

WEDNESDAY

November 3, 2004

WEATHER

Tonight:



PARTLY CLOUDY
TONIGHT 33°-36° TOMORROW 58°-60°

BRIEFLY

State hospital forum set tonight

The future of Big Spring State Hospital will be discussed at a forum in San Angelo tonight from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the San Angelo Convention Center, 500 Rio Concho Drive. All Howard County residents are encouraged to attend. There will be an opportunity for concerned citizens to address the Texas Department of Health and Human Services Commission's review board at the meeting.

Business Before Hours is Friday

Business Before Hours will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Friday at the newly renovated Best Western Plaza Inn, located at 300 Tulane.

COMING THIS WEEKEND



Cover Story: Freedom isn't free in a democracy; it requires certain duties and responsibilities of its citizens, including military service. As part of its Democracy in America series, American Profile will interview several active-duty soldiers and military veterans about the responsibility they assumed by serving their country.

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Bush wins second term

Kerry concedes after it appears he cannot take Ohio

By CAL WOODWARD
The Associated Press
WASHINGTON — President Bush won a second term from a divided and anxious nation, his promise of steady, strong wartime leadership trumping John Kerry's fresh-start approach to Iraq and joblessness. After a long, tense night of vote counting, the Democrat called Bush this morning to concede Ohio and the presidency, The Associated Press learned.

Kerry ended his quest, concluding one of the most expensive and bitterly contested races on record, with a call to the president shortly after 11 a.m. EST, according to two officials familiar with the conversation. The victory gave Bush four more years to pursue the war on terror and a conservative, tax-cutting agenda. He also will preside over expanded Republican majorities in Congress. "Congratulations, Mr.

President," Kerry said in the conversation described by sources as lasting less than five minutes. One of the sources was Republican, the other a Democrat. The Democratic source said Bush called Kerry a worthy, tough and honorable opponent. Kerry told Bush the country was too divided, the source said, and Bush agreed. "We really have to do something about it," Kerry



Orlando Sentinel photo/Joe Burbank
Supporters react to the Fox News network calling of Ohio for President George Bush.



HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins
Howard County Sheriff Dale Walker, left, goes over election night final results with his wife, T.J. Walker, and political supporter E.W. Greer. Walker took 55 percent of the vote with 5,705 ballots, while Republican challenger Ronald Allen took 41 percent of the vote with 4,339.

Incumbents hold on in wake of GOP victories

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer
There will be no changing of the guard in Howard County. That's the message sent by area voters Tuesday, as incumbents in all five contested races took the electoral nod. In the race for Howard County Sheriff, incumbent Democratic candidate Dale Walker took 55 percent of the vote with 5,705 ballots, while Republican challenger Ronald Allen took 41 percent of the vote with 4,339. Walker, who only four years ago challenged an incumbent and won, said this election has been an eye opener for him. "I'm definitely seeing it from a different angle — as an incumbent — this time," said Walker. "You certainly take it a lot more personal."

Sheriff	
Ronald Allen (R)	4,339
Dale L. Walker (D)	5,705
County Commissioner Pct. 1	
Edwin O. Ware (R)	652
Emma Puga Brown (D)	974
County Commissioner Pct. 3	
W.B. "Bill" Crooker (R)	1,169
James (Dick) Dubose (D)	1,061
Peace Justice, Pct. 1, Pl. 1	
Bennie J. Green (R)	5,807
Phil Bustamante (D)	2,452

Walker, who seemed pleased with the victory but surprised by the margin, said he plans to make some improvements in his office over the next term, the most important of

which is improving communication between the HCSO and the communities it serves. "I believe we have some work to do. We know what some of our weak areas are, and all we can do is change a few things," said Walker. "We've heard from the people tonight by those votes, and they are sending a message as well, and it's something we can work on in the Sheriff's Office. "One thing I'd like to do is have better communications from each community with the Sheriff's Office. We're not real sure how to do that right now — whether it should be a committee or something of that sort — we need more input from the communities to have a better idea what their needs are before they

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Stenholm's string ends at 13 terms

Randy Neugebauer wins U.S. Congressional District 19; Laney, Seliger take victories

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

Republican redistricting took its toll on the Democratic headcount in Washington Tuesday night, as freshman Congressman Randy Neugebauer, R-Lubbock, beat out Democratic challenger and 26-year political veteran Charles Stenholm, D-Abilene, for the 19th District Congressional seat.



Randy Neugebauer

Neugebauer, who was elected early in 2004 to fill the vacated seat, garnered 136,627 votes during Tuesday's election, putting him over Stenholm's 93,688 ballots and Libertarian candidate Dr. Richard Peterson's 3,529 votes.

In Howard County, Neugebauer brought in 5,712 votes and 55 percent of the county's ballots, while Stenholm earned 4,373 votes and Peterson contributed 77 ballots to the race. Neugebauer said he was humbled, but not surprised, by the outpouring of support he received from voters throughout the 19th Congressional District and Howard County. "The polls began to show the gap between myself and my opponent as we got closer to the election," said Neugebauer. "And while we were grateful to see that in the polls, the ultimate poll was Tuesday evening. "We have a lot to do. We'll celebrate tonight, but we have to finish the cure, rent session and we have another right around the corner. There are still a lot of important issues at hand, the most important right now being the Big Spring VA Medical Center. I'm just excited to be part of that process." Stenholm, who ended his 13-term streak in Congress with the loss, said he

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Community prayer meeting slated Thursday

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Features Editor
Gathering the community together to continue a quarterly Community Wide Prayer Meeting beginning at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Municipal Auditorium promises to bring more prayer than program to the public.



BENDER

"Our first push was to bring the Jesus Video Project to our community, which we did," said Everett Bender, an organizer of the event. "Then we moved into doing these community-wide prayer meetings, and our last meeting we had a video showing how one community had changed through prayer. "Now we are focusing on prayer itself. That's what the people are wanting, to spend less time on program and more time

in prayer. We've been building awareness; the people's appetite to pray is increasing, so now it's time to pray," he said. All community ministers will be invited to the stage at the beginning of the meeting, to demonstrate unity of faith and a joined effort. Mayor Russ McEwen will open the meeting by sharing his vision for the community. His prayer will be followed by four individuals who will lead the audience in prayer for specific

INFORMATION

What: Community Wide Prayer Meeting.
Where: Big Spring Municipal Auditorium.
When: 7 p.m. Thursday.

topics. Each leader will spend about three minutes leading prayer. See PRAYER, Page 6A

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Obituaries

Gladys Wilkinson

Gladys Wilkinson, 86, formerly of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2004, in Austin. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Support groups

THURSDAY

□ Narcotics Anonymous, non-smoking discussion meeting, 8-9 p.m., at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

□ Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30-7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8-9 p.m.

□ The Fibromyalgia Autoimmune Disease Support Group will meet on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at noon in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center. Call 263-8273 for more information.

□ Alzheimers Support Group meets at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at The Texas State Veterans Home, 1809 N. Hwy 87. For more information call Orand Carroll 268-8387.

FRIDAY

□ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Noon open Big Book study meeting, 8-9 p.m.

SATURDAY

□ Open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 615 Settles 8-9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

□ Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5-6 p.m.

Take note

□ **BIG SPRING WOMAN'S CLUB HOLIDAY RUMMAGE SALE** is set for 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday in the St. Paul Lutheran Annex, Ninth and Scurry streets. Donations of good holiday decorations are requested, and are being stored in the back of the United Way office, 811 Scurry. Call 267-5201 to arrange drop off of donated items. Call Lisa Brooks, organizer for the sale, after 3 p.m. at 267-1465 for more information.

□ **A COMMUNITY-WIDE FLEA MARKET AND ARTS AND CRAFTS SALE** to benefit a local family is set for 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at the County Show Barn in Gail. Call 806756-4432 for more information.

□ **THE SEVENTH ANNUAL BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR BOOSTER PANCAKE SUPPER** is set for 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday in the high school cafeteria. Ticket are adults \$5 and students \$3 and are available from any high school or junior high choir student or at the door.

□ **COMMUNITY WIDE PRAYER MEETING** at 7 p.m. Nov. 4 in the Municipal Auditorium. Free and open to the public. Contact Everett Bender at 263-0556 for more information.

□ **A BAKE SALE TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT REFLEX SYMPATHETIC DYSTROPHY** is set for Nov. 6 at the west door of Wal-Mart. Contact Marilyn Miers at 267-1135 for more information.

□ **BUFFALO COUNTRY FINA** is giving away an autographed photograph of Michael Jordan, along with two other Jordan magazine covers, to help with medical costs of 12-year-old Sage Gibson, son of Big Spring Junior High School assistant principal Tommy Gibson, who has been diagnosed with a tumor. For an update on Gibson's condition visit www.carepages.com/ServeCarePage?cpn=Sagepage&uniq=923947. For more information about the Buffalo Fina fund-raiser call 267-5050.

□ **MARCY ELEMENTARY PARENTS/TEACHERS ORGANIZATION** is hosting a Veteran's Day Brunch for all veteran's in the community from 9-11 a.m. Nov. 11. The food is free to all veterans and there will also be a music program provided by Marcy Elementary students.

□ **THE FAMILY OF MICHAEL STEADHAM** is in need of help to pay for his funeral expenses. Friends of the family say he had no insurance and died suddenly. An account has been established at the Cosden Federal Credit Union for those wishing to help the family. For more information, call 264-0838 or 264-2600.

□ **BENEFIT TO HELP WITH MEDICAL EXPENSES OF CURTIS JAMES** is set for Nov. 13 at Grant's Country Store, North Service Road of I-20, east of the refinery. Call 263-0011 for more information.

□ **THE BIG SPRING WEST TEXAS GIRL SCOUTS COUNCIL SENIOR TROOP 266** is collecting stuffed animals for Scenic Mountain Medical Center's emergency room. A collection box for the stuffed toys will

Police blotter

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

- **BOBBIE LYNN MOORE**, 38, of 1404 Lexington, was arrested Monday on warrants from Ector County.
- **ANNETTE TORRES**, 23, of 1408 Oriole, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of driving while license suspended.
- **NANCY GONZALES**, 27, of Sweetwater, was arrested Tuesday on two local warrants and a charge of possession of marijuana - 2 ounces or less.
- **CAROL THOMAS SCAGGS**, 57, of 4001 Dixon, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for a parole violation.
- **THEFT** was reported:
 - in the 1200 block of Third Street.
 - in the 1100 block of Lamesa.
 - in the 1700 block of FM 700.
- **FORGERY** was reported in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.
- **POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA - 2 OUNCES OR LESS** was reported in the 400 block of Fourth Street.

Sheriff's report

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

- **ISMAEL GARCIA**, 28, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of failure to identify.
- **WILLIAM ALLEN TILLEY**, 23, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of theft by check.
- **WILLIAM GORDON FULLER III**, 33, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of theft of firearm.
- **TOMMY GENE CHRISTIAN**, 37, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of violation of parole.
- **ANNETTE GLORIA TORRES**, 23, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid.
- **CHRISTOPHER ROBIN LOPEZ**, 22, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of theft.

be at Seams-So-Nice in the Big Spring Mall. Or call Laurie Peterson at 432-267-9773

□ **A FUND TO HELP WITH EXPENSES FOR THE FAMILY OF MICKEY EMERSON OF FORSAN** has been set up at State National Bank, 901 Main St. Mickey was involved in a motorcycle accident Sept. 23 and is in intensive care in a Lubbock hospital. Contact his mother, Carolyn Winbush, at 263-1178 with any questions.

□ **FORSAN SCHOOL BAND WILL PERFORM IN WASHINGTON D.C. JULY 4, 2005**, by special invitation, representing Texas. Funds are needed to cover the \$145,000 cost of the trip. Donations are being accepted at the First Bank of West Texas, account name Forsan Band Trip. Contact Forsan Superintendent Randy Johnson or band directors Jim Rhodes and Jeremy Higgenbotham at 457-2223.

□ **A FUND TO HELP DEFRAY** the funeral costs and medical bills of Johnny Darden, a Howard County man who was killed by a swarm of bees, has been set up at State National Bank under account no. 2007126.

□ **A SAVINGS ACCOUNT TO BENEFIT LOVE FROM HOME** has been established at Citizen's Federal Credit Union. Love From Home is a local effort to provide personal items needed by the soldiers serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom. Contact the credit union at 267-6373 to contribute funds to offset the cost of postage for the packages mailed to the soldiers.

□ **CHRIST'S COMMUNITY CHURCH** is looking for infant cars seats to be given to needy families. Call Karen at 263-3517 or the church at 263-5683.

□ **MANNA RELIEF**, a non-profit ministry that provides glyconutritional supplements to critically ill children, is accepting donations for the program. Call Gene or Robbie Froman at 263-0385.

□ **HERITAGE MUSEUM**, 510 Scurry, is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into the Potton House, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

□ **HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM** is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday and from 1:30 p.m. until 4 p.m. on Sunday.

Bulletin board

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

TODAY

- Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.
- Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. in the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 or 267-1628.
- Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.
- Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge at 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY

- Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.
- Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. in Gale's Sweet Shoppe.
- Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room. Call 267-6479.
- Community wide prayer meeting at 7 p.m. in the Municipal Auditorium. Free and open to the public. Contact Everett Bender at 263-0556 for more information.
- Genealogy Society of Big Spring meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main. Tumbleweed Smith is the guest speaker. Public invited.
- Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main.
- The Prospector's Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at 606 E. Third St. The public is invited to these meetings. For more information contact Lola Lamb at 263-3340 or Doyle and Virginia McClain at 263-8407.

FRIDAY

- Business Before Hours is set for 7:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. at Best Western Plaza, 300 Tulane, sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. Door prizes, refreshments and breakfast will be available.
- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at 1019 Nolan St. Members bring their own lunch. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281 for more information.
- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.
- Greater Big Spring Rotary meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- Spring City Senior Citizen's country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. All area seniors are invited.

SATURDAY

- Team Rustic Circle, an amateur paintball team, meets for practice between 3 p.m. and dusk at the Moss Creek Lake paintball facility. The public is always invited, whether to participate or just spectate. For more information contact Rick Boiles at 264-2395 or 393-5246.
- Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.
- Big Spring Squares. Call 263-6305 for more information.

MONDAY

- The Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teacher's Association will meet at 11:30 a.m. in the Cactus Room at Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Lunch will be served.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 12-16-17-23-29.
Number matching five of five: 1.
Prize per winner: \$41,488.
Winning tickets sold in: Houston.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 0-9-2

Weather

Tonight - Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s. Light and variable winds becoming west near 10 mph after midnight.
Thursday - Partly cloudy. Highs near 60. North winds 10 to 15 mph.
Thursday night - Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s. Northeast winds near 10 mph.
Friday - Partly cloudy. Highs near 60. Light and variable winds.
Friday night - Partly cloudy. Lows near 40.
Saturday - Mostly sunny. Highs near 70.
Saturday night - Partly cloudy. Lows near 40.
Sunday - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s.
Sunday night - Partly cloudy. Lows near 40.

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 Bush/Cheney (R) 1,511 83.52%
 Kerry/Edwards (D) 293 16.19%

U.S. Rep. District 11
 Mike Conaway (R) 1,327 84.63%
 Wayne Raasch (D) 230 14.66%
 Jeffrey Blunt (L) 11 0.70%

Railroad Commissioner
 Victor G. Carrillo (R) 983 66.91%
 Bob Scarborough (D) 440 29.95%
 Anthony Garcia (L) 46 3.13%

State Sen., District 31
 Kel Seliger (R) 1,176 79.29%
 Elaine King Miller (D) 307 20.70%

Sheriff
 Randy Cozart (R) 1,289 71.8%
 Michael Adams (D) 506 28.18%

Glasscock County
 5 of 5 Precincts

President/Vice President
 Bush/Cheney (R) 488 91.55%
 Kerry/Edwards (D) 44 8.25%

U.S. Rep. District 11
 Mike Conaway (R) 430 90.14%
 Wayne Raasch (D) 47 9.85%

Railroad Commissioner
 Victor G. Carrillo (R) 322 74.88%
 Bob Scarborough (D) 107 24.88%

State Sen., District 31
 Kel Seliger (R) 401 86.98%
 Elaine King Miller (D) 60 13.01%

State Rep. District 85
 Kent Sharp (R) 231 47.23%
 James E. "Pete" Laney (D) 258 52.76%

Howard County
 38 of 38 Precincts, Contested races only

President/Vice President
 Bush/Cheney (R) 7,479 72.14%
 Kerry/Edwards (D) 2,663 25.68%
 Badnarik/Campagna (L) 59 0.53%

U.S. Rep. District 19
 Randy Neugebauer (R) 5,712 55.09%
 Charles W. Stenholm (D) 4,373 42.18%
 Richard Peterson (L) 77 0.74%

Railroad Commissioner
 Victor G. Carrillo (R) 5,586 53.88%
 Bob Scarborough (D) 3,582 34.55%
 Anthony Garcia (L) 424 4.09%

Justice, Supreme Court Place 9
 Scott Brister (R) 6,329 61.04%
 David Van Os (D) 3,012 29.05%

Justice Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2
 "Larry" Meyers (R) 6,638 64.02%
 Quannah Parker (L) 1,296 12.50%

Justice Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 5
 Cheryl Johnson (R) 6,885 66.41%
 Tom Oxford (L) 995 9.31%

Justice Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 6
 Michael E. Keasler (R) 6,194 59.74%
 J.R. Molina (D) 3,161 30.49%

State Sen., District 31
 Kel Seliger (R) 6,509 62.78%
 Elaine King Miller (D) 3,186 30.73%

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Sheriff
 Ronald Allen (R) 4,339 41.85%
 Dale L. Walker (D) 5,705 55.03%

County Commissioner Pct. 1
 Edwin O. Ware (R) 652 38.22%
 Emma Puga Brown (D) 974 57.09%

County Commissioner Pct. 3
 W.B. "Bill" Crooker (R) 1,169 50.98%
 James (Dick) Dubose (D) 1,061 46.27%

Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1, Pl. 1
 Bennie J. Green (R) 5,807 68.09%
 Phil Bustamante (D) 2,452 28.75%

Constable, Pct. 1
 Boyce Hayle (R) 5,246 61.51%
 T.E. Trevino Jr. (D) 2,755 32.30%

Cozart earns second term in Martin County

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**
 News Editor

Martin County residents re-elected Sheriff Randy Cozart to another term Tuesday, one race in a sweep of key victories by Republican candidates.

Cozart tallied 1,289 votes to easily outdistance Democratic challenger Michael Adams, who received 506.

"It's pretty humbling. I took every box again. All three elections (including one primary) I have taken every box and that's really something the way that people have shown their support for me and my family," said Cozart.

"I appreciate the way the race was run. I appreciate my opponent running a clean race. It was a good race for both of us and I'd like to thank everybody who had a hand in re-electing me," said Cozart.

Adams is Stanton chief of police.

Voters solidly backed Republicans in contested races Tuesday. The only Democrats who received a majority of votes were those running unopposed.

Martin County overwhelmingly wanted another four years for President George W. Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney. The Republicans got 83.52 percent of the vote, 1,511 total, to the John Kerry/John Edwards team's 293 votes.

In keeping with the rest of District 11, Martin County selected Republican Mike Conaway as its new U.S. Representative. Conaway got 1,327 votes to Democrat Wayne Raasch's 230.

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Voters there were also solidly behind Republican Kel Seliger, incumbent for State Senate District 31. Seliger defeated his Democratic challenger Elaine King Miller 1,176 votes to 307 in Martin County.

Voters in Glasscock County also strongly supported Republican candidates — with one exception. Longtime State Congressman and former House Speaker James E. "Pete" Laney was the only contested Democrat to win in Glasscock County, where voters gave him a 258 to 231 edge over Republican challenger Kent Sharp of Big Spring.

Republicans ruled though, with Glasscock backing Bush/Cheney 488 to 44 over Kerry/Edwards in the presidential race, Conaway 430 votes to 47 over Raasch in the U.S. Rep. District 11 race, and Seliger 401 votes 60 over Miller in the State Senator District 31 race.

LOCAL RACES

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fester into a real problem. The open-door policy still stands, and it will continue to be that way."

Walker said area residents can expect to see some changes now that his office has been established and has had time to "get settled."

"I think in the next four years you'll see me getting out in the community a lot more," said Walker. "It takes a lot of time to set up the office and your department the way you want and we're pretty well organized now. We know what we need to do and what we want to do, so we'll be able to focus more on getting out and serving the people."

Walker said he believes straight party tickets played a major role in how close the race was, but he has no plans to make political parties a part of his office's daily agenda.

"There's no doubt about it," said Walker. "Party politics come into play in this, and I know that just from talking to the Republican voters that voted for me. They came to me and told me how hard it was to split that vote, so I understand that's a real concern for them."

"I continue to run my office in a bipartisan manner because the Sheriff's Office is there to serve the entire community. Party should not be a factor," he said sternly. "If I follow party politics, then I'm definitely not serving the people. I would only be serving a

portion and I don't want to do that."

Allen's campaign manager, Richard Steinberg, said neither he nor the Republican candidate had any comment following the election.

Also following the chain of incumbent wins were Howard County Commissioners William "Bill" Crooker, a Republican, and Democrat Emma Puga Brown.

Crooker took the Precinct 3 race by a rather narrow margin, bringing in 1,169 votes and 51 percent versus Democrat James "Dick" Dubose, who finished the night with 1,061 votes and 46 percent.

"It was close — closer than I thought it would be — but I'm very pleased with the turnout," said Crooker. "I've been in a lot of these races, but I believe this was probably the closest out of all of them. In the past, I believe 700 votes was about the highest difference I've ever had in an election. I'm glad to see so many people taking the time to vote this year."

Crooker, who has served as a county commissioner since he was elected on a ballot recount in 1968, said the ballot totals haven't changed his plans for the next four years at all.

"No, as far as I'm concerned this doesn't alter anything," said Crooker. "I feel like a person should be able to accomplish what they set out to do in a four-year span of time, and that's what I plan to do."

Brown won the Precinct 1 race with 974 votes and 57 percent versus her

Republican opponent, Edwin O. Ware, who finished the night with 652 votes and 38 percent.

And while many victorious politicians across the state feign surprise at the end of Election Day, Brown said her surprise concerning the statistics is 100 percent genuine.

"I was so surprised at the numbers. They really surprised me. I thought I was going to lose," Brown said with a laugh. "There were just so many people out there voting on the straight ticket for the Republicans, it really had me worried. I'm very pleased with the outcome of the race. I went out and visited two of the polling places and it was so cold today, I'm just beginning to warm up now."

"Mr. Ware ran a very clean race and I'm very thankful for that," said added. "He didn't use dirty politics and I'm glad to see that. As far as changes for the next four years go, I'm going to work even harder for the voters, especially those in Precinct 1. The economy has had such an impact on everyone, I'm going to work harder to do what I can for those people."

Republican candidate Bennie Green, Howard County Justice of the Peace for Precinct 1, Place 1, also won his bid for re-election with 5,807 ballots and 68 percent of the vote, as Democratic challenger Phillip Bustamante took 2,452 votes and 28 percent.

"I'm overwhelmed," said Green. "I just want the people of Howard County to know how much I appreciate that they got out to vote and supported me in this elec-

tion."

In the race for Constable, Precinct 1, Republican incumbent Boyce Hale won with 5,246 votes and 61 percent versus Democratic challenger T.E. "Junior" Trevino, who drew 2,755 ballots and 32 percent.

Howard Countians overwhelmingly backed President George W. Bush in his quest for another term, giving the Republican 7,479 votes, or 72.14 percent of the total to just 2,663 votes for John Kerry.

The county backed Republican Randy Neugebauer, 5,712 votes to Charlie Stenholm's 4,373 for U.S. Representative District 19, and strongly supported State Sen. Kel Seliger, R-Amarillo, in his bid to hold on to District 31 against Democrat Elaine King Miller, 6,509 votes to 3,186.

Howard County also narrowly backed local Republican candidate Kent Sharp in his effort to oust State Rep. Pete Laney, D-Hale Center in District 85. Despite Sharp's 5,064 to 4,819-vote win in Howard County, however, Laney won the race district-wide.

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OUR VIEWS

Friday morning we'll see you 'Before Hours'

Business Before Hours is a chamber-sponsored program that brings together local merchants several times a year. We think it is a worthwhile activity that allows the business community to meet, get to know each other and share ideas.

The general public is invited as well, and for them, it's an opportunity to get to know more about a local business.

Friday's Business Before Hours will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the newly renovated Best Western Plaza Inn located at 300 Tulane. If you've not yet seen what all has been done to this facility, now is a great time.

Business Before Hours is an informal, come-and-go event. There are no programs; it is simply a time to get acquainted, so come by and have breakfast with us.

We encourage you to drop by the Best Western Plaza Inn this Friday. Put on by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, it's a good opportunity get to know other merchants and learn more about the businesses themselves.

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The Goat Lady of McCulloch county

Suzanne Gasporotto raises goats near Brady. She has developed a strong voice for calling goats. I was standing next to her on the front porch of her home when she yelled to some goats at least 300 yards away. The piercing sound shot across the meadow like a lightning bolt. The goats heard her and started walking toward the house. Suzanne got her first goat in 1990 at an antique auction.



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

"They had a novelty item for sale. It was a box with a live goat in it. I bought the little white goat which was about two months old. I didn't know if it was a boy or girl and really wasn't sure how to tell the difference. Turned out it was a little female. Because I don't like the terms Billys and Nannies, I named her Billie." She got another goat and named

him Bob. They had a kid, Bonnie Bell. Now Suzanne has lots of goats.

"I have about 600 adults and about a hundred eleven kids on the ground."

She raises meat goats. "The demand far exceeds the supply. If every goat in this country, meat, milk or hair of every breed were slaughtered, it could not meet the demand."

Five years ago, some stores in San Antonio put out a call for goats.

"The HEB stores in San Antonio alone were looking for 700 goats a week and they couldn't find anyone to provide them."

She says goat meat is healthy.

"It has less cholesterol and lower calories. It rates better in every category than even chicken or turkey."

Suzanne has a goat camp in October which attracts people from all over the country. The week ends with a goat barbecue.

"It's about educating people. I'm interested in seeing an American meat goat industry develop. We

import hundreds of thousands of tons a year of frozen goat meat from New Zealand and Australia. We can't begin to supply what we need. We're not yet on the ground floor of the industry. We're in the basement."

Suzanne did real estate leasing in Houston for 27 years. Now she loves the country. You couldn't get her back to the city.

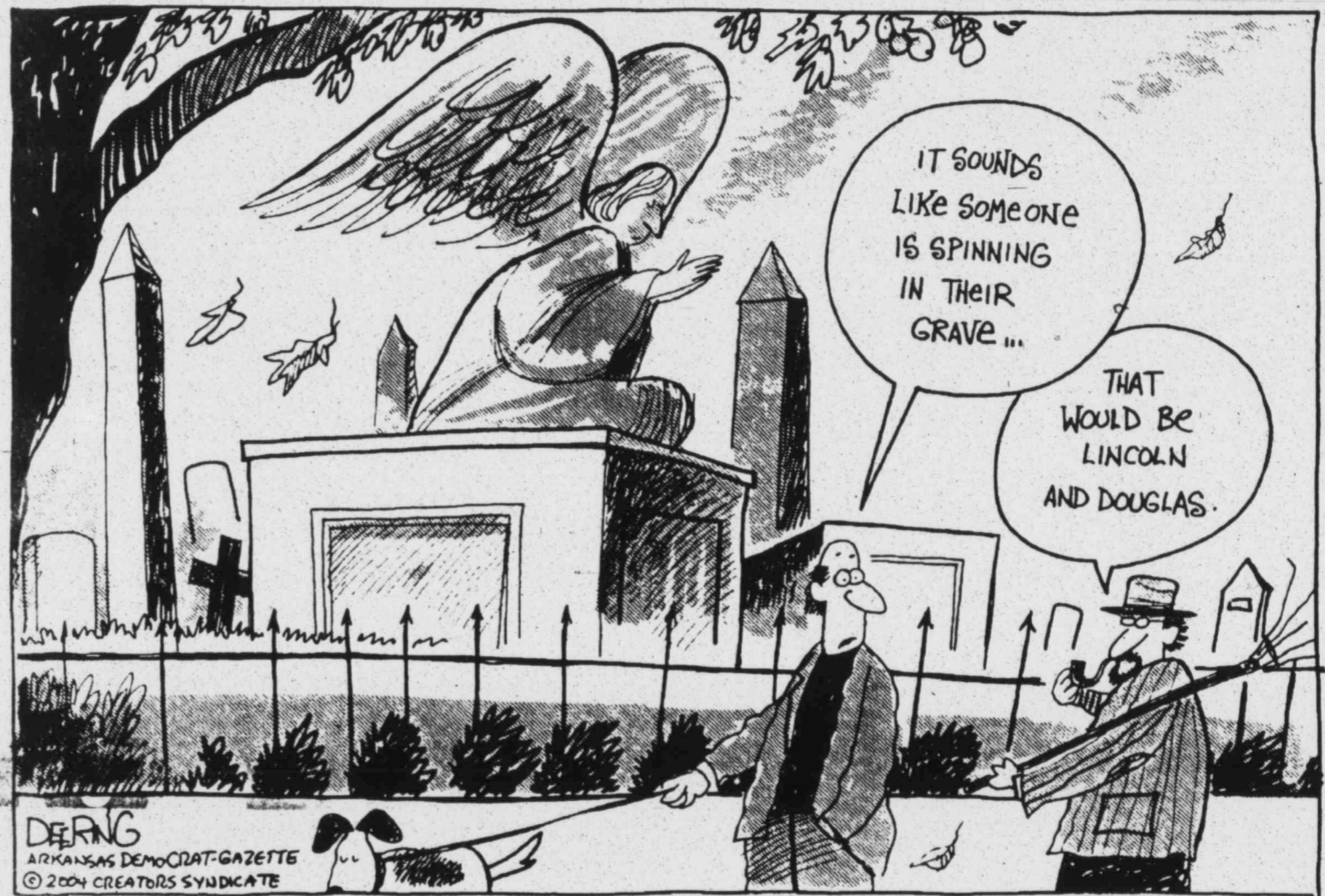
"I lived in a town house. Never had a pet in my life until 1988."

She says there's nothing cuter than a baby goat.

"I say they have springs in their legs. When they get to be about two or three days old they discover that their legs work together and they jump in the air and they turn about a hundred and eighty degrees and drop down. And they're so pleased with themselves."

All of Suzanne's goats have names. She has a system for naming them.

"The babies have names starting with the first letter of their mom's name."



Justice delayed and delayed and delayed

Twenty years ago, San Francisco auto broker Paul Cosner disappeared. Cosner's sister Sharon Sellitto told the police her brother was missing, but they wouldn't come to his apartment. Police, however, did show up when she reported her 1980 Honda Prelude stolen.



DEBRA SAUNDERS

It was that car that ended one of California's most heinous killing sprees seven months later. Killers Leonard Lake and Charles Ng had been driving the car when they were caught shoplifting in South San Francisco. Ng escaped, but police nabbed Lake, who swallowed a cyanide pill and died.

Police then traced the bullet-riddled car to the missing Cosner. The investigation led to the Calaveras County, Calif., home of Lake and Ng. Grisly remains and horrific videotapes soon revealed that Lake and Ng had sexually tortured women and killed as many as 20 people, including babies.

Sellitto's nightmare had changed. For months, she lived with dread about her brother's fate. She had paid his rent, his utilities and his phone bill in the hope that he would return.

Now, while Cosner's body was not identified, Sellitto realized her brother was dead. But she didn't know if his fugitive killer would encounter true justice.

Twenty years later, the answer to that question still isn't clear.

After the shoplifting incident, Ng escaped to Canada, where he was arrested for shooting a security guard while shoplifting. It quickly became clear that while Ng wasn't a competent petty thief, he was a virtuoso at gaming the legal system. For six years, until 1991, Ng evaded extradition to the United

States.

What no one could have guessed is that, upon his return, Ng used legal maneuvers — suing lawyers, firing lawyers, rehiring lawyers and challenging judges — to delay his own trial for another seven years. His defense budget bankrolled nine full-time workers to help his defense.

But all of Ng's horses and all of Ng's men couldn't beat the overwhelming evidence against him. Ng and Lake, you see, liked to videotape themselves torturing female victims. In July 1999, an Orange County jury found Ng guilty in the murder of six men, three women and two babies and sentenced Ng to death. To Sellitto's dismay, the jury deadlocked on the murder of Paul Cosner — even though it was his car that brought the killing spree to an end.

In 2001, a San Francisco judge declared that Cosner died at the hands of Lake and Ng. That helped Cosner's family move on, Sellitto told the San Francisco Chronicle at the time.

Except that Sellitto doesn't see how she can move on when Ng's capital sentence seems more mirage than reality. It has been more than five years since a jury found Ng guilty. Five years later, Ng is no closer to his execution date. Ng has an automatic appeal to his sentence — but no lawyer. And as long as his appeal is pending (or unfiled), the state can't execute him. It's like Canada all over again.

Why the delay? Robert Reichman, a staff attorney with the California Supreme Court, explained that the State Public Defender had a conflict of interest and could not prosecute. So the court is negotiating with a premier private attorney.

Why five years? Reichman noted that Ng's case "is neither unduly delayed or put off compared to other cases with a similar judgment of death." For you non-

lawyers, that means that it's customary for capital killers to enjoy a five-year reprieve before they begin the appeals process. Ng is getting a lawyer now, because his case was in a long line that covers death sentences issued in 1999 and 2000.

To which Sellitto, 20 years after her brother's abduction, replied: "Unbelievable, and it's unacceptable."

Reichman explained that there aren't enough qualified attorneys to handle the volume of death-penalty sentences meted out in California. There were 23 last year.

Still, it's hard to believe the state couldn't speed things up if fast appeals were a priority — especially since appellate work pays well.

As Sellitto noted, death-penalty opponents frequently cite the cost of the appeals process as an argument against capital punishment. "This is what makes it expensive," she noted.

No lie. When Charles Ng was on trial, the courts found lawyers to work with him, a staff, investigators, everything — and taxpayers were stuck with the huge tab.

Now that Ng is facing execution for the gruesome murder of innocent people, there's a five-year wait to find him a lawyer. Five years on death row to inflate the cost of prosecuting Ng. The worst of it is, Ng had to get creative to buy years of delay in Canada and before his trial here. This time, Ng doesn't have to get creative. The system is doing his work for him.

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The library found a great deal on some large print westerns. Fred Grove, Jackson Cole, Luran Paine, Will C. Brown, T.T. Flynn and other writers can be found in the western section. Both large print and regular print westerns are shelved in one section.

A one-time literary novelist of some respectability now brought low by debt and obscurity, Robert Mehlman needs money and recognition fast. The only way out is hack writing? "Phantom Pain" (F GRU A) by Arnon Grunberg is a mixture of slapstick and despair that will pull Mehlman into a world he has never inhabited. A rather strange book, but one that some could find interesting.

While not a brand new book, "The Conspiracy Club" (M KEL J) by Jonathan Kellerman will be of interest to Kellerman's fans. His

usual protagonist is Dr. Alex Delaware; however in "The Conspiracy Club" he introduces Dr. Jeremy Carrier, a young psychologist.

When the woman he was having an affair with is murdered, he is the No. 1 suspect. When other women are killed, he is targeted as the perpetrator. Wending his way through a madman's desires, he will finally discover the truth. But at what price?

Another excellent writer is David Baldacci. In "Split Second," (F BAL D) a presidential candidate disappears from the side of Special Agent Michelle Maxwell.

Her career shattered, she seeks out Sean King, another special agent who had almost the same situation. Paths will collide on a spine-tingling ride that is snatched from today's headlines.

I suppose this is the 10th in the Corp series by W.E.B. Griffin. "Retreat, Hell!" (F GRI W) takes place on the peninsula of Korea.

It is the fall of 1950 and the Marines made a pivotal breakthrough at Inchon. Brigadier General Fleming Pickering is desperately trying to make peace between Gen. Douglas MacArthur and President Harry Truman.

His son has been shot down in North Korea; Captain Ken McCoy is trying to convince General MacArthur that Chinese troops are massing to invade South Korea and find Pickering's son. I really do enjoy Griffin's books and this is awfully good.

Planning a holiday Christmas? According to news reports, Walt Disney World was not

damaged during the recent hurricane season. Check out "The Unofficial Guide to Walt Disney World 2005" (917.59 SHE B) by Bob Sehlinger.

It is full of tips and hints from both staff and guests on the best and worst of the park.

Another diet book is in: "The LA Shape Diet" (613.25 HEB D) by David Heber. In it he talks about what your body shape is and how to best lose weight accordingly.

He advocates the use of high-protein shakes and of course, modifying your diet and starting an exercise program. This is nothing new, but you might find some added tweaks to add to your weight lost program.

Remember, Thanksgiving and Christmas are coming and they can be filled with temptations to overindulge.

Some new Chicken Soup books have come in: "Chicken Soup for the Working Woman's Soul" (331.409 CAN J); "Chicken Soup for the Ocean Lover's Soul" (508.316 CAN J); "Chicken Soup for the Horse Lover's Soul" and "Chicken Soup for the Bride's Soul" (306.81 CAN J). All are edited by Jack Canfield.

Have you ever been confronted by a medical decision and were unsure what to do? "Port in the

Storm: How to Make a Medical Decision and Live to Tell About It" (782.421 GIL C) by Cole A Giller, M.D. might be of assistance.

Loaded with down-to-earth, practical, easy to understand information and written in a clear, concise way, it will be invaluable. Facts, opinion and guidelines for making choices are discussed openly and freely. This is an excellent resource.

Remember that the library has a binder that contains lists of new books that we have received. Lots of books come in and do not make it into one of my columns. Do check the new book list for more material to read.

Howard County Library is open from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m., Monday through Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. The internet/video room closes one-hour before the library and Saturdays it is closed from noon until 1 p.m. The library is located at 500 S. Main St.; the phone number is 264-2260; Web site is www.howard-county.lib.tx.us; the online catalog should be working; the e-mail address is howard-countylibrary@hotmail.com.

Hollis McCright is the Howard County librarian.

Blood drive set at Forsan High School Friday

A blood drive to benefit United Blood Services is set to begin at 8:30 a.m. Friday in the Forsan High School auditorium.

Anyone who wishes to sign up for the blood drive may call Jan Sims at 457-2223.

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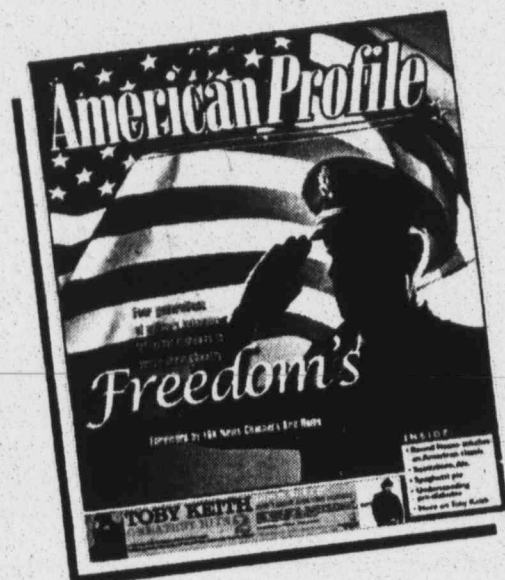
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Panhandle and South Plains blanketed with snow

LUBBOCK (AP) — Thousands of South Plains residents were without power early Wednesday, forcing many to spend the night in shelters after more than a foot of snow fell in some parts of the region. The American Red

Cross was assisting residents in shelters at two high schools and a church. Officials of South Plains Electric Cooperative said Tuesday night that 10,000 of its members were without electricity. Crews from the cooperative

planned to resume work Wednesday morning on restoring power. But Lubbock County Judge Tom Head said power was not expected to be restored until Wednesday afternoon. More power outages were reported to Xcel

Energy in Lubbock, mostly in outlying areas. "The biggest problem is the wet snow piling up on tree limbs which are falling on the lines," Steve Deaton, an Xcel spokesman, told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal in Wednesday's

online edition. "The only thing worse than wet snow is ice." Between 2,500 and 2,800 Xcel Energy electric customers were without power Tuesday, including those in Plainview, Littlefield and Muleshoe, said company spokesman

Bill Crenshaw. He said most outages were due to downed power lines and broken utility poles and arms. Dimmitt received 13 inches of snow and had drifts up to 8 feet high, with Lubbock getting 3 inches of snow.

BUSH

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said according to the Democratic official. Kerry placed his call after weighing unattractive options overnight. With Bush holding fast to a six-figure lead in make-or-break Ohio, Kerry could give up or trigger a struggle that would have stirred memories of the

bitter recount in Florida that propelled Bush to the White House in 2000. Kerry's call was the last bit of drama in a campaign full of it. He acted, hours after White House chief of staff Andy Card declared Bush the winner and White House aides said the president was giving Kerry time to consider his next step. One senior Democrat familiar with the discus-

sions in Boston said Kerry's running mate, North Carolina Sen. John Edwards, was suggesting that he shouldn't concede. The official said Edwards, a trial lawyer, wanted to make sure all options were explored and that Democrats pursued them as thoroughly as Republicans would if the positions were reversed. Advisers said the campaign just wanted one last look for uncounted ballots

that might close the 136,000-vote advantage Bush held in Ohio. An Associated Press survey of the state's 88 counties found there were about 150,000 uncounted provisional ballots and an unspecified number of absentee votes still to be counted. Ohio aside, New Mexico and Iowa remained too close to call in a race for the White House framed by a worldwide war

against terror and economic worries at home. Those two states were for the record — Ohio alone had the electoral votes to swing the election to the man in the White House or his Democratic challenger. Bush remained at the White House, a GOP legal and political team dispatched overnight to Ohio in case Kerry made a fight of it. Republicans already

were celebrating election gains in Congress. They picked up at least three seats in the Senate, and a fourth was within their grasp, in Alaska. And they drove Democratic leader Tom Daschle from office. That will be the state of play on Capitol Hill for the next two years, with the chance of a Supreme Court nomination fight looming along with legislative battles.

PRAYER

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followed by about two minutes where the audience is encouraged to pray quietly in their seats. "This will have more participation from the community

members attending," he said. The Rev. Randy Cotton of Trinity Baptist Church will lead prayer aimed at repentance. The Rev. Christina Segundo of Family Faith Victory Center will lead prayer for a spiritual awakening, focusing on family, relationships and finances.

The Rev. Michael Willard of Mount Bethel Baptist Church will lead prayer for special needs, such as the Big Spring State Hospital, the VA Medical Center, the economy and economic opportunity of Big Spring and the MaMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. 118th District Court Judge Robert H. Moore III will pray

for the military and the war on terrorism as well as our national, state and local leaders. Music will be provided by the King's Men, led by Big Spring Independent School District Superintendent Michael Downes. Joe Whitten Prison Ministries will perform the national anthem. Bender said he hopes local

churches will bring their youth groups to the event, unifying the youth with the prayer activities. "This program will last about an hour. Now is our time to pray," he said. For more information, visit www.hcchurch.org or speak with a local minister.

NEUGEBAUER

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has important issues facing him as well. "We'll get a good night's rest, and then I'll help my son with the cotton crop tomorrow," said Stenholm. "After that we'll finish up this last session in Congress and I'll head home. After that, well... we'll just have to see." Both Congressmen acknowledged the campaigning reached "very competitive levels" prior to the election, but Stenholm offered his congratulations to Neugebauer, who offered his thanks to the 26-year political veteran for his service in Washington. No candidate on the ballot faced more elections during 2004 than incumbent State Sen. Kel Seliger, R-Amarillo, who finished out the night with 171,046 ballots, beating out Democratic candidate Elaine King Miller, who received 46,666 votes. After winning a special election to fill the vacant District 31 seat in a runoff, Seliger had to win a Republican primary campaign before facing Miller Tuesday. "After having had to go through four races in this year, I'm ecstatic right now," Seliger said from his campaign headquarters in Amarillo. "We've had a lot of volunteers who've given a great deal to this campaign and it's been exciting to share it with them tonight." In retrospect, Seliger can now look at the four campaigns of 2004 in a positive light. "It's like anything else, I guess," he said. "The harder you have to fight for things the better and more dear they are to you. And now that these four races are over, I'm looking at it as good experience. Everything else ahead of us is going to be difficult, too." In Howard County, Seliger received 6,509 votes to Miller's 3,186, taking a commanding 62 percent victory. Seliger said now it is time to set about the business at hand for the Legislature. "School finance is looming like a 10-ton boulder

in the middle of the road, so we've got our work cut out for us," he said. "A lot of people have already done a lot of hard work. It's only right that we go back to work in Austin and put together a good, workable system." Seliger said he will also be going to Austin with an eye toward a water use bill and an interest in economic development. "That's vitally important to the Panhandle and West Texas," he said, "because we want to be able to grow and prosper along with the rest of the state." In one of the few GOP losses of the evening, Big Spring's own Republican

candidate Kent Sharp was edged out by Texas House District 85 incumbent Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, bringing in 17,765 votes to Laney's 25,047. Sharp won Howard County, 5,064 votes to Laney's 4,819. "Any time you can get 60 percent of the vote, that's extremely good," said Laney, who should know. He has served 32 years in Austin, including 10 as a former Speaker of the House. "I was tickled to death with that kind of vote against someone who is a major player in Big Spring, Texas," he added, speaking of Sharp, executive director of Howard

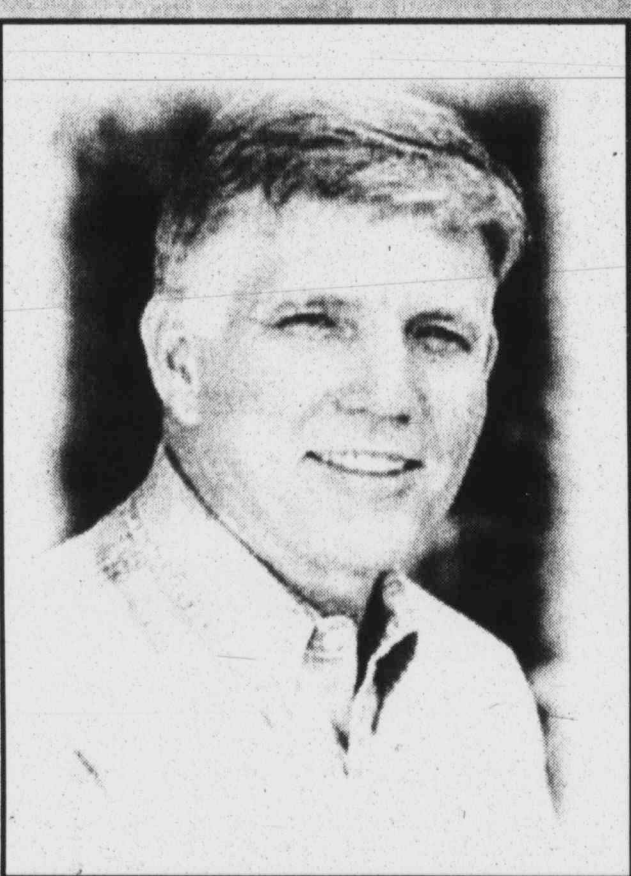
County's economic development board. Laney said he's ready to get back in session and tackle some key issues. "School finance will always be a major part of what we do because education, both public and higher, takes 60 percent of the budget. The detrimen-

tal things that happened to health care last session that affected rural Texas will be on the front burner, too," he said. Howard Countians overwhelmingly backed President George W. Bush in his quest for another term, giving the

Republican 7,479 votes, or 72.14 percent of the total to just 2,663 votes for John Kerry. Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

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IN BRIEF

Basketball referees needed for season

The Crossroads area is looking for basketball officials for the upcoming season in November.

For more information, contact Adam Rodriguez at 263-8731 or 517-0300.

The games will be played in local areas such as Big Spring, Forsan and Coahoma and will be for the junior high and high school levels.

Ragball tournament set for November

A ragball tournament has been set up to help raise money for Relay for Life.

The tournament will take place Saturday and Sunday at Cotton Mize Field inside of Comanche Trall Park. Registration will take place that Saturday at 1 p.m.

The teams are made up of five men and five women and it costs \$10 per player to participate.

For more information, contact Angel at the bus barn at 264-4108.

YMCA basketball registration nearing

The YMCA has announced that basketball registration for the upcoming season will run through Nov. 20.

Boys and girls age five through 12 may register to take part in one of four age groups.

The registration fee is \$30 and all sign-ups will take place at the YMCA.

There will be no fund-raiser this year, but financial assistance is available for families who require assistance.

An organizational meeting for adults who would like to be age group coordinators has been scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 30 and Saturday, Dec. 4. Everyone interested in coaching must attend one of these two scheduled meetings.

The games are scheduled to begin Saturday, Jan. 8.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Steer basketball clinic set for Nov. 6

There will be a Steers basketball clinic Saturday at the Big Spring YMCA from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Registration for the event will be from 9:00-9:45 a.m. at the YMCA and boys and girls in grades kindergarten through fourth can attend.

The cost is \$30 and if more than one child per family attends the price is reduced to \$20 each.

Each participant will receive a black and gold T-shirt and a gift certificate.

The tournament is sponsored by the Big Spring boys basketball boosters and will be conducted by the Big Spring Steers coaching staff.

For more information, call 267-1267.

Division one Steers get sweet revenge on Forsan

Special to the HERALD

The Division 1 Steers were able to cut back on the mistakes and show the league what they are really about. Unfortunately for the Forsan Buffaloes, it was against them that the Steers decided to make

their statement.

It only took four plays from the opening possession for the Steers to take an 8-0 lead.

Behind great blocking from Morgan Ausbie, Aric Rutledge, Devin Heffington, Eric Rodriguez, Diamond

Bailey, Jordan Stokes, and Blaise Rorick, the Steer backs found plenty of running room.

Ty Ral Menefield led the Steers' first half scoring with 22 points, while Jahari Vanover added a two point conversion giving the Steers a 24-0 half-

time lead. The Steer defense was led by Diamond Bailey, Blaise Rorick, Austin Cantu, and Mark Torres.

The Buffaloes were able to outscore the Steers 16-6 in the second half, but the Steers would control the clock in the fourth and

final period.

The Steer win sets up a rubber match playoff game for the right to play in the Division 1 super bowl slated for November 20 in Coahoma.

The Buffaloes were able to beat the Steers 20-18 in OT just 2 weeks ago.

McGrady struggles in Rockets opener as Houston loses

By LARRY LAGE

AP Sports Writer

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Yao and T-Mac experienced what Shaq and Kobe did.

The defending NBA champion Detroit Pistons are a tough match for any dynamic duo.

Rasheed Wallace, one of five Pistons to score in double figures, had 24 points to help Detroit defeat the Houston Rockets 87-79 Tuesday night in the first game of the NBA season.

"A lot of people are still doubting us, so I guess we just have to go win it all again," Wallace said.

Tracy McGrady and Yao Ming, playing their first regular-season game together, found out what Kobe Bryant and Shaquille O'Neal did during their final five games together with the Los Angeles Lakers: The Pistons, relentless on defense and well-balanced on offense, are difficult to beat.

"When you have one or two guys, we've got five coming at you," Richard Hamilton said. "That's tough."

McGrady missed 12 of 18 shots and finished with 18 points after scoring just three during the first half. Yao had just seven points on 2-of-9 shooting.

"They play 'D'. That's why they won a championship," McGrady said. "They did a great job of picking up the intensity in the second half, and they hit shots in the fourth."

Detroit's entire starting lineup from last season is back, and all five players scored at least 10. Aside from Rasheed Wallace's big night on 10-of-19 shooting, Chauncey Billups had 17, Hamilton scored 15, Ben Wallace had 15 points, 10 rebounds and three blocks.

Tayshaun Prince scored 10 while smothering McGrady defensively much like he did against Bryant during the NBA Finals.

"It's very similar to guarding Kobe," Prince said. "I just had to use my length."

The Rockets shot just 39 percent. Charlie Ward had 13 points, Maurice Taylor had 12 and Jim Jackson added 10.

Rogers wins third Gold Glove

ARLINGTON (AP) — Texas Rangers pitcher Kenny Rogers won his third Gold Glove Tuesday, becoming the oldest American League pitcher to win the award for defensive excellence.

Rogers, who turns 40 next week, also won Gold Gloves while playing for Texas in 2000 and 2002.

Rogers had just one error in 65 chances this season, and his .985 fielding percentage is the highest in the AL among

"We aren't able to consistently attack on offense," Yao said.

Rasheed Wallace, Billups and Prince made 3-pointers early in the fourth quarter to cap a 13-2 run, putting the Pistons ahead 68-61. After Detroit's stingy defense forced a shot-clock violation midway through the fourth, Ben Wallace's tip-jam gave the Pistons a 76-66 lead.

The Rockets didn't get closer than five after that.

Detroit had one last chance to enjoy its accomplishment from last season. Before the game, the Pistons were presented with championship rings by commissioner David Stern.

When the nine returning Pistons walked to center court for their rings during a 15-minute ceremony, they wore huge, gold-plated black belts provided by Rasheed Wallace that read: World Heavyweight Wrestling Champion.

Just before Detroit's third world championship banner was raised to the rafters, Billups reached his right hand out and grabbed it.

"You wait so long for this day to happen and when it happens, you just want to cherish it," said Hamilton, who put his ring on during the ceremony. "You forget that you've got a game to play."

The Rockets acquired McGrady during the off-season hoping he and Yao could form an inside-outside combination that could replace O'Neal and Bryant as the dominant duo in the NBA.

"It's going to take time, but those two guys are going to be really special together," Pistons coach Larry Brown said.

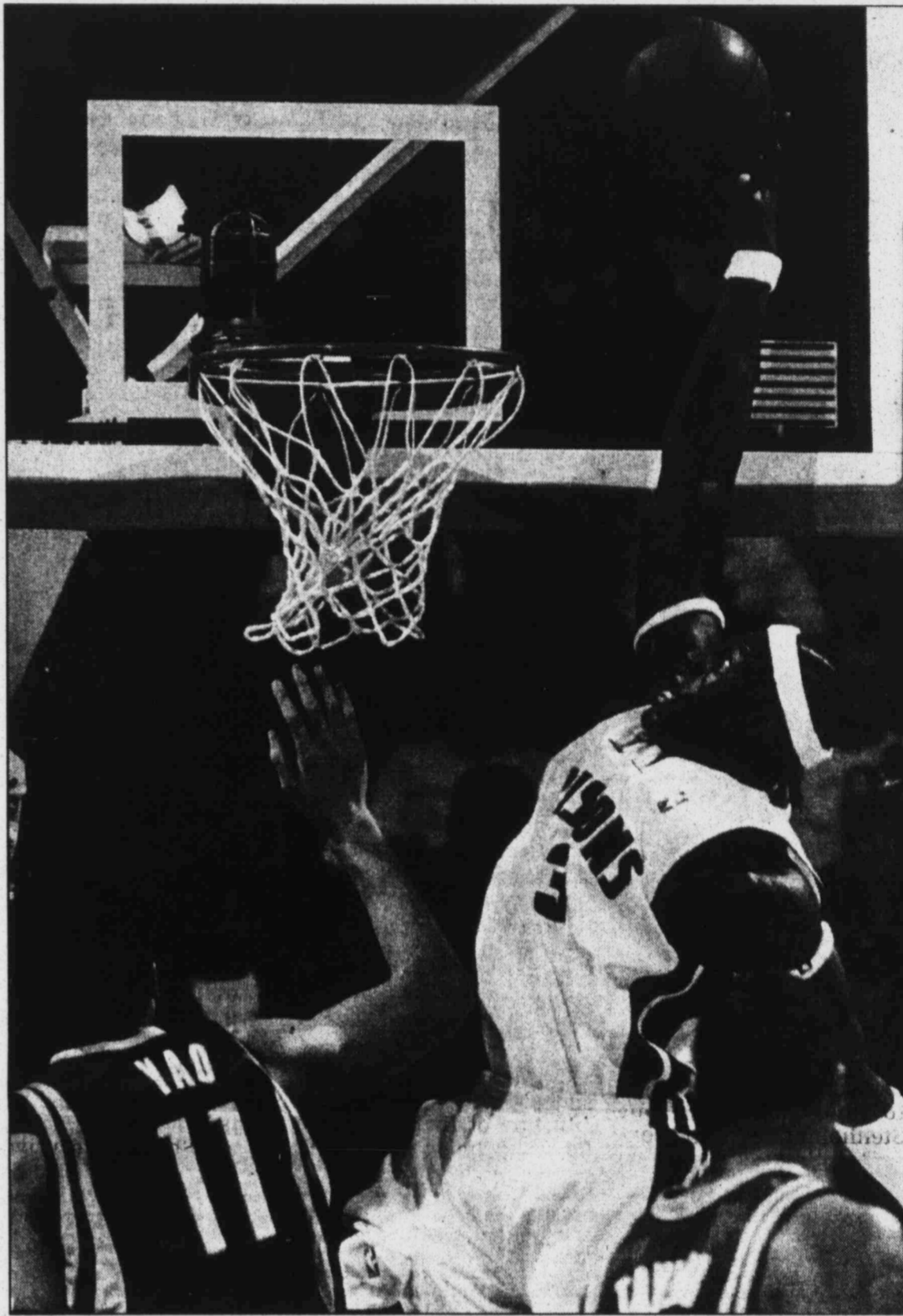
Antonio McDyess was ejected from his Pistons debut for kicking the ball while complaining about a foul. McDyess was called for a foul as he jumped for a rebound with 5:51 left in the second quarter. As McDyess walked downcourt, he dropped the basketball, kicked it and was ejected because of a new NBA rule. He had three points, one rebound and one steal in nine minutes.

"To me, that shows he cares," Brown said.

pitchers with at least 50 chances.

On the mound, Rogers was 18-9 with a 4.76 ERA in a career-high 35 starts. His 18 wins were also a career high and he made the AL All-Star team for the second time.

Only five-time Gold Glove winner Phil Niekro was older when receiving the pitchers fielding honor. Niekro was over 40 when he won his final four awards in 1979, 1980, 1982 and 1983.



Ben Wallace (3) of the Detroit Pistons puts back a rebound against the Houston Rockets during second half action of their regular season home opener. The Pistons defeated the Rockets, 87-79, at The Palace in Auburn Hills, Michigan, Tuesday.

Led by Nowitzki, newcomers, Mavericks routs Sacramento

By JAIME ARON

AP Sports Writer

DALLAS — In the first quarter, Dallas Mavericks newcomers Erick Dampier and Devin Harris provided two spectacular plays that can already be set aside for the season-ending highlight film.

Dirk Nowitzki, however, remains the key to that story's plot.

With the Mavericks now tailored around him for the first time, Nowitzki responded by scoring 29 of his 33 points over the first three quarters, helping them to a steady lead, then making clutch plays on both ends of the court in the final half-minute to preserve a 107-98 victory over the Sacramento Kings Tuesday night.

"The way this team is set up, the ball is going to go through Dirk," teammate Michael Finley said. "We need him to give us that. He's really stepping up and taking that role."

Nowitzki assisted on the game's first basket and scored the second one. Dallas opened with a 7-0 lead and was up at least that many from the end of the first quarter until late in the fourth quarter.

But the Kings were still

able to trim a 19-point deficit to 103-98 with just under a minute to play. Then Nowitzki rebounded a miss by Peja Stojakovic, was fouled and hit two free throws with 15.5 seconds left.

Nowitzki ended the Kings' last threat by forcing Bobby Jackson to heave up a wild 3-pointer that clanged off the backboard with about six seconds left.

Josh Howard rebounded and made two more free throws to pad the final score.

"I hate to say you're encouraged from a loss, but I liked the way we played together in the second half," said Sacramento's Chris Webber, who had 21 points and 10 rebounds.

The tight finish was no surprise considering these were the NBA's two top-scoring teams last season. Sacramento ended Dallas' season in the first round of the playoffs, a five-game beating that led to major changes — including Harris, a rookie, running the offense instead of Steve Nash, as well as the addition of Dampier to give the Mavericks a true center for the first time in many years.

Both showed off quickly with Harris running a

nice pick-and-roll with Nowitzki for his first career assist — a play that hardly registered with the 20,041 fans still buzzing about the block Dampier had made.

Before the quarter ended, Harris gave a glimpse of why he was the No. 5 pick in the draft, perfectly sending a high lob that Dampier slammed down, again drawing fans to their feet.

Nowitzki, meanwhile, made five of his first six shots. He had 10 points in the first and second quarters, and a buzzer-beater gave him nine in the third. He took only one shot in the fourth, finishing 12-of-19. He made both his 3-point attempts and had 10 rebounds and five assists.

"I felt good right from the warmups," said Nowitzki, who shot under the watchful eye of his German mentor. "I tried to be aggressive and make things happen."

Harris had eight points and seven assists. He showed his poise by making a nice pass to Michael Finley for a dunk that made it 103-93. He also held Mike Bibby to just eight points.

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IN BRIEF

Bulldog band to host tailgate party Friday

The Coahoma band boosters will be hosting a tailgate party Friday at Bulldog Stadium beginning at 6 p.m. and lasting until the food is gone.

The cost is \$5 per plate and each plate consists of a chopped BBQ sandwich, chips, dessert and a drink.

For more information, contact Dale Pittman at 267-9555.

Odessa sets softball "madness" tourney

The Odessa Softball Association has set up a softball tournament for Nov. 13 at the UTPB softball complex. The double elimination tournament costs \$100, but unsanctioned teams must pay \$110.

There is a three homerun per game limit and the deadline to sign up is Nov. 10.

For more information, contact Gabriel or Michelle at 552-7426.

Grady to host Sands Thursday in Lenorah

Rivals Grady and Sands of District 5 six-man will play each other Thursday night in Lenorah beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Both teams have already qualified for the playoffs, but a win by either team Thursday would solidify second place in the district. Wellman-Union won the district title after defeating both teams this season.

Cowboys win other election as Arlington says yes

By **BOBBY ROSS JR.**

Associated Press Writer
ARLINGTON — Hang up your cleats and make yourselves comfortable, Dallas Cowboys. This will soon be your new home.

The NFL's most storied franchise scored a major victory at the polls Tuesday — to the tune of \$325 million — as voters in this city halfway between Dallas and Fort Worth approved paying for half of a 75,000-seat,

retractable-roof stadium. "This is a historic moment for America's Team and for the economy of the region," said Rob Allyn, head of the public relations firm that handled the pro-stadium campaign for the Cowboys.

The decision means the Cowboys will move to Arlington when the team's lease at Texas Stadium in Irving, where Dallas has played since 1971, expires in 2008.

Chants of "Jerry! Jerry! Jerry!" greeted Cowboys owner Jerry Jones at a victory rally by the Vote Yes! A Win for Arlington Committee, the pro-stadium group into which the team pumped more than \$5 million.

"Well, I'm going to be brief. You know that's hard for me to do, but if I can stay in the closet as long as I have stayed in it the last few weeks, I can do it," joked Jones, the billionaire owner who

took a low-profile role in the campaign as the anti-stadium No Jones Tax Coalition accused him of seeking "corporate welfare."

With all of Arlington's ballots counted Tuesday night, 55 percent of voters supported the city's proposition to increase sales, hotel and motel, and car-rental taxes to lure the Cowboys.

"The Cowboys won this game," said Warren Norred, a leader of the No

Jones Tax Coalition. "It's a win for people who want to take money out of every man's pocket and give it to one man. Life goes on."

The \$650 million stadium will be built next to the Texas Rangers' Ameriquest Field and near the Six Flags Over Texas amusement park, creating what city leaders envision as a sports and entertainment mecca. Arlington is about 15 miles west of Dallas.

Spurs reach long-term agreement with point guard

By **T.A. BADGER**

Associated Press Writer
SAN ANTONIO — Before last season, the San Antonio Spurs wanted to push Tony Parker aside to make room for Jason Kidd at point guard.

This week the Spurs made a big commitment to the 22-year-old Frenchman: a six-year contract extension reportedly worth \$66 million.

The deal was finalized late Monday night, within a few hours of the league's signing deadline. Had an agreement not been reached, Parker would have become a restricted free agent at the end of this season.

"I'm very, very happy. There has been a lot of stress the last couple of days, and I'm just so happy it's hard to express in words," Parker said Tuesday at a news conference. "The last two or three days I thought it was finished and was not going to happen."

For San Antonio, the

signing locks up the team's top three players — Parker, two-time MVP Tim Duncan and Argentine guard Manu Ginobili — for the rest of the decade.

Duncan signed a seven-year, \$122 million deal last year, while Olympic gold medalist Ginobili agreed in July to a six-year pact estimated at \$52 million.

Negotiations between the Spurs and Parker bogged down as the signing deadline approached, and on Monday, an agreement did not look likely.

Team chairman Peter Holt had dug in his heels on his offer of \$64 million over six years, while Parker gradually lowered his price to \$66 million in an effort to get the deal done.

"It was just time for me to make the right decision, and I'm glad I did," Holt said. "Tony is a key component to our success over the last three years. I started looking at that and realizing how important he is to this team."

Parker, who is close with Spurs coach Gregg Popovich, said publicly that he wanted to stay with the Spurs. He said his agent, Marc Fleisher, had urged him to test his value on the free-agent market.

"Every year we are going to play in the playoffs and every year we have a shot to win the championship," Parker said. "That's most important for me. It's not making \$85 million and playing for the Hawks or the Clippers and be sad every day."

Popovich, who led the effort to land Kidd after the 2002-03 season, helped to persuade Holt to sign Parker. So did Duncan, and Parker is eager to show his appreciation.

"I'm just going to pass him the ball a little bit more," Parker said.

The Spurs drafted Parker, then 19 and playing in France, in 2001.

As the youngest player ever for San Antonio, the team planned to bring him along slowly. Five


games into the 2001-02 season, however, he took over at point guard.

He made the All-Rookie team in 2002, and was the team's second-leading scorer behind Duncan

when the Spurs won the NBA championship in 2003.

Parker has averaged 13.1 points and 5.0 assists per game in his three-year NBA career.

Howard College Basketball



- The Howard College women's basketball team will take on Cisco tonight at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum beginning at 6 p.m.
- Both Hawk basketball teams will be in action Thursday, as well, as the men take on Monterrey Tech of Mexico and the women challenge Lubbock Christian University. The games start at 6 and 8 p.m., respectively.
- The men and women earned their first wins Monday as the Hawks defeated the LCU JV and the Lady Hawks won against the UTPB JV.

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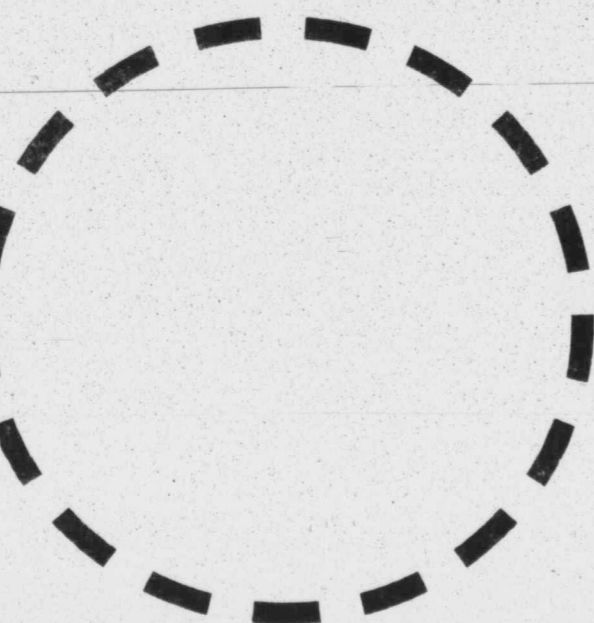
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With the lunar influence in Cancer this morning, our patriotic spirit is still strong, whether or not we were on the winning side of the election. All things American will be the main topic of conversation throughout the day. The moon enters Leo this evening, and some grandstanding is to be expected, both from our leaders and our immediate family.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Ralph Waldo Emerson said, "Sometimes life's shadows are caused by our standing in our own sunshine." Take those words of wisdom to heart, and get out of your own way. Past disappointment and pain are irrelevant now.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Master your own bliss. Wherever you go, be alert for signs of beauty and anything to lift your spirit — a stranger's smile, a pretty tree, an interesting cloud formation. The world is filled with simple joys.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your brain is like a computer: You can only take in so much information before you need to sort it out. Take some time out, and just relax. Take a long, leisurely stroll. Soak in a hot tub until you turn into a raisin.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Fantasizing about fame and fortune is a pleasant distraction, but don't let it keep you from dealing in reality. If it's a new love that has you floating on air, remember that what goes up must eventually come down.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Being independent is all well and good, but someone close to you needs to feel needed. Your strength can be scary to someone who's a little insecure. He or she may feel you're so in control that he/she is unnecessary in your life.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You hate to leave with work sitting in your inbox. No matter how much is piled on, you will toil like a fiend until everything is completed and neatly filed away in its place. Understand your limitations, and lighten up on yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're beating yourself up over nothing. All those embarrassing moments you wish you could do over are not going to matter one iota in the long run. In fact, someone thinks your quirks are incredibly charming.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You win some; you lose some. What's important is that you live to fight another day, so if you're really losing the fight, get the heck out of there. Sometimes, it's much better to retreat a foot than to advance an inch.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The key to your financial success on a particular project may depend upon your ability to humble yourself. Since you're used to calling all the shots, and you hate asking for favors, it will be very tough, but try.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). To greet the day with fresh eyes is to know real happiness. What would you do if you were a guest in your home instead of the owner? You'd probably treat the people and possessions there with more care and respect.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It's obvious that you're the favorite among power people and could be granted special privileges. Stay humble. If you speak softly, they'll have to lean in close and really listen — especially when you're dealing with a Cancer.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Major changes are afoot, so prepare to be put to the test. Once you make it through to the other side, you'll be ready to party, and you'll have plenty to celebrate. A new job and possibly a new relationship are in the stars for you.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I have a deep but simple question. My father has created an enormous emotional distance between himself and me ever since I was a child. It got worse as the years went on. Now, he doesn't speak to me or even pick up the phone when I call. I don't know why, and I don't think that I'll ever know without your help. He is a Cancer, and so am I. Should I give up thinking that he will one day apologize?"

The bond between Cancer parents and children is extremely strong, even if you have no communication. In your case, though, this is a toxic bond filled with sadness. Your father feels like a failure in every way. His rejection of you was really a rejection of himself. He actually believes that he has nothing to offer you. He has also created some bad karma in his life that keeps him stuck in a cycle of self-rejection. I believe he's depressed, and he may even have a substance-abuse problem. Unfortunately, some of his disappointment with life has been passed to you. Look for a support group immediately! You must heal yourself before there can ever be peace with him.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: First lady Laura Bush was a teacher and librarian before she met and married George W. Bush, and she continues to uphold the educational cause as one of her first priorities of service to her country. Scorpio folks relate to education differently from other signs, preferring to learn through experience and stories rather than methods and systems. They rely on one-on-one teacher/student time.

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Annie's Mailbox®: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: I am a member of a health club. Yesterday, the director called and asked me to come in and discuss an "incident." It seems one of the employees accused me of using a major swear word on two separate occasions. I was shocked, to say the least. They would not tell me the name of the employee, "to protect her." What about protecting me against this unfounded allegation?



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

I can guess who the employee is. Last month, there were two young children playing tag in the locker room, yelling and running wildly about. I saw no parent in charge. After 10 minutes of this out-of-control behavior, I asked the children to please be quiet. The gym employee, who was present the entire time, then stated that these were HER children and it was her day off.

I did not report her, but apparently, she now has a problem with me. Claiming that I swore may be her way of getting even, and to say I did it twice seems to give her lie more credibility. The club director obviously believes her.

The director said if I ever mention that unacceptable word again, I will lose my membership. Annie, unbeknownst to the club (and this employee), I am a minister. I would NEVER use that kind of language. What is to prevent this employee from lying again to see that I am kicked out of the gym permanently?

Should I file a slander suit against the club? — California Minister

Dear California: The club has not slandered you, the employee has. Speak to the director and explain what you told us. If there is another false accusation, insist upon confronting your accuser face to face. It could be a case of mistaken identity, and if not, you deserve the opportunity to defend yourself.

Dear Annie: One of the secretaries in our office recently married. The head secretary organized a surprise party for the bride-to-be. She collected money for a gift and had everyone sign a card. I never was informed of either, which meant my name wasn't on the card and I did not contribute to the gift. I may have missed the e-mail sent around, but I doubt it.

And I clearly remember asking the head secretary if we were going to get a gift and was told, "No. Just show up for the party."

A few days after the party, I was told it wasn't too late to contribute, so I gave an amount slightly over what everyone else gave in order to make up for my tardiness. However, since the bride returned from her honeymoon, she has been particularly short with me. I also saw her filling out thank-you cards at her desk one afternoon and yet I never received one. All of this leads me to believe that, for whatever reason, no one informed her that I contributed to her gift.

I worry that the newly married secretary thinks I somehow didn't participate. I want to find a way to smooth things over. What can I do? — Vexed

in Vermont

Dear Vexed: We suspect someone has deliberately been keeping you in the dark, but let's not jump to conclusions. Ask the bride if she liked the gift all of you sent. Apologize for not signing her card, explaining that you wanted to, but somehow it bypassed your desk. Throw in some friendly conversation and hope for the best.

Dear Annie: I'm 30 years old, and my dream has been to be a musician. I love to sing and have been told I have a great voice. I sent a demo tape to one of the TV shows that "makes stars," but I haven't heard anything. My wife tells me to go for it, but how? Do you have any suggestions? I would love to perform in front of thousands of people. — Music Lover, Upstate New York

Dear N.Y.: You and everybody else. There is no magic formula for becoming famous. Sign up for local talent shows and open-mike nights, and check the want-ads for bands looking for a singer. Consider professional singing lessons. And good luck.

Dear Annie: After 15 years of marriage, I discovered my wife was having an affair with a co-worker who came into town every month. She had been seeing him for

three years. After he left the company, she communicated through a cell phone he provided, which is how I found out.

I almost left her then, but we have two beautiful young children, and I couldn't bear to be without them. The affair is over, and although we never discuss it, there are reminders, and occasionally I have a setback that will keep me up at night.

I told my wife in the beginning that it might take a while for me to let this go, but she doesn't seem to understand the severity of what's happened. Recently, she argued what a tough time she's having because I don't completely trust her, and that I should get over it because it's been a year. Is she right? — Not Over It Yet

Dear Not Over It: Hardly. Your wife betrayed your marriage, lied to you and undermined the foundation of your relationship. It takes a great deal of time, effort, forgiveness and hard work to "get over it."

You must make a sincere effort to put this behind you, and she must understand the depth of your pain. If you haven't had marriage counseling, please look into it now. Talk to your clergy person, or ask your doctor to refer you.

Dear Annie: I am writing in response to "Concerned Friend and Taxpayer," whose friend's 19-year-old daughter, "Beverly," is pregnant from a one-night stand. She wants to put "father unknown" on her child's birth certificate and not ask for child support. I wish I had been as smart as Beverly.

I did put down the father's name, and now I have to deal with a man who is a drug addict and alcoholic who can't hold a job. He pays child support when he wants to, which is just enough to keep him out of jail. He did sign off on visitation rights, but will not sign off on parental rights, which means my current husband cannot adopt my son. If I had been as smart as Beverly, I would not have to worry about all this, and my son would have this wonderful man as his true daddy.

I think sometimes it is best for the baby not to have to deal with a bad father. If Beverly is on public assistance, the government will pay for a baby sitter so she can continue her education. — Older and Wiser in Ohio

Dear Ohio: Even a rotten father can love his child and should be given the opportunity (as long as he is not abusive). But your husband IS your child's "true daddy,"

because he is the one who is raising the boy.

Dear Annie: I read the letter from "The Farmer's Stepdaughter," who expressed sorrow that the family hadn't recorded some of their elders' historical recollections. I, too, have had those thoughts when my father, mother, aunts, uncles and even my sainted grandmother from "the auld sod" passed on.

I have a solution. When our eldest grandson was having trouble with reading in school, I wrote a fictionalized book based loosely on the true adventures of my family, about two kids growing up on a farm on the Big Sioux River in South Dakota. I named it "The Curious Kids and The Sioux River Bandits." When our grandson realized it was part of his family history, he began to read — and enjoy it.

Perhaps we did something right, since our son was just appointed to the Air Force Academy by the president. (Had to throw in a bit of brag.) — C.G., L.A.P.D. (ret.), Santa Barbara S.O. (ret.), and Simi Valley Park Ranger

Dear C.G.: What a charming suggestion, although it requires making the history reasonably entertaining. And congratulations — you have good reason to brag about your son.

The Spider

During Mark Twain's days as a newspaperman, he was the editor of a small Missouri paper.

One day, he received a letter from a subscriber stating that he had found a spider in his paper and asked if this was an omen of good or bad luck.

Twain replied, "Finding a spider in your paper is neither good nor bad luck. The spider was merely looking over our paper to see which merchant was not advertising so that he could go to that store, spin his web across the door and lead a life of undisturbed peace ever after."



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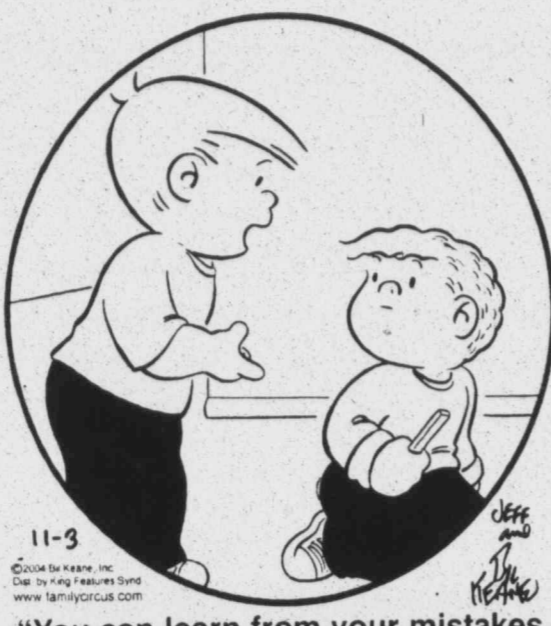
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 3, the 308th day of 2004. There are 58 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Forty years ago, on Nov. 3, 1964, President Johnson soundly defeated Republican challenger Barry Goldwater to win a White House term in his own right.

On this date:

In 1868, Republican Ulysses S. Grant won the presidential election over Democrat Horatio Seymour.

In 1896, Republican William McKinley defeated Democrat William Jennings Bryan for the presidency.

In 1900, the first automobile show in the United States opened at New York's Madison Square Garden under the auspices

of the Automobile Club of America.

In 1903, Panama proclaimed its independence from Colombia.

In 1908, Republican William Howard Taft was elected president, outpolling William Jennings Bryan.

In 1936, President Roosevelt won a landslide election victory over Republican challenger Alfred M. "Alf" Landon.

In 1957, the Soviet Union launched Sputnik II, the second manmade satellite, into orbit; on board was a dog named "Laika" who was sacrificed in the experiment.

In 1970, Salvador Allende was inaugurated as president of Chile.

In 1979, five radicals were killed when gunfire erupted during an anti-Ku Klux Klan demonstration in Greensboro, N.C., after a caravan of Klansmen and neo-Nazis had driven into the area.

In 1992, Bill Clinton was elected the 42nd president of the United States, defeat-

ing President Bush. In Illinois, Democrat Carol Mosley-Braun became the first black woman elected to the U.S. Senate.

Today's Birthdays: Baseball Hall-of-Famer Bob Feller is 86. Actress Lois Smith is 74. Actress Monica Vitti is 73. Former Massachusetts Gov. Michael S. Dukakis is 71. Actor-dancer Ken Berry is 71. Movie composer John Barry is 71. Actor Shadoe Stevens is 58. Singer Lulu is 56. Television critic Tom Shales is 56. Actor Mike Evans is 55. Comedian-actress Roseanne Barr is 52. Actress Kate Capshaw is 51.

Answer to previous puzzle. A crossword grid with filled-in words: AFLAT, DASH, SLAM, CLASH, ASIA, TAXI, REDHERRING, AMEN, EEL, PATS, GAMBLE, STEPIN, CLIP, STITCHEDSOLE, BLESS, OHARA, ROW, LILA, PUN, BASE, AMA, ICING, RULER, HOLYMACKEREL, EONS, ALLOWS, FRISKY, DATA, SRI, REAM, OLDCAPECOD, EDGE, NEAT, STATE, TOON, SAYS, EARED.

Newsday Crossword

SHH! by Randall J. Hartman Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS: 1 Colorado features, 6 Dull as dishwasher, 10 Like Twiggy, 14 Loosen, 15 No trouble at all, 16 Pinot Noir, for one, 17 Late, when nothing is stirring, 20 Soft metal, 21 Liqueur flavoring, 22 Workplace watchdog: Abbr., 23 Unit of energy, 24 Historic Normandy town, 25 Serving of 16 Across, 27 Actor Fernando, 28 H. Rider Haggard novel, 29 Pull a scam, 30 "the Walrus" (Beatles song), 31 Golf-ball position, 32 Not at home, 33 Present starter, 34 Soundstage cry, 38 Gas-station device, 39 "you kidding?", 40 Printer's spaces, 41 Talk idly, 42 Dwight's nickname, 43 -Magnon, 44 Is the owner of, 47 Show up, 49 Habeas corpus, e.g., 50 Giant slugger, 51 McEntire of music, 52 Singer Lopez, 53 El Dorado treasure, 54 Maxim for the mum, 57 Ward of Sisters, 58 Bygone, 59 Rope loop, 60 Wax-coated cheese, 61 Choir member, 62 Laundry woes, 8 '80s Davis Cup captain, 9 "See ya!", 10 Dickens youngster, 11 "Finally!", 12 Breathing aid, 13 Amount after expenses, 18 Being bribed, 19 Lunchtime start, for many, 25 Netting, 26 Large record label, 29 Part of a haul, 31 Cup edge, 32 Free-throw value, 33 CIA predecessor, 34 Mined, as granite, 35 Golf-bag accessory, 36 Hematite or bauxite, 37 Joy and jealousy, 38 Tiger Woods' org., 42 Tennis star Lendl, 43 The Count of Monte, 44 Bad luck, 45 Taking it easy, 46 Jeweler's inventory, 48 Structural piece, 49 Where a forearm ends, 52 Small duck, 54 Opp. of NNW, 55 Sched. C expert, 56 Slice off

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- **BULBS:** All lights, including flashers, signals, brake lights and trunk lights, should be functioning properly.
- **FILTERS:** Air, oil and transmission filters should be checked and, if necessary, replaced.
- **FLUIDS:** Make sure antifreeze, oil, windshield, radiator, transmission, power steering, battery and brake fluids are filled.
- **HEATER:** Test your car's heating system before the cold weather arrives.
- **HOSES & BELTS:** Make sure belts are not too tense and hoses and clamps are not leaking or weak.
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