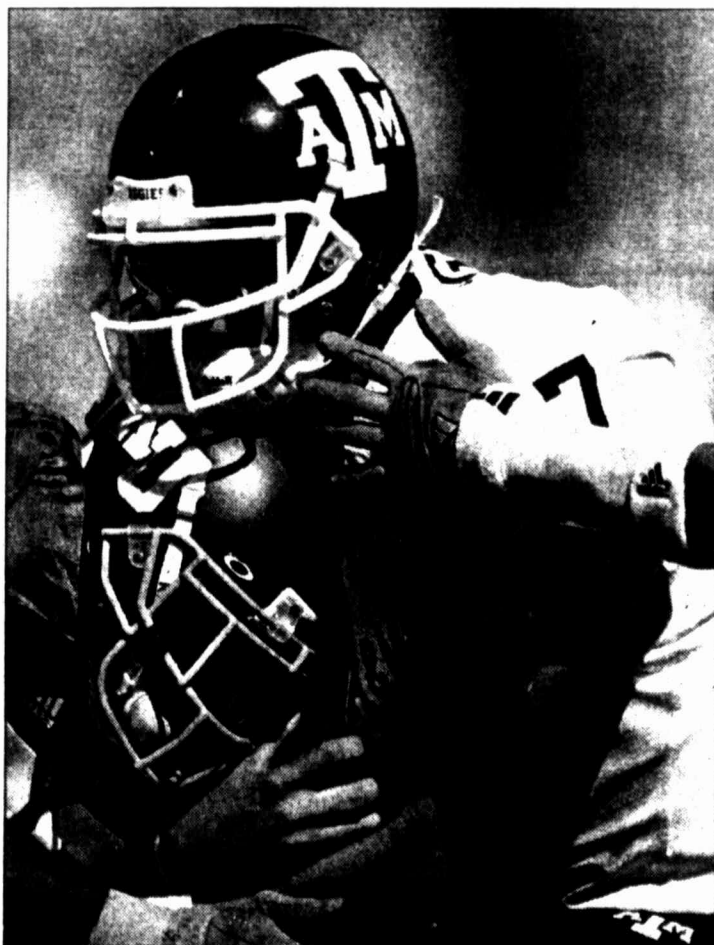
part of our offense and we've had a lot of success doing that."

Missouri quarterback Chase Daniel is also his team's second-leading rusher, though Tigers' coach Gary Pinkel said he seldom calls option plays for him.

"We don't call his number a lot," Pinkel said. "Sometimes, on some of those zone reads, I get mad at him because he keeps the ball and he's not supposed to. He's athletic enough to put pressure on the defense, but he'll put more pressure on the defense with his arm."

"Special teams is one of those elements of the game that could be the most important that we don't talk about," said senior safety Melvin Bullitt, a member of the punt return and punt coverage teams. "That's something we're really going to have to take control of this week."

On the flip side, the Aggies rank third in the nation in kickoff return yardage and lead the Big



Texas A&M quarterback Stephen McGee takes a crushing hit from Kansas defensive back Anthony Webb. The Aggies won and will host No. 19 Missouri this Saturday at Kyle Field.

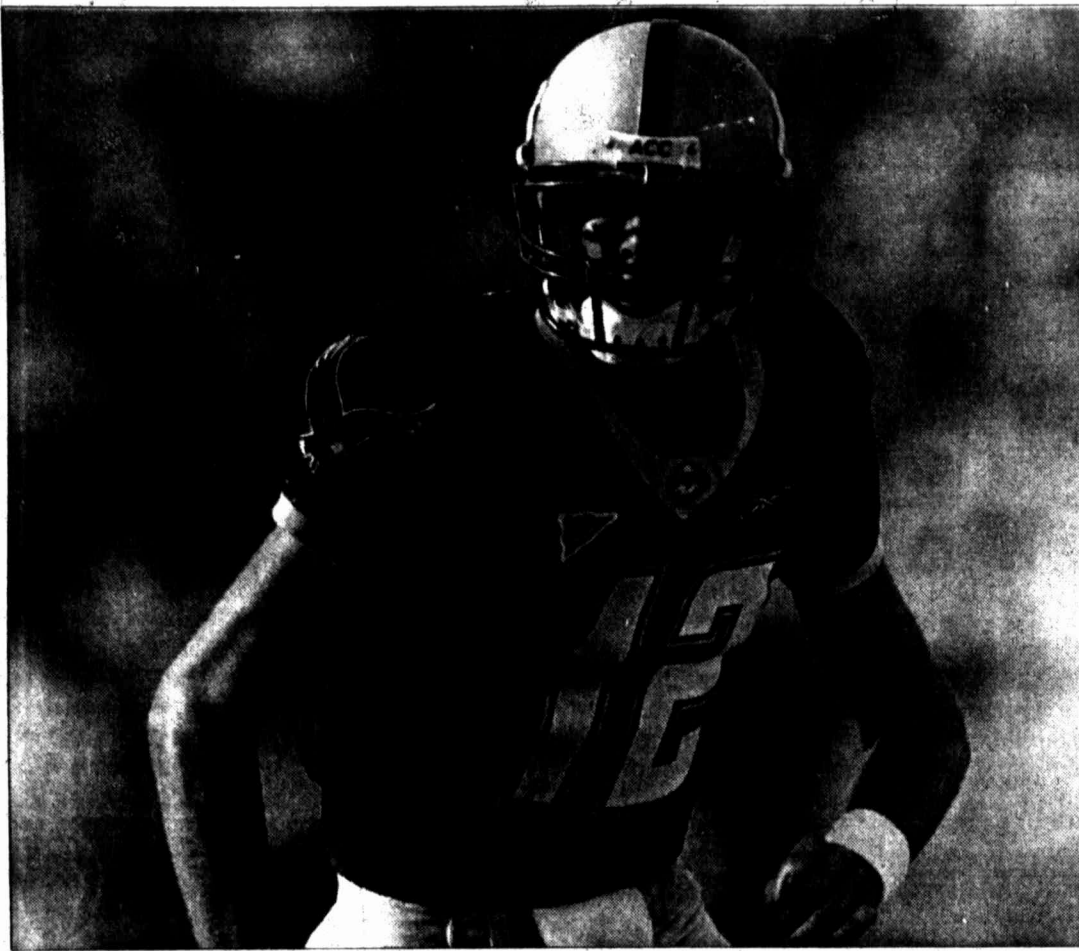
12 in kickoff coverage. Kerry Franks leads the Big 12 with a 36.8 yard average per return and had a 99-yarder for a touchdown against Texas Tech.

Freshman kicker Matt Szymanski has taken over kickoffs, and Franchione

said his hang time off the tee helps the Aggies cover effectively.

"Our kickoff coverage team has really done a super job this year," Franchione said. "They have pinned a number of people down inside the 20-yard line."

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Boston College quarterback Matt Ryan shows his ability to avoid the sack. The Eagles upset Virginia Tech, 22-3 Thursday night.

Boston College upsets No. 22 ranked Virginia Tech, 22-3

By JIMMY GOLEN
AP Sports Writer

BOSTON — Boston College walk-on kicker Steve Aponavicius vows that nothing will change when the fuss over his football debut goes away.

"A week ago, there was nobody talking to me or looking at me," he said, "and I was still kicking as many balls as I could each day."

The fresh-faced soccer convert had never played football before Thursday night, when he made both of his field goals and both extra points to lead Boston College to a 22-3 victory over No. 22 Virginia Tech. He was mobbed by his teammates, cheered by a crowd that included BC legend Doug Flutie and surrounded by reporters before and after the game.

"All of it was fun. Every minute of it," Aponavicius said, overdressed for the postgame news conference in a coat and tie. "I just wanted to go out and enjoy it."

Matt Ryan hit Kevin Challenger for two touchdown passes and the BC defense forced four turnovers to send

the Hokies to their second consecutive loss. Boston College (5-1, 2-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) is a North Carolina State desperation pass away from being unbeaten.

Virginia Tech (4-2, 2-2) has lost consecutive games since rising to No. 11 in The Associated Press Top 25. The Hokies also fell to 12-2 in Thursday night games on ESPN; both losses were to BC — one in Blacksburg, one in Chestnut Hill — 11 years apart.

"It's a big win on Thursday night against a program that's owned Thursday night," said BC coach Tom O'Brien, whose team lost to N.C. State on Sept. 23 on a 34-yard touchdown pass with 8.5 seconds left.

Ryan was 16-for-29 for 174 yards despite limping through much of the second half on a previously injured ankle. Freshman Alex Albright contributed to two turnovers, tipping a pass that was intercepted and recovering a fumble.

Virginia Tech's Sean Glennon completed 23 of 34 passes with two interceptions.

Texas looking to start usual late-season roll

By JIM VERTUNO

AP Sports Writer
AUSTIN — Ah, October after Oklahoma.

The air is cooler, the leaves are changing colors and if No. 6 Texas holds true to form, the Longhorns are just starting to play their best football. Since 2000, the Longhorns (5-1, 2-0 Big 12)

are a whopping 36-2 in the regular season after playing the Sooners.

Now poised to make its typical fall run, Texas hosts Baylor (3-3, 2-0) Saturday in what has turned into a key game in the Big 12 South before heading north to Nebraska and then out to Lubbock to face Texas

Tech. If anything can be said about coach Mack Brown's teams, it's that they finish strong. Their only late regular-season losses over the past six seasons were in the Big 12 championship game in 2001 and at Tech in 2002. It hasn't always been easy — big rallies against

Oklahoma State in 2003 and '05 and against Kansas in '04 made things interesting — but the Longhorns have played some of their best football as Halloween rolls into Thanksgiving.

Five of those years, Brown used a loss to the Sooners as a rallying point.

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a hitless eighth to avoid facing Pujols, and Billy Wagner got three outs for his third save of the playoffs. Pujols, the reigning NL MVP, lined out to first leading off the ninth against Wagner.

After two nifty defensive plays by the Mets to start the ninth, Wagner walked Scott Rolen, who is 1-for-14 this postseason, and retired pinch-hitter Scott Spiezio on a popup to end it.

It was Glavine's 34th postseason start, matching Andy Pettitte for the most in major league history. Glavine also improved to 14-15 in the postseason, tying Pettitte for the second-most wins behind former Braves teammate John Smoltz (15).

Weaver, cast off by the Los Angeles Angels in July, was nearly as good. He cruised through 5 2-3 innings, blanking the Mets' menacing lineup on one harmless single.

But Paul Lo Duca bounced a hit through the left side in the sixth, and Beltran drove a 2-2 fastball an estimated 430 feet off the giant scoreboard in right-center — the ball clanging off Jose Valentin's No. 18 in New York's lineup.

That woke up a curiously quiet crowd of 56,311 at

Shea, which was plenty noisy during two home games in the division series, and left them chanting "Weaver! Weaver!"

The right-hander knows all about tough crowds in New York after an unsuccessful stint with the Yankees from 2002-03, when he was often booed lustily in the Bronx. Weaver, lifted in the sixth after 98 pitches, is scheduled to come back on only three days' rest in Game 5 — as is Glavine, who threw 89 pitches.

The Cardinals have seen all too much of Beltran in October. He batted .417 with four homers and five RBIs for the Astros in the 2004 NLCS, a series St. Louis won in seven games.

The Mets lost left fielder Cliff Floyd early when he aggravated his injured Achilles' tendon. He is day-to-day.

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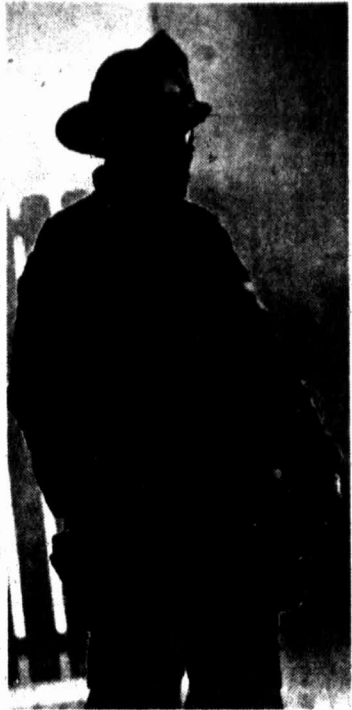
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The Leverage player



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LPGA's Daniel moves toward retirement

On the cusp of 50, golfer looks back on a 'great' career

By CRAIG DOLCH
Cox News Service

West Palm Beach, Fla. — Hall of Fame golfer Beth Daniel turns 50 this month. If her first name was Brian or Billy, her birthday would be cause for an even greater party. But because women can't look forward to a Champions Tour with an additional chance to compete and make more millions, this milestone simply moves the Delray Beach, Fla., resident ever closer to retirement. Not that she worries too much about something that's not there.

"It's a waste of energy because it doesn't exist. A good tour for senior women just isn't out there," Daniel said. "You can play in a few events, but there's not much money in it."

Daniel is fueled by more than monetary reasons these days. She has earned more than \$8.7 million during her 28 years on the LPGA Tour, ranking her sixth all time, so she doesn't need the cash.

With 33 LPGA titles, including the 1991 LPGA Championship, Daniel has left little on the table. She was inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame in 2000, and three years later, she became the oldest winner (46 years, 8 months, 29 days) in LPGA Tour history when she claimed the Canadian Women's Open.

What she continues to want, however, are things you can't buy. "I made up my mind several years ago that I would continue to play as long as I enjoy it and I'm competitive," Daniel said. "I was going to look at my schedule and look at my stats and determine whether I will go back out and play. The last two years, I've not been as competitive as I want, and that's been a little frustrating."

Daniel ranks 46th on the LPGA's money list with \$252,200, despite playing 15 events. She has had five top-20 finishes, but only one in the top 10, though that came in a major (she was sixth at the Women's British Open).

She said she may play in next month's Tournament of Champions in Mobile, Ala., giving her a final, thread-thin hope to qualify for the season-ending ADT Championship at Trump International in West Palm Beach, Fla. Then again, she may just keep the clubs stored away for the rest of the year.

"I've known for five years the time is coming; it's just a matter of when," Daniel said of competitive retirement. "But I don't think you ever retire from golf. You still can play with your friends or in corporate outings."

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SCHEDULE

All Times EDT
LPGA TOUR
Samsung World Championship
• Site: Palm Desert, Calif.
• Schedule: Thursday-Sunday
• Course: Bighorn Golf Club, Canyons Course (6,462 yards, par 72)
• Purse: \$875,000. Winner's share: \$218,750.
• TV: The Golf Channel (Thursday, 4:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 2-4 a.m., 3:30-6 p.m.; Saturday, 2-4 a.m.) and NBC (Saturday, 2-4 p.m.; Sunday, 4-6 p.m.)

PGA TOUR
Frys.com Open
• Site: Las Vegas
• Schedule: Thursday-Sunday
• Courses: TPC Summerlin (7,243 yards, par 72) and TPC The Canyons (7,193 yards, par 71)
• Purse: \$4 million. Winner's share: \$720,000.
• TV: USA (Thursday-Friday, 4-6 p.m.; Saturday, 3-6 p.m.) and ABC (Sunday, 3-6 p.m.)

CHAMPIONS TOUR
Administrative Small Business Classic
• Site: Spring, Texas
• Schedule: Friday-Sunday
• Course: Augusta Pines Golf Club (7,003 yards, par 72)
• Purse: \$1.6 million. Winner's share: \$240,000.
• TV: The Golf Channel (Friday-Sunday, 6-8:30 p.m., 10 p.m.-midnight)

NATIONWIDE TOUR
Permian Basin Charity Classic
• Site: Midland, Texas
• Schedule: Thursday-Sunday
• Course: Midland Country Club (7,351 yards, par 72)
• Purse: \$475,000. Winner's share: \$85,500.
• TV: None

LEADERS

WORLD RANKINGS	
1. Tiger Woods	23.46
2. Jim Furyk	8.77
3. Phil Mickelson	8.17
4. Adam Scott	7.20
5. Vijay Singh	6.69
6. Ernie Els	6.26
7. Retief Goosen	6.14
8. Luke Donald	5.67
9. Sergio Garcia	5.52
10. Geoff Ogilvy	5.34
11. Henrik Stenson	4.83
12. P. Harrington	4.74
13. T. Immelman	4.56
14. David Howell	4.45
15. Chris DiMarco	4.34
16. David Toms	4.30
17. Paul Casey	4.21
18. C. Montgomerie	4.19
19. Davis Love III	4.07
20. J. Olazabal	3.88

MONEY LEADERS PGA TOUR	
1. Tiger Woods	\$9,941,563
2. Jim Furyk	\$6,429,016
3. Phil Mickelson	\$4,256,505
4. Geoff Ogilvy	\$4,228,869
5. Vijay Singh	\$4,163,831
6. Adam Scott	\$3,808,858
7. T. Immelman	\$3,479,746
8. Stuart Appleby	\$3,230,297
9. Luke Donald	\$2,911,408
10. David Toms	\$2,764,287

LPGA TOUR	
1. Lorena Ochoa	\$2,124,122
2. Karrie Webb	\$1,873,753
3. A. Sorenstam	\$1,769,408
4. Cristie Kerr	\$1,472,112
5. Mi Hyun Kim	\$1,272,318

CHAMPIONS TOUR	
1. Loren Roberts	\$2,105,764
2. Jay Haas	\$2,026,427
3. Brad Bryant	\$1,640,625
4. G. Morgan	\$1,458,005
5. Tom Kite	\$1,360,285

Nicklaus, Wren among those headed to Hall

Five-time PGA champion Jack Nicklaus and North Palm Beach master professional Dr. Gary Wren are among seven inductees to be enshrined in the PGA Golf Professional Hall of Fame this year.

Besides Nicklaus' 18 professional major championships and 73 PGA Tour titles, his philanthropic efforts include teaming up with his wife, Barbara, to establish the Nicklaus Children's Health Care Foundation and the Barbara & Jack Nicklaus Junior Golf Endowment Fund, while also elevating the role of PGA professionals through First Tee teaching grants.

"I have always had an enormous amount of respect for the role of the PGA golf professional," Nicklaus said. "They shoulder the responsibility of teaching the game, growing it and protecting it for future generations."

"It is no secret how the role of a

PGA professional has touched my life and my career." Wren, the PGA Teacher of the Year in 1987, is a PGA teaching professional at Trump International Golf Club in West Palm Beach, Fla., and heads instruction at all of Trump's golf properties.

Nicklaus and Wren will be joined in the Hall of Fame class by PGA of America President Roger Warren of Kiawah Island, S.C.; 1958 PGA champion Dow Finsterwald of Colorado Springs, Colo.; 2005 PGA Golf Professional of the Year Bill Eschenbrenner of El Paso, Texas; 1986 PGA Teacher of the Year Manuel de la Torre of Milwaukee, Wis.; and PGA Master Professional William Heald of Westchester, Ill.

The induction ceremonies will be Dec. 8 at the PGA Learning Center at PGA Village in Port St. Lucie, Fla.

— Craig Dolch, Cox News Service

'Golden Bear' heads to OSU to 'dot the i'

Jack Nicklaus gets to experience a different kind of thrill when he'll "dot the i" as the Ohio State University Marching Band performs its signature "Script Ohio" formation during the Buckeyes' homecoming game against Minnesota on Oct. 28.

The honor traditionally goes to fourth-year sousaphone players. Nicklaus joins a short list of non-band members to enjoy the privilege, including Woody Hayes and Bob Hope.

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THE GOLF DOCTOR

Use the correct club in autumn winds

Blustery fall weather adds an extra challenge to your game, and you'll have to take the wind into account as you make your club selections. Here are some things to keep in mind.

Only when the wind blows more than 5 mph will it affect your club selection — anything less, ignore it.

If the wind is blowing hard enough to ruffle your clothes and the flag is straight out, it's at least a 10-yard wind, meaning you add or subtract 10 yards. If the flagstick is bowing and you can't keep your hat on, it's a 20-yard-plus wind.

First check the direction and speed of the clouds, the flag and, most im-

portant, the movement of the tree-tops. The wind will have its greatest effect while your ball is above the tree line, so the higher the shot, the more it's influenced by the breeze.

A side wind won't hurt you until the ball gets to its apex and begins to blow sideways.

Thus, a side wind is usually not a helping wind because the ball will be going into the wind for most of its flight. Figure that only about one-third of your shot's flight will be aided in a crosswind; during two-thirds of its flight, the wind will be against you.

— T.J. Tomasi



Dr. T.J. Tomasi is a teaching professional at Nantucket Golf Club on Nantucket Island, Mass. To ask him a question about golf, e-mail him at TJInsider@aol.com.

ASK THE PRO

Q: Now that we've been pounded again in the Ryder Cup, I'm wondering what your take is on why we keep losing. And why is Tiger Woods getting beat when he's the best player? I think our team is a bunch of spoiled millionaires who really don't care about the cup or the country. — Randall, from Port St. Lucie, Fla.

A: You're right about them being millionaires, but dead wrong about them not caring. They care, big time, so apathy is not the problem.

Woods' entire golf battle plan is based on stroke play, where he relies on only one person — himself. His emotional system



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is geared to the highs and lows of individual competition. His mental toughness and killer instinct is hitched to a "loner" mentality, and like the tough cop on the beat, he doesn't want a "snot-nosed rookie" tagging along as a partner while he goes about his business.

Woods has a me-against-the-persona and there's no "we" in "me." Better-ball and alternate-shot isn't Tiger golf. Superman

never had a partner, and Achilles didn't do the tag-team thing on Hector.

Researchers at the University of Tokyo confirm that the mere presence of a partner alleviated the stress response in rats, reducing stress-induced behaviors such as "freezing" and helping them to literally keep their cool, while minimizing high levels of stress-related brain chemicals.

The point: If there is a Tiger rat somewhere, he doesn't need a partner to keep from freezing.

To answer your question about how we could lose to the Europeans, I'll be brief: They're better.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS
Is Friday the 13th really cursed? Spiritual law files curses under the same rules as inferiorities, of which Eleanor Roosevelt once said, "No one can make you feel inferior without your consent."



HOLIDAY MATHIS

Today's stars assure us that feeling cursed is optional. After today, Friday the 13th could go down in your personal history as among the luckiest of days. ARIES (March 21-April 19). The question that haunts your dreams is: Where is this relationship going? The answer is: anywhere you want it to go. You're in the driver's seat, and don't forget it. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your habits may seem to have control of you, but realizing this will help

you take back your power. Tonight you'll discover that you want something different from what you wanted before. GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Though you have a pretty good idea about how today's scenario will turn out, be ready to execute your Plan B. The stars promise that no matter what the experts are predicting, the outcome will be as uncertain as the weather. CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your conversation starters will have a huge impact on what transpires. Keep it light and breezy, perhaps even obvious. It's your unusual delivery that wins fans. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The prosperity you enjoy now is sweet. Maybe it's because you've had your share of adversity and have lived long enough to appreciate when things easily come your way. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Take it slow. All is accomplished in its own time. Forcing the issue is

useless. A moment of silence dissipates the power of any unpleasant thing you have to deal with. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Do the thing most other people don't like to do. You probably won't like it either, but your commitment to excellence wins out over the temporary discomfort. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're headed to the big leagues. You have enough and are enough to make this work. Breathe, and be you. Your down-home approach keeps it refreshingly "real." SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). In this dance of life, your moves don't have to be smooth to be effective. If you're an unschooled, erratic and just plain weird dancer, all the better for today's task. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The planets align to give you an energy infusion when you need it most. Tackle the big projects. All you have to do is

take the first step, and suddenly you realize it's not a climb at all, but a downhill slide. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Nonsensical, uncomfortable rules come into play. It's better to abide by them for now, but the stars cheer you on when you take note of the inconvenience. You'll find a way to avoid this in the future. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There is a niche that accommodates your particular set of talents. The more you believe this, the greater your chances are of finding your place. You'll know it when you fit there. WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: Venus and Mars are coming together to bridge the gap of misunderstanding between men and women. ARIES: You don't have to let love get complicated — just say what you want. TAURUS: Don't ask, "How do I avoid looking bad in this relationship?" Instead ask, "How can I come off

in a fabulous way?" GEMINI: You have an agenda — to be a fun date and possibly the best a loved one has ever had. CANCER: All the listening you do pays off big time. LEO: Let repressed feelings come up to breathe. Once you're aware of them, they can no longer control you. VIRGO: It takes a significant amount of self-esteem to see your role in a relationship realistically, which you do! LIBRA: Someone wants a deeper commitment from you. SCORPIO: You find mutually pleasing solutions to relationship dilemmas. SAGITTARIUS: Take turns steering a relationship — relinquish control at least part of the time this weekend. CAPRICORN: Your forward romantic moves are appreciated by someone who hasn't quite worked up the nerve yet. AQUARIUS: Your romantic timing is impeccable. PISCES: You're willing to make exceptions to your romantic rules for some-

one extra-special — but should you be? COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Libra and Scorpio are especially attractive to the rest of the zodiac now. If they choose one another, they'll be warding off other offers, but this only makes the whole affair more interesting. Big plans are favored. If money is spent, it's worth it. This is an unforgettable time in this couple's relationship. They might be telling the story of this weekend to future generations 25 years from now!

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Annie's Mailbox ®: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: A few years ago, I was in an automobile accident, and as a result, I suffer from a very painful back and neck condition. My doctors say surgery is unlikely to help and may even make matters worse, so I rely on strong pain medications to tolerate the discomfort enough to live a normal life with my family.



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

The problem is, I've started taking my pain pills too often, and I use up my prescription long before a refill is due. To my shame, I've managed to keep myself supplied with enough pills to get through the "dry spells" by going to emergency clinics, using different pharmacies and so on, and have even stolen medication from my friends' medicine cabinets. It is a wonder I've not been caught.

I know I need help. I truly want to beat this, but I'm afraid. The medication is the only thing that keeps the pain at bay, and I'm scared that breaking this addiction would mean I'd never be able to take pain relievers again. Since I'm only in my mid-30s, it is hard to imagine facing a long future without the activities my medicine allows.

Annie, is there any way people can overcome a dependence on painkillers and still be able to use them as needed? I know I could probably get help through Narcotics Anonymous, but I am in a prominent profession in a small community and would be devastated if anyone knew. Please help. — Addicted in Alabama

Dear Alabama: Explain to your doctor that you are developing a tolerance for the pain medication, and ask for a referral to a doctor who specializes in chronic pain management.

If you are not able to take medication without abusing it, look into a pain management program that includes exercise, physical therapy, group therapy, acupuncture and/or meditation. Here are some places to contact for anonymous help: The National Alcohol & Drug Abuse Crisis Line at 1-800-234-0420; the National Drug Information Treatment and Referral Hotline at 1-800-662-HELP (1-800-662-4357); The American Academy of Pain Management (aapainmanagement.org); and the American Pain Foundation ([tion.org\). Admitting you have a problem is a good first step. We'll be rooting for you to take the next one.](http://painfounda-</p></div>
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Dear Annie: My father refuses to go to the dentist to have his teeth cleaned, although they are badly in need. He says he can't afford it and that it is too painful. But his teeth are awful-looking, and he has terrible breath.

My mother has her teeth cared for regularly, so I know they have the money. I think Dad has just let his teeth go for so long that he is now too embarrassed to have a dentist see them. Should I tell him, or should I mention this to my mother and ask her why she doesn't say something to him? — Caring Daughter

Dear Daughter: Talk to Mom first, and then offer to approach Dad together. He should know that current dental techniques minimize pain, and whatever additional work his neglect has caused is still best done sooner rather than later. Insurance may cover some of it, but if not, many dentists are willing to work out a payment plan. (Remind him that good dental care can protect his heart.)

Dear Annie: I am in a 15-year marriage that is sexless. Kissing, touching and romance are off limits. We have two beautiful adopted children, and they are the only reason I stay.

I love and respect my wife. I asked her to go to counseling, but she laughed. She doesn't think sex in marriage is needed. I am clean, the same weight as the day we married and attractive. I have been 100 percent faithful for 15 years, but I am starting to think about getting a mistress. I need the soft touch of another human being. Is that too much to ask? — Sexless in Wisconsin

Dear Sexless: How sad for you. Please get some counseling on your own so you can make deci-

sions with professional guidance. It will help.

Dear Annie: I am a 25-year-old man living in a small town. Five years ago, I met a wonderful man, "Andy," and we started dating. A few years ago, Andy moved in with me, and we've been living together happily ever since.

The problem is that our parents have no idea we're a couple or that we're living together. Before, I was very close to my mother and grandmother, but this secret has pushed me farther and farther from them.

Andy and I live in another town, where we are an openly gay couple, and Andy even met my parents once, but under the guise of being just a friend. I've been careful not to lie to my family, but I can never quite bring myself to talk about Andy. I'm not ashamed of our relationship, but I fear rejection from my family.

With the holiday season approaching, this is on my mind more and more. Andy and I are trying to make plans. In the past, Andy and I would go home to our separate families for the holidays, but

that means I have to spend a lot of time with my siblings and their significant others. I miss Andy.

How can I gently break the news to my mother that for the past five years, I've been in a happy, stable relationship (and would be married, if that were possible) and that she's been kept in the dark? And is it better never to tell my grandmother, or risk informing her of something she will find greatly offensive? — Stuck in Silence

Dear Stuck: We're in favor of honesty here. Living undercover is

stressful, and obviously, you would like to bring Andy home for the holidays. To find appropriate ways to break the news, contact PFLAG (pflag.org) at 1726 M Street, N.W., Suite 400, Washington, D.C. 20036. Start with your mother, and ask how she feels about telling Grandma.

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This Date In History

Today is Friday, Oct. 13, the 286th day of 2006. There are 79 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 13, 1792, the cornerstone of the executive mansion, later known as the White House, was laid during a ceremony in the District of Columbia.

On this date:

In A.D. 54, Roman emperor Claudius I died, after being poisoned by his wife, Agrippina.

In 1775, the United States Navy had its origins as the Continental Congress ordered the construction of a naval fleet.

In 1843, the Jewish organization B'nai B'rith was founded in New York City.

In 1845, Texas voters ratified a state constitution.

In 1943, Italy declared war on Germany, its one-time Axis partner.

In 1944, American troops

entered Aachen, Germany. In 1960, Richard M. Nixon and John F. Kennedy participated in the third televised debate of their presidential campaign.

In 1962, "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" by Edward Albee opened on Broadway.

In 1974, longtime television host Ed Sullivan died in New York City at age 72.

In 1981, voters in Egypt participated in a referendum to elect Vice President Hosni Mubarak the new president, one week after the assassination of Anwar Sadat.

Ten years ago: House Speaker Newt Gingrich, appearing on CBS' "Face the Nation," called on Congress to investigate campaign contributions made to President Clinton's re-election campaign by the Lipppo Group, an Indonesian banking conglomerate. The Yankees won the American League pennant, defeating the Baltimore Orioles.

Five years ago: Ukraine's defense minister and air defense chief offered to resign, conceding that the military was involved in the

explosion of a Russian airliner over the Black Sea on Oct. 4 that killed 78 people.

Today's Birthdays: Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher is 81. Playwright Frank D. Gilroy is 81. Gospel singer Shirley Caesar is 68. Actress Melinda Dillon is 67. Singer-musician Paul Simon is 65. Actress Pamela Tiffin is 64. Musician Robert Lamm (Chicago) is 62. Actor Demond Wilson is 60. Singer-musician Sammy Hagar is 59. Actor John Lone is 54. Model Beverly Johnson is 54. Actor Reggie Theus is 49. Singer Marie Osmond is 47. Rock singer Joey Belladonna (Anthrax) is 46.

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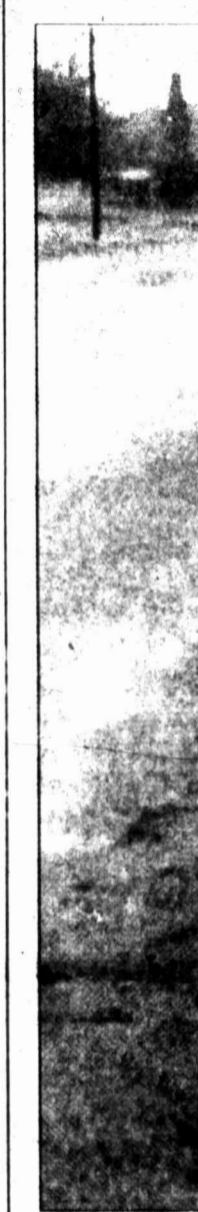
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 - 16 Explorer Tasman
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 - 18 "___ and seven years ago ..."
 - 20 Make beloved
 - 22 Quickly, for short
 - 23 Ripen
 - 24 Fictional Frome
 - 26 Likes and dislikes
 - 28 Overflow
 - 31 Italian wine center
 - 32 Southeast Asian
 - 33 House of twigs
 - 35 Shine
 - 39 Puffin cousins
 - 40 Courtroom rituals
 - 42 Cole Porter alma mater
 - 43 Frat letter
 - 45 Tallow source
 - 46 Pennsylvania city
 - 47 Border
 - 49 Jots down
 - 51 Panama parent
 - 53 Gambol
 - 54 Cyberspace letters
 - 55 Head of a tale
 - 57 Exhausted
 - 61 Type of suit
 - 64 Roof top, perhaps
 - 65 Hud heroine
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 - 67 Pulls down
 - 68 Impulsive
 - 69 Talk up
 - 70 Creep about
 - 9 Buys a round
 - 11 WWII vessel
 - 12 Twilled fabric
 - 13 Swiss artist
 - 19 Sudden outpouring
 - 21 Zoo heavyweight
 - 25 Lounging
 - 27 Soviet economic scheme
 - 28 Sports figure
 - 29 "Nope!"
 - 30 Long-handled tool
 - 31 Minerva alias
 - 34 Apt name for a cook?
 - 36 Dessert holder
 - 37 Writer Wiesel
 - 38 Sediment
 - 41 Points on a route
 - 44 ___ in the bucket
 - 48 Lamp occupants
 - 50 Fluffs, as hair
 - 51 Lettuce
 - 52 Homecoming visitors
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 - 54 Quite a long way off
 - 56 Grant
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 - 60 Place to write
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