TUESDAY

October 28, 2003

WEATHER **Tonight:**



TONIGHT TOMORROW 48°-50° 84°-85°

BRIEFLY

Flu shots given

The Texas Department of Health, 501 Birdwell Lane, Suite 28B, will be giving flu shots Wednesday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$10 unless you are on Medicare or Medicaid. For more information, call 263-9775.

United Way report

The public is invited to the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County's mid-campaign report breakfast. The event will begin at 7:15 a.m. Wednesday at Al's and Son Barbecue. Breakfast is \$5 and will include eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits and gravy, fruit, juices, coffee, milk and more. Those planning to attend should call Cynthia Scott at 267-5201 as soon as possible so that enough food will be prepared.

Tailgate party

The Coahoma Band Boosters will be sponsoring a tail gate party on Friday, Nov. 7. This is the last home game for the Bulldogs and will also be Parent's Night.

The tail gate party will begin at 6 p.m. at Bulldog Stadium next to the home side concession stand.

The menu will be hamburgers or cheeseburgers, all the trimmings, chips, cookies and a drink for \$5 per person.

Purchase a ticket from any band booster club member, at the gate that night or by calling Dale Pittman at 432 267-9555 or 432 517-0348.

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By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

An early morning accident last week left the Spring City Senior Citizen's staff scrambling to continue their program of delivering more than 50 meals to elderly area residents

The two-vehicle accident occurred at 10:15 a.m. at the corner of 16th Street and FM 700, according to police report.

A 1994 Chevrolet, one of three Senior Center-owned vehicles used to deliver hot meals to area seniors, was substantially damaged during the accident. The mishap occurred at the corner of 16th Street and FM

"The funds provided by the state have been cut in half right now and we have no place to get any money."

Loss of vehicle makes food delivery tough for center

Yolanda Mendoza, senior center assistant director

700 when the brakes apparently failed on the vehicle, which collided with a Honda. The driver of the meal delivery vehicle, 28-yearold Shayna Acoff, was not injured in the acci-

"She was just beginning her delivery route," said Senior Citizen's Center Assistant Director Yolanda Mendoza. "This route delivers to the east side of Big Spring, Coahoma and Sand Springs.'

This latest problem means the staff will have to double its efforts to provide hot meals, Mendoza said.

"Those meals have to get delivered," she said. "We'll have to double up and take more

frozen meals since we're a car short." It takes about an hour and a half for the three staff members and a volunteer to deliver the meals throughout area to senior citi-

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

These scarecrows are just itching for Halloween trick or treaters to come by their 510 Nolan residence. Mr. and Mrs.

POINT SYSTEM

New driving laws aim to hit violators in the pocketbook

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Texas motorists that take deadly chances may find themselves in hot financial water, thanks to new

state point system and surcharges that went into effect in September.

The new system, which similar to

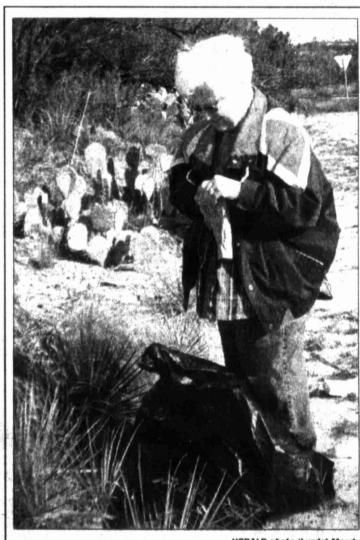
BARTON point systems in many other U.S. states, assigns points and annual surcharges to traffic violations. The points are cumulative, meaning they build up over time, and could cost motorists a lot more than just their

driver's license. violations "Moving carry a two-point value

both in and out of the state of Texas, while violations resulting in an accident carry a threepoint value," explained Department of Public Safety Trooper John Barton. "According to the new state law, a surcharge will also be assessed each year on a driver that has accumulated six or more points, with the financial consequences quite severe.

"Motorists reaching the six-point margin are automatically hit with a \$100 surcharge per year, with an additional \$25 tacked on for each point in excess of six. The annual surcharge for driving while your license is suspended or invalid or without liability insurance starts out at \$250 per year. Charges of driving with

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Leighrene Kohl of St. Paul's Lutheran Church takes time to adjust her gloves before heading back to pick up trash along Wasson Road Saturday. Kohl was one of many volunteers participating during Make A Difference Day. Brisk winds and cool weather met the volunteers, who collected enough trash to fill a 30-foot container.

Canterbury to go spooky again this year

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Something will be a little spooky at Canterbury South on Halloween night.

Canterbury Assistant Director Pat Johnson Edwards said witches, pirates and boys who go boo in the night tend to creep out during the ghoulish evening.

"We're having our annual Halloween Spookhouse," Edwards said. "It is going to be so neat this year. One of the neatest things is that Ronald McDonald is coming."

friendly clown and spokesperson for McDonald's restaurant will mix in with the regular Canterbury witches and pirates greeting the children that come into the spookhouse.

"The kids go through a tunnel and then are greeted by our Boo Boys," Edwards said. "The Fairy Godmother gives out treats to the

And for those who want to know their future, approximately 15 fortune tellers will be on hand to predict your fate, including KBST reporter Lisa Brooks.

The spookhouse will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Canterbury Retirement House South, 1700 Lancaster. Children are to enter through the south door and the tour will take 15 to 20 minutes. There is no fee.

"We are offering this as a fun, yet safe, Halloween event for the children of Big Spring," Edwards said. "This is our 24th year to do this and we're very proud of it." .

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at newsdesk@crcom.net

County hit with further financial problems

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Bad financial news seemed to be in abundance during Monday's Howard County Commissioners Court

meeting, as c o s t l y repairs continue to chip away at an already strained county bud-"All I have



LOCKHART

tle bit of bad news, which I'm sure you all really wanted to Administrator Eddy Jameson told the court. "I had an engine start taking on water in the oil, and we finally found out the problem was the liner. With about 11,000 hours on it, it ate a hole in the liner. We have rebuilt the engine and had to do some machine work on the block, so the bill is going to run somewhere in the neighbor-

hood of \$16,000. Jameson went on to explain the engine was part of the road and department's bridge heavy equipment.

Commissioners, recently passed a budget that leaves the county facing a shortfall of several hundred-thousand dollars, cringed at the report.

"Will repairing this engine mean it's going to last another 11,000 hours?" asked Commissioner Gary Simer.

Jameson said although the engine should be in much better shape following the rebuild, the piece of equipment still faces breakdowns to its transmission and other components due to the high number of hours in usage.

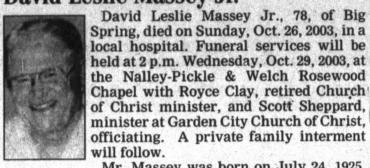
Commissioners heard reports on current elevator repairs at the courthouse, jail, library and district courthouse annex. County, Auditor Jackie Olson explained the county is facing more than \$7,000 in repairs necessary following an inspection of the four elevators.

"This is a list of the repairs that we need to have done," Olson said as she explained the list provided to the county by A.H. Elevator of Colorado

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Obituaries

David Leslie Massey Jr.



Mr. Massey was born on July 24, 1925, in Big Spring. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Jean Massey, on July 1, 1994, and married Jo Lewis on Jan. 2, 1999, in Garden City.

He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. He graduated from Texas Tech University with a bachelor of science degree in textile engineering. Mr. Massey served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the Philippines and New Guinea. He retired from Texas Electric after 35 years of service. He was a member of the Garden City Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Jo Massey; their children, Linda Johnson of Wichita Falls, David L. Massey III of Houston, John A. Massey of Enterprise, Ala., and Nancy Murphy of Garden City; three granddaughters, Sabrina Hynd, Stephanie Massey and Dusti Murphy; three grandsons, Andrew Johnson, Eric Massey and Brant Murphy; three great grandchildren, Christopher, Rachel and Hannah Murphy; and one sister, Joann Cross of Warner Robins, Ga.

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

The family suggest memorials to Garden City Church of Christ, P.O. Box 93, Garden City, 79739. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle &

Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com Paid obituary

Elmer Tucker

Elmer Tucker, 66, of Big Spring, died Monday, Oct. 27, 2003, in a local hospital. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Support groups

THURSDAY

☐ Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 12 noon to 1 p.m.; Women's meeting; 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Non-Smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

☐ Fibromyalgia/Chronic Fatigue Support Group meets at noon at the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation

Alzheimers Support Group meets at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at The Texas State Veterans Home, 1809 North Highway 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 to 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

☐ Open Discussion Meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open Podium/Speakers Meeting 615 Settles 8 to 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 to 6 p.m

□ Surviving Pregnancy Loss meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library Committee Room. Call 631-4430 for more information.

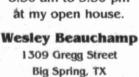
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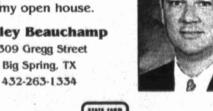
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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Monday until 8 a.m. today: DANYA LEE ATKIN, 25, of 3405 Highway 350, was arrested Monday on two local traffic warrants.

· DOMINICA CARLIN THACKER, 22, of Sand Springs, was arrested Monday on capias warrants for four local traffic warrants.

• TERESA ANN SIMS, 43, of 3613 Calvin Street, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication. · CRYSTAL DAWN HENRICHS, 19, of Coahoma, was arrested Monday on a capias warrant for theft.

· RAY ANTHONY CARREON, 22, of 2001 S. Main Street, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.

• STEPHEN DALE BINION, 19, of 5608 Midway Road, was arrested Monday on a Howard County warrant for criminal mischief.

THEFT was reported:

- in the 700 block of E. 15th Street. - in the 400 block of Birdwell Lane.

in the 500 block of Lamesa.

ASSAULT was reported in the 700 block of 11th

• THEFT BY CHECK was reported in the 1800 block of F.M. 700.

Sheriff's report

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

· THEFT was reported in the area of F.M. 2230. Deputies were advised farm equipment had been stolen. Report taken.

· ANIMAL PROBLEM was reported in the 400 block of Tubb Loop Road. Deputy was dispatched, steps advised.

 SICK ANIMAL was reported in the 200 block of S. Adams Road. HCSO was advised there was a sick dog on complainant's porch. Deputy responded, animal control was requested and responded. No report.

· ANIMAL PROBLEM was reported in the 4900 block of Parkway. Complainant said a neighbor's goat was ramming his fence. Deputy responded, was unable to contact owner. Obtained information, no report at this time.

· DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 200 block of S. Adams Road. Deputy responded and parties were separated, steps advised.

· ASSAULT was reported in the 2600 block of Langley. The call was in reference to an assault that occurred in the county on Longshore Road. Deputies were dispatched, incident report taken. Steps were

Take note

A FUND HAS BEEN set at State National Bank to help defray medical costs for Elsie Hinojosa of Stanton, a cancer patient. She is a relative of Patsy Padilla of Big Spring..

☐ THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, which delivers to the elderly and homebound, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, you are needed.

About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered to recipients within the city limits of Big

If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

□ ROAD TO RECOVERY DRIVERS WANTED. Volunteer drivers are needed to transport cancer

patients to and from treatments. If you can spare a few hours each month, please consider volunteering to drive somebody along the Road to Recovery. For more information about volunteering or if you are a cancer patient in need of the service, call La Wanda Hamm, 263-7827.

□ SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy.

Distribution is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon

every Thursday.

□ RESERVATIONS FOR BOOTHS AT the Coahoma PTA Fall Festival are now being taken. Booth rentals are \$30. The deadline to reserve a booth is Oct. 24. Please call Laura Martin at 267-8660 or Sandra Paniagua at 393-4926.

□ BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING counties are in critical need of foster families.

Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected.

For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.

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Bulletin board

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

TODAY

Intermediate Line Dance classes, 9 a.m., Spring City Senior Center, 1901 Simler, 267-1628.

Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

WEDNESDAY

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard County Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Senior Circle Stretch & Tone, 10 a.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 W. 11th Place.

Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

1901 Simler, 267-6966 or 267-1628.

Line dancing, 1 p.m., Spring City Senior Center,

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring County Club, Driver Road.

THURSDAY

Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060, 7 a.m. Herman's Restaurant, 1601 Gregg.

Coffee Club, 10 a.m., Gale's Sweet Shoppe, 1712 E FM 700.

Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane, 267-6479.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring County Club, Driver Road.

FRIDAY

Greater Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

AMBUCS, noon, La Posada, 206 NW Fourth St.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring County Club, Driver Road.

Spring City Senior Citizens Center Country & Western Dance, 7:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m., 1901 Simler. All area seniors or invited.

SATURDAY

Hangar 25 Air Museum, McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historical home, 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

Big Spring Squares. Call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

Hangar 25 Air Museum, McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, 1:30 p.m.-4 p.m.

Senior Circle Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics, 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 W. 11th Place. People age 50 and older are invited to participate, 268-4721.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night: Winning numbers drawn: 2-4-5-21-36. Number matching five of five: 1. Prize per winner: \$47,976. Winning tickets sold in: College Station. Next Cash 5 drawing: Tuesday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 6-1-1

Weather

Tonight...Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s. Northeast winds around 10 mph.

Wednesday...Sunny. Highs in the mid 80s. Southwest winds 15 to 20 mph..Wednesday night...Clear. Lows in the upper 50s.

Thursday...Partly cloudy and breezy. Highs in the

Friday through Monday...Partly cloudy. Lows in the

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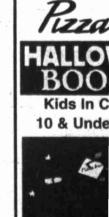
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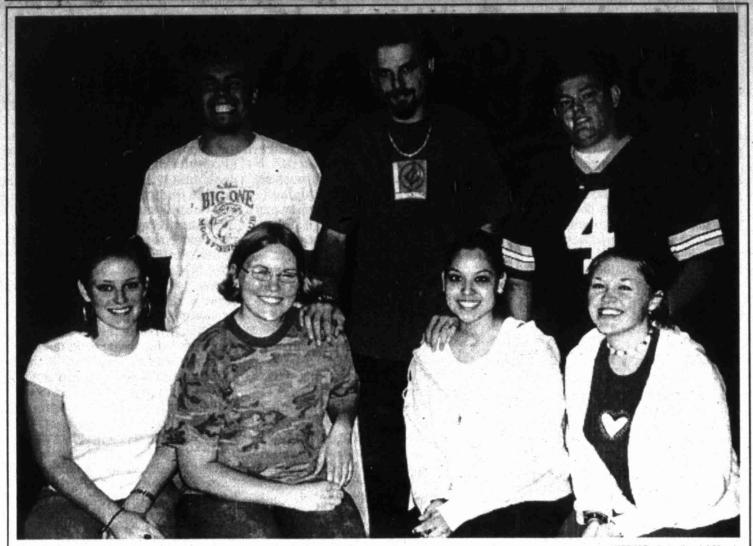
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Goodies w/Child While Sup



Howard College actors will tackle "Defying Gravity," a play centering around the Space Shuttle Columbia's 1986 disaster. Pictured are, from left, front row, Lauren Chandler, Angela Leach, Erica Rodriguez and Rebekah Cowen, and back row, Robert Gomez, Johnny Coley and Clayton Vickers. Performances of the play will be held at the practical arts building, room 105, at 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2; and 8 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday, Nov. 4-6.

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City, the company expected to make the repairs. "Unfortunately this cost doesn't include some of the things that will have to be done. Austin (Helm, A.H. Elevator representative) felt like we could get a waiver on some things, or at least ask for

The information provided to the commissioners included \$577 in repairs for the county library ele-

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Hardest hit by the

change are motorists that

drive under the influence

of alcohol or drugs. A

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If the blood alcohol level

of the offender is 0.16 or

more, the surcharge

jumps to \$2,000 annually.

A second offense DWI car-

ries a surcharge of \$1,500.

These surcharges are lim-

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Barton said he hopes

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vator, \$1,696 in repairs for device for the car-top exit being paid for the justice annex elevator, \$1,179 to bring the county jail elevator up to state specifications and \$3,634 to repair the courthouse elevator. Olson said the total cost of the proposal was

\$7,086. Repairs include the installation of a new telephone that's able to dial a primary and secondary number, relocation of conduit to maintain the mandatory seven feet of headroom, a locking

said Barton. "The points

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following a conviction,"

he said. "After three

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Barton said the habitual

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out a driver's license years, they're basically

the district courthouse cover and replacement of suspension ropes, just to name a few.

"It seems like they find at least \$7,000 in repairs every year," Commissioner Jerry Kilgore said in reference to annual inspections of the elevator equipment. The court voted to

approve the repairs. The court also approved the following measures during the Monday meeting:

Increased the rent

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of the peace office located in Coahoma by \$25 per month.

 Issued a proclamation designating Oct. 27-30 as Red Ribbon Week at the request of the Big Spring High School Student Council.

Reviewed and 2003-2004 approved salaries, which were unchanged from salaries provided in the 2003-2004 budget. Also reviewed and approved personnel considerations.

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Arrangements can be

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The suspension lasts

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Evening Lions Club conducting eyeglass campaign fund-raiser

The Big Spring Evening ty to adults who can't Lions Club is conducting a telephone outreach program to help raise funds for the club's community vision programs.

programs Those include:

· Photoscreening the students at Headstart and kindergarten classes in Big Spring and surrounding communities.

· Eye examinations and the purchase of new eyeglasses for students whose families can't afford to buy them glass-

 The adult eyeglass clinic, which provides used eyeglasses that are collected in the communiafford to buy glasses.

Club members are making telephone calls, mailing letters and providing other information to donors and will pick up donations by appointment at the donor's door.

Several people will be helping members of the Lions club with the campaign that is currently under way and will continue through November.

For more information about the program or verification of the Lions collecting donations, call club president Elvin Bearden at 267-5176 or club secretary Bob Noyes at 267-6095.

SENIOR

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homebound. For some clients, the delivered meal is the only receive. meal they Mendoza.

zens, many whom are

"Some of them don't have any family or can't cook," she said. "They depend on our meals."

Adding to the staff's woes, the one volunteer has been ill and unable to help this past week, Mendoza said.

Funds for replacing the wrecked vehicle also look most unlikely, Mendoza said.

"At the moment we don't have the funds to provide for a new vehicle," she said. "The funds provided by the state have been cut in half right now and we have no place to get any money." Anyone who would like to help is encouraged to call the center at 432 267-

Contact Staff Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at news desk@crcom.net

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson

Arlie Knight, Sr., died Friday. Funeral services will be at 2:00 PM Tuesday at the First Assembly of God Church. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Elmer Tucker, died Monday in a local hospital. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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OUR VIEWS

Don't miss out on opportunity to go to the ball

"Tonight you're mine - completely. You give your love so sweetly.

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Sometimes it's just fun to turn back the clock. Back to sock hops, bobby sox and crew cuts. Not all of us remember those times, of course. But it's difficult to find anyone – no matter what their age – who hasn't heard the Shirelles sing "Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow," "Dedicated To the One I Love" or "Soldier Boy." Those are classics, songs that even 40 years later are still heard on coldies radio across the nation.

Now, you can hear them live as the Shirelles perform in Big Spring for the Silver Wings Ball.

The Hangar 25 Air Museum board is inviting the public to set the clock back 40, 50 or even 60 years and let themselves be carried along through a night of memories - back when Webb Air Force Base was bustling with activity; back when teenagers turned the car radio up loud to hear groups like the Shirelles tell us "Mama said there'll be days like this. There'll be days like this, my Mama said."

Those days – or evening, in this case – will be Nov. 8 in the old Webb Officer's Club. Better known these days as the Spring City Senior Center, the old officer's club contains many memories. The evening will open with a social hour, followed by a catered gourmet meal prepared by a French chef.

The keynote speaker will Deanie Bishop Parrish, one of the first women aviators who flew in the military during World War II. Trained at Avenger Field in Sweetwater in 1943, she served as an engineering test pilot, ferry pilot, a liaison pilot at Grenville Army Air Base and a B-26 airto-air tow target pilot. Her story is a remarkable

Next will be the Shirelles, one of the most popular "girl groups" of the 1950s and 1960s. Their string of hits and popularity were endless, and they still perform with excitement and variety.

The evening will end after a dance from 10:30 p.m. until midnight. Throughout the night, tickets will be sold for a romantic getaway to Catalina Island, Calif.

Truly, it promises to be a wonderful evening. Best of all, the proceeds go to the Hangar 25 Air Museum, a facility dedicated to preserving the history of our military from World War II to the present.

Admission to the Silver Wings Ball is \$100 per person – not a lot when you consider the entertainment, the meal and the cause. We encourage you to make reservations now. They are due by Oct. 31. Contact Hangar 25 at 432 264-1999. Turn back the clock to a wonderful evening.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

All you ask of us, Lord, is for our own good. Amen

Footprints: Political change needed

American people continue to be sheep. People love having someone else do their thinking for them. ABC, NBC, CBS, CNN and even FOX are what passes for gray matter for most Americans.

The Dems continue to not be able to find a viable candidate, but it probably won't matter; they'll talk the sheep into electing whomever they send out of hell anyway.

Meanwhile, Ill continue to have to use my vote against somethe, instead of feeling good about voting FOR someone.

Jack Wayne Andres, Marshall, Texas

his mini-rant was received in the form of an email in response to a recent column about "why George Bush would not be re-elected in

In a nutshell, it encapsulates the feelings that millions of Americans have about the political process and the choices the two major parties send forth as "viable candidates" to run this The 137-word dia-

tribe is dripping with despair, anguish and

frustration; it reflects the growing resentment many Americans have for the political process; it is the reason the Apathy Party is growing exponentially.

Those three paragraphs were written by a Texas businessman, an educated (master's in business), family man. He grew up as part of a Democratic Party clan but over the past few years has been voting an independent ticket with heavy leanings toward the Republican candidates. His letter cries out for

understanding at the frustration he feels and that change must come to the nation's political sys-

Politicians do not fully understand the intense degree of frustration voters are experiencing in watching this partisan business-asusual, us vs. them morality play thrust upon Americans from every electronic angle. Voters are sick and tired - more tired than sick, more beaten down than rabidly angry - of Democrats blasting Republicans and vise versa over every single issue that is debated on a national scale.

They are weary of reading newspaper accounts of in-fighting in Washington-on-the-Deficit about foreign policy and welfare and Medicaid and Medicare and the budget deficit and high cost of prescription drugs and foreign aid and the state of education and paying Third World countries to be our friends and The list never

It is a sad state of political affairs in the United States of America that:

1) We elect politicians based on labels, not on personal philoso-

2) Voters have, basically, only two candidates as defined by political party labels, as choices on most ballots for specific elections;

3) Elections are won and lost because of the availability of money (or lack of it);

4) Special interests groups buy candidates ... and elections;

5) Meaningful legislation aimed at helping consumers dies quicker than interstate road kill if lobbyists and big money want it dead;

6) Politicians do whatever it takes, say whatever is required, to get re-elected:

7) Qualified candidates who don't have access to enough money to run a media-blitz campaign rarely

run and, if they do run, are rarely elected:

8) A candidate's charisma, personal appearance and how they come across in a 30-second television spot mean more than personal conviction and dedication to goals that will benefit people and change the status quo;

9) Candidates sell themselves like a new, improved kitchen cleanser ... and the people line up to buy that one-note message; and

10) More and more voters are dropping out of the political process rather than demand the system be changed.

People, like the frustrated businessman who wrote the above message, often express their frustrations and disillusionment with the political system in various ways. Some write letters or emails; some write columns in newspapers; some express their feelings in person to friends, acquaintances or strangers, or to politicians they know.

The efforts, unfortunately, usually end there.

For real change to happen, for the cycle of apathy afflicting the political process to be reversed, people have to get mad enough to quit talking and start taking

And that action starts at one key location: The local voting booth. The system can't change without changing the people who operate the system.

And the only way to change the people operating the system is for people who aren't registered to vote to register ... and vote.

And those registered who don't vote ... vote.

And those that are registered and do vote ... have to vote in a responsible manner than ensures change to benefit the people and not the politicians or political process.

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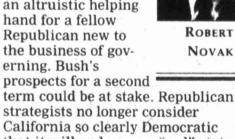
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Arnold's showing is important

t was not spelled out during the brief get-acquainted meeting at Riverside, Calif., last week between George W. Bush and Arnold Schwarzenegger,

but the president's campaign team is giving firm advice to the governor-elect of California: don't raise taxes and do cut spending.

That is more than an altruistic helping hand for a fellow Republican new to the business of governing. Bush's



term could be at stake. Republican strategists no longer consider California so clearly Democratic that it will end up as a "red" state only in the unlikely event of a reelection landslide by the president. On the contrary, Bush may need California's 55 electoral votes to eke out a second term win.

The original White House strategy imagined a Golden State campaign where Bush would be running against the backdrop of failed Democratic Gov. Gray Davis. What Bush's planners cannot tolerate now is a failed Republican governor in Sacramento. The fear in Washington is that Schwarzenegger will plunge into a high tax abyss and take Bush with

The new governor will be surrounded by civil servants who will argue that there is no way out of the state budgetary crunch other than to raise taxes — the same politically disastrous pleadings accepted in recent years by Republican governors of Tennessee, Alabama, Ohio and Nevada. If Schwarzenegger succumbs to the same siren song,

Bush's unwanted choice in California next year will be between rejecting or ignoring a tax-hiking governor.

Bush agents recommend the alternative favored by California conservatives: cut back the bloated state government, a course rejected by dominant Democrats in the state legislature, by appealing to citizenry. The Progressive movement a century ago left Californians not only the Recall, which removed Davis and elected Schwarzenegger, but also the Initiative, which could enact measures reducing government.

This exercise takes on an air of urgency for Bush when the 2004 electoral map is analyzed realistically. Prospects to turn Michigan and Pennsylvania, big "blue' states of 2000, are not at all promising. The "red" states of Florida, Ohio and West Virginia are most vulnerable to going the other way next year. Therefore, California could be a necessity,

The principal reason to think that Bush can carry California in 2004 after losing it so badly in 2000 is the changing Latino vote. In contrast to African-Americans' monolithic support for Democrats, Latinos are in play politically. The president's private polls give him 40 percent support for re-election from this bloc. Schwarzenegger got 30 percent on Oct. 7 — an even more remarkable number than Bush's support because this was in an actual election and was picked up against an Hispanic-American Democrat as his principal opponent, Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante.

That 30 percent of Latinos supported a candidate who seemed less of a Republican than the state's previous three GOP governors over the last 40 years. Conservatives shuddered when Schwarzenegger breakfasted last week with prominent Los Angeles Democrat Robert Hertzberg, former speaker of the Assembly and currently a law partner of former Clinton political strategist Mickey Kantor. Hertzberg is reported to be set for a major post in the Schwarzenegger administration, but not a policymaking function.

Prominence in Schwarzenegger's campaign of former moderate Gov. Pete Wilson's political team also causes concern on the right. Even Bush's operatives worry about the presence of Don Sipple, a Wilson alumnus who did an excellent job on Schwarzenegger's media program during the campaign.

Nevertheless, sources close to the governor-elect insist that Sipple and everybody else on the inside are firmly against raising taxes. The argument that Republican governors dating back to Ronald Reagan pushed a tax increase is economically irrelevant when California businesses are leaving the state and politically irrelevant when the state's citizens are waging a tax revolt.

It is no secret that investment banker Gerald Parsky, the president's main man in California. was not originally enthusiastic about recalling Davis. But in the state's transformed political world, Parsky is seen in Washington as a guardian against an insensate tax increase that would negate his three years of hard work to guarantee George W. Bush's re-election.

To find out more about Robert D. Novak and read his past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com.

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(AP) - With w flames threate densely popul Fernando Valle Angeles, firefig in Tuesday fo brutal day of what was devel the most desti and one of the d wildfire season history.

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15 people killed, more than 1,000 homes lost in California fires

flames threatening the densely populated San Fernando Valley in Los Angeles, firefighters dug in Tuesday for another brutal day of battling what was developing into the most destructive — and one of the deadliest wildfire seasons in state

history. At least 1,134 homes had been destroyed and 15 people killed as of Tuesday by five separate blazes scattered around Southern California. Two more people were killed in Mexico.

The flames dotted an area that extended on a 100-mile line from the Mexican border north to the suburbs of Los Angeles.

A handful of other fires that hadn't hit any homes also consumed tens of thousands of acres of brush and forest lands, bringing the total burned to more than 500,000 acres — or about 780 square miles, roughly three-quarters the total area of Rhode Island.

"It's a worst-case scenario. You couldn't have written anything worse than this. You can dream up horror movies, and they wouldn't be this Gene Zimmerman, supervisor destructive fires began last week.

A blaze in San Bernardino County called the Old Fire, which began near the forest on Saturday, has destroyed at least 450 homes and been blamed for the deaths of two people. It was 10 percent contained Tuesday. The Grand Prix Fire, which was 25 percontained, has destroyed at least 77 homes since it ignited near the forest on Oct. 21.

One of the biggest fire fights on Tuesday was unfolding in the Santa Susana Mountains that separate Los Angeles' San Fernando Valley, where 1.3 million people live, from Simi Valley in neighboring Ventura County.

The Simi Valley fire, which has destroyed 13 homes since it began Saturday, was burning dangerously close to a gated community of million-dollar mansions in Los Angeles' Chatsworth section. It was only 5 percent contained.

Meanwhile, 90 miles away in San Bernardino County, the Old Fire and Grand Prix Fire, which merged earlier in the week, had jumped a highway and was moving as

Arrowhead. The town, which sits at an elevation of 5,100 feet, was left particularly vulnerable to flames by a beetle infestation that has devastated the surrounding trees.

More than 10,000 firefighters were battling the flames, which by Tuesday had already cost the state more than \$24 million.

"It is one of our major concerns at the moment," U.S. Forest Service spokeswoman Carol Beckley said late Monday.

Officials were particularly concerned about "crowning," in which flames leap from one treetop to another, leaving firefighters on the ground all but powerless to stop them.

"If that occurs we don't have the capability to put those fires out," Beckley said. "It will be a said. firestorm.'

Conditions were equally grim in San Diego County, where ash from three large fires fell on the beaches like snow and

San Diego Fire Chief Jeff Bowman was worried that the fires would merge into one gigantic blaze, pushing already strained resources to the breaking point.

"It would be disingenuous to say we have control of these fires. Right now we are throwing everything we can at them," Dallas Jones, director of the state Office of Emergency Services, said of the San Diego blazes.

"This will be the most expensive fire California history, both in loss of property and the cost of fighting it," Jones said.

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The 15 people killed were the most since the devastating Oakland Hills fire that killed 25 people and destroyed more than 3,000 homes in October

Scores of people were also injured by this week's fires, including eight people treated for burns and smoke inhalation at the University of California, San Diego, Medical Center, on Monday. Two were in of the San Bernardino one contiguous wall of drivers had turn on their serious to critical condi-

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The fires also knocked out power to tens of thousands of people, closed highways and disrupted air travel.

More resources were on the way from Arizona and Nevada, which were answering pleas for help from Gov. Gray Davis.

Each state has volunteered the use of 50 fire trucks, most of which are being directed toward the said.

San Diego fires, Davis said. Nevada was also sending three helicopters.

On Monday, President Bush granted Davis' request to declare the region a disaster area. opening the door to grants, loans and other aid to residents and businesses in Los Angeles, San Bernardino, San Diego and Ventura counties.

"I believe at the local, state and federal levels they are doing their parts in this distress," Davis

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Man charged with capital murder

Investigations of four Estrada case but not prespan have focused on a Houston tow-truck driver after DNA evidence from a sexual assault and strangulation 11 years ago was analyzed by a Dallas lab using newer tech-

without bond in Harris County jail on four counts of capital murder.

The charges were filed Neely. Monday. The victims, three women and a girl, had been strangled and three had been sexually

assaulted. Shore was arrested Friday afternoon after DNA evidence linked him to the 1992 slaying of 21year-old Maria Del Carmen Estrada in Houston, detectives said.

Estrada last was seen at 6:30 a.m. on April 16, 1992. when she left her home to walk to work. Her body, nude from the waist down, was found four hours later in the drivethrough lane of a Dairy Queen restaurant.

Several weeks ago, police Capt. Richard Holland said, detectives decided to apply new DNA technology to old samples and sent evidence found in the county detectives in the laboratory in Dallas. The Houston Police Department's troubled crime lab had been shut down.

The DNA tested matched that of Shore, sexually assaulting family members, said Houston police homicide Lt. Greg

Holland said that DNA analysis techniques have improved from the time the crimes were first investigated, and attributed the lab's finding to the advancements.

"They were able to detect a profile from the evidence we had collected," said Holland.

Dallas lab workers called Friday with the results. "We secured a warrant (for Shore's arrest) Friday at 2:30 and had him in custody at 4:15 14. p.m.," said Neely.

"He acted as if he knew what was up," homicide Sgt. John Swaim told the Houston Chronicle in Tuesday's editions. "He knew his DNA was in the system, and eventually he would get caught."

mid-1990s suspected slayings over a 17-year viously tested to the Estrada's killer also was Orchid Cellmark private responsible for similar killings over the weekdeaths of two younger female victims in the mid-1990s.

Houston police Lt. Greg Neely said city and county detectives in the mid-1990s suspected Estrada's Anthony Allen Shore who is a registered sex killer also was responsiremained jailed Tuesday offender on probation for ble for similar deaths of two younger female victims in the mid-1990s.

In those cases, 9-yearold Diana Rebollar was kidnapped on Aug. 7, 1994, as she returned home from getting sugar at a convenience store and her body was later dumped near a Houston freeway. She had been

sexually assaulted. On July 6 the following year, Dana Sanchez, 16, was seen talking on a pay telephone and planned to hitchhike to boyfriend's house. She never arrived and her body was found on July

Upon his arrest Friday, detectives said Shore confessed to the three murders and a fourth _ that of 15-year-old Laurie Lee Tremblay, found dead behind a west Houston restaurant on Sept. 26. 1986 after walking from Neely said city and her family's restaurant to

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NATIONAL BRIEFS

Probe continues into discovery of remains

BROWNWOOD (AP) - Authorities trying to learn the identities of three babies whose mummified remains were found in an attic were talking to previous homeowners and searching their tax records for clues, investigators said Monday.

Authorities also were looking at school and hospital records, but it likely will take DNA testing to solve the mystery, said Brown County chief sheriff's Deputy Mike McCoy. There are no missing babies in the area,

"We don't know if they died there or if somebody who moved there brought the bag from another town,' he said Monday. "We have no idea what race, what sex, what age the babies were or how long they've been there."

The owners called police Thursday and said they were renovating the house when they found a trash bag containing what they thought was one body, McCoy said. They have denied any involvement but are being investigated along with previous owners, he

"We won't really call anybody a suspect because we don't know what kind of crime we actually have," McCoy said.

Hospital district sues over Medicaid inequities

EL PASO (AP) - The El Paso County Hospital District has sued Texas Health and Human Services Commissioner Albert Hawkins, claiming inequities in the way the agency distributes federal Medicaid money have created a health care crisis in El Paso

"We've tried to work with the Legislature and we've tried to work with (state health officials) all to no avail," El Paso County Attorney Jose Rodriguez said

Rodriguez is representing the district and others in the lawsuit, filed Friday in U.S. District Court in El Paso. It contends that El Paso Medicaid recipients aren't getting the same quality care as most other recipients in the state.

Monday, a spokeswoman for Hawkins and the com-

mission said lawyers hadn't reviewed the lawsuit yet. "We would like to reserve our comments until we have had a chance to look at it," Kristie Zamrazil said.

Cranes may have best showing in memory

(AP) - One flock of whooping cranes was wiped out by a hurricane in 1940. Another relies on ultralight planes to lead them north and south. That leaves the few that winter near Corpus Christi as the only natural flock of the statuesque fowl in the world.

Experts said more than 200 of the endangered birds may make the trip this year, up from 21 in 1941. After several low-breeding years in Canada, biologists this year expect 212 to attempt the flight. And Aransas is having a good year for blue crab, the cranes' favorite

"We should set a record," Tom Stehn of the Aransas National Wildlife Refuge said Monday. "I would be thrilled if we had 200."

The refuge, north of Port Aransas and west of Matagorda Island, was purchased by the U.S. government in 1937 to protect wildlife that was rapidly disappearing from the Texas coast. The current record of 188 was set in 1999, Stehn said.

At about 5-foot tall, whooping cranes are the tallest birds in North America.

Rare toad finding unlikely allies

BASTROP (AP) — The endangered Houston toad is making more friends among the pines and sandy soil east of Austin.

They include weekend farmers and other residents of Bastrop County who have helped compile a conservation plan to save the palm-sized amphibian from

A two-volume, 300-page Lost Pines habitat conservation plan compiled by a 15-member citizens' work group is under review by the county attorney's office. By April, it is expected to be submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The agency is responsible under the federal Endangered Species Act for ensuring the 3.5-inch-long amphibian's survival.

A Texas State University-San Marcos biologist who studies the toads for the county says the plan devised after three years of work is good enough to be a model for other areas faced with similar problems.

"It's a remarkable and astute compromise to the benefit of the Houston toad and the stakeholders," biolo-

gist Mike Forstner told the Austin American-Statesman in Tuesday's online edition.

The Bastrop County group's conservation plan is different from that used in the Austin area's tax-supported, 30,000-acre Balcones Canyonlands Preserve to protect several endangered species, including two song-

Boy's rush to board van leads to tragedy

HOUSTON (AP) - An effort to catch a van ride to school turned fatal for a Houston boy taking advantage of special private bus transportation.

The tiniest bit of time is all that William Rivera needed for Monday to have unfolded like any other school day and for the rest of his life to remain before

Instead, the 7-year-old was still standing in the parking lot of the Glen Willow Apartments in southwest Houston when the van to Kolter Elementary School was pulling away.

William tore across the parking lot, hoping to catch the van before it turned.

He almost made it, but the van got to the street before he did. As it turned right, the boy reached out stretched to bang on its side so the driver would stop.

In that instant, he tripped and fell beneath its wheels while his mother stared on in horror. William's torso was crushed, and he was pronounced dead on arrival on Ben Taub Hospital.



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Ceiling fans cool the air in real style

Want to stir things up around the house next summer? Add a ceiling fan. It's true stirring up the air will make you feel immediately cooler. But ceiling fans do more than just bring about breezes. Designed with the latest home decor trends in mind, these overhead fans move in fashionable circles.

"Fans today are design pieces as well as functional appliances," says Patrick Wilson, vice president, sales and marketing for Minka Aire, a ceiling fan manufacturer based in Corona, Calif.

John Pearson agrees. 'Customers are interested in using fans as design elements," says the vice president for marketing for Casablanca Fan Company, a Pomona, Calif.-based fan manufac-

High-tech, contempo-

rary designs have become popular in the last few years. As a result, brushed nickel, steel, and sleek pewter finishes get thumbs-up approval from trendsetters. Earth tones like rustic copper and bronze are also hot-sellers. Ditto painted finishes and washes. "People are more inquisitive than ever about ceiling fan possibilities," says Troy Lee, general merchandising manager for Progressive Lighting, Inc., a retailer in Kennesaw, Ga. "People want something attractive on their ceiling and they are concerned about matching the fan's design to their decor."

Ceiling fans work well



variety of design options. Ornate filigree blade holders offer a graceful, turn-of-the-century ambience. Brushed steel housand light-colored maple blades offer the ultimate in contemporary styling. Classic polished brass finishes work well in more traditional "Today's fan customer

seems less interested in ing, Craftmade, a fan manufacturer Coppell.

price and more concerned about matching their ceiling fan to their home décor. I think it's great to offer a product that makes a home more comfortable and adds beauty at the same time," said Cliff Crimmings, vice president of market-

"We are seeing more fans being used on patios than ever before," says Kathy Held, manager,

gazebos.

rooms in today's newer

homes have increased

demand for larger fans

with bigger blades and

Manufacturers comply,

fans that move massive

quantities of air and

work well in 30-foot tall

Fan design isn't the

only thing that's expand-

ed. Places to put ceiling

fans have also increased.

These fans bring a breeze

to almost any home

space, inside or out —

to porches, patios and

spaces and lofts.

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buyer and vice president of South Dade Lighting, a 10,000-square-foot light. ing showroom in Miami. "People are using their porches and patios as extra rooms. They spend money on landscaping and landscape lighting, then add the fans so they can sit out and enjoy it

With more than 14 million ceiling fans sold annually, most do doubleduty, lighting a room as well as moving air. "Our research indicates that a majority of ceiling fans are sold with a light fixture because consumers are usually replacing a light in their room," says Mark Jeffrey, general manager for Emerson Electric Company Air Comfort Products.

Little wonder. Ceiling fans today offer a wide variety of lighting options that add interest to any home. Missioninspired fans look great with mica or stainedglass light fixtures. Art Deco styles boast white frost fixtures for a clean look. Glass shades etched with flowers add a romantic touch to a little girl's room.

"Ceiling fans have become an important part of the lighting scheme in homes today, says Held..

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IN BRIEF

Lady Steers to face Denver City Friday

The Big Spring Lady Steers will begin tuning up for their 2003 playoff opener Friday afternoon when they face the Denver City Lady Mustangs in a warm-up game in the DCHS gym.

Big Spring is slated to begin play at 4 p.m.

The Lady Steers, 27-8 overall and ranked No. 10 in the TGCA Class 4A poll, will face Midland High in a practice game on Nov. 1, beginning at 4 p.m. in Greenwood.

YMCA swim team spots available

The Big Spring Family YMCA swim team has positions open for interested athletes.

To be eligible to participate as a member of the swim team, athletes must be at least six years of age and able to swim two lengths of the pool with proper rotary breathing. Swimmers are responsible for annual USS registration, all entry fees and equipment and all transportation meals at meets.

For more information call Dolline Budke at 264-8252 or 263-4505.

Quarterback Club to meet tonight at ATC

The Big Spring High Quarterback School Club will hold its weekly meeting tonight at 7 in the ATC.

Members of the BSHS coaching staff will be on hand to talk about the Steers' game with Levelland and this week's game Lubbock Estacado.

BSJHS spikers end year this evening

The Big Spring Junior High School Lady Steers volleyball teams will close out their 2003 seasons this evening against the Lamesa Lady Tors.

The BSJHS seventh grade squads will begin play at 5:30 p.m.

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Coahoma to face Stanton in 'I-20 War'

The Coahoma Bulldogs will try and nail a playoff berth this Friday when they face Stanton, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Coahoma is 6-2 overall and 2-1 in District 3-2A. •

Westbrook JH to end season with Loraine

The Westbrook Junior High School Wildcats will close out their 2003 football season Thursday when they travel to Loraine to face the Loraine Bulldogs.

The Wildcats, 0-6, will begin at 6 p.m.

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Parcells disappointed over lost opportunity

By JAIME ARON

AP Sports Writer

DALLAS (AP) - Bill Parcells wasn't his usual chatty self

Still disappointed about how the Dallas Cowboys' offense collapsed in a 16-0 loss to Tampa Bay on Sunday, Parcells also was upset that they played so lousy when faced with a great opportunity to prove that their turnaround thus far was for real.

"That was a chance to really

Parcells said, "and we weren't able to do it."

A road victory over the reigning Super Bowl champions would've been quite a milestone for the Cowboys. It also would've stretched their winning streak to six games and given them more wins than each of the last three seasons with more than half the schedule left to play.

Dallas (5-2) still leads the NFC

because that's the surest way to make the playoffs.

But none of that will be possible if the Cowboys play like they did Sunday. "This was a combination of

everything we could possibly do wrong," Parcells said. Quincy Carter threw two inter-

ceptions and was sacked four times. The line that failed to pro-East by a game over tect him also did a poor job open-Philadelphia, a team it has ing holes for running backs as

get ourselves established," already beat. Parcells' focus Dallas ran for just 60 yards. The remains on winning the division Cowboys failed to convert five snaps of third- and fourth-and-1.

While Parcells acknowledged that the Buccaneers' strong defense deserves plenty of credit. he still placed most of the blame on his players.

"We really looked like we really didn't practice for the game at all," he said, adding that he "would be hard pressed to find more than a couple of guys that played well."

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Mavs put **NBA** title hopes on offense

DALLAS (AP) - After an active offseason, the Dallas Mavericks still don't have anyone who can handle Shaquille O'Neal, Tim Duncan or Kevin Garnett.

Then again, the Mavs figure, neither does anyone else.

So after being spurned by Alonzo Mourning, they gave up on their plan to find someone to anchor their inside game and instead decided to try improving what they already did best - scor-

Dallas took the league's highest-scoring · offense and juiced it up more, bringing in Antoine Walker and Antawn Jamison to join its Big Three of Dirk Nowitzki, Steve Nash and Michael

The message is clear: To beat the Mavericks, teams will have to outscore them.

"We've been able to add a lot of guys who can do a lot of different things and make a really dynamic lineup," said Nash, the point guard who will run the show. "I think it's a beautiful thing. We're going to be a great team to watch, and hopefully an even better team on the floor."

After winning 60 games last season and reaching the Western Conference finals, the Mavericks went into free agency hoping to make Mourning the center they've lacked for more than a decade. Then he signed with New Jersey and Dallas didn't land

any other big man. While other West powers reloaded, Mavericks waited. They finally made a move in August, sending playoff star Nick Van Exel to Golden State for Jamison and Danny Fortson. Walker arrived from Boston midway through training camp, along with Tony Delk, in a deal for Raef LaFrentz.

Losing Van Exel cost Dallas an instant-offense Sixth Man who made the Mays tougher to defend when playing alongside Nash.

But the Mavs believe Jamison will provide the same scoring spark off the bench, and maybe more. Walker, who will be the "point forward" long coveted by coach Don Nelson, will be the second skilled ball-handler to complement Nash, and his size makes defending them even tougher.

"This is Dirk, Steve and Mike's team. We're just pieces to the puzzle and we're going to do whatever it takes to get this team to the next level," Jamison said. "It's all about getting Ws.

ME TO IT TIP-OFF

School's Lauren Johnson looks for a place to pass the ball while teammate **Candace Hale** applied pressure in their first practice of the 2003 season. Teams from throughout the area hit the court Monday to begin preparations for the upcoming

year, which starts in November. The Lady Cats. sporting an 11 player roster, open their scrimmage campaign Nov. 5 against Southland.



Area schools begin basketball workouts

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The high school sports scene became a bit more crowded Monday afternoon.

With high school football in full swing and volleyball, cross country and team tennis beginning their postseason runs, the arrival of the high school basketball season arrived without a lot of fanfare Monday. But it arrived nevertheless.

High school teams throughout the state began preparations for the upcoming season by going through their first day of official practice. Teams will practice for the next two weeks before beginning preseason scrimmages in the drills until the end of the football

first weekend in November.

Among the first teams in the Crossroads region to hit the basketball court this season were the Westbrook Lady Cats. Secondyear head coach Cassie Short put her 11 girls through a short prac-

The 11-person roster is a luxury Short didn't have a year ago. Last fall, the Lady Cats played through much of the year with just five players.

Like most smaller schools, the high school boys' basketball program will have to wait a bit longer before getting under way. Teams in Westbrook, Grady and Sands will not begin basketball

season - which could be a few weeks away for Grady, a playoff team a year ago. The GHS football team can clinch its first playoff berth since 1997 with a win Friday against Klondike.

While basketball may have to wait at the smaller schools, girls basketball squads at Stanton, Coahoma, Forsan and Big Spring began making preparations for the upcoming year.

The Lady Steers' will likely begin the year minus a few key players. LaKenya Wrightsil and Leina Braxton, both starters, will be unavailable at the start of the year due to the Class 4A volleyball playoffs. Both started for the BSHS girls a year ago.

Texans' Carr could miss game against Panthers

ankle, though an MRI ing a sack. showed no serious dam-

Carr, who didn't miss a setting the NFL sacks Miller.

HOUSTON (AP)' - record with 76, was hurt David Carr probably will during the first quarter of miss the Texans' upcom- Sunday's 30-21 loss at game against Indianapolis. Colts defen-Carolina because of a sive end Raheem Brock badly sprained right rolled into his ankle dur-

Carr missed two series. then came back and led a 79-yard drive that ended snap last season despite with a TD pass to Billy

Guerrero joins free agency hunt

Colon. were among the 71 225 players eligible.

NEW YORK (AP) - players who filed on the Vladimir Guerrero, reign- second day following the ing AL MYP Miguel World Series, raising the Tejada, Gary Sheffield free agent total to 106 and pitcher Bartolo among the approximately



Veronica Villarreal and the BSHS tennis team will travel to Wichita Falls this week for the Region I-4A meet.

Benson set to return to field for Longhorns

AUSTIN (AP) - Texas running back Cedric Benson will return to practice this week and will likely start against 12 Nebraska, No. Longhorns coach Mack Brown said Monday.

Benson didn't practice last week and didn't play in a 56-0 win over Baylor after he was charged with misdemeanor criminal trespassing. He was the team's leader rushing before that game. Quarterback Vince Young now leads No. 16 Texas with 550 yards.



A Place to Call Home

Seabird Habitats

What is a habitat?

A habitat is a place where animals can live and reproduce. Habitats range from oceans to desert, from mountains to prairies. They provide animals with:

food

• water

 places to hide nesting places material to make

 protection from heat and cold

Some species need other things, too. For example, most

songbirds need something to perch on. Seabirds, or birds that live on or near the sea, need a habitat that is free of mammals. For that reason they usually nest on islands too far out for mammals to swim to.

Experts believe an alarming number of plants and animals on Earth are at risk. One of the main reasons

habitat destruction.

they are at risk is the destruction of their habitats. Human development and the growth of cities are main causes of

Geography Awareness Week will be celebrated from Nov. 16-22. Its theme is "Habitats: Home Sweet Home."

The Mini Page talked to Dr. Stephen W.

Kress, director of Project Puffin, to find out about seabird habitats, and especially



Dangers to seabird habitats

There are about 300 species of seabirds in the world. About one-fifth

of them are threatened or endangered. One of the main threats is people bringing mammals to

islands where seabirds nest. Rats and cats are especially big problems because they eat chicks and eggs.

Seabird habitats can also be destroyed when the ocean rises and floods the islands. Global warming is a

cause of rising oceans. One hurricane can wipe out a species. Oil spills also destroy island habitats as well as destroying the fish the birds need to



Project Puffin

From the 1600s to the early 1900s, hunters seeking food or feathers killed most of the puffins nesting off the coast of Maine.

In 1981, the first puffin

chick, or puffling, was hatched on Eastern Egg Rock Island. Today there

es on these island

Modern scientists feared the species could be at risk if anything happened to the remaining puffin colonies in the North Atlantic. Project Puffin helpers moved puffin

chicks, or pufflings, from Newfoundland, Canada, to Maine. When these pufflings grew up, they returned to their new home to breed. The Maine colony has been restored.



Gus Goodsport's Report

Born: 8-16-71 Birthplace: Afton, Wyo.

Rulon Gardner, a Wyoming farm boy who grew into an Olympic wrestling champion, is making a comeback. Not a

comeback from a defeat on the mat, but rather a comeback

from near death. Gardner was in a snowmobile accident and

Supersport: Rulon Gardner

spent 18 hours in 25-below-zero temperatures before being rescued.

Gardner lost a toe, but he survived. And once again he's wrestling, a sport

Gardner, who hopes to compete in the 2004 Olympics, grew up on a dairy

farm with eight older brothers and sisters. He worked hard on the farm. He also worked hard at wrestling, and the dedication paid off. He became a

he started competing in when he was 6 years old. He became a champion

Olympics, when he beat Russian legend Aleksandr Karelin in the Greco-

Roman division to win the gold medal. Karelin hadn't lost in 13 years.

wrestler at the University of Nebraska. But his finest hour was in the 2000

Weight: 264

The Atlantic puffin's big beak is useful for carrying small fish home to feed its

young. The known record for the most

The name "puffin" comes from the

word for "fatling," a nickname for fat

world: the Atlantic puffin, horned

There are four species in the

rhinoceros auklet. The Atlantic

puffin is the only species living on

Puffins are great swimmers.

When they dive for fish, they can

minute. They use their wings to

swim, seeming to fly under water.

the ocean, and they eat small fish.

They can drink salt water from

bright-orange

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earned them

stay underwater for as long as one

the Atlantic Ocean. The rest live on

puffin, tufted puffin and

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Puffin facts

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Scientists can use what they learned from restoring the Eastern Egg Rock colony to

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Rookie Cookie's Recipe **Puff'n Crackers**

You'll need: · 3 ounces cream cheese

½ cup light mayonnaise

· 2 teaspoons dried onion • 1/2 cup grated parmesan cheese

saltine crackers

1. Mix cream cheese, mayonnaise, onion and parmesan cheese in a medium bowl

2. Spread mixture on saltine crackers. 3. Place crackers on an ungreased cookie sheet.

4. Broil for 2 to 3 minutes in the oven until lightly browned

Meet Hilary Chaplain

clowns do

Note: You will need an adult to help you with this recipe.

Hilary Chaplain knows what makes clowns

jump and wiggle. She is a clown and actress, and teaches clowning at New York University. She also helps make sure the clowns on "Jojo's Circus"

on the Disney Channel have the right moves. In the TV show, Jojo is a 6-year-old circus clown. She asks kids watching the show to help her out of

jams by shaking and wiggling themselves like

Hilary performs for kids herself. In New York, she entertains

children in hospitals as Nurse Nice of the famous Big Apple Circus Clown Care Unit. Before becoming a clown, she studied theater arts at Hampshire College in Amherst, Mass.

is a photographer; one sister is a singer and the other sister is a silversmith. Her mother ran for U.S. Congress in New Hampshire

Hilary lives in Brooklyn, N.Y., and likes to practice yoga in her

She has three siblings who are also talented artists, Her brother

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Becky: When are your eyes not your eyes? Nancy: When a hard wind makes them water!



Puffins

TRY 'N **FIND**

Words and names that remind us of puffins are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: HABITAT, SEABIRDS, LIVE, FOOD, WATER, NEST, RISK PROTECTION, ISLAND, COLONIES, MAINE, EGG, PUFFLING, FISH OCEAN, BEAK, SWIMMER, WINGS, FLY, ATLANTIC, SPECIES



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Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and her friends are visiting the puffins at the zoo. See if you can find: • word MINI • number 3 • fish





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as "clown of the ocean" and The Mini Page is created and edited by Betty Debnam

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Pufflings and parents Puffins make

their nests under boulders on islands. If there are no

boulders, they may dig burrows in the soil.

They lay only one egg a year. It takes about six weeks for the egg to hatch, and then about another six to 16 weeks for the parents to raise the chick, or puffling.

Both parents help care for the puffling. Males and females usually remain mated to the same partner. They return to the same burrow each year to lay their new egg. When they are

about 6 weeks

old, puffins fly

out to the ocean,



where they live for two to three years. When they = are about 5 years old, they are ready to breed. They then return to an area near where they were hatched to raise pufflings of their own.

Adult puffins usually spend the winter on the ocean, returning to land in the summer to breed. Scientists know very little about their lives on the ocean.



to live on the ocean.



Adults are about as tall as a quart of milk, and weigh about as much as a can

Puffin perils

People love puffins. They love their looks and even love their cute name. But people are the biggest threat to

Overhunting of puffins has wiped out whole colonies. Overfishing can destroy the puffins' food supply. Global warming threatens their coldwater habitat and food supplies.



main puffin predator. It can attack puffins as they fly. Gulls might also steal a puffin's food, egg and chick.

Site to see: www.projectpuffin.org Look through your newspaper for

pictures showing your habitat.

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The defense allowed only one touchdown, and it came on a drive that ended with a field goal until rookie Terence Newman gave the Buccaneers a first down by running into the kicker. Thus, add a special teams mistake to the list of woes.

This might be Parcells' lowest point yet in his Dallas tenure, but it's nothing for a 16-year coaching veteran. He's been through enough disappointments to know that he needs to wait until he's over the loss before making any personnel changes or other adjustments.

"This is not a good day to be making lot of decisions," he said.

Players also were still taking the loss hard on Monday.

Tight end Dan Campbell said he expected his anger to linger at least until Wednesday. He said watching the game film would feel like rubbing salt into a wound.

There hasn't been much anguish around Valley Ranch since a seasonopening loss to the Falcons. The mood Monday was far more somber because of how much expectations have risen since then.

During those times, Parcells warned that bad times were coming. His main task now is to prevent this one loss from turning into several.

His first objective is to clean up the Xs and Os in time to face Washington Redskins on Sunday.

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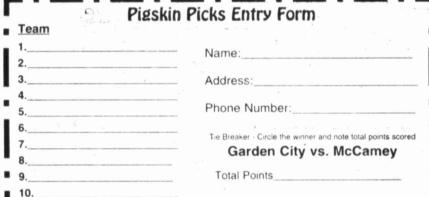
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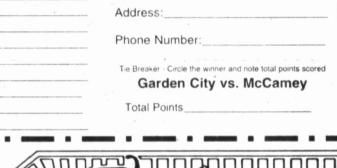
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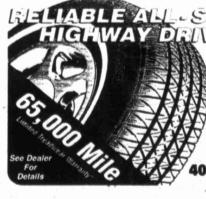
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TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Now is a very good time to get to know yourself better. It's been a while since your most recent self-diagnostic, and interesting changes appear during your mental inventory. An invitation comes early in the

Tomorrow's Horoscope

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You're nearing the top professional echelon, but you need a bit of help to make it there all the way. Stick to the plan. This is no day for leniency. Taurus and Libra know what needs to be

done. CANCER (June 22-July 22). Wishful thinking, when spoken out loud, becomes the beginning of a journey. Include partners of all kinds, but beware of a certain friend who claims to be helping out. Take his or her advice with more than just a grain of salt.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You power through hard work this afternoon and amaze higher-ups with your efficiency. An old friend surfaces to disappear just as quickly. Reminisce about the good times briefly, and move on.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're the victor in competitions. If you like the direction your relationship is generally going, minor arguments this afternoon are easily brushed off. If vou're on the marriage track, sort out the underlying issues right away.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There's no need to beat around the bush regarding what you want at work. Lay it out plainly. Powers that

be respond well, especially Aries and Leo. If you find yourself excusing a lot of bad behavior, it's time to move on.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your persistence pays off in the career sector this morning. It takes a few attempts to get through on the phone, but the business calls need to be made. Realizations about romance come flooding in this afternoon.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Romantic circumstances turn in your favor, but this takes some doing. An Aquarius or Libra can be relied on when it counts. Your decision becomes clear regarding long-term arrangements.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Heed information an associate gives you, specifically that from a Virgo or Aries. This news has bearing on a decision you make later in the week. The more respect you give to others, the better you feel about yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You get into the swing of being in love. Sometimes, it's a bit of an adjustment. Recently, cohabiting couples have had chances to bond over appliances and the color of walls. Singles are their own better half - treat vourself right!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You tiptoe gingerly through the day and make everyone around you feel buoyant. There's almost nothing that can faze you. Time spent waiting is productive. The best perspective comes when you're quietly anticipating.
CELEBRITY PROFILES:

With hit after glorious original hit movie, Julia Roberts stars in her very first sequel next year, "Ocean's Twelve," rounding out the number from 2001's "Ocean's Eleven." (Usually, Scorpios figure if you do something perfectly the first time, what's the use in doing a so-so job the next time?) This year, Roberts' next creative oeuvre could include raising a family of her own with husband Danny Moder.

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Annie's Mailbox Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: My daughter, "Angela," is divorcing her husband, "Rick." Rick is a heroin and cocaine user. He recently fled the country to live with relatives in Europe, and we haven't heard a word from him since. Angela discovered his whereabouts through a mutual friend. We assume he is in legal trouble or worse.

During their separation, Rick had regular visitation with his son, who is 4 years old. His mother usually baby-sat. Now this woman is lying to my daughter. She says she has no idea where Rick is, but Angela found out that his mother is the one who paid for his plane ticket out of the country.

Angela has told her mother-in-law that she will no longer bring the boy over and let her baby-sit. She is afraid Rick's mother will take the child to Europe. Angela agreed to let her mother-in-law see the grandchild but only in Angela's presence. Now the woman is hiring a lawyer who specializes in grandparents' rights.

Will the court give Grandma unsupervised visits? - Worried in Portland,



ANNIE'S MAILBOX

Dear Portland: Angela needs a lawyer who will mother. The courts tend to rely on the custodial parent's judgment of the situation, and it is likely Angela's concerns will take precedence over Grandma's.

Dear Annie: This is in "Worried Mom one of the parents' homes. As a 12-year teacher,

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make it clear to the court that the grandmother might take the boy out of the country and, quite possibly, won't return him to his

response to the letter from Tennessee," who said the new high school coach was drinking alcohol with underage kids at a party in

coach and administrator, I am appalled that parents allowed alcohol at a party that included high school students. Coaches have a code of ethics to abide by. I would report this incident to the principal and athletic director of the school for a full investigation.

Our students need strong role models who will be held accountable for proper and ethical behavior. Camarillo, Calif.

Dear J.D.: We received a lot of mail from outraged readers who wanted this coach fired at once, and they have a point. However, our thinking was that this coach was newly hired and a bit unsure of himself. Over the summer, he was invited to the home of some parents, and alcohol was served. It seems likely he was intimidated, and we attributed his participation to poor judgment. We felt he deserved one more chance to shape up before losing his job.

Dear Annie: Thank you for asking your readers to remember those involved in the Sept. 11 tragedy. However, in discussing those who put their lives on the line, you missed a group that was among the first to die and the very first to be forgotten. I am talking about the pilots and flight attendants who worked for United Airlines American Airlines, and whose flights crashed into the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and the field in Pennsylvania. They hardly get a mention.

We crew members are working harder than ever to keep the skies as safe as possible. I would like to take this time to remember the flight crews of all four airplanes and tell their families, "Thank you. We will remember your loved ones forever." - Kelly Mowery, United Flight Attendant Dear Kelly: Thank you for

reminding us. You might be interested to know that there are plans to create a flight crew memorial near Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. Anyone who would like more information should; write to: 9-11 Flight Crew Memorial, 125 E. Worth St., Grapevine, Texas 76051; (world-memorial.org/tribute/american/memorial.htm

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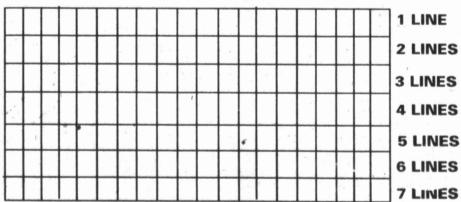
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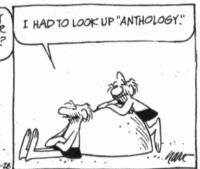
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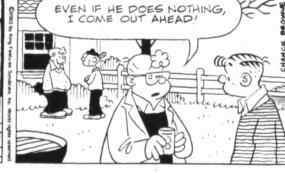






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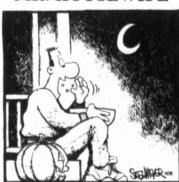


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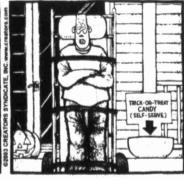
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MR. HOUSEWIFE







SNUFFY SMITH













This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 28, the 301st day of 2003. There are 64 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 28, 1886, the Statue of Liberty, a gift from the people of France, was dedicated in New York Harbor by President Cleveland.

On this date: In 1636, Harvard College founded Massachusetts.

In 1793, Eli Whitney applied for a patent for his cotton gin (the patent was granted the following March).

In 1919, Congress enacted

the Volstead Act, which provided for enforcement of Prohibition, over President Wilson's veto. In 1922, fascism came to

Italy as Benito Mussolini took control of the government.

1936, President In

Franklin Roosevelt rededicated the Statue of Liberty on its 50th anniversary.

In 1940, Italy invaded Greece during World War

In 1958, the Roman Catholic patriarch of Venice, Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli, was elected pope; he took the name John XXIII. In 1962, Soviet leader

Nikita Khrushchev informed the United States that he had ordered the dismantling of Soviet missile bases in Cuba. In 1965, Pope Paul VI

issued a decree absolving Jews of collective guilt for the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. In 1980, President Carter

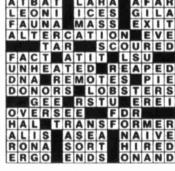
and Republican presidential nominee Ronald Reagan faced off in a nationally broadcast, 90-minute debate in Cleveland. Ten years ago: Ousted

Haitian President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, speaking at the United Nations. called for a blockade of all air and sea trade to Haiti to force out its military leaders.

Today's Birthdays: Former baseball commissioner Bowie Kuhn is 77. Actress Joan Plowright is 74. Musician-songwriter Charlie Daniels is 67. Actress Jane Alexander is 64. Singer Curtis Lee is 62. Actor Dennis Franz is 59. Pop singer Wayne Fontana is 58. Actress Telma Hopkins is 55. Olympic track and field gold medalist Bruce Jenner is 54. Actress Annie Potts is 51. Microsoft chairman Bill Gates is 48. Rock musician Stephen Morris (New Order) is 46. Country singer-musician Ron Hemby (The Buffalo Club) is 45. Actress Daphne Zuniga is 41. Actress Lauren Holly is 40. Actress Jami Gertz is 38.

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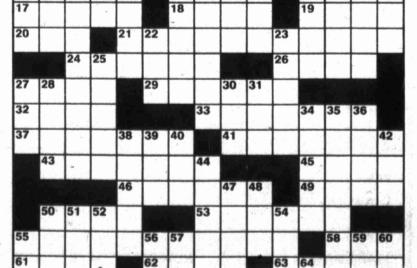
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