



## School sex crimes

Student sex offenders fall through police, school safety nets

By JEFF CARLTON

Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Background checks prevent teachers who are registered sex offenders from working in schools, but no law keeps students with histories of committing sex crimes from sharing history lessons and hot lunches with their classmates in Texas.

That leaves parents in the dark about who might be sitting in the desks next to their children.

No single authority knows how many registered sex offenders are high school students. About 2,400 registered sex offenders are younger than 21, the oldest age allowed for high school students in Texas. About 320 are under the age of 17, said Tela Mänge of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

But those figures do not likely reflect the actual number of youthful sex offenders. Those who are 17 or 18 can petition the courts to have their cases removed from the registry. Others may have dropped out of school, said Shannon Edwards, a staff attorney with the Texas District and County Attorneys Association.

"It's a very fluid number," said Tom Vinger, a spokesman for the public safety department.

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## A LONG TIME IN COMING



Local resident David Ayers shows the medals he recently received from the U.S. Department of Defense for his part in the Korean War, including the Bronze Star and the American Presidential Unit Citation.

## 50 years late, David Ayers finally receives his medals

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

More than 50 years after David Ayers bravely served his country in the Korean War, the Big Spring resident received the medals and awards the U.S. government owed him.

Ayers recently received numerous awards and medals — including the Bronze Star and the American Presidential Unit Citation — part of his service to his country many years ago.

"I was sent to Korea July 4, 1950," said Ayers. "I was in the Army, in the 24th

*"It's a good feeling to get these awards after so many years, but to be honest, I've spent the last 50 years trying to forget about it."*

Infantry Division. We were stationed in Japan at the time, and were one of the first units sent to Korea.

"Korea wasn't a nice thing. We were

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## County lockup

Jail's fate hinges on Wednesday test; court set to convene

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Pressing matters pertaining to the future of the Howard County Jail will be the focus of a pair of meetings for the commissioner's court next week, as county officials prepare for an inspection that could possibly shut the facility down.

The court will meet Monday at 10 a.m. for its regularly scheduled meeting, and then again Thursday at 9 a.m. in a special meeting to discuss the results of the smoke evacuation test — set for Wednesday — and to take any necessary action.

The test, which is expected to evaluate the effectiveness of the jail's smoke evacuation system — found to be ineffective during a fire evacuation drill several months ago — will have plenty riding on it.

Officials with the Texas Commission on Jail Standards, which has been monitoring recent repairs to the facility, are expected to shut the jail down if the system doesn't perform to state standards.

"I will have a staff member present during the test, and he will call me back to let me know what

*"We have a jail commission that is very serious about their rules and regulations and seeing that county jails live up to them. It's obvious that when there is a life-threatening situation in a particular county jail — and I'm not a bit surprised at what they have done — they mean business."*



Crooker

actions need to be taken," said Adan Munoz, executive director for the state commission, during a recent meeting with county commissioners in Austin. "I'm very concerned with what's going to happen — or not happen — as a result of the test. I'm asking this commission that the remedial order be issued and enforced, closing the

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## Cupstid named publisher of the Herald

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor

Ronnie Cupstid has been named as publisher of the *Big Spring Herald*, moving to West Texas after having spent the past two years as publisher of the *Clarksdale Press Register* in Clarksdale, Miss.



Cupstid

Cupstid's appointment was announced by Melanie Radler, president of Horizon Publications Inc., the *Herald's* parent company. He replaces Susanne Reed, who left the

*Herald* to pursue other interests.

"We're extremely happy to announce that Ronnie Cupstid has accepted our offer to take over the reigns at the *Herald*," Radler said in announcing the appointment. "He is an innovative professional who's had proven success in sales, adver-

tising, public relations and marketing.

"His commitment to community newspapering is unquestioned, as is his record of involvement in the communities he's served," Radler added. "We think he will be extremely happy here in Big Spring and think the community will be

very glad to have him as well."

Cupstid admitted being excited at the prospect of directing the *Herald's* staff and said he was looking forward to getting to know the community better.

"The *Herald* is a fine newspaper and has an excellent staff

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### POINSETTIAS OFFERED

With many seeking to make Big Spring known as the "Poinsettia City" during the Christmas season, local resident Nick Roberson has resumed making the poinsettia's like those displayed during the Festival of Lights.

Roberson's new business, Roberson Wild Creations, is offering 18-foot flowers like those displayed in the park, as well as smaller flowers that are 6 to 7 feet in diameter. They come complete with lights attached. He is also creating a "mother flower" that includes not only the five red leaves, but has four to 5 green leaves underneath the red petals. Those interested can contact Roberson at 264-6371.

### FITTING PUNISHMENT

VALPARAISO, Ind. (AP) — Not paying a restaurant tab will cost a woman a day in the county jail — not in a cell, but in the kitchen.

A judge ordered 19-year-old Donna Shelby to wash dishes at the Porter County Jail on Thanksgiving after she was convicted of a misdemeanor conversion charge for walking out of a restaurant without paying her \$18.19 bill.

Porter Superior Court Judge David Chidester ordered the penalty Monday after a bench trial. Shelby offered no defense to the accusation that she left the Round the Clock restaurant on Aug. 12 without paying.

### BELLRINGERS NEEDED

Salvation Army officials say they need people willing to be bellringers during the holiday season.

The Salvation Army pots and bell ringers will begin collecting donations from the public Monday.

Those selected for the jobs will be ringing bells at Wal-Mart, Travel Centers of America, the Big Spring Post Office or at the Big Spring Mall.

Those interested can go by the Salvation Army Corps offices at 811 W. Fifth and fill out an application.



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fighting against so many different odds. It's a good feeling to get these awards after so many years, but to be honest, I've spent the last 50 years trying to forget about it."

Ayers said it didn't come as much of a surprise when he wasn't given the awards and medals he was due upon his discharge from the Army.

"They didn't even give me my discharge button when I got out in June of 1952," said Ayers. "I also didn't get my mustering out pay at that time. It took three years for me just to get my mustering out pay."

Ayers said he hopes the men and women currently serving in Iraq and Afghanistan don't have the same trouble getting the awards they have earned that he had nearly half a decade ago.

"I really feel like what they are going through right now is uncalled for," said Ayers. "I don't feel like we should have invaded Iraq like we did, but I'm not the president."

The Bronze Star medal is awarded to a member of the military who has distinguished themselves by heroic or meritorious achievement or service while engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States; while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an opposing foreign force; or while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in an armed conflict against an opposing armed force.

The Presidential Unit Citation is a senior unit award granted to military units which have performed an extremely meritorious or heroic act, usually in the face of an armed enemy.

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VETERANS DAY TRIBUTE IN SONG



Students with the Goliad Middle School Sixth Grade Choir perform a patriotic song during Saturday morning's Veterans Day presentation at the Big Spring VA Medical Center.

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facility. That's how serious I think this situation is.

"If it is shut down, there is a paperwork process that will follow. It's not a situation where if the system doesn't work we're going to walk out and tell you they (inmates) have to be moved right then. It would take about 15 days to turn that piece of paperwork around."

Commissioner Bill Crooker said the deadline — as serious as it is for the county — did not come as a surprise.

"We have a jail commission that is very serious about their rules and regulations and seeing that county jails live up to them," said Crooker. "It's obvious that when there is a life-threatening situation in a particular coun-

ty jail — and I'm not a bit surprised at what they have done — they mean business."

The commissioner's court will have a number of other issues to address during its Monday meeting, however.

County Auditor Jackie Olson will present the commissioners with invoices, purchase requests and budget amendments. Olson is also expected to present commissioners with an order for approval of expenditure in excess of previously approved funds for the jail bond public information brochures and Web site, as well as consideration of vehicle bids.

County Treasurer Teresa Thomas is expected to present personnel considerations and a payroll report, while County Road and Bridge Administrator Eddy

Jameson will present the court with pipeline crossings and a report on county road maintenance.

Coahoma Mayor Bill Read and John Wayne Metcalf are expected to present commissioners with a request that the county assume the natural gas bill at the Coahoma Fire Station.

Delinquent Tax Attorney Drew Mouton is expected to make several requests, including a waiver of delinquent tax penalties and several requests from property buyers to purchase trustee property.

Bebe McCasland, spokesperson for the board of directors for the Spring City Senior Citizens Center, is expected to make an introduction of Leslie Grantham as the facility's newest director.

The jail is expected to round out discussions, as

Sheriff Dale Walker is slated to discuss the impending inspection with commissioners, while local architect and renovations supervisor Phil Furqueron will discuss the smoke evacuation system, as well as the addition of a stand pipe to the jail.

According to Furqueron, the stand pipe would provide a water source for fire fighters in the event of an emergency.

Monday's meeting is expected to get under way at 10 a.m. in the commissioners' courtroom, located on the second floor of the County Courthouse. The Thursday meeting

will be held at 9 a.m. in the same location.

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that I'm already enjoying being around," he said. "And I've always heard that West Texans were the friendliest of all Texans. The people I've met here in Big Spring already have me convinced of that."

An Arkansas native, the 55-year-old Cupstid brings 30 years of newspaper experience to the Herald. Prior to his tenure at the Clarksdale Press Register, he spent four years as publisher of the Sebring (Fla.) News-Sun and the six years prior to that as publisher of both the Hope (Ark.) Star and the Siftings Herald in Arkadelphia, Ark.

He began his career as a

pressman with the Blytheville Courier News in Blytheville, Ark., in 1970 before being promoted to an advertising executive's position four years later. In 1979 he became the newspaper's advertising manager.

He would later serve as general manager of The Osceola (Ark.) Times and The Leesville (La.) Daily Leader before and was also advertising director of The Meridian (Miss.) Star and the Delta Democrat Times in Greenville, Miss.

Cupstid and his wife, Julia, are the parents of

three daughters and have four grandchildren.

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# Military instilled sense of community in Hartfield

By THOMAS JENKINS  
Staff Writer

The Hangar 25 Air Museum honored one of its own Thursday afternoon, presenting local veteran and museum board member Clarence Hartfield Jr. with its Veteran of the Month award.

Hartfield, who is involved in numerous local programs and efforts, said the most important thing he took away from his service in the U.S. Army was a strong sense of community.

"The camaraderie was the most important thing I feel like the military taught me," said Hartfield. "You learn how to get along with people. One of the commanders where I was stationed felt it was really important to be involved in the community. So he used to keep us doing things in the community where we were stationed. I learned a lot about community service from that — to try to make things better than they are."

"Around a military installation there is always a group of people that try to take advantage of the service men. They are always there. And I still feel today like getting into the community and help to try and offset those people. It's a big part of the community service that I do now with all of the different groups here in Big Spring."

Hartfield said he was surprised when he found

out the board had chosen him as the November Veteran of the Month.

"They were trying to keep it a secret from me," said Hartfield with a laugh. "I asked them what they were thinking, since I'm on the board. How in the world did they think they were going to get by with that?"

"Since we started choosing the veteran of the month, we've always tried to tie who we chose into what was going on at that time of the year. And I think they chose me this month because Veterans Day really means a lot to me."

While most people conjure images of ceremonies, speeches and programs during the Veterans Day holiday, Hartfield said his most vivid memory of the came comes from the Vietnam War.

"My first tour in Vietnam we lost three people in my dust off unit on Veterans Day," said Hartfield solemnly. "That was in '65. And I guess our attitude about that day changed because of that. We had been together for a while, and we weren't very happy with some of the restrictions that had been put on us. We felt like we just needed to take care of one another, do our jobs and go home."

"We didn't lose anymore, but that didn't make it any easier, losing those three men."

Hartfield, who managed to fit into the same shirt he wore during his ser-



Clarence Hartfield Jr., the Hangar 25 Air Museum Veteran of the Month, tells an audience at the facility about his military experiences during a special ceremony Thursday evening.

vice for the ceremony, said the bonds he developed on the fields of battle with his fellow service men didn't disappear when the war ended.

"At that time one of the reasons for going into the military was to get an

education," said Hartfield. "I wound up at Fort Hood, and there was just such a bond. The whole time I was in the service, I was part of a team. We trained to do certain things, and there was such a bond between

us. Everything we did was about a 'we,' not an 'I.' I was always part of a detachment or a group, and I was in predominantly black units until Kennedy got killed. I met so many different people, and I talk about them all

the time. We still get together from time to time."

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Congress could have considered a greater than it will be. But we lost the opportunity to lead the Agriculture, Homeland and Rules committees when senior Democrats like Charles Stenholm lost re-election bids two years ago after former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay engineered a redrawing of the state's congressional districts.

Stenholm, who would have been our

Congressman here in Howard County, would almost certainly have been chair of the House Agriculture Committee. But his loss to Neugebauer two years ago leaves us with a second-term member of the minority party. Worse still, that ag committee chairmanship will likely belong to a Wisconsin congressman, which could turn the focus of agriculture legislation to grains rather than cotton.

Texas will, however, have some clout on key

issues.

Rep. Silvestre Reyes of El Paso and Rep. Solomon Ortiz, D-Corpus Christi, will both become chairmen of Armed Services subcommittees. Reyes would be over the Strategic Forces subcommittee, Ortiz the Readiness Subcommittee.

Rep. Chet Edwards, D-Waco, will become an Appropriations Committee "cardinal," the nickname given appropriations subcommittee chairmen who help direct federal spending. He'll control the

purse strings for military base construction, defense health care and Veterans Affairs spending. Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, R-Houston, will become chairwoman of the Judiciary Committee's immigration, border security and claims subcommittee and should have some input

on any new immigration efforts.

And already President Bush has noted that there was agreement on immigration issues between himself and the Democrats.

"That's an important issue and I think we can get something done on it," Bush said at a White House news conference

on Wednesday.

That could be the start of something special ... something we haven't seen in Washington for a long time.

We'll all be watching. To contact Managing Editor John A. Moseley, call 263-7331, ext. 230, or e-mail him at editor@bigspringherald.com

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there has never been anything that resembled democracy there for all these thousands of years. In order to make great changes such as is planned, we would have to maintain such a change for one to three generations. Since a generation is considered to be 40 years, we would have to stay there from 40 to 120 years. We would have to lose thousands of our people and go broke several times over for this to happen.

I hope the reader will understand. I am not, in any sense, making a negative statement about the Iraqi people, but such changes do not come about rapidly. The people of Iraq are killing each other and us on a large


scale over such a change right now. There is no way that we can set up a government there and come home, leaving it in the hands of the people. We are "biting off much more than we can chew!"

What is the solution? I don't know, but I don't believe the solution we hear in impassioned


speeches every day is the one. It will take much too long and will be much too expensive because we will have to wait for a few million funerals and a few million births before we experience any success.

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Sara Thornton (second from left), daughter of Okla and Nancy Thornton of Big Spring, is on the Texas Tech Moot Court Team which took top honors in the John Marshall International Moot Court Competition.

### Big Spring native helps moot court team to top honors

The Texas Tech Moot Court Team of Sara Thornton, Graigory Fancher and Jamie Hoff recently competed at the John Marshall International Moot Court Competition in Chicago. Moot Court is an appellate argument presented before an appellate court after trial. Oral arguments are presented to judges and the judges may interrupt the oralist with questions at

any time regarding the case. The Texas Tech Team was one of the two teams selected to compete in the Ambassador Round of this prestigious competition based on the outstanding oral argument scores the team received during four rounds of competition. In the Ambassador Round, the team excelled and was named Ambassador Round

Champion as the best oral advocates in the John Marshall competition. Sara Thornton is the daughter of Okla Thornton and Nancy Thornton of Big Spring. She is a second year law student who previously was selected as best oralist her first year at Mock Trial competition at Texas Tech School of Law. She previously interned with the Colorado River Municipal

Water District and the law office of Josh Hamby.

### Text-speak allowed in exams

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — New Zealand's high school students will be able to use "text-speak" — the mobile phone text message language beloved of teenagers — in national exams this year, officials said. Text-speak, a second language for thousands of teens, uses abbreviated words and phrases such as "txt" for "text", "lol" for "laughing out loud" or "lots of love," and "CU" for "see you." The move has already divided students and educators who fear it could damage the English language. New Zealand's Qualifications Authority said Friday that it still strongly discourages students from using anything other than full English, but that credit will be given if the answer "clearly shows the required understanding," even if it contains text-speak. The authority's deputy chief executive for qualifications, Bali Haque, said students should aim to make their answers as

clear as possible. Confident that those grading papers would understand answers written in text-speak, Haque stressed that in some exams, including English, text abbreviations would be penalized. Post Primary Teachers' Association President Debbie Te Whaiti said the authority's move reflects the classroom situation. Teachers would have concerns if text slang became acceptable in everyday written language in classrooms, she said. Critics said the National Certificate of Educational Achievement or NCEA, the main qualification for high school students, would be degraded by the authority allowing text speak use in exams. Internet blogger Phil Stevens was not amused by the announcement.

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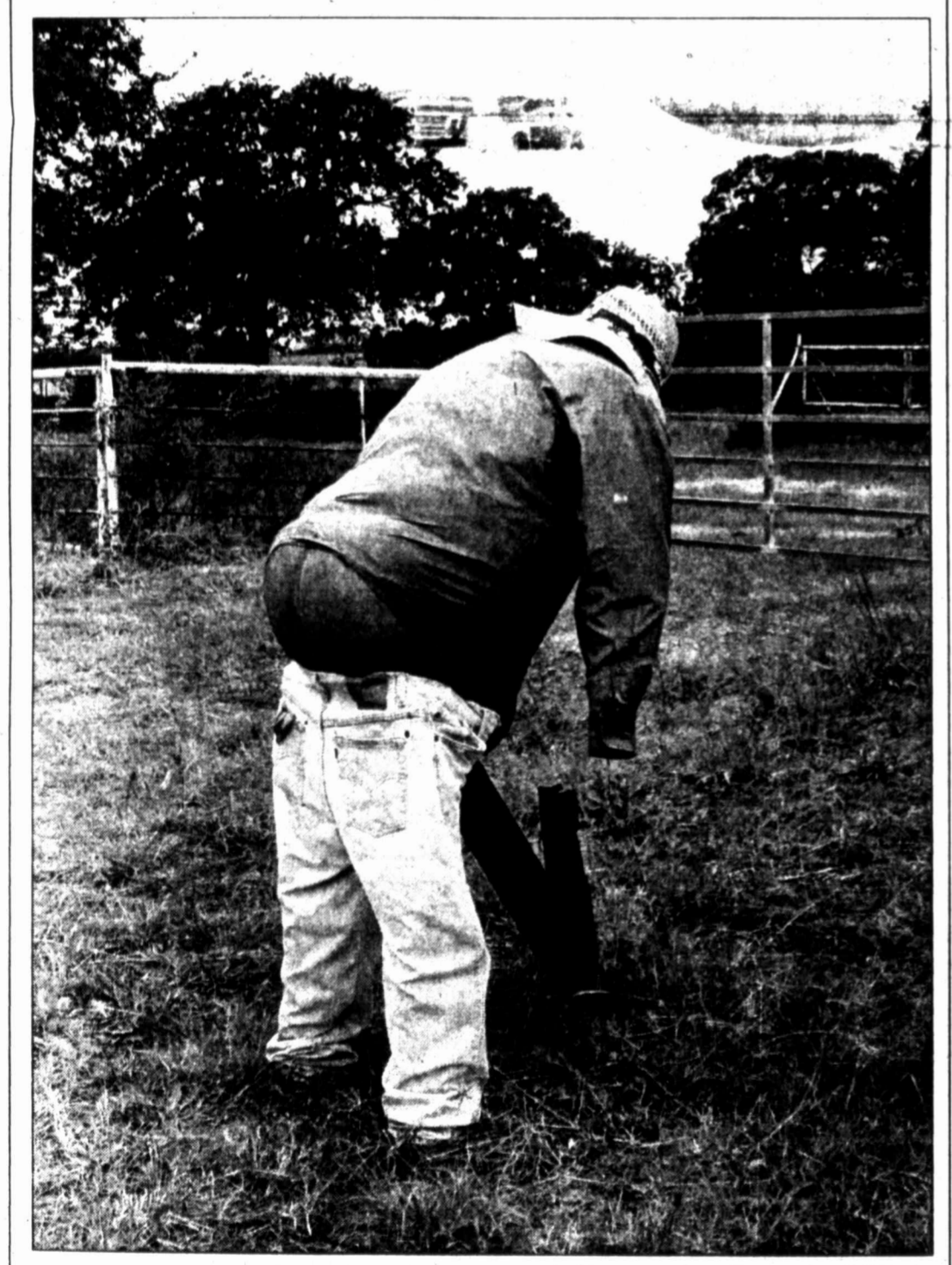


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## News briefs

### Jack Palance dies at 87

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jack Palance, the craggy-faced menace in "Shane," "Sudden Fear" and other films who turned successfully to comedy in his 70s with his Oscar-winning self-parody in "City Slickers," has died.



Palance died Friday of natural causes at his home in Montecito, Calif., surrounded by family, said spokesman Dick Guttman. He was 87.

When Palance accepted his Oscar for best supporting actor he delighted viewers of the 1992 Academy Awards by dropping to the stage and performing one-armed push-ups to demonstrate his physical prowess.

"That's nothing, really," he said slyly. "As far as two-handed push-ups, you can do that all night, and it doesn't make a difference whether she's there or not."

That year's Oscar host, Billy Crystal, turned the moment into a running joke, making increasingly outlandish remarks about Palance's accomplishments throughout the show.

### Pentagon develops plans to send National Guard brigades back to Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's citizen soldiers, already strained by long tours in Iraq and Afghanistan, could be tapped again

under new plans being developed by the Pentagon.

National Guard combat brigades that have already served in Iraq may be called for a second tour, likely breaking the 24-month deployment limit initially set by the Pentagon, the Guard's top general said.

While active-duty soldiers and smaller Guard units and members have returned to Iraq for multiple tours, the new plans would, for the first time, send entire Guard combat brigades back to the battlefield. Brigades generally have about 3,500 troops.

The move — which could include brigades from Arkansas, Florida, Indiana and North Carolina — would force the Pentagon to make the first large-scale departure from its previous decision not to deploy reserves for more than a cumulative 24 months in Iraq.

McCain intends to launch committee for 2008 GOP presidential nomination  
WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican Sen. John McCain intends to take the first formal step toward a White House run next week by launching a presidential exploratory committee, GOP officials say.

The officials spoke on the condition of anonymity to avoid pre-empting a public statement from the four-term Arizona senator, who is considered the front-runner for the 2008 Republican presidential nomination.

McCain, the GOP maverick who un-

successfully sought his party's nomination in 2000, already has opened a bank account for the committee, one official said.

"The senator has made no decision about running for president," said Eileen McMenamin, a McCain spokeswoman.

Aides to McCain say the senator will discuss whether to seek the presidency with his family over the Christmas holiday and decide thereafter.

### Crew struggled to slow runaway train

BAXTER, Calif. (AP) — Crew members aboard a runaway maintenance train that barreled down a steep Sierra Nevada slope tried frantically to slam on the emergency brakes before the locomotive derailed, investigators said.

The bodies of two crew members were recovered Friday from the smoldering wreckage of Thursday's derailment, which spilled thousands of gallons of fuel near a thick forest and sparked a large fire. Eight other crew members aboard the train suffered minor injuries.

Survivors told authorities that the men who died had been trying to apply the brakes when the train ran off the tracks in a ravine about 60 miles east of Sacramento.

The emergency brakes slowed the locomotive only slightly before the train's supervisor — in a final, desperate move — threw it into reverse, said Dave Watson, investigator.

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# Guilty but free

## Release of woman who drowned her children raises questions

By JEFF CARLTON  
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS — The release Friday of a suburban Dallas mother who drowned her two daughters in a bathtub three years ago has fed-up prosecutors advocating for a verdict not now available in Texas: guilty but mentally ill.

"There needs to be a change in the law, something that would allow a person to receive treatment for illness but not escape punishment," said Greg Davis, a Collin County prosecutor. "There needs to be a middle-ground option."

At least 13 other states provide for a guilty but mentally ill defense. Three states — Idaho, Kansas and Utah — don't permit any sort of insanity defense.

The insanity defense, though rare, has been presented in several recent high-profile Texas cases, most famously this summer with Houston mother Andrea Yates, who drowned her five children in a bathtub in 2001.

Other successful insanity defenses in Texas include Dena Schlosser, who killed her 10-month old daughter by chopping off her arms at the shoulders, and Deanna Laney, who stoned her two sons to death in East Texas in 2003.

That same year, Lisa Ann Diaz drowned her 3- and 5-year-old daughters in the bathtub of her Plano home. A jury found



Diaz

her not guilty by reason of insanity and, in accordance with state law, she was sent to a state hospital for treatment and supervision.

She walked free Friday after a judge agreed with her doctors that she is mentally stable enough to safely continue her treatment for schizophrenia on an outpatient basis.

George Parnham, Yates' lead attorney, said he doubts Diaz's release will affect future insanity defense cases because "we're well beyond the knee-jerk reaction." He said Yates' verdict in July helped "get medicine back in the courtroom," an attitude toward mentally ill defendants that he believes will continue.

"Hospitals are not penitentiaries," Parnham said. "They're not for punishment purposes. Andrea Yates or someone else found not guilty by

reason of insanity is a patient, not a convict."

Yates' extensive history of mental illness and need for medication will likely keep her hospitalized for a long time, Parnham said.

In Diaz's case, Davis said he doubts the jury would have accepted the insanity defense if it knew she would be free two years later.

"What we are always told by defense attorneys is: 'Don't worry. She will be in the hospital for a long time — maybe the rest of her life. She'll never pose a threat to society again,'" Davis said. "What this case shows us is this is not always true."

But some legal experts say Davis' point is moot because the system worked as it should.

"This notion that some people seem to have that a person ought to spend a period of time in a hospital that relates to the period of time in prison if convicted has no basis whatsoever," said George Dix, a law professor at the University of Texas at Austin. "The whole idea is that she was found not responsible. Criminal responsibility is supposed to be limited to those who act in a morally blameworthy way."

Diaz, plagued by delusions that her healthy children were severely ill, drowned them in 2003 to "save them from suffering a horrible existence," said Robert Udashen, her attorney.

After the she was found not guilty by reason of insanity, Diaz spent about six months at the maximum security North Texas State Hospital in Vernon, the same facility where Yates is held. About 18 months ago, she was transferred to a less-restrictive hospital in Big Spring, where she received daily medication and counseling, as well as weekly psychiatric evaluations.

At Big Spring, she was taking a technical writing correspondence course through Texas Tech, Udashen said. The conditions of her release include seeing a mental health caseworker every day and submitting to regular blood tests to make sure she stays on her medication.

"She talked about how glad she is to be coming home," Udashen said. "Hopefully, people will give her a chance. She recognizes what she did

By The Associated Press

Here's a look at mothers in Texas who killed their children and were found not guilty by reason of insanity, as well as brief descriptions of the mental illnesses as detailed in court testimony:

— ANDREA YATES: Yates drowned her five children in the family's Houston bathtub in 2001 and was tried for the deaths of three. Her 2002 capital murder conviction was overturned on appeal, and after she was found innocent by reason of insanity at her July retrial, she was sent to a maximum-security state mental hospital in Vernon. She was diagnosed with several mental illnesses, including postpartum psychosis and schizophrenia.

— DEANNA LANEY: She beat her two young sons to death with stones in 2003, and injured a third. She's still in a state hospital after being found not guilty by reason of insanity at her 2004 trial in Tyler. She had psychotic delusions in which she felt God was telling her to stone her children.

— LISA ANN DIAZ: She drowned her two daughters in a bathtub in her Plano home in 2003. She was found not guilty by reason of insanity, sent to a state hospital and released Friday. She had a delusional disorder in which she thought she and her children were suffering from numerous physical ailments.

— DENA SCHLOSSER: She severed her 10-month-old daughter's arms with a kitchen knife at her Plano apartment in 2004. A judge ruled her not guilty by reason of insanity after the original jury deadlocked. She had severe mood swings and religious hallucinations.

and she is very sad about it."

Davis pointed out that "as long as she takes her medicine, she is free to do

anything she wants to do. She can get married again. She can have more children. I think the jury would be appalled."

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North dealer.  
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♥10742	♥10	AC
♦AQ	♦K	10
♣QJ1053	♣K4	76
WEST		
♦87432	♦K105	EA
♥J5	♥K8	AC
♦9632	♦KJ75	10
♣K4	♣A982	76

The bidding:  
North East South  
1 ♠ 1 ♥ 2 NT  
3 NT

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Under state law, it is up to each offender to register his or her information. Local police have 24 hours to notify school districts, which must then let teachers know promptly. The same law prohibits teachers and staff from relaying that information to anyone else, including other students or their parents.

Those procedures were not being followed in Austin, however. There, local police sent monthly updates to the superintendent's office listing sex offenders living in the city, said Andy Welch, an Austin school district spokesman. School personnel then determine whether any on the list are students.

Mendoza had enrolled about a week earlier after moving to a halfway house, where he was completing his sentence for indecency with a 4-year-old girl. The school district was unaware he was a registered sex offender because it not received the latest listing from Austin police, Welch said.

As a result of the incident, Austin police will now notify schools immediately when a school age offender appears on the registry, police spokesman Kevin Buchman said.

In Houston, school officials also get a monthly list from the district attorney's office, district spokesman Norm Uhl said.

In Fort Worth, police and schools appear to comply more closely with the law. Adult sex offender lists are regularly sent on to principals and department heads, who are "constantly checking" for student names, school district spokeswoman Barbara Griffith said.

The Fort Worth youth crimes division goes further by faxing a list daily of students who are involved in any sort of crime, Griffith said.

School districts across the country have wrestled with the issue of allowing registered sex offenders to enroll in high schools. In Georgia, a school system barred students who are registered sex offenders from attending public schools. In Iowa, an 18-year-old student was expelled after his name popped up on the state's registry for a crime he committed five years earlier.

The disparity across the state is a sign that schools and police are unclear about their responsibilities, said Stone, the state teachers' organization official. She sent a letter to Texas Education Commissioner Shirley Neeley on Oct. 31 requesting "a timely reminder to school officials of actions required to be taken under current law to protect teachers and students."

"I'm at a high frustration level that there's such a lack of knowledge

about what's currently on the books, much less the loopholes that need to be closed," Stone said.

State Sen. Florence Shapiro of Plano, who has authored much of the state's sex offender legislation, agreed that law enforcement agencies and schools seem confused about their responsibilities. She expects the Legislature to take up the issue in the coming year.

"We have been reviewing this notification requirement and we are looking to tighten it so we can clearly define who is responsible for issuing notice and that it is done within the 24-hour timeline in all instances," Shapiro said. "It might have been a little bit vague, unintentionally, and it needs to be focused."

The Classroom Teachers Association is also lobbying for tougher

laws that would keep registered sex offenders considered moderate or high risk out of mainstream classrooms, Stone said.

Juvenile crime law is often based on the assumption that children can be reformed. But when the violations involve sex crimes, juveniles are afforded fewer considerations, said Shari Julian, a criminal justice professor and expert on sex crimes at the University of Texas-Arlington.

"Once you are a registered sex offender, the public's right to know trumps the rights of the juvenile," Julian said. "I know there are going to be circumstances where this is supremely unfair, but it's also important that the risks are out there for people to understand. I have come to the conclusion that it is probably best for the school to

know, and probably best for teachers to know."

But without better notification procedures, it's possible that high-risk students could slip through the cracks. Some will never again act out. Others are "ticking time bombs," Julian said.

At the end of September, the Austin school district received its sex offender list from police. On it were about a dozen teenagers who should be enrolled in Austin schools, but were nowhere to be found.

Welch, the school district spokesman, said those juveniles could be dropouts — or enrolled in another district not aware it has registered sex offenders in its classrooms.

"We checked, and they were not enrolled," Welch said. "That raises the question: Well, where are they?"

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♦ A Q  
♣ J 10 5 3

**WEST**  
♠ 8 7 4 3 2  
♥ J 5  
♦ 9 6 3 2  
♣ K 4

**EAST**  
♠ Q J 9  
♥ A Q 9 6 3  
♦ 10 8 4  
♣ 7 6

**SOUTH**  
♠ K 10 5  
♥ K 8  
♦ K J 7 5  
♣ A 9 8 2

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North 1♦ East 1♥ South 2NT West Pass  
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Unfortunately, West wins with the king and returns a heart, and South goes down one.

What's wrong with this picture, you may ask? The answer is that declarer should have made the contract. All he had to do was to play the eight of hearts at trick one instead of taking the king, and he would have been on Easy Street.

True, the subsequent club finesse would still have lost to West's king, but the big difference is that the defense would have been unable to take more than four tricks, while South would have been assured of nine regardless of how East-West defended.

Of course, it takes iron nerves and a vivid imagination to duck the jack of hearts at trick one, but there can be no argument that playing low is the right play. After all, declarer is not in danger of losing the contract if he lets the jack hold the trick, but is in serious jeopardy if he takes the jack with the king.

Force of habit may cause declarer to take the first trick and then start thinking of what to do next, but this would be a clear case of putting the cart before the horse. The first step always is to plan the play from the outset, and any declarer who starts thinking at trick two instead of trick one is asking for trouble.

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**Howard Hawks Basketball Program**  
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**Youth basketball registration begins**  
Registration for the YMCA Youth Basketball League is available through sixth grade. The registration line is Friday, and the fee is \$10 per player. Practices will begin Dec. 11, and games will be held on Saturdays starting Jan. 13. For more information contact the YMCA at 267-8234.

## High school football top 10 rankings

- Class 5A**
1. S.L. Carroll (9-0)
  2. Lufkin (9-0)
  3. Etoile Trinity (9-0)
  4. Katy (9-0)
  5. G. North Shore
  6. Cedar Hill (9-0)
  7. Spring Westfield
  8. A&M Cons. (7-1)
  9. Smithson Valley
  10. Plano East (8-1)

- Class 4A**
1. Texarkana (9-0)
  2. Stephenville (9-0)
  3. Highland Park (9-0)
  4. C.C. Calallen (9-0)
  5. Lamar (9-0)
  6. Brenham (8-1)
  7. La Marque (9-1)
  8. Copperas Cove
  9. Aledo (8-1)
  10. Waco (7-2)

- Class 2A**
1. Mart (8-1)
  2. Marlin (8-1)
  3. Crawford (8-1)
  4. Lexington (8-2)
  5. Newton (7-2)
  6. Tatum (7-2)
  7. Jefferson (8-1)
  8. Schulenburg (9-0)
  9. Blanco (8-1)
  10. Troup (8-1)

## AP Top 25 Football Poll

The Top 25 team Associated Press Football Poll. The poll is based on results from Nov. 4.

1. Ohio St. (85)
2. Michigan
3. Louisville
4. Texas
5. Auburn
6. Florida
7. USC
8. California
9. N. Dame
10. W. Virginia
11. Arkansas
12. LSU
13. Tenn.
14. Boise St.
15. Rutgers
16. Wisconsin
17. Oklahoma
18. W. Forest
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23. Maryland
24. TCU
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The program is limited to the first 200 applicants, and includes a season pass to all home games, a T-shirt and a courtside pizza party with the Hawks.

Date of the clinic is Nov. 18, at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

For registration information contact Head Coach Earl Diddle at (432) 264-5043 or Assistant Coach Eric Rodewald at (432) 816-4327.

### Youth basketball registration begins

Registration for the YMCA Youth Basketball League is available for boys and girls in first through sixth grade.

The registration deadline is Friday, Dec. 1, and the fee is \$40 per player.

Practices will begin on Dec. 11, and games will be held on Saturdays starting Jan. 13.

For more information contact the YMCA at 267-8234.

### High school football top 10 rankings

#### Class 5A

1. S.L. Carroll (9-0)
2. Lufkin (9-0)
3. Eules Trinity (8-0)
4. Katy (9-0)
5. G. North Shore (9-0)
6. Cedar Hill (9-0)
7. Spring Westfield (9-0)
8. A&M Cons. (7-1-1)
9. Smithson Valley
10. Plano East (8-1)

#### Class 4A

1. Texarkana (9-0)
2. Stephenville (9-0)
3. Highland Park (9-0)
4. C.C. Calallen (9-0)
5. Lamar (9-0)
6. Brenham (8-1)
7. La Marque (9-1)
8. Copperas Cove (8-1)
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1. Mart (8-1)
2. Marlin (8-1)
3. Crawford (8-1)
4. Lexington (8-2)
5. Newton (7-2)
6. Tatum (7-2)
7. Jefferson (8-1)
8. Schulenburg (9-0)
9. Blanco (8-1)
10. Troup (8-1)

### AP Top 25

#### Football Poll

The Top 25 teams in the Associated Press College Football Poll. The poll is based on results through Nov. 4.

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| 1. Ohio St. (85) | 10-0 |
| 2. Michigan      | 10-0 |
| 3. Louisville    | 8-0  |
| 4. Texas         | 9-1  |
| 5. Auburn        | 9-1  |
| 6. Florida       | 8-1  |
| 7. USC           | 7-1  |
| 8. California    | 8-1  |
| 9. N. Dame       | 8-1  |
| 10. W. Virginia  | 7-1  |
| 11. Arkansas     | 8-1  |
| 12. LSU          | 7-2  |
| 13. Tenn.        | 7-2  |
| 14. Boise St.    | 9-0  |
| 15. Rutgers      | 8-0  |
| 16. Wisconsin    | 9-1  |
| 17. Oklahoma     | 7-2  |
| 18. W. Forest    | 8-1  |
| 19. Ga. Tech     | 7-2  |
| 20. Va. Tech     | 7-2  |
| 21. Oregon       | 7-2  |
| 22. Boston C.    | 7-2  |
| 23. Maryland     | 7-2  |
| 24. T. A&M       | 8-2  |
| 25. BYU          |      |

# Steers make playoffs



HERALD photo Rebecca Good-Medlette  
Ryan Tannehill bulls his way towards the end zone against Lake View, Friday night at Memorial Stadium. The senior rushed for 128 yards and three touchdowns in leading the Steers to consecutive playoff appearances.

## Big Spring enters post season after 49-21 victory over Indians

**MIKE GRIMES**  
Sports Editor

The Big Spring Steers are looking good.

Big Spring (3-7, 2-2 in district) rushed into the playoffs Friday night by dismantling Lake View 49-21, and securing a post season birth for the second consecutive season under Coach Tim Holt.

Seniors Ryan Tannehill, Lance Tissue and Rick Nunez had outstanding and memorable performances in what could very well be the players' final time to play football in Memorial Stadium.

The Steers will travel to Lubbock to face the Hereford Whitefaces on Saturday, Nov. 18, at a time to be determined later. The site for the playoff game was chosen, and the Steers are pleased to return to "Holt Stadium," otherwise

known as Lubbock's Lowrey Field.

"We wish we could play there every week," Holt said, when asked about the site. "Our kids have a good feeling there, and we always seem to play very well when we go play at Lowrey."

In a rematch of the non-district shoot-out held Sept. 15, when the Whitefaces held on for a 41-34 victory, Tannehill was nursing an injured left shoulder and was a spectator and fan, as Raul Aguilar lit up the Whitefaces' defense for 318 yards passing. Aguilar went on to be named Permian Basin player of the week for his stellar performance.

"We are going to show Hereford the best quarterback in the region," stated Nunez, the strong side offensive tackle who

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## Area high school roundup; Garden City holds No.1 spot

**MIKE GRIMES**  
Sports Editor

In the marquee game for area high school football, it was No. 1 Garden City leaving no doubt who the best team in District 1, six-man football happens to be. The Bearkats ran their record to 10-0 this season.

Garden City will enjoy a bye for the first round of its playoff run, then resume a quest for a state championship against a team to be determined next week.

**GARDEN CITY 64  
FORT DAVIS 46**

In a battle of unbeaten, 9-0 teams, it was Garden City protecting the Bearkats' No. 1 ranking Friday night.

The Bearkats, playing in front of a hostile and standing-room only crowd in Fort Davis, scored 24 straight points to take a 24-8 halftime lead. Garden City mixed the run with the pass, and allowed the big boys up front to play a little smash mouth football. The end result was a hard-fought 64-46 victory for the Bearkats.

Bo Eggemeyer had 21 carries and 249 yards rushing, surpassing the 200-yard mark for three straight weeks.

Evan Jansa completed 13 of 16 passes for 162 yards. The Bearkats ended the game with 432 yards of total offense, and left no doubt who was No. 1 in six-man football.

Both teams entered the game ranked in the top 10, but after the loss the Indians should drop, and the Bearkats will remain as favorites to win the state title.

**STANTON 21  
MERKEL 0**

In a game that was much closer than the score might indicate, it was Stanton High shutting out the Badgers 21-0, Friday night. At intermission the score was 6-0, but Stanton began to open things up when Garrett

Fulton scored his second touchdown of the night on a 25-yard run. A two-point conversion increased the lead to 14 points, and that was all that would be needed in the District 5-2A finale.

The final score came with only 35 seconds on the game clock, on a 1-yard run by Chase Pinkerton.

For the night, Stanton had 231 yards rushing on 50 attempts, and another 54 yards through the air.

**ANSON 37  
STAMFORD 16**

The Anson Tigers unleashed a rushing game that Stamford could not compete with Friday night. The end result was 385 yards rushing, 25 first downs and a 37-16 victory in district 5-2A.

Roman Seballos accounted for 91 yards rushing and three touchdowns, and Ernest

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HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler  
Coahoma quarterback Blaine Kerby looks for a receiver in the Friday night loss to 10-0 Haskell. The Bulldogs lost, 54-14.

## Streak ends; Bulldogs lose to Haskell, 54-14

**MIKE GRIMES**  
Sports Editor

COAHOMA — The season did not end the way Coach Ken Cates and the Coahoma Bulldogs (3-7) young football team had planned. As Haskell (10-0) made the journey to Coahoma Friday, the Bulldogs wanted to be the first team to walk off the field with a win versus the Indians, but it was not to be as the Bulldogs dropped their final game of the season, 54-14.

It was a hard-fought game throughout the night, despite the final score, and the Indians' depth and precision attack allowed them to cruise to a perfect regular season record.

The Bulldogs had won three straight games coming into the contest against district favorite Haskell, and Coahoma

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# Forsan forces way to state playoffs with 35-14 win

JEFF LANE

Special to the Herald

The Forsan Buffaloes muscled their way into the state playoffs Friday night with an impressive win over the Menard Yellowjackets, 35-14.

The Buffs (6-4, 5-2) will taste the post season for the first time since 1998 and will face the Winters Blizzards (7-3, 4-2), who finished third in District 15-1A, at McMurray College in Abilene next Friday or Saturday.

Skylier Sandridge led the way for the Buffaloes with 145 yards rushing and an interception, while little brother Jace Sandridge ran for 47 yards and two TDs.

It was Jace who put the Buffs on the board first, late in the first quarter, as he finished off a 65-yard, seven-play drive, going in from the 1 and giving Forsan a lead it would never surrender.

But it wasn't a cakewalk as the Buffs earned everything they got. Despite a strong defensive effort the offense was unable to score again until only 19 seconds were left in the half. Wesley Newcomb scored the first of his two touchdowns, scampering for a 20-yd TD and putting the Buffs up 14-0 at the half.

In the third, the Buffs began to loosen up the Menard defense with a one-yard TD from Newcomb and a nice pass from Seth Johnson to Rusty Gresset who went

58 yards for a score. The strikes put the Buffs up 28-0 with three minutes left in the quarter.

With the game seemingly out of reach, the Yellowjackets took advantage of a relaxed Buffalo defense.

Menard quarterback Zach Rambo got loose and outran several Buffs on his way to a 61-yd score, closing the gap to 28-7 going into the fourth.

In the final quarter and with the game still in control, the Buffs added a little insurance as Jace Sandridge put Forsan up 35-7.

He scored from two yards out with just under six minutes to play in the contest, and allowed the Buffaloes to enjoy the

night. But Menard was not giving up without a fight and as a matter of pride drove down to score one last time.

Rambo found Keven Deanda in the back of the end zone for a touchdown pass that ended the scoring at 35-15.

It was the third straight win for the Buffaloes. Coach Tommy Thompson was hopeful he would learn more about the team's playoff game sometime Saturday.

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## STEERS

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helped pave the way for Tannehill to rush for a season high 128 yards in Friday night's playoff-clinching victory over Lake View.

"Raul played great the first time around, but with Ryan back there we are more versatile, and Ryan will not hesitate to change the calls if he sees something he doesn't like. In the game tonight we had a third down play, third and very long, and Ryan came to the line and

changed the play. "He ended up running the option for about 30 yards and a first down."

Tannehill scored the first three touchdowns for the Steers on runs of 6, 77 and 5 yards, giving Big Spring a 21-7 lead at the half.

Not to be lost in the 423-yard offensive display the Steers showcased was Tissue, the starting full-back and linebacker who carried the ball 21 times for 147 yards and two touchdowns. Tissue was responsible for all of the BSHS touchdowns in the third quarter, as he went in untouched from 13

yards out, and then dragged several Indian defenders into the end zone from 3 yards out.

"The offensive line played great tonight," Tissue said after the win. "Our offense looked pretty good and those guys up front deserve a lot of the credit."

The Steers had five different ball carriers en route to 377 rushing yards and seven touchdowns. They also added a two-point conversion in the second half.

"Those guys make it easy for us tonight," said Cade Hollandsworth, the BSHS offensive lineman

who helped lead the way with bone crushing blocks.

"With Monte (Anderson) coming back and being fresh next week, Ryan feeling healthy and Lance running the ball with power, we're going to be tough to stop."

"Next week is going to be a good game, but Hereford did not see this running game we have right now."

With 3:58 to play in the game, junior running back Brandon Ontiveros found pay dirt from 1-yard out, giving the Steers a comfortable 42-

point lead.

On the ensuing Big Spring possession Nathan Doporto, a player making his first appearance in the Steers varsity uniform, took the hand-off from Aguilar and crashed into the end zone from 3-yards out for the final score.

At that point, with only 40 seconds remaining on the game clock, the Steer playoff party started on the sidelines.

"Tonight we carried out our blocks a good five yards down the field,"

said an excited Matt Casteneda, one of Tannehill's favorite targets when he's not opening holes from the tight-end position.

"We just did what we were supposed to do. Coach Holt knows what he is doing and we're going to be ready to play next week."

It was a night to remember, especially for the 12 seniors.

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## DOGS

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had every intention of being the only team to hand the Indians a loss during the regular season.

"We would love to be the team to knock them off," Cates said earlier in the week. "Everyone would ask who the team was that beat them." Unfortunately for the Bulldogs it was not to be.

The Indians showed why they are undefeated and heading to the playoffs as the District 5-2A Champions.

Before the season began, in Dave Campbell's Texas Football magazine, Coahoma was predicted to battle for the district's top spot with Haskell, but finish the year in second place. However, the injuries that plagued Coahoma could not have been foreseen, and the promising season began with six straight losses.

Led by quarterback Blaine Kerby, the Bulldogs refused to quit.

Entering the game against the high-scoring offense of the Indians, Coahoma had surprised everyone and rattled off three straight wins

to make a run at post-season action. Getting a slot in the playoffs disappeared last week when the coaching staff learned of the tie-breaking scenario that would be used if the Bulldogs ended the season in a four-way tie for the final playoff birth.

Still, the Bulldogs refused to give up. Cates assured everyone this week that his kids would not quit before the season ended. Further stating that the players leading this team had great character, and had made him extremely proud over the past few weeks.

## Hollyfield outscores Fres Oquendo in SA

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Evander Holyfield got a much tougher fight in round two of his "Final Chapter" comeback.

Even so, he's not about to listen to those who says he's too old and too slow to win another heavyweight title.

"I don't have to say nothing to them people," Holyfield said after unanimously outpointing Fres Oquendo in a bout that likely raised as many questions about the former champion's return to the ring as it answered.

"It's not the public that comes out with it, it's the media. The media will tell you this is it for you," Holyfield said.

The 44-year-old Holyfield had a couple of chances to take Oquendo out early, but the 33-year-old Puerto Rican stayed in it and thought he had won.

## AREA

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Galvan added another 76 yards on 9 totes.

For Stamford, quarterback Landon Nautre completed six passes for 105 yards and two touchdowns.

### PERMIAN 31 MIDLAND HIGH 28

Permian scored 17 unanswered points to rally and defeat Midland High by 3 points, 31-28. The loss, while not a pleasant way to end the regular season for the Bulldogs, will not keep Midland High from making the playoffs.

Abilene High will advance as the District 3-5A champs, with Permian finishing second and Midland High third.

Lost in the effort was a 110-yard rushing performance by Midland High running back Brandon Batch.

### RANKIN 42 GRADY 28

In District 1, six-man football it was Rankin (8-2, 2-2 in district) knocking off

rival Grady (6-4, 1-3) 42-28, Friday night.

The Red Devils and Wildcats went back and forth with the lead in the first half, but when Jason Martinez caught a 49-yard pass from Jon Paup, Rankin never looked back. The Red Devils had a balanced attack as they rushed for 161 yards and passed for another 245.

Chase Epley had two touchdown receptions and Jacob Schmitz had 100 yards receiving.

For Grady, Clay Mitchell threw for 193 yards and three touchdowns in the losing effort. Mitchell also rushed for the first score of the night for the Wildcats.

### SNYDER 20 ANDREWS 0

Snyder blanked Andrews 20-0, behind 356 yards rushing Friday night in District 3-3A football.

For Snyder it was the Will Clay show, as the player rushed for 149 yards on only 17 carries. Clay also accounted for the first and only score Snyder would need in the contest. Running back Chase Arrendale added 138 yards on 19 totes. The win captures the district title for Snyder (7-3, 3-0 district). Andrews (3-7, 1-2), despite the loss, will advance to the playoffs to face Levelland in Denver City next week.

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# Hawks r

By ERIC RODEWALD

Special to the Herald

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By CHRIS DUNCAN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — Du layups and turnaround jumpers on one blocked shots rebounds at the other.

Yao Ming did it all Friday night, scoring points, grabbing boards and matching career high with six blocks in the Houston Rockets' 103-94 victory over the New York Knicks.

"Coach (Jeff Gundy) has told me there are two things that if you do them well, you will rebound, the other block shots," Yao said. "I think he just wants me to have more energy on the defensive side."

He still had some over after the game. Yao playing 38 minutes, headed straight to the weight room in anticipation of Sunday's meeting with Shaquille O'Neal and the Miami Heat.

"I've got another guy coming," Yao said. "I want to be ready."

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## Hawks rock Sterling College JV

By ERIC RODEWALD  
Special to the Herald

GARDEN CITY, Kan. — The Howard College women's basketball team earned its third straight victory to open the season, winning 65-42 Friday afternoon over Sterling College's junior varsity at the Pepsi Classic.

Howard's defense kept Sterling in check early, as the Hawks led 21-10 with 7:57 to play in the first half. Over the course of the next four-and-a-half minutes, the Hawks outscored Sterling 10-4, but a late run in the final two minutes allowed Sterling to head to the locker room with a little confidence, trailing 36-21.

The Hawks' offense would click early,

taking a 40-23 lead with 15:49 to play in the game, but stalled, not exiting the 40s until nearly 10 minutes had elapsed. After a Howard timeout with 6:06 remaining and the Hawks leading 49-35, Howard closed on a 16-7 run to seal the victory.

According to Howard College Assistant Coach Eric Rodewald, the Hawks weren't able to take the lid off the basket.

"We shot lights out against Garden City Thursday night, almost 50 percent for the game," Rodewald said. "On Friday, we had good shots but they just didn't fall."

The Hawks were 24 of 62 from the field for a 38.7 percent average versus Sterling.

## Ming does it all in Rockets' 103-94 victory over New York

By CHRIS DUNCAN  
AP Sports Writer

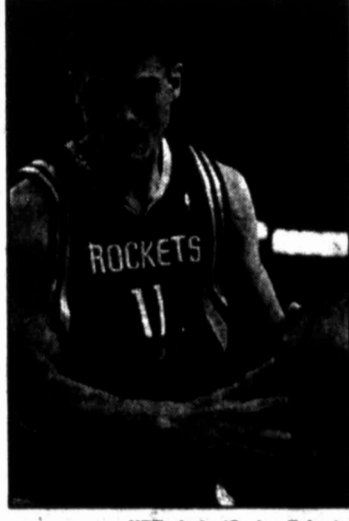
HOUSTON — Dunks, layups and turnaround jumpers on one end, blocked shots and rebounds at the other.

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KRT photo/Carlos Fajardo  
Houston's Yao Ming led the Rockets past the Knicks Friday night.

him."

Yao's postgame detour didn't surprise teammate Shane Battier. "He's a worker," Battier said. "He's the first one at practice every day and he's one of the last ones to leave. A player does not become dominant like he is becoming by watching highlights on ESPN."

Yao hit 15 of 21 shots and also had a steal and two assists as the Rockets beat the Knicks for the

fourth straight time.

Tracy McGrady and Rafer Alston scored 13 points apiece for the Rockets, who shot 55 percent (40-of-73) and outrebounded New York 45-33.

McGrady went 4-for-12 and had eight assists, but the six-time All-Star realizes even he's in a supporting role when Yao plays like this.

"It's crazy to me," McGrady said. "If I go out and have a subpar game and I don't shoot the ball well or play well and I get 13 points, every team I've been on, we're going to lose that game."

"The role is kind of reversed now. I'm the distributor and I like that role."

McGrady can't wait to see how Yao performs on Sunday — and even gave Shaq some bulletin-board material to ponder.

"I don't care who you try to match up against him, I don't care who you say is the most dominant," McGrady said.

"No, 31 on my team, hands-down, is the best center in the league."

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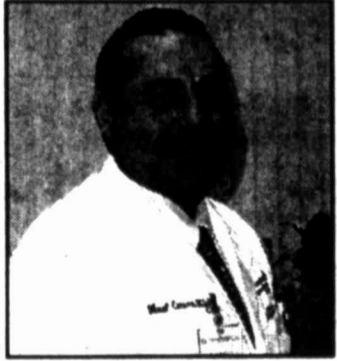
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# Woods fires course-record 64, pulls within two shots of the lead

By JOHN PYE

AP Sports Writer

SHANGHAI, China — Tiger Woods had an eagle and seven birdies in a course record-tying 8-under 64 Friday to move within two shots of the lead at the HSBC Champions tournament.

A day after ending a five-week sabbatical with an even-par 72, Woods closed within two shots of India's Jyoti Randhawa and one of Retief Goosen after starting the second round seven shots back.

Randhawa, the overnight leader, mixed six birdies with three bogeys for 69 and a two-round total of 10-under 134.

Goosen birdied three of his first four holes and finished with three straight for a 67.

Woods was tied with 2005 U.S. Open champion Michael Campbell, who had a 70, and one ahead of Scotland's Marc Warren, Chawalit Plaphol of Thailand and European No. 1 Pádraig Harrington.

Sweden's Henrik Stenson had eight birdies in a bogey-free round to set the record for the Sheshan International Golf Club at 64 earlier Friday. He was tied for 17th at 4-under.

Woods shook off the rust of his first round and said his form was approaching what it had been at the WGC-American Express Championship, where he won by eight strokes on Oct. 1 for his sixth straight PGA Tour victory.

"It's close to what I was at Amex (where) I had it dialed in pretty good," Woods said. "That was probably my best ball-striking week all year."

Woods said he was too "one-dimensional" Thursday - his first competitive round since Oct. 1 - but "felt like I was in control of the ball all day" Friday.

"Hopefully I can do it again on the weekend and hopefully make some birdies, because that's what you're going to have to do to win this tournament."

Woods had Roger Federer following him in the gallery on Thursday and shared a meal with the tennis No. 1 later in the evening.

On Friday, he had Argentine tennis star David Nalbandian following inside the ropes from the 10th to the 13th holes. Nalbandian, who plays Federer on Sunday in a rematch of last year's



Tiger Woods makes a face as he misses a putt in the WGC Bridgestone Invitational earlier this year.

Tennis Masters Cup final, left after Woods three-putted the 13th.

His eagle at the 14th followed his only bogey of the round, when he three-putted from 15 feet on the par-four 13th. He hit his drive down the right adjacent to water and had 224 yards to the pin and the water hazard in front of the green.

"I hit a 4-iron as hard as I could and it came off perfect," he said. "I had a 10-footer for eagle, left-to-right, and made it."

Woods had another eagle chance at the par-five 18th, again hitting the green in two over the water but rolling his 15-foot putt inches to the right of the hole. He missed a few putts by inches and said he could have shot as low as 61 if he'd made all his chances.

"I did miss a couple. When you three-putt from 15 feet, it's a missed opportunity. A couple of others lipped out," he said. But, "it was nice to be hitting some balls again."

# Kuchar tied for Nationwide Tour Championship top spot

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ

AP Sports Writer

RICHMOND — PGA Tour winner Matt Kuchar shot a 7-under 65 on Friday for a share of the second-round lead in the Nationwide Tour Championship.

Kuchar, the former Georgia Tech star who won the 2002 Honda Classic for his lone PGA Tour title, joined Cliff Kresge (69), Andrew Buckle (69), Chris Baryla (67) and Brandt Snedeker (68) at 8-under 136 on The Houstonian course.

Craig Kanada (64), Johnson Wagner (67) and Jim O'Neal (68) were a shot back in the season-ending tournament. Kanada's 8-under round was the second-best in

tournament history, behind only Jay Delsing's in 2002.

The winner will earn \$135,000, while the season money champion will be fully exempt on the 2007 PGA Tour and earn a spot in The Players Championship. Nos. 2-22 on the final money list will be conditionally exempt on the PGA Tour and Nos. 23-37 will get spots in the final stage of Q-school.

Kuchar, 12th on the money list with \$234,867, had a much better start in the second round after a double bogey to start the first round. He had birdie putts of 10, 8 and 12 feet on the first three holes Friday and eagled the par-5 16th for the second day.

"It's easier to be in the right attitude when you

start out good," Kuchar said. "Yesterday was one of those days when I was on edge. Yesterday, I was frustrated. The goal today was to go out with a good attitude and stay patient."

Kanada sat up Thursday night watching the Louisville — Rutgers football game and then had trouble going to sleep. The sleep loss didn't keep him from making four straight birdies on the back nine.

Kanada started fast with scrambling birdies on two of the first three holes. He almost went in the water on the par-5 second but a sand wedge put him 10 feet from the hole and he made the putt for his first birdie. He hit another sand wedge to 12 feet on the third hole for another birdie.

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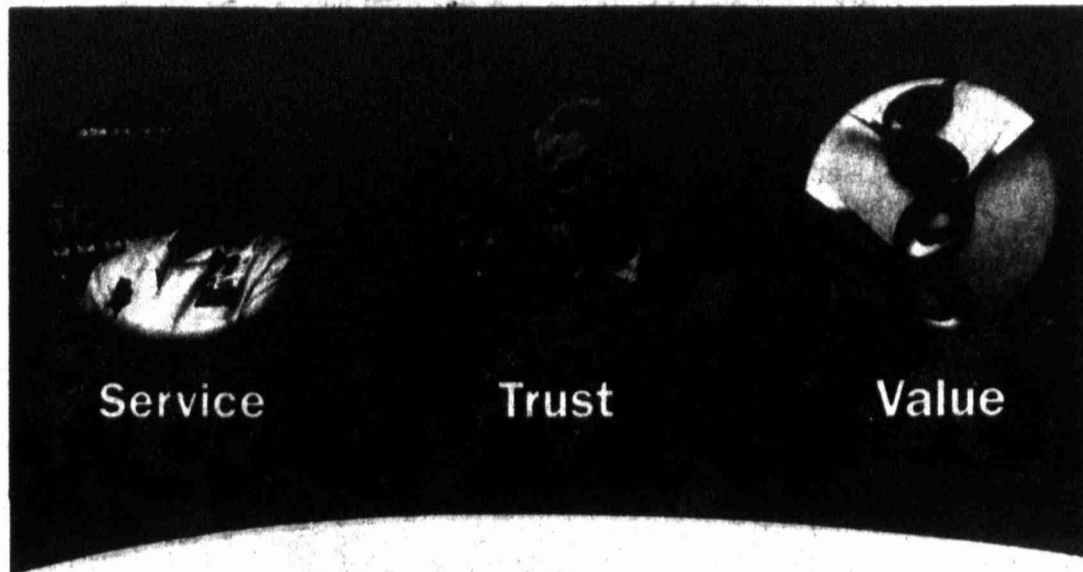
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Spicy California Raisin-Wine Sauced New York Strip With Warm Green Bean-USA-Grown Peanut Salad

### Spicy California Raisin-Wine Sauced New York Strip With Warm Green Bean-USA-Grown Peanut Salad

Serves: 6

#### New York Strip

- 2 tablespoons chopped garlic
- 2 tablespoons cumin
- 2 tablespoons ground coriander
- 1 1/2 tablespoons salt
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 6 New York strip steaks (about 12 ounces each)

#### Spicy Raisin-Wine Sauce

- 1/2 cup red wine
- 1/4 cup California raisins
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh oregano
- 1/2 teaspoon chopped cilantro
- 1 teaspoon chipotle peppers canned in adobo sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon chopped shallot
- Salt and pepper to taste

#### Warm Green Bean Salad

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 1/2 pounds fresh green beans, trimmed and blanched
- 2 tablespoons chopped shallot
- 1/2 cup roasted red peppers, cut into matchstick-size pieces (julienne)
- 1 cup roasted USA-grown peanuts
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
- 1/4 cup balsamic vinegar
- Salt and pepper to taste

Combine garlic, cumin, coriander, salt and olive oil in small bowl and mix together. Rub onto steaks and arrange in shallow dish; refrigerate 1 to 2 hours.

In small saucepan, heat wine just to boiling for sauce. Measure raisins into small bowl and pour wine over; let stand 10 to 15 minutes until raisins are soft. Add remaining ingredients and puree in food processor or blender; set aside.

For salad, heat oil in large skillet and sauté shallot over medium-high heat 2 to 3 minutes. Add remaining ingredients; cook until heated through and beans are tender-crisp.

To serve, remove steak from refrigerator; drain and grill over high heat for 4 minutes per side until preferred doneness (145°F for medium rare). Remove from grill and drizzle with raisin wine sauce. Serve with green bean-peanut salad.

### Grilled Veal Chop With California Raisin Pilaf and Toasted USA-Grown Peanuts

Serves: 6

#### Veal

- 6 veal chops (about 10 ounces each)
- 1 12-ounce bottle garlic-olive oil marinade
- Salt and pepper, to taste

#### Rice Pilaf

- 1 5.9-ounce package rice pilaf mix
- 1/2 cup California raisins
- 1 cup USA-grown peanuts, toasted
- 1/4 cup chopped parsley

Combine chops and marinade in shallow pan; let stand 1 to 2 hours in refrigerator, turning occasionally. Cook pilaf according to package directions. Add remaining ingredients to hot pilaf and mix together. Keep hot.

Remove chops from marinade. Discard used marinade and grill chops over high heat 5 to 6 minutes per side until done (145°F for medium rare). Spoon 1/4 cup pilaf onto each serving plate; arrange grilled veal chop on top. Serve immediately.

### Grilled Filet Mignon With California Raisin-Onion Jam and USA-Grown Peanut Garden Sauté

Serves: 6

#### Raisin-Onion Jam

- 1/2 tablespoon olive oil
- 1/4 medium yellow onion, thinly sliced (julienne)
- 1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar
- 1/2 tablespoon honey
- 1/4 cup California raisins
- 1 small sprig fresh thyme
- 1/2 teaspoon fresh lemon zest
- Salt and pepper to taste

#### Blue Cheese Glaze

- 1/2 cup crumbled Gorgonzola cheese
- 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
- 1/2 tablespoon chopped parsley
- 1/2 tablespoon chopped chives
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper

#### Garden Sauté

- 3 ounces steak-cut bacon, diced
- 2 1/4 teaspoons chopped garlic
- 1 1/2 tablespoons chopped shallot
- 6 cups fresh chopped Swiss chard leaves or beet greens, stems and ribs removed
- 3/4 cup roasted USA-grown peanuts
- Salt and pepper to taste

#### Filet

- 6 filet mignon (about 6 ounces each)
- Olive oil
- Salt and pepper, to taste

For jam, heat oil in 12-inch skillet over medium heat. Add onions and cook until soft. Stir in vinegar and honey; cook 1 minute. Add raisins, thyme and lemon zest; cook over medium heat until reduced. Remove thyme sprig and divide mixture in half. Add half to food processor or blender and pulse until smooth. Combine with remaining mixture in skillet and mix well. Season to taste and set aside.

In a small bowl, combine ingredients for blue cheese glaze; mix well and set aside.

Cook bacon in large saucepan over medium-high heat for 6 to 7 minutes, until almost crispy. Add garlic and shallot; cook 2 to 3 minutes more until soft. Stir in Swiss chard; cook and toss until wilted, 3 to 4 minutes. Stir in peanuts and season to taste.

To serve, brush steaks with oil and season with salt and pepper. Spoon 1 to 2 tablespoons of glaze onto each steak. Grill steaks over high heat for 4 to 5 minutes per side until they reach preferred doneness (145°F for medium rare) and glaze is golden brown. Remove from grill and add a heaping dollop of jam. Serve with garden sauté.



Grilled Veal Chop With California Raisin Pilaf With USA-Grown Toasted Peanuts

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Welch-Stockard

Kylee Melissa Welch and Wesley Perry Stockard were united in marriage Oct. 21, 2006, at sunset in the outdoor Plaza San Saba at the Westin La Cantera Resort in San Antonio. The Rev. Robert Brooks, of Topeka, Kan., formerly of Big Spring, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Tommy and Teresa Welch of Big Spring. She is the granddaughter of Jean Cooper and the late Cecil Cooper and Ernest and Mary Lynn Welch, all of Big Spring. The groom is the son of Perry and Pamela Stockard of Abilene. He is the grandson of Bill and Nelda Loyd of Abilene and Euleta Stockard and the late Silas Stockard of Lubbock.

Given in marriage by her father, Kylee wore a diamond white silk satin balloon skirt wedding gown. The strapless gown was adorned with rouching throughout the skirt and into the chapel train. The dress featured clean architectural lines and a fitted drop waist. Kylee's illusion veil with bias satin ribbon trim created a complete look for the wedding ensemble. The veil was designed by Toni Federici. The gown was designed by Victoria McMillan of Alvina Valenta Couture. The bride carried a bouquet of orange mango calla lilies wrapped with chocolate brown ribbon adorned with pearls.

The matron of honor was Kasi Baker of Midland, sister of the bride. The best man was Ryan Stockard of Abilene, brother of the groom. The flower girl was Ellery Baker of Midland, niece of the bride.

The ushers were Kaegan Welch of New York, brother of the bride, and Braden Burchett of Lubbock, cousin of the bride. A solo was sung by the Rev. Robert Brooks and a duet by Sterling Burchett and Braden Burchett of Lubbock, cousins of the bride. The Monte Vista String Trio from the San Antonio Symphony, directed by Andrew Small, performed the ceremony music.

Following the ceremony a reception and dance was held in the San Antonio Ballroom at the Westin La Cantera Resort. The bride's cake was a four-tiered stacked vanilla cake that was layered with butter cream cheese icing and strawberry filling. The cake was covered with rolled ivory fondant icing with a chocolate brown ribbon and ivory roses adorning the layers.

The groom's cake was a two-tiered stacked chocolate fudge cake with butter cream cheese chocolate icing. The layers were filled with chocolate fudge cream. It was adorned with chocolate dipped strawberries and a large chocolate "S" completed the top layer. An ice sculpture of a "Double T" was the centerpiece for the table.

Kylee is a 1999 graduate of Big Spring High School



Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Stockard

and a 2003 graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor's of business administration degree majoring in marketing. Kylee is currently a corporate relations representative for Funeral Directors Life Insurance Company in Abilene.

Wesley is a 1996 graduate of Wylie High School and a 2001 graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor's of business administration degree majoring in finance. Wesley is owner and president of Stockard Homes Inc.

Following a honeymoon to Costa Rica, the couple will reside in Abilene.

Madry-Hernandez

Sonya Faye Madry and Michael Arnulfo Hernandez, both of Big Spring, were married at 6 p.m., Oct. 28, at the Spring in Comanche Trail Park with Quail Dobbs officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Rebecca Cannon and the late Harold Lee Hancock of Big Spring.

The groom is the son of Arnulfo "Shorty" and Emma Hernandez of Coahoma.

Jinnie Jimenez, best friend of the bride, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaid was Stevi Madry, daughter of the bride. Flower girl was Mia Jean Hernandez, daughter of the bride and groom.

Anthony Hernandez, brother of the groom, stood as best man.

The bride is a graduate of Big Spring High School. The groom is a graduate of Coahoma High School.

The couple will reside in Big Spring.



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hernandez

Menus

Big Spring ISD

Monday — Breakfast, grilled-cheese sandwiches, apples, milk; Lunch, sausage pizza, seasoned corn, grapes, milk (high school second choice, chicken strips)

Tuesday — Breakfast, cereal, sausage patty, fruit punch, milk; Lunch, popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, English peas, Rosey apple-sauce, rolls, milk.

Wednesday — Breakfast, cheese sticks, grape juice, milk; Lunch, nacho grande, border beans, mandarin oranges, milk (high school second choice, rib sandwiches)

Thursday — Breakfast, pancake-on-stick, pineapple juice, milk; Lunch, turkey and dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, wheat rolls, pumpkin pie (high school second choice, pizzaburger)

Friday — Breakfast, cinnamon roll, applesauce cups, milk; Lunch, hamburger salad, pickle slices, oven fries, sliced peaches, milk (high school second choice, chicken quesadillas)

Coahoma ISD

Monday — Breakfast, biscuits, gravy, sausage, orange juice, jelly, milk; Lunch, spaghetti w/meat, corn, pineapples, rolls, milk, McRib.

Tuesday — Breakfast, oatmeal, ham, apple juice, milk; Lunch, grilled cheese, tater tots, apple turnovers, pickle spears, milk, burritos.

Wednesday — Breakfast, pancakes, sausage-on-stick, applesauce, milk; Lunch, turkey and dressing, gravy, potatoes, green beans, rolls, peach cups, milk, Hot Pockets.

Thursday — Breakfast, Pop Tarts, ham, fruit, milk; Lunch, homemade burritos, pears, baked beans, milk, corn dogs.

Friday — Breakfast, donuts, sausage, grape juice, milk; Lunch, pizza, salad, apples, milk.

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Tuesday — Breakfast, muffin and graham crackers;

Lunch, enchiladas w/cheese sauce, refried beans, tossed salad, cinnamon apples, milk.

Wednesday — Breakfast, pancake and sausage; Lunch, teriyaki chicken, rice pilaf, English peas, pineapple tidbits, hot rolls, milk.

Thursday — Breakfast, cheese toaster; Lunch, taco salad, seasoned corn, fruited gelatin, brownie, milk.

Friday — Breakfast, cereal and graham crackers; Lunch, hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes and pickles, tater tots, baby carrots w/ranch, cake, milk.

Stanton ISD

Monday — Breakfast, pancakes, syrup, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk; Lunch, beef ravioli, chicken nuggets, corn, garden salad, pears, French bread, milk, ranch dressing.

Tuesday — Breakfast, oatmeal, cinnamon toast, cereal, buttered toast, orange juice, milk; Lunch, pizza, corn dog, mixed vegetables, garden salad, fruit cocktail, milk, ranch dressing, mustard.

Wednesday — Breakfast, blueberry muffin, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk; Lunch, peanut butter sandwiches, Cheetos, vegetarian beans, vegetable sticks, peaches, milk, ranch dressing.

Thursday — Breakfast, Pop Tarts, cereal, buttered toast, orange juice, milk; Lunch, baked turkey, baked ham, cornbread dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit salad, hot rolls, milk, cookies.

Friday — Breakfast, breakfast burritos, cereal, buttered toast, orange juice, milk; Lunch, sandwiches, tater tots, soup, vegetable sticks, fruit, milk, Ketchup.

Spring City Senior Citizens Center

Monday — Steak and onions, rice, okra and tomatoes, fruit gelatin, bread.

Tuesday — Baked potatoes, chili, sour cream, broccoli, cheese, fruit salad, crackers, milk.

Wednesday — Chicken soup, salad, cobbler, crackers, milk.

Thursday — Cheeseburgers, french fries, beans, peach crisp, milk.

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**Robersons celebrate 50th**

Rob and Luci Roberson of Big Spring were honored with a 50th wedding anniversary celebration at the Eaker Parlor of the First United Methodist Church of Big Spring on Saturday, Nov. 11, 2006.

The reception was hosted by their children — Don Roberson and spouse Dana, Ron Roberson and spouse Jan, all of Lubbock, and Lauri Phillips and spouse Jason of Big Spring.

They have eight grandchildren — Amanda Roberson, Matt Roberson, Katie Roberson, Drew Roberson and Kelsi Roberson, all of Lubbock, Jordann Roberson of Carrolton and Kendall Phillips and Reagan Phillips of Big Spring.

Rob and Luci both graduated from Forsan High School and Howard College. They were married Nov. 9, 1956, in Lovington, N.M.

In 1958, they moved to Lubbock where Rob completed his college degree in accounting at Texas Tech University. After graduation, the couple moved to Lamesa where Rob worked for a CPA firm.

They later moved back to Big Spring where Rob was employed by Lee, Reynolds and Welch, CPA firm. He became the business manager for Forsan Independent School District in 1982 and was there until 1988 when he accepted the position of business manager at Stanton ISD. He retired from Stanton ISD after 13 years of service.

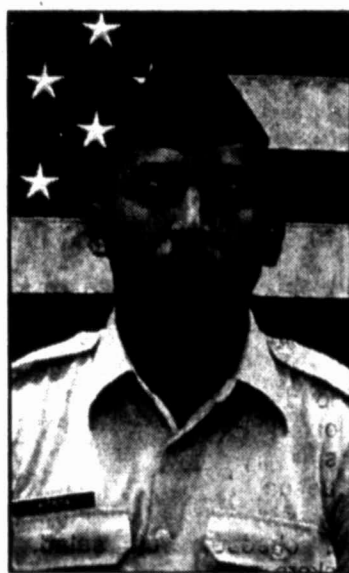
Luci was employed by the law firm of Hamby, Thompson & Mouton for 14 years and resigned that position to take a position at Howard College. She retired in 2001 from Howard College after 10 years of service.

The couple has resided at 4300 Connally Street in Big Spring for the past 40 years. They enjoy their family, friends and vacationing in the mountains.



Rob and Luci Roberson

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Air Force Reserve Airman 1st Class David P. Acosta has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio.

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Lee Alexander Yanez, boy, was born on Sept. 25, 2006, weighing 5 pounds, 2 ounces and was 15 1/2 inches long. He was born in Neuendettelsau, Germany. His parents are Victor and Rhetta Yanez, of Ansbach, Germany. Victor is the son of Junior and Mary Landin of Big Spring. Rhetta is the daughter of Jaime and Cecilia Alvarado of Garden City. Victor is an active duty member of the United States Army as a supply specialist and is currently stationed in Ansbach, Germany, with the 412 Alpha Company.



Claire M'Kay Poitevint, a girl, was born at 2:36 p.m. Oct. 4, 2006, weighing 5 pounds, 13 ounces and was 18 1/4 inches long.

Parents are Harrison and Courtney Poitevint of Stanton.

Grandparents are Ronnie Epley of Big Spring, Jim Epley of Stanton, and Martha and Eddie Poitevint of Odessa.

Great-grandparents are Tom Vann, deceased, and Jo Vann of Big Spring, and Grace and Bill Wilkerson of Odessa.

Claire was welcomed home by siblings Benjamin Crockett and Jordyn and Neeley Poitevint.



Justine Deanna Baker, a girl, was born at 9:46 p.m. Oct. 23, 2006, weighing 6 pounds, 7 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

She is the daughter of Margarita Muniz and John Baker Sr. of Big Spring.

Her maternal grandparents are Juanita and Juan Muniz. Her paternal grandparents are Audrey and Kenny Alfano. Her paternal great-grandparents are Fran and Mike Mathie.

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**FASTOW**

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fraud. Lay's convictions were wiped out with his July death from heart disease. Skilling was sentenced last month to more than 24 years in prison.

At Skilling's sentencing, U.S. District Judge Sim Lake recommended the former Enron CEO be sent to a federal facility in Butner, N.C. The U.S. Bureau of Prisons Web site on Friday did not indicate that Skilling had been assigned to a prison. Skilling was ordered to home confinement until he reports to prison.

Skilling's attorney, Daniel Petrocelli, did not immediately return calls from The Associated Press on Friday.

Enron, once the nation's seventh-largest company, crumbled into bankruptcy proceedings in December 2001 after years of accounting tricks could no longer hide billions in debt or make failing ventures appear profitable. The collapse wiped out thousands of jobs, more than \$60 billion in market value and more than \$2 billion in pension plans.

**SLOGAN**

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said Mathew Staver, founder of Orlando-based Liberty Counsel. "The American people are tired of having Christmas censored or secularized."

Not so, said the Rev. Barry Lynn, executive director of the Washington, D.C.-based Americans United for Separation of Church and State. When Wal-Mart officials "cave into these demands, they are really making a statement that non-Christians should probably go elsewhere this holiday season," he said.

Changing store policy to cater to Christmas-lovers is a risky calculation, said Keith Tudor, professor of marketing at Kennesaw State University in Georgia.

Such a policy could repel people who celebrate other religions, he said. "Are they going to offend people or attract people for having the fortitude to come down on the side of the religious right?"

**Public Records**

**Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC**

**Warrants:**  
Stephanie Renee Beaty, 2718 E. SH 176, Andrews  
Richard Henry Burk, PO Box 171933, Arlington  
Quinton Dale Burton, 419 Westover Road, Big Spring  
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Hilda Fuentes, 502 S. Severitt Street, Lamesa  
Aldo Gustavo Galindo, 922 Jeter, Odessa  
Claudet Garza, 3106 E. Elm, Laredo  
Jennifer Garza, County Road 83300, Lenorah  
Eugene Gentry, 203 N. 18th Street, Lamesa  
Rebecca Ann Morales Gomez, 1606 E. Fifth Street, Big Spring  
Raul Gonzales, 2106 Johnson, Big Spring  
Fernando Gonzales, 3000 Schadt No. 8, Fort Worth  
Jeffrey M. Grams, 224 LeLon Lane, Springtown  
Nora Gutierrez, 606 N. Eighth Street, Lamesa  
Dana L. Holguin Havink, 600 Star Linda Ct., Arlington  
Robert Stephen Hoback, 1516 Cumberland Rd., Odessa  
Gerald R. Hodges, 4312 Crane, Houston  
Allan J. Hoey, 1401 N. Highway 87 Apt. 2, Big Spring  
Emily Howard, P.O. Box 2224, Big Spring  
Lucas Shane Hughes, No. 1 Courtney Place, Big Spring  
Jeanie Renee Ivey, 5326 Old State Hwy 71, La Grange  
Sharon Annette James, 3620 Lehigh, Lubbock  
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Alana Marie Lee, 2711 66th Street, Lubbock  
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Martha Martinez, 900 S. Aylsford, Big Spring  
Daniel Eugene Mata, 101 NE Ninth Street, Big Spring  
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Tracy Jacqueline Trevino, 3306 Auburn, Big Spring  
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**County Court Decisions:**  
Judgment and Sentence: Tito Ramirez Pesina, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$1,000 fine, \$324 court costs and 90 days in jail.

Probated Judgment: Enrique Mayers III, driving while intoxicated, \$750 fine, \$389 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 6 months probation).

Probated Judgment: Jerry Mann II, driving while intoxicated, \$750 fine, \$389 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 6 months probation).

Judgment and Sentence: Timmy Wayne Rogers, driving while intoxicated - open container, \$1,500 fine, \$389 court costs, 180 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence: Dennis Scott, failure to identify - giving false information, \$500 fine, \$374 court costs, 30 days in jail.

Probated Judgment: Leon Detrick Eddington, evading arrest, \$500 fine, \$274 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

Probated Judgment: Moises Cervantes, driving while license suspended with a previous conviction, \$500 fine, \$274 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

Probated Judgment: Terrie Deeann Allen, driving while intoxicated - second offense, \$1,500 fine, \$389 court costs, 365 days in jail (jail time suspended, 24 months probation).

Judgment and Sentence: Tito Ramirez Pesina, bail jumping and failure to appear, \$1,000 fine, \$324 court costs, 90 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence: Raul Garcia Simental, driving while intoxicated - open container, \$500 fine, \$339 court costs, 60 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence: Rene Rodriguez, evading arrest, \$1,000 fine, \$274 court costs, 30 days in jail.

Probated Judgment: Summer Dawn Teeters, theft of service by check - more than \$20 less than \$500, \$500 fine, \$374 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

Judgment and Sentence: Rene Rodriguez, evading arrest, \$1,000 fine, \$274 court costs, 30 days in jail.

Probated Judgment: Summer Dawn Teeters, theft of service by check - more than \$20 less than \$500, \$500 fine, \$374 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

**District Court Filings:**  
Kelly L. Weinette vs. Celia R. Weinette, divorce.  
Ronald N. Allen vs. Paula J. Allen, divorce.  
Joey Sosa vs. Halina Sosa, divorce.  
Midland Funding LLC vs. Chris Holmes, accounts, notes and contracts.

**Marriage Licenses:**  
Christopher George Wilson, 39, and Laura Clare Thompson, 40, both of Big Spring.  
Noe Coronado Jr., 20, and Marlen Quirarte Guzman, 19, both of Donna.  
Rodney Joseph Kelleman, 21, and Michelle Rene Bruggeman, 18, both of Big Spring.

**Warranty Deeds:**

Grantor: Rick Peurifoy, Penny Peurifoy and Hollie Peurifoy  
Grantee: Eduviques Marquez  
Property: Lots 7 and 8, Block 10, Boydston Addition  
Date: Oct. 26, 2006

Grantor: College Heights Church of Big Spring  
Grantee: Trade Media Corporation  
Property: Tract 6 in Kennebec Heights  
Date: Oct. 27, 2006

Grantor: Cameo Investments  
Grantee: Charles D. Turner and Linda Turner  
Property: Lots 1 and 3, Block 15, Monticello Addition  
Date: Oct. 27, 2006

Grantor: Rita Jayne Ryan Rowland  
Grantee: Ryan Separate Partnership  
Property: A 25 percent interest in 630.2 acres in Section 34, Block 32, T-2-N  
Date: Oct. 27, 2006

Grantor: Serva Relocation  
Grantee: Earl A. Wright III and Tonya Wright  
Property: Lot 2, Block 15, College Park Estates  
Date: Oct. 27, 2006

Grantor: Jerry L. Brookmole and Paula Brookmole  
Grantee: Walter L. Heston and Carolyn Greenwood-Heston  
Property: Lot 4, Block 9, Highland South  
Date: Oct. 30, 2006

Grantor: Reveille Patterson  
Grantee: Greiton Station LLC  
Property: Lots 18 and 19, Block 4, Highland Park  
Date: Oct. 30, 2006

Grantor: James L. Green and Cheryl Green  
Grantee: Donald Gene Froman and Robbie Froman  
Property: Lots 1 and 2, Block 4, Clawson Subdivision  
Date: Oct. 31, 2006

Grantor: Robert M. Sumner and Jovena Sumner  
Grantee: Terry Seale  
Property: Lot 23, Block 2, Colonial Hills  
Date: Oct. 31, 2006

Grantor: Rodney Sargent  
Grantee: Consuelo M. Coates  
Property: Lot 20, Block 2, Monticello Addition  
Date: Nov. 1, 2006

Grantor: Ralph B. Osborne III and Judy Williamson  
Grantee: Robert H. Moore III and Holly R. Moore  
Property: Lot 13, Block 4, Original Town of Big Spring  
Date: Nov. 3, 2006

Grantor: Reginald Scott Shaw and Margie Marie Shaw Strickland  
Grantee: Cleo C. Carille  
Property: Lot 1, Block 5, Westcliff Addition  
Date: Nov. 3, 2006

Grantor: D.W. Holsenbeck  
Grantee: Craig Olson  
Property: Lot 3, Block 16, Fairview Heights  
Date: Nov. 3, 2006

Grantor: Amy E. Reese and Pat Loya  
Grantee: Ricky Lee Liles and Debra Liles  
Property: Lot 28, Block 12, North Parkhill  
Date: Nov. 3, 2006

Grantor: Johnny E. Mize and Jill Mize  
Grantee: Gabriel Soto and Delilah Soto  
Property: Lot 10, Block 1, Bellvue Addition  
Date: Nov. 6, 2006

Grantor: Bruce Dooley and Brendrick Dooley  
Grantee: Debra Dodson  
Property: Lot 2, Block 24, McDowell Heights  
Date: Nov. 7, 2006

Grantor: Nancy Nelson  
Grantee: Norma Reagan  
Property: Lot 13, Block 1, Edwards Heights  
Date: Nov. 7, 2006

Grantor: Kenda D'Ann and Kenneth Allan Born  
Grantee: Gary C. Donelson  
Property: Lot 14, Block 6, Kentwood Unit No. 1  
Date: Nov. 7, 2006

**Warranty Deed with Vendors Lien:**  
Grantee: Eunice Pauline White

Grantee: Wesley Waite and Jimmy Stevens  
Property: The W/25 feet of Lot 11 and all of Lot 12, Block 20, Cole & Strayhorn  
Date: Oct. 30, 2006

Grantor: Rebecca Burns Trevino and Alex Trevino  
Grantee: Doyle Edmondson  
Property: Not provided  
Date: Oct. 31, 2006

Grantor: R.H. Weaver  
Grantee: James Weaver and Beatrice Weaver  
Property: Lots 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and part of Lot 7, Block 25, Government Heights  
Date: Nov. 1, 2006

Grantor: Beacon Mfg. Housing  
Grantee: Melinda Sue Olivares  
Property: A tract out of Section 43, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date: Nov. 2, 2006

Grantor: Troy L. Koenig  
Grantee: Guy D. Webster  
Property: Lot 16, Block 5, Worther Peel Addition  
Date: Nov. 2, 2006

Grantor: Lilly Faye Boydston  
Grantee: Glen Thompson and Lisa Thompson  
Property: A 5 acre tract out of Section 41, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date: Nov. 2, 2006

Grantor: Kelly L. Overton, Christina McCarver and Patricia Chitto  
Grantee: Leonard Byrd Jones and Luella Jones  
Property: Lots 1 and 2, Block 19, Saunders Addition  
Date: Nov. 3, 2006

Grantor: Dennis Lee Churchwell and Deborah Churchwell  
Grantee: Sara Molina  
Property: Lot 9, Block 4, Highland South Addition  
Date: Nov. 6, 2006

Grantor: Tommy Wagoner  
Grantee: Howard Whitley and Angela Whitley  
Property: Lots 16, 17 and 18, Block 29, Original Town of Forsan  
Date: Nov. 6, 2006

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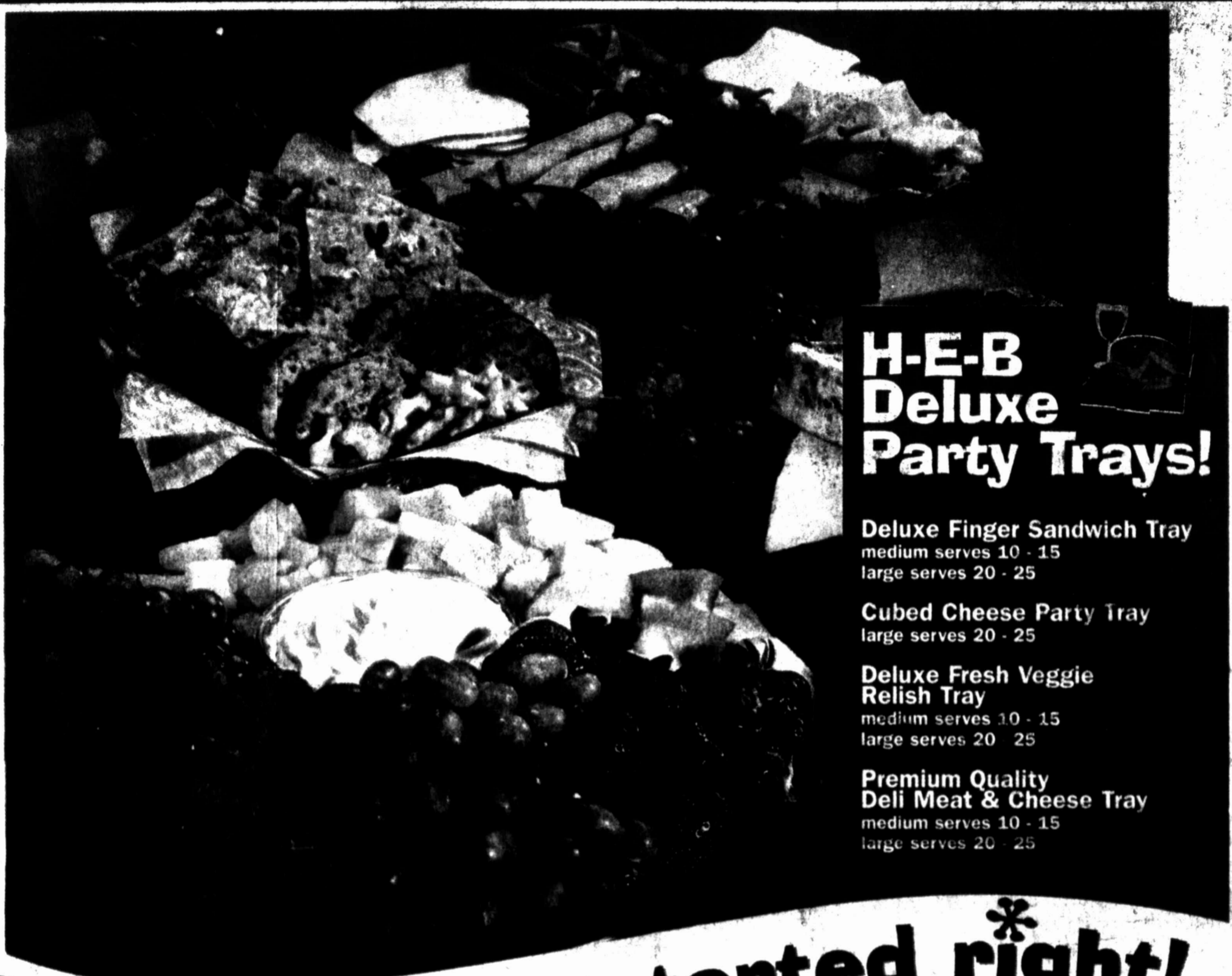






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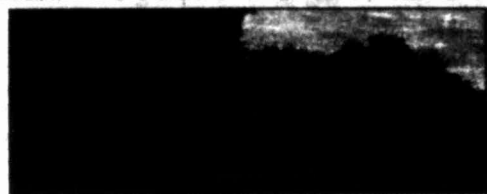
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# 'Road to Guantanamo' a wartime eye opener

**T**he Road to Guantanamo," based on a very true story, should anger everyone who sees it.

If you embrace this film's political stance, you will be appalled by the injustice suffered



Thomas Jenkins

by the movie's protagonists and more ready than ever to criticize the current "war on terror."

If your politics fall on the other side of the dividing line, you might view this as little more than a short sighted propaganda piece created solely for the purpose of eliciting knee jerk reactions.

Of course, the possibility exists that one's views might fall a bit into both camps. Whatever the case, you'll be moved to feel something.

The story of the "Tipton Three," three young British men of Pakistani descent, is certainly a difficult one.

The prolific Michael Winterbottom — whose overall versatility knows no boundaries — shares directing credit with Mat Whitecross, and they employ a frenetic, take-no-prisoners style.

In the film's first half, it appears this stylistic choice might overwhelm the film's other elements, but once the directors' take a step back and slow the pace a touch, "The Road to Guantanamo" mounts a powerful attack.

In October 2001, four friends, Ruhel (Farhad Harun), Asif (Arfan Usman), Shafiq (Riz Ahmed) and Monir (Waqar Siddiqui), all between the ages of 19-23, set off from their comfortable homes in the British Midlands for Pakistan to attend

Asif's wedding.

A few days after their arrival, the group, upon the plea of an Imam at a mosque, decides to cross the border to Afghanistan

Cuba.

Held captive in an outdoor open-air prison known as Camp X-Ray, the abuse they receive only gets worse. Hostile interro-

three intended to go to Afghanistan to take part in humanitarian work, that point is not ever made clear in the film itself, with the men only

al Tipton Three are interspersed throughout the film, ostensibly to add an extra dose of reality to the proceedings, because their commentary isn't needed

to explain the horrors we see them endure.

The filmmakers paint them as young people who made the error of poor judgment and wound up paying a severely inhumane price for their bad decisions.

Except on a scant few occasions, the American and British military personnel are cast in an extremely negative light.

For an audience — with the exception of those of a far-left or right ideological bent, who

will see this film with minds firmly set — to really identify with these men and feel concern for

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in order to aid the nation's suffering citizens. Their trip is fraught with adventure — of the not so good variety — and their arrival in the country coincides perfectly with the dropping of U.S. and British bombs.

The friends predictably feel quite lost in Afghanistan, and after Asif falls ill, they are looking for a way back to Pakistan. The return trip is grossly more harrowing than their initial journey, and ultimately, Ruhel, Asif and Shafiq — Monir gets separated from them and is never heard from again. — are captured by Northern Alliance troops.

This is where their real hell begins.

The threesome is held captive at two American military prisons in Afghanistan, where they are subjected to various forms of abuse, and eventually all are transported to Guantanamo Bay in

gations, physical beatings and even sensory deprivation tactics are put into play, but no matter how relentlessly the military officials attempt to force them to confess to being terrorists, the three young men refuse to break.

After two years of unthinkable torment, the Tipton Three are returned to England and released without charge.

There's an aggressive crudity to the later scenes where interrogators show up and relentlessly, ridiculously, grind away at the three, accusing them of everything from waging jihad in Afghanistan to knowing Osama bin Laden. While there's no argument that the men were caught up in an intelligence operation that was at best haphazard and at worst brazenly sadistic, the filmmakers have an Achilles heel here. Although publicity material for the film say that the

talking vaguely about going there "to help."

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their plight, it's absolutely necessary for them to seem as innocent as possible. But leaving out the crucial nexus of their explanation, namely why did they go charging into a war zone on the advice of an enraged Pakistani Imam, makes it all the more possible that viewers may think it not so shocking that U.S. soldiers thought the three were up to no good.

There's no evidence to suggest the Tipton Three were in fact anything but dumb kids on an ill-considered lark, but to not drive that point home as simply and clearly as possible leaves this film lacking the punch it should and could have.

The central question the film made me ponder upon its conclusion is just how many personal freedoms we should sacrifice in the name of homeland security. The unfortunate reality is that the threat of terrorism does exist — at what level is open to debate — and handling suspects with kid gloves is not really a viable option.

So, while watching the punishing tactics employed by the interrogators is maddening, and sometimes painfully laughable in its simplicity — "Where is Osama Bin Laden?!" is a frequent demand — our view is obviously colored by the fact we know these people are innocent. While certain basic human rights should



be extended to all (i.e. the right not to be tortured), this film doesn't convince me that a strictly diplomatic approach is going to snuff out those who wish to do the world harm. One would hope a middle

ground could be found, though such middle ground may be little more than a pipe dream in this day and age.

But what's depicted here, presuming it's accurate — heck, even if they got it half right — is not something that can or should be shrugged off as simply an honest mistake, and the directors' hyperkinetic style repeatedly hammers their point-of-view home. Some may feel they smack the audience in the face too often with their underlying agenda, but it's difficult to deny the film's power.

"The Road to Guantanamo" will get your blood boiling. My recommendation is to see it with

a friend whose politics differ from your own. The post screening discussion will be lively.

The picture quality of the DVD was excellent — the aggressive visual style comes across quite well on the small screen. The audio is clean, and you have

the option to watch English subtitles throughout the entire film. Since the British accents are a bit thick, this is a welcome feature.

There were no extra or bonus features to be found anywhere on the disc. A making of documentary would have been fascinating; commentary would be even more interesting. Unfortunately, neither made it onto the disc.

While the DVD package is lacking, a film this explosive — with so much to say — is certainly worthy of a viewing. Michael Winterbottom just might be the most diverse, prolific filmmaker currently working today.

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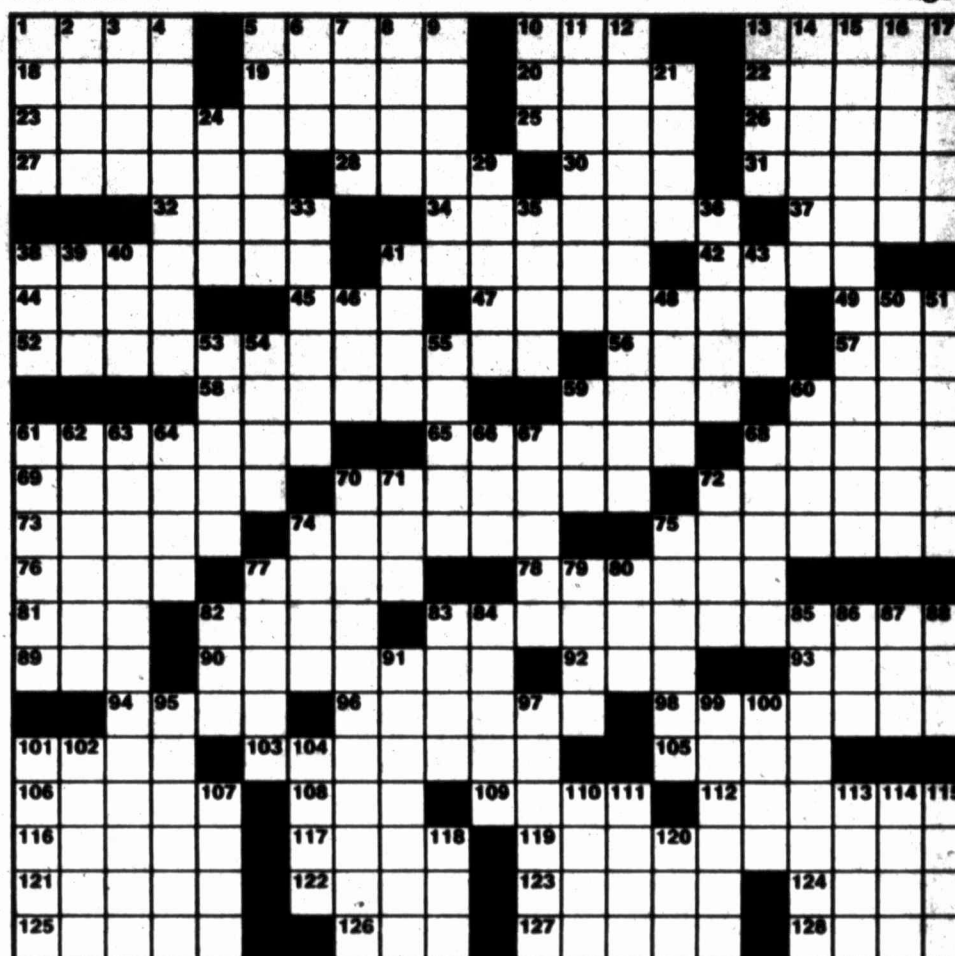
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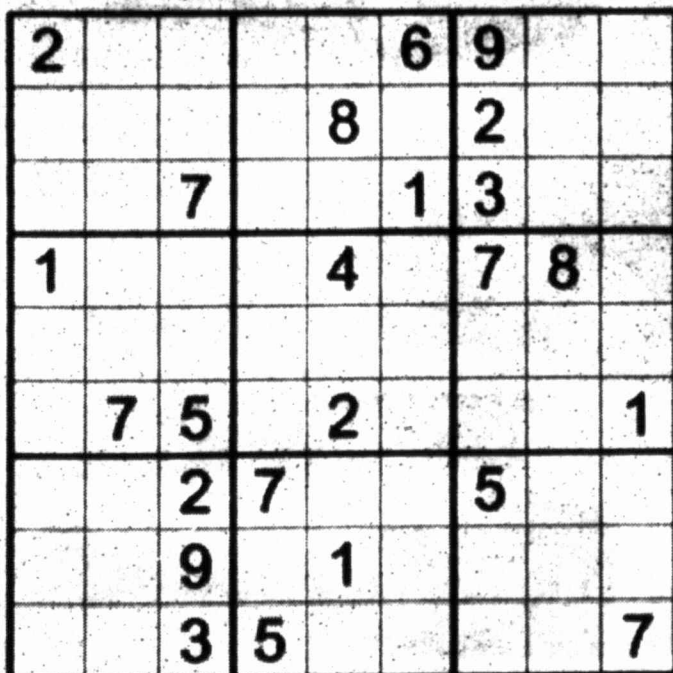
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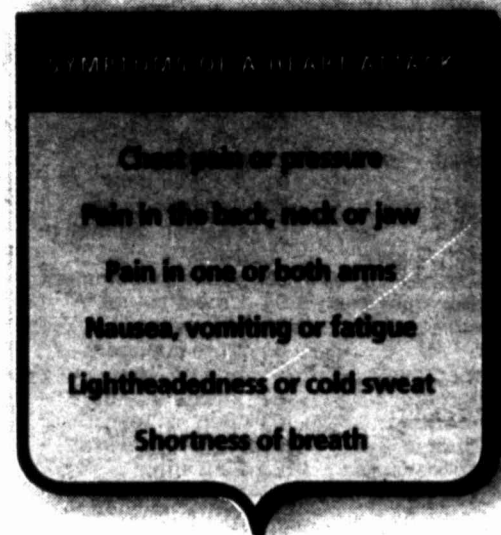
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