



Pope condition said 'very grave'

Thousands gather to pray for John Paul II after he suffers heart failure

By VICTOR L. SIMPSON
Associated Press Writer

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II suffered heart failure and is in "very grave" condition, the Vatican said Friday, but it said he was lucid and spent the morning celebrating Mass and receiving top aides, asking one to read him the bib-

lical account of Christ's crucifixion and burial.

Spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls choked up with tears as he told reporters about the pope's worsening condition. He said the 84-year-old pontiff had been "informed of the gravity of his situation" and decided to remain in his apartment overlooking St. Peter's Square,

where thousands of pilgrims gathered to pray for him.

John Paul participated in Mass and received some top aides Friday morning, Navarro-Valls said.

"The pope is still lucid, fully conscious and extraordinarily serene," Navarro-Valls said. He said the pope had unstable blood pressure and remained in

"very grave" condition.

Among the top church officials who gathered at his bedside was Archbishop Paolo Sardi, the Vatican vice chamberlain who runs the Holy See between the death of a pope and the election of a new one.

Thousands stood vigil on the

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Toomire steps aside

Chief appraiser reassigned; former assistant will take over position in early May

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

After more than 30 years in the tax appraisal business, Keith Toomire has decided that it is time to step back and relax a little bit.

Toomire, Howard County's chief tax appraiser for the past 18 years, will be reassigned within the district effective May 2. He will continue with the district on a consulting basis, said Donnie Baker, chairman of the Howard County Appraisal District board of directors.

Replacing Toomire will be Brett McKibbin, currently the chief tax appraiser of Coryell County. McKibbin served as deputy appraiser under Toomire for more than seven years before taking his current position, Baker said.

Toomire, who is only a few years from retirement, said this was a good opportunity for him to begin winding down his career a bit.

"I just want to kick back and not work so much; get some fishing in and spend more time with my grandchildren," Toomire said. "I have all the confidence in the world in Brett. He'll do an outstanding job."

Toomire has more than 30 years experience in tax appraisal. He joined the Howard County Appraisal District on Jan. 17, 1989, after serving as chief tax appraiser for Hockley County. Prior to that, he worked with the appraisal firm of Pritchard and Abbott.

"The taxpayers and taxing units in Howard County have been great to me,"

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HERALD photos/Steve Reagan
In the above photo, musician Jody Nix entertains the crowd at the 27th Annual Coahoma Kindergarten Rodeo while being "accompanied" by several students. At top right, a rodeo clown finds himself in a bit of a predicament. At bottom right, Dylan Cantu waits his turn during the rodeo's grand entry.

Ropin' and a-ridin' the stickhorse way

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

COAHOMA — The contestants were a bit on the small side and the livestock was provided by a lumber company instead of a ranch, but Thursday was still rodeo time in Coahoma.

The 27th annual Coahoma Kindergarten Rodeo provided the usual thrills, chills and laughs associated with its traditional cousin, with an enormous supply of cuteness thrown in for good measure.

And, animal activists will be pleased to hear, no stick-

horses were harmed during the event.

About 60 Coahoma kindergarten students rode, roped, sang and danced their way through the event, much to the pleasure of the crowd of hundreds in attendance.

Sometimes, it was difficult to determine who was having a better time — the contestants or the audience.

Ben Clements has made a good living as an announcer on the pro rodeo circuit, but he said he was more than happy to lend his talents to Thursday's pint-sized event.

"This is an awesome deal,"

Clements said. "I travel all year long, announcing rodeos and ropings, and this is probably my favorite event."

Clements said part of the event's appeal lay in seeing the sheer earnestness the tiny cowpokes displayed during the rodeo.

"The kids take this so seriously. You can tell by their

expressions out there," he said. "That's what makes

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Annual Trash-Off set Saturday; local volunteers are gearing up

Free trash bags can be picked up today until 5 p.m. at the chamber of commerce.

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Keep Big Spring Beautiful and an array of local churches and organizations will join more than 1,300 groups across the Lone Star State Saturday, as the Don't Mess With Texas Trash-Off

begins statewide.

Local organizer and Keep Big Spring Beautiful chairperson Pat Simmons said the day-long clean up has drawn quite a bit of interest among local volunteer groups.

"There will be different groups and organizations that will be picking up trash in areas they have selected," said Simmons. "Those groups can pick up

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Plenty of gifts will be available during weekend Spring City show

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Finding great gifts for holidays and special occasions is as close as Dorothy Garrett Coliseum this weekend.

It's time for the 16th annual Spring City Arts and Crafts Show — an event which features artists and crafters from throughout the Southwest.

The vendors fill the coliseum floor, as well as the foyer and concourse with everything from snacks to furniture.

As usual, there will be a mix of new craftsmen as well as a number of old favorites.

"First-time exhibitors will offer items such as leather goods, seasonal decorations, jewelry, purses, book bags, book covers, receiving blankets, clothing, cinnamon roasted nuts, floral art, potpourri, scented rocks, canned vegetables, salsas, children's furniture, origi-

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SPRING FORWARD

Daylight Saving Time begins this weekend, the first weekend in April. Officially, the time is 2 a.m. Sunday.

It's much simpler, however, to set your clock an hour ahead when you go to bed Saturday night. The fire department also encourages people

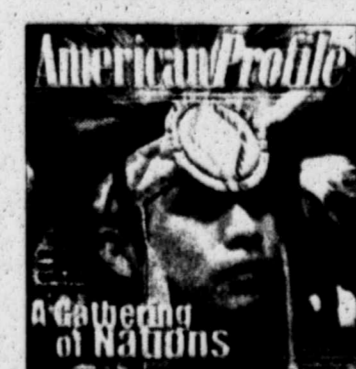
to change the batteries in their smoke detectors when they change their clocks, because it can be so easy to forget otherwise.

TOWN HALL EVENT

The Highland Council for the Deaf is hosting a town hall meeting Saturday at the SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf Student Center, located at 3200 Avenue C on the school's campus. Comments and concerns dealing with deaf and hard of hearing issues in the community will be addressed.

The gathering will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a beans and cornbread supper, with registration for submitting comments and concerns to be addressed during the meeting. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. and is expected to continue through 9 p.m.

THIS WEEKEND



Cover Story: Each April, more than 3,000 American Indians representing 500 tribes from across North America gather at the University of

New Mexico in Albuquerque to sing, dance, and drum, sell their wares, and socialize as part of the nation's largest powwow.

Obituaries

Bob Bell

Bob Bell, 77, of Big Spring, died on Tuesday, March 29, 2005, at his residence. Private memorial services will be held at a later date.

He was born on Dec. 19, 1927, in Fort Worth. Bob had lived in Howard County for 70 years. He graduated from Coahoma High School. After graduation he served in the U.S. Air Force for three years. Bob was a sports broadcaster and radio personality. He loved golf and basketball, especially the Lady Hawks in his later years. He enjoyed dancing and big band and jazz music.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Brad and Kristi Bell of Denton; one brother and sister-in-law, William Loyd Jr. and Dorothy Bell of Granbury; and one grandson, Seth Bell of Denton.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Rachel Bell.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be made to the American Diabetes Association, 10 Desta Drive, Suite 220 E, Midland, 79705.

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

Effie Mulkey

Effie Mulkey, 97, of Big Spring died Wednesday morning, March 30, 2005, at Mountain View Lodge following a short illness. Funeral Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Corona, N.M. Burial will be at the Corona Cemetery.

She was born Feb. 6, 1908, at Cement, Okla. to Samuel and Ada Harris. She married Albert "Ike" Mulkey on Feb. 14, 1936. He preceded her in death in 1996. She moved to Big Spring in August 2004, from Corona. Effie and her husband owned and operated Corona Motor Company from 1945 until 1964. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Corona.

She is survived by one daughter, Elene Means of Big Spring; two sons, Frank Mulkey of Stanton, and Lee Mulkey of Corona; nine grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband she was preceded in death by two sisters and four brothers.

Local arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com.

Patsy Tomlin

Patsy "Pat-Pat" Tomlin, 66, of Killeen, formerly of Big Spring, died Thursday, March 31, 2005, in a Temple hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Take note

- HOME HOSPICE CELEBRATES** its 10-year anniversary from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. April 7 in the office, 111 E. Seventh St., Suite A. The public is invited. Call 264-7599 for more information.

- COMANCHE TRAIL COUPLES FOUR PERSON SCRAMBLE DANCE** is set for 5:30 p.m. April 7. Pairs and spares are welcome. Call Sue Russell at 398-5452.

- TEXAS MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ASSOCIATION** has set a fund-raiser from noon until midnight April 30 to send members to the National Coalition Motorcyclist Convention in Nashville, Tenn. The event will take place at the Cossack's Motorcycle Club on Birdwell Lane. Food, music and entertainment will include an auction. The cover charge and all other proceeds will benefit the conference expenses. Call 268-6421 for more information.

- A MEMORIAL FUND HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR THE FAMILY OF TYBO JACOBS** at the First Bank of West Texas in Coahoma and Big Spring to help with funeral costs. He died in an automobile accident March 10.

- MEMBERS OF THE PUGA FAMILY** are searching for family members to invite to a family reunion July 2 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. Contact Anna Gutierrez-Trevino at 466-1780.

- HOWARD COUNTY A&M CLUB SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS FOR 2005-2006** are being accepted. Applications may be obtained from Mike or Jeane Niklasch at 1409 E. Highway 350 or by calling the club president, Dr. Tom Dawson at 267-7911, ext. 216. Application deadline is April 15.

- DEREK CHURCHWELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** has been established at Howard College. Donations may be made to the Howard College Foundation in care of Jan Foresyth, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Designate the Derek Churchwell Scholarship Fund.

- HOWARD COUNTY CHILD WELFARE BOARD** is seeking financial donations to provide support for children in Howard County who have been removed from their home due to abuse or neglect. Contact Patti Richard at 432-559-6953 or mail donations to HCCWB P.O. Box 3101 Big Spring, 79721.

Police blotter

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

- **MICHAEL LEE MUNOZ**, 22, of 204 N. Johnson, was arrested Thursday on a charge of burglary of a habitation.
- **INEZ ROCHA**, 37, of 1303 Lamar, was arrested Thursday and held for the HCSO.
- **THEFT** was reported:
 - in the 2000 block of Gregg Street.
 - in the 200 block of Marcy.
- **CRIMINAL TRESPASS** was reported in the 1700 block of Third Street.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported:
 - in the 1400 block of Benton.
 - in the 1500 block of Sycamore.
 - in the 700 block of 11th Place.
- **ASSAULT CLASS C - FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 1400 block of Benton.
- **ASSAULT BY THREAT** was reported in the 300 block of Aylesford.

Sheriff's report

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

- **RICHARD PINEDA**, 41, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid.
- **JOSEPH EDWARD OLVERA**, 18, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of burglary of a habitation.
- **BRYSON VANDERBILT**, 20, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of theft.
- **MARIO ELIAZAR RODRIGUEZ**, 20, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of robbery.
- **ESHA WARD**, 20, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of theft.
- **JESSIE TONY REYES**, 18, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of burglary of a habitation and possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.
- **MELISSA MORALES**, 23, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of theft by check.
- **CASSIE LYNN JOHNSON**, 41, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of forgery of a financial instrument.
- **INEZ RODRIGUEZ ROCHA**, 37, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on motions to revoke probation for driving while license suspended/invalid and driving while intoxicated and capias warrants for driving while license suspended/invalid and driving while intoxicated.
- **SAMUEL GALINDO JR.**, 37, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated - third or more offense.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following activity:

- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 2900 block of Bryan Road at 8:48 a.m. Thursday. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 800 block of Corilla at 10:49 a.m. Thursday. One person was transported to the VAMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87 at 2:34 p.m. Thursday. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 3700 block of W. Highway 80 at 3:16 p.m. Thursday. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1000 block of N. Gregg Street at 2:23 p.m. Thursday. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1500 block of Johnson at 7:19 p.m. Thursday. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **STRUCTURE FIRE** was reported in the 1600 block of FM 700 at 4:35 p.m. Thursday. The call was a smoke scare.
- **STRUCTURE FIRE** was reported in the 2500 block of S. Highway 87 at 10:21 p.m. Thursday. False call.
- **STRUCTURE FIRE** was reported in the 1000 block of Hilltop Road at 8:51 a.m. Thursday. Fire was out on arrival.

Weather

Tonight - Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s. North winds 10 to 15 mph shifting to the west after midnight.
 Saturday - Mostly sunny. Warmer. Highs in the lower 70s. South Winds 10 to 15 mph.
 Saturday night - Increasing clouds. Lows in the lower 40s. South Winds 10 to 15 mph.
 Sunday - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s. South winds around 10 mph shifting to the southwest in the afternoon.

Bulletin board

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

TODAY

- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until about 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 Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.
- Spring City Senior Citizen's Center country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. featuring Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area senior citizens are invited.

SATURDAY

- Texas Trash-Off.
- Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.

SUNDAY

- Daylight Savings Time begins. Set clocks forward one hour.

MONDAY

- Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon at the Chinese Dragon Restaurant.
- District Committee Lone Star of Big Spring meets at noon at 610 Scurry.
- Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call 268-4721.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets at 5:30 p.m. Monday in the 11th and Birdwell Lane Church of Christ. A different program is offered every week, and anyone 7 years old or older is welcome to attend. Please enter through the northwest door. Call 263-2786 for more information.
- Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in La Posada Restaurant.
- Big Spring Chapter and Council RAM meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Masonic building at 221 1/2 Main St.
- Howard County ARC meets at 806 E. Third in the Bingo Hall. Call 264-0674 for more information.
- Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

Lottery

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Thursday night:
 Winning numbers drawn: 6-17-23-33. Bonus Ball: 20.
 Estimated jackpot for Monday night drawing: \$450,000.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night:
 Winning numbers drawn: 12-22-24-30-36.
 Number matching five of five: 0.
 Next Cash 5 drawing: Friday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 7-6-0

Support groups

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 615 Settles 8-9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.
- West Texas Gluten-Free Support Group (Celiacs Helping celiacs) meet from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. Jan. 15 in the Odessa Regional Hospital. For more information, contact Barbara at 432-694-3614 days, or 432-520-2119 evenings.

- West Texas Gluten-Free Awareness Support Group meets from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. at Memorial Hospital west campus in Midland. Call Barbara at 432-520-2119 for more information.

SUNDAY

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Sgt. Loya home

U.S. Army Sgt. Loya, a Big Spring native, will return home this week from duty in Iraq, he announced.

Loya, assigned to the First Calvary, was stationed in the Baghdad area. Loya said his parents and Lupe Loya

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Sgt. Loya returning home from tour in Iraq

U.S. Army Sgt. Joe Loya, a Big Spring native, will return home this week from a tour of duty in Iraq, his parents announced.

Loya, assigned to the First Calvary Division, was stationed in the Baghdad area for a year, said his parents, Jesse and Lupe Loya.



Loya

Loya will be home for about a month before receiving his honorable discharge. He then plans to move to San Antonio, where he plans to attend college, his father said.

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Toomire said, "And I hope they feel that I treated them well and fairly."

Baker said he was happy the district will still be able to take advantage of Toomire's experience.

"I'm very pleased that we'll be able to keep him

around for a few more years," Baker said. "I've been to appraisal conventions with him, and it's unbelievable how many people he knows ... He's very well-known and well-respected, and he's done a great job for us."

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

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their trash bags at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Friday. This year, the trash bags are being donated by Glad Bags. We're really needing the groups that have told us they will help to check in with us so we can get a head-count on how many people will be participating.

"This year, more than ever, the Trash-Off is about community pride," said Simmons. "Our neighborhood and communities reflect our sense of pride in where we live, and we don't want it to be trashed with litter. Let's work together to accomplish this Saturday. We want to be a part by joining volunteers from all over Texas to clean up, green-up and paint-up on this one special day."

Simmons said the focus of the day may be trash and litter, but that won't stop the Keep Big Spring

Beautiful group from making it a day of pleasure.

"There will also be lunch served at the Heart of City Park at noon, provided by H-E-B and other sponsors," said Simmons. "There will be drawing for prizes and you do need to be present to win. Bring your trash to the dumpster located at the park — also pick up aluminum cans in separate bag for Keep Big Spring Beautiful. There will be a smaller dumpster for those. Bags can be picked up on Friday April 1 at the Chamber of Commerce."

Simmons said the Trash-Off will culminate at the downtown park, where volunteers will drop off their bags of trash.

While the day long event is volunteer driven, Simmons said many area residents can make a difference by simply taking a walk around their property.

"We need to clean up our town. Would everyone check their own prop-

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square outside, many tearfully gazing up at his third-floor window, and millions more around the world paused to pray for him.

In Wadowice, Poland, people left school and work early and headed to

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this so special. The parents can see how much fun it is, but you can also tell how seriously the kids take it."

Clements had plenty of adult help at the rodeo.

Coahoma's own Quail Dobbs was there, providing his usual playful banter.

Western Swing aficionado Jody Nix serenaded the crowd with a pair of

church to pray for their native son.

"I want him to hold on, but it is all in God's hands now," said 64-year-old Elzbieta Galuszko at the church where the pope was baptized in Wadowice, southern Poland. "We can only pray for him so he can pull through these difficult moments."

In the Philippines, tears

streamed down the face of Linda Nicol as she and her husband asked God to grant John Paul "a longer life." Muslims in France were praying for the pontiff because he was a "man of peace," said Dalil Boubakeur, president of the French Council of the Muslim Faith.

Navarro-Valls said John Paul asked aides to read him the biblical passage

describing the final stage of the Way of the Cross, the path that Christ took to his crucifixion. In that stage, according to the Bible, Christ's body was taken down from the cross, wrapped in a linen shroud and placed in his tomb.

Navarro-Valls said the pope followed attentively and made the sign of the cross.

stars of the show. Aside from displaying feats of derring-do in events such as bareback bronc and bull riding, barrel racing and pole bending, they also entertained the crowd with several songs and a square dance routine.

The children even left the loquacious Dobbs momentarily speechless when they ended a song in his honor with an emphatic, "We love you, Quail!"

The Hall of Fame rodeo clown quickly recovered,

erty for its appearance, check the front and see if it appealing to the eye. Pick up a piece of trash even if it is not yours, one less piece to fly around. I would also like to hear from people that have been contacted about their area that they have previously cleaned.

"Let's pull together to make this a wonderful event which reflects our community pride. We need schools, church groups, individuals, businesses, organizations plus our Adopt-a-Highway groups."

Simmons said she's excited about the event and is eager to see the impact it has on the community and the way many outsiders view it.

"It really makes a great impact on the community. I get more input from visitors and citizens in the different areas and it's great. One of the biggest problems we have right now is the plastic bags. They get caught in the mesquite trees and all over the place. I'm really pleased with the turnout

so far. There are a lot of people in Big Spring that want to help and make a difference in the community, and that really helps a lot."

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CRAFTS

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nal poetry and bath lotions and salts," said Staci Fraley, organizer of the two-day event.

Vendors are also expected to present fabric crafts, wall hangings, rag dolls, embellished shirts, hand puppets, T-shirts, lotion bars, handmade purses, bed spreads, crystal jewelry, baby quilts and metal art. Pepper cookers, chip and dip mixes, porch swings, flutes and furniture will be on sale as well.

Returning exhibitors will offer such items as

wood wreaths, floral decorations, painted wood, baked items, fur covered animals, clothing, hair accessories, Southwest jewelry, dolls, doll clothes, punched metal art, kitchen ceramics and quilts.

There will also be ornate crosses, stained

glass, toys, puzzles, belt buckles pie mixes and peanut brittle.

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

Each week, the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments. We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play.

This week we salute:

• The West Texas VA Health Care Medical Center and the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez State Veterans Home on their successful Easter egg hunts for children last weekend.

• Organizers of the Community Sunrise Service — too many to mention here — at the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheater Easter Sunday.

• Bill Schaffner, upon his retirement after 32 years in the credit union business, much of it as president of the Big Spring Education Employees Credit Union.

• Big Spring High School drama department and instructor Tracie Lindsey, on winning the District 4-4A One-Act Play Contest, and to James Clark, Tapley Holguin, Erin Griffin, Connor Phillips and Jessi New for all-star recognition.

• Coahoma students, teachers, administrators, volunteers — the list goes on and on. What a wonderful show the Coahoma Kindergarten Stick Horse Rodeo was! Here's looking forward to the 28th!

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

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A SMALL PRAYER

Dear Lord, you are our friend who loves us and cares about our future.

Amen

We need to get God out of politics

I never imagined that when I became a fellow at Harvard's Institute of Politics this semester, I would get a spring break.

Break from what? While everyone around me has been working feverishly, I have been spending these last weeks smelling the flowers. (Or, at least, I would have been smelling the flowers had they not been covered by several feet of snow.)

In any case, I am on spring break for a week and am celebrating by presenting the work of another one of my liaisons, one of the six undergraduates who have volunteered to work with me.

Matt Anderson is 19, a sophomore in government at Harvard, and is from Guilderland, N.Y., a suburb of Albany. Here is his essay:

By Matt Anderson
My grandfather hated Notre Dame's football team. While this wasn't a unique opinion back when the Fighting Irish were winning countless national championships, he despised that team for a different reason than most people.

My grandfather was a Presbyterian minister, and he thought it was inappropriate for a football team to invoke the name of God. He believed "Touchdown Jesus" and all its variants cheapened the Lord's message.

If my grandfather were alive today, I think he would have felt a similar way about Congress' recent attempts to co-opt God for political purposes during the Terri Schiavo controversy. Though

Congress' decision to pass unconstitutional legislation extending Mary and Bob Schindler's right to federal appeal was masked in quasi-secular rhetoric, there was no mistaking the Republican leadership's motives for championing that bill.

Kowtowing to the radical Religious Right is an art form in the Republican Party. In Washington, every year is an election year, even when there's no election being held. It's never too early to start currying favor with your base — or, in the case of the feckless Democrats who supported the Schiavo legislation, diffusing your opponent's potential points of attack.

Heck, the 2008 presidential election is only a little more than 1,300 days away. Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist's transparent attempt to secure the support of members of the Religious Right (who still hold a veto over the nomination process), with his stunningly irresponsible videotape diagnosis of Terri Schiavo's condition, plainly reminds us of this fact. In a 2008 field likely to contain high-profile moderates Rudy Giuliani and John McCain, Frist is positioning himself as a true social conservative by prescribing the far right's favorite brand of medicine: a not so subtle dose of Old Time Religion.

This type of base politics is nothing new — the 2004 election just proved its efficacy. Whether supporting vouchers for sectarian institutions or fighting to place the Ten Commandments in court-houses, blurring the line between church and state is a Washington pastime that the Nationals have little chance of supplanting in popularity. Convening a special session of Congress (during that body's Easter recess, no less) to pass a bill that affects only a sin-

gle family is just one particularly blatant example of this tendency.

This type of pandering needs to stop. It's disrespectful to God, and it's disrespectful to our democracy.

God doesn't take sides in football games, and he doesn't take sides in politics. To assume otherwise exhibits an extreme and prideful arrogance.

The Bible, after all, isn't an easy book to decipher. Though President Bush declared that his decision to go to war with Iraq was a divinely sanctioned part of bestowing "the Almighty's gift (of democracy) to every man and woman in this world," God is rarely clear about His intentions.

The same God that told my grandfather to sermonize against the Vietnam War told President Bush to invade Iraq. The same God that told my grandfather to be tolerant of the way other people lived their lives told President Bush to cater to the "God Hates Gays" crowd by using gay marriage as election-year boilerplate.

We need to get God out of politics. While we can't ask voters to leave their deeply felt religious convictions outside of the voting booth (everyone is entitled to vote on whatever basis they choose), we can ask public figures to stop exploiting God for electoral gain. The Republican Party needs to start respecting the faithful religious individuals they supposedly represent and resist the temptation to use God to score cheap political points.

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UN scandal: Let's get priorities straight

Some days, it's hard to pick the outrage du jour, but hypocrisy is always an inviting target, and the United Nations oil-for-food scandal provides a two-fer. We have been hearing much right-wing huffing over the dreadful, terrible, awful, unprecedented, worst-ever scandal in all history. One indignant winger was livid because The New York Times devoted more coverage to the collapse of Enron than to the earth-shaking U.N. scandal.

Those throwing conniption fits over the United Nations' misdeeds (failure of oversight, according to the Volcker Report) might want to meditate a bit on the role of the U.S. government in all this before they further embarrass themselves denouncing perfidious foreigners.

For one thing, part of the oversight responsibility was on the United States, as a member of the 661 Committee, which monitored Iraq's compliance with the sanctions. The United States had the power to veto all sales of Iraqi oil and all purchases of goods bought with money from the program. Further, The Washington Post reports, "Diplomats and oil brokers have recently said that the U.S. had long turned a blind eye to illicit shipments of Iraqi oil by its allies Jordan and Turkey. The United States acknowledged this week that it had acquiesced in the trade to ensure that crucial allies would not suffer economic hardships."

In fact, in March 2003, the Treasury Department provided assurances that the United States would not obstruct a plan by two companies to import millions of barrels of oil from Iraq in viola-

tion of U.N. sanctions.

Smuggling oil was actually Saddam Hussein's biggest source of income, not the kickbacks he got from oil-for-food. Ahed Okhon, a spokesman for one of the companies, claims Jordan had "blanket cover" from the U.N. sanctions.

Now, for the other end of the hypocrisy-fest. Newsweek, in an extensive report on corruption in Iraq, says: "More than U.S. money is at stake. The administration has harshly criticized the United Nations over hundreds of millions stolen from the oil-for-food program under Saddam. But the successor to oil-for-food created under the occupation, called the Development Fund for Iraq, could involve billions of potentially misused dollars. On Jan. 30, the CPA's (Coalition Provisional Authority) own inspector general, Stuart Bowen, concluded that occupation authorities accounted poorly for \$8.8 billion in these Iraqi funds."

Franklin Willis, a former CPA senior adviser, told Newsweek that the administration's reluctance to prosecute outright fraud in Iraq has turned the place into a "free-fraud zone."

The poster child for corruption in the occupation of Iraq is Custer Battles, which overcharged the CPA by millions of dollars, according to military authorities. The administration has refused to join efforts to prosecute the company. Custer Battles denies the charges.

Why the party that used to harp on government "waste, fraud and abuse" is letting this stinking mess of corruption develop may be explained by an executive order Bush issued on May 22, 2003. International Oil Daily reported a few months later: "Lawyers with watchdog and advocacy groups say the president's ruling on indemnity goes well beyond the legal protection for Iraqi oil agreed on at

the U.N. Other lawyers and government officials argue that the legal protection is limited to Iraqi oil and that the order was not trying to sneak in a legal shield for corporate America in its dealings with Iraq.

"In the EO, Bush is handing U.S. firms 'a blank check for corporate anarchy' in an 'outrageous cancellation of the rule of law,' said legal director Tom Devine with the Government Accountability Project."

According to Newsweek, the administration argues privately that the CPA was a multinational institution, not an arm of the U.S. government, so the government was not technically defrauded.

"If urgent steps are not taken, Iraq ... will become the biggest corruption scandal in history," said Transparency International, an anti-corruption group.

The EO itself reads: "I hereby order ... any attachment, judgment, decree, lien, execution, garnishment or other judicial process is prohibited, and shall be deemed null and void, with respect to the following: a) the Development Fund for Iraq and b) all Iraqi petroleum and petroleum products." That would pretty much cover Halliburton.

Of course, I'm not arguing that any of this excuses the oil-for-food mess at the United Nations, but I am saying we need to get our priorities straight. The U.N. scandal did not cost the taxpayers any money, but this one is coming right out of our pockets. And if we can't even sue the bastards to get it back, we are in big trouble.

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East Fourth Baptist Church

East Fourth Baptist Church, 1431 Scurry St., Big Spring, invites you to Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., and service beginning at 10:30 a.m.

A Youth Discipleship class, Royal Ambassadors, Action, Mission, and Mission, offered for church ages Sunday 9:45 a.m. and service begins Sunday Evening worship at 6.

April 6, adults invited to Bible study from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Teen-ages invited to worship Youth group at 7 p.m. Call 267-2291 for information.

First United Methodist Church

"High Sunday" title of the Rev. Ring's Communion Sunday service is from A. Worship service 8:30 a.m. and Holy Communion observed.

Chancel Choir rehearsal at 2 p.m. Children's Church at 3 p.m. The church meeting is at Junior high school at 5 p.m. Senior youth meet at 6 p.m. Every Wednesday at noon Bible Lunch is provided small donation April 6, Holy Communion rehearsal at 7 p.m. Center in Pr

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The real Jesus is revealed only in the Bible

When Jesus began His ministry, He went to the synagogue in His hometown of Nazareth. There He read from the prophet Isaiah a text that described the work of the Messiah that Israel had been awaiting for hundreds of years.

After He had finished the prophetic text, He said, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing" (Luke 4:21).

In other words, Jesus was telling these hometown folks that He was the One they had always been waiting for.

The people, however, could not get past the fact that He was the carpenter's son they had watched grow up. "Is this not Joseph's son?" they asked (Luke 4:22).

They had a mental picture of what the Messiah would be like when He came, and Jesus did not fit that picture. They were prejudiced against Jesus because they were looking for a different kind of Messiah.

They were looking for an earthly king to throw off Roman rule and lead Israel back to the glory days of David.

On the other hand, Jesus had come to change men's hearts, not rule over territories.

Their prejudice moved them to reject Jesus, the true Messiah.

I wonder what vision we'd have of Jesus if He were to

come to live among us.

I dare say that most people have an idea of what they think Jesus would be like. Perhaps, for some He would be meek and gentle, never condemning their sin or holding anyone accountable for living immorally.

He is their Savior from sin, but not the Lord of their lives.

Or maybe, for others He would welcome only those of a particular race or nationality. To them, God is intolerant of all who do not look or speak like them.

Still others may think of Jesus as just a man who had some good things to say, but that's all. To them, the religion that centers around Jesus is no more legitimate than any other religion.

The sad fact is that we all have our own prejudices about

what Jesus would or should be like. The chances are that most people would be disappointed if the real Jesus came to live among them because they hold a popular view rather than the Biblical view.

We must never get our understanding of Jesus from the popular view. The popular culture does not define the real Jesus.

"The Da Vinci Code" is not our source for getting to know the real Jesus. It's just a novel, a work of fiction and nothing more.

It seems that the news media incessantly tries to define Jesus for us through so-called investigative reports. They usually appeal more to recent scholarship than to the historically confirmed New Testament.

Journalism is not the source

for our knowledge of the real Jesus. Television and the movies are not the source for knowing the real Jesus. No matter how much accuracy the screenwriters and directors may try to put into their films, they are merely telling a story from their own subjective point of view.

The real Jesus is revealed only in the Bible.

The Son of God, who was foretold in prophecy, became flesh, was crucified for sins, was raised from the dead and even now reigns as the Lord of all can only be known as we make the Bible our source of knowledge and faith.

We must not let our prejudices keep us from a knowledge of the truth.

Russ Mullins is minister of the Coahoma Church of Christ.



Russ Mullins

Church news

East Fourth Street Baptist Church

East Fourth Street Baptist Church, 401 E. Fourth, invites the Big Spring community to join us for Sunday services. Sunday school starts at 9:45 a.m. and the worship service begins at 11 a.m.

A Youth Discipleship class, Royal Ambassadors, Girls in Action, Mission Friends and Mission Babies are offered for children of all ages Sunday nights at 4:45. Choir practice begins Sunday at 5. Evening worship begins at 6.

April 6, adults are invited to Bible study from 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. Teen-agers are invited to worship with the Youth group at the same time.

Call 267-2291 for more information.

First United Methodist Church

"High Sunday" is the title of the Rev. Dr. Dave Ring's Communion meditation Sunday. The scripture is from Acts 2:22-33. Worship services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. Holy Communion will be observed.

Chancel Choir will rehearse at 2 p.m., and Children's Choir at 4 p.m. The church prayer meeting is at 5 p.m. Junior high youth meet at 5 p.m. Senior high youth meet at 6:30 p.m.

Every Wednesday, join in at noon Bible study. Lunch is provided for a small donation.

April 6, Handbells rehearse at 7 p.m. and Center in Praise rehears-

es at 8 p.m.

The Hispanic ministry holds Bible studies at 6 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday at the Kentwood Center. Everyone is invited to join.

The church will host a missions banquet April 10. Everyone is invited and encouraged to bring a covered dish.

Special prayer times are observed in the chapel Thursday at noon and Friday at 7 a.m.

First United Methodist Church is located at 400 Scurry. For more information, call 267-6394.

First Christian Church

Sunday services begin at 9:45 a.m. with Sunday School, followed by worship service at 10:50 a.m. The Rev. Norman Alexander will fill the pulpit Sunday. Nursery is provided. Sunday evening prayer meeting guest speaker is Mayor Russ McEwen. Wally Slate will bring the devotional. Prayer service starts at 5 p.m. and everyone is welcome.

Wednesday Bible study in the Isaiah 58 building starts at 10:30 a.m. Choir practice is at 6 p.m.

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad. For more information, call 267-7851.

Cornerstone Church

Cornerstone Church, an Every Nation Ministries church, invites children in kindergarten through fourth grade to Sunday activities.

Sunday, the children's ministry will begin a study of the Sermon on the Mount.

The New Youth, for

grades 5 and 6, continue a study of the Ten Commandments at 7 p.m. each Wednesday in April.

Cornerstone is at the corner of 12th and Owens streets. Morning worship begins at 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday worship is at 7 p.m. Childcare is available. Call Pastor Craig or Cherise Felty at 263-3072 with any questions.

Calvary Baptist Church

Calvary Baptist Church welcomes all those who are looking for a place to worship. Calvary Baptist is located at 1200 W. Fourth Street. Preaching services are at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday.

Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. and Wednesday Bible study is at 5 p.m.

Life Church

Life Church, at 600 E. FM 700, offers two morning worship services Sunday, the first at 8:30 a.m. and again at 10:30 a.m. Children's ministries are available during both services for ages 0-12.

YoungLife seeks volunteers

YoungLife, a non-profit Christian organization for high school students, seeks Christian, adult volunteers to work with teen-agers to enjoy skits, comedy routines and fellowship during YoungLife club.

Club members are also preparing for YoungLife camp July 2-10 in Colorado.

For more information or to contribute to

YoungLife, call leader Shelly Warren at 264-1234.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Everyone is invited to attend worship services at St. Mary's on Sunday. Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m.

For more information, call 267-8201 or visit www.stmarysbst.org. St. Mary's is located at 1001 South Goliad.

First Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Matthew Miles, minister, will speak on scripture taken from John 20:19-31 Sunday. Sunday School begins at 9:45 and Take Ten is held at 10:35.

Worship service is held at 11 a.m. Communion will also be held.

Choir practice is Wednesday at 6 p.m. The Presbyterian Women's meeting will be held in Sonora April 9.

Please join us for any of our activities. Everyone is always welcome at First Presbyterian Church, located on Runnels between Seventh and Eighth.

East Side Baptist Church

East Side Baptist Church, 1108 E. Sixth, extends to you a warm welcome to visit our services and join us in celebrating our Lord.

We have a great Sunday School time each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. We

have classes for each age group.

We meet at 10:45 a.m. each Sunday for family worship and again at 6 p.m.

Wednesday evening services are a time of sharing our praises and burden with each other followed with teaching from God's Word.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

St. Paul will be joining community members all around Big Spring in the annual Don't Mess with Texas Trash Off this Saturday. We urge everyone to "do your part" and help Keep Big Spring Beautiful! St. Paul is also participating in the annual health fair coming April 16 with information about improving your spiritual health.

The St. Paul Sunrise Walkers Relay For Life team will have casseroles and desserts for sale after church on April 10 and April 24. Call 267-7163 for more information about any projects. Join us for worship Sunday morning

at 9 with Bible Study following at 10:15 a.m.

Friends of Unity

Friends are looking forward to a message from the Rev. Jim Sims, minister of Unity Church of West Texas in Odessa, Sunday at a 1 p.m. traditional Unity service. All are welcome at the Center, located in the east boxcar in the Railroad Plaza. Each person who attends receives spiritual insight for this life's journey.

First Assembly of God

You are invited to hear Pastor R. T. Havener's special message entitled "How I Know Jesus Christ is the Son of God," Sunday in the 10:40 a.m. service. This sermon taken from John 6:69, will deal with the deity of Jesus Christ.

In the evening service at 6 p.m., Pastor Havener will speak on "It's Planting Time."

The public is invited to join the congregation of First Assembly at Fourth and Lancaster.



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Staked Plains Lodge No. 598

Staked Plains Lodge No. 598 will have a special called meeting Friday. We have five brothers that have given half a century of their lives for Masonry. They will be honored with the presentation of their 50 Year Pin. Dinner will be at 6 p.m. and the presentation will be at 7. This will be an open meeting. We encourage everyone to come and help honor these dedicated brothers. If possible bring a salad or dessert.

Big Spring Shrine Club

The Big Spring Shrine Club met March 19. Noble James Jones and Lady Joyce prepared the meal and led the meeting. We want to send a big thank you to both of them. They are a big asset to the Big Spring Shrine Club.

The next meeting of the Big Spring Shrine Club will be April 16. Remember, the Signal Peak Golf Classic will be July 16-17.

Last year we had a great time at Summer Mummies. This year the magic date is Aug. 17. If you are interested in going, contact Cindy Hughes or Sue Anderson. There are a limited number of seats, so get your tickets early.

TOPS TX 21

Member of TOPS TX 21 met Monday at 5:30 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehab Center, 306 West Third with leader Donna Menges presiding.

The opening prayer was voiced by Olnee Menges. The TOPS and KOPS pledges were recited, followed by the fellowship song.

Eight TOPS and five KOPS answered roll call. Best loser of the TOPS was Duffy Yancey. Pat Aaron was the best loser of the KOPS. Each one received the weekly best loser award and certificate.

Weight recorder Genay Bertran handed out additional awards. Two people who had reached their goal weight in 2004 and will graduate at the upcoming State Recognition Days in San Angelo were Pat Aaron and Alex Sechelski. They received a TOPSI figurine and a \$15 check from the club. Alex will also represent the club as chapter king at the event.

Other members to receive certificates for their weight loss were Joyce Chelette, Martha Christy, Wanda Lee and Pam Klaus. A five-branch candelabra adorned with grapevine swags held the candles the new officers lit after being installed. Outgoing leader Donna Menges first lit the candle of continuity. New officers to take office on April 4 are leader Hughetta Roberts, co-leader Olnee Menges, secretary Joyce Chelette, treasurer Shirley Jenkins and weight recorder Genay Bertran. Pat Aaron will serve as assistant weight recorder.

Following the installation of new officers, the club adjourned and met in the home of Alex and Cherry Sechelski for a salad supper, one of two food functions allowed during the year.

For information concerning TOPS, call 1-800-392-8677 or locally 263-0391 or 263-1758.

NOVENA PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit you who make me see everything and shows me the way to teach my ideas, you who give me the divine gift to forgive and forget the wrong that was done to me. I, in this short dialogue want to thank you for everything and confirm once more that I never want to be separated from you no matter how great the material desire may be. I want to be with you and my loved ones your perpetual glory. AMEN Thank you for your love towards me and my loved one. Say this prayer for three consecutive days asking for your request. After the third day your wish will be granted no matter how difficult it may be. Then promise to publish this dialogue as soon as your favor has been granted.

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Cornell Co announces tournament

Cornell Co is sponsoring softball tournament benefiting R Life.

The tournament will take place April 23 at Cotton inside Coahoma Park.

The cost of a player and line to ride Friday, April 23. Concessions will be available.

For more information, call 263-214 during the tournament or 267-2004 at night.

Howard Co sets crawfish

The Howard Co team will compete in its annual boil April 1 at the H.C. I during the tournament.

College's annual cost of a ticket which includes a meal into rodeo.

For more information, contact the rodeo coordinator Kernick at 263-214.

Dodgeball set for April

Cornell Co has set up a dodgeball tournament for April at the YMCA and ment will be held for Life.

The tournament costs \$10 and the dealer is April 23 during the tournament.

For more information, call 263-214 during the tournament or 267-2004 at night.

Couples scramble set up at

A summer couples scramble tournament has been set up at the Coahoma Course.

The tournament starts Thursday and will take place Thursday the summer tournament.

The tournament consists of nine holes and the tee time is 5:30 p.m.

For more information, contact Russell at 263-214.

Softball Announces to hold

The Big Spring Softball will be held at the Anderson Hollis Field for more information or if interested in, call Ramirez at 264-1530.

Garnett h Wolves' h

LOS ANGELES — Kevin ... 23 points, and six assists teammates double figure Timberwolves' fifth victory, winning Los Angeles 105-96.

The Wolves' first loss of the season came last night and now w

Do you have an interesting sports item or story idea? Call Troy Hyde at 263-7331. Ext. 237. Email results to: sports@bigspringherald.com

IN BRIEF

Cornell Corrections announces softball tournament at Mize

Cornell Corrections is sponsoring a co-ed softball tournament benefiting Relay For Life.

The tournament will take place April 22 and 23 at Cotton Mize Field inside Comanche Trail Park.

The cost is \$10 per player and the deadline to register is Friday, April 15.

Concessions will also be available.

For more information, call 267-1911 ext. 214 during the day and 267-2004 at night.

Howard rodeo team sets crawfish boil

The Howard College rodeo team will hold its annual crawfish boil April 16 at 2 p.m. at the H.C. Rodeo Bowl during Howard College's annual rodeo.

The cost is \$15, which includes ticket into rodeo.

For more information, contact Howard rodeo coach Greg Kernick at 816-9477.

Dodgeball tourney set for April 9

Cornell Corrections has set up a co-ed dodgeball tournament for April 9 at the YMCA and the tournament will benefit Relay For Life.

The tournament costs \$10 per person and the deadline to register is April 5.

For more information, call 267-7911 ext. 214 during the day or 267-2004 at night.

Couples scramble set up at Comanche

A summer long couples scramble tournament has been set at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

The tournament will start Thursday and will take place every Thursday throughout the summer, ending sometime in October.

The tournament consists of nine holes and the tee time each day is 5:30 p.m.

For more information, contact Sue Russell at 398-5452.

Softball Association to hold umpire clinic

The Big Spring Girl's Softball Association will be holding an ASA umpire clinic Monday at 6 p.m.

The clinic will be held at the Roy Anderson Complex at Hollis Field.

For more information or if anyone is interested in attending, call Francisco Ramirez at 466-3670 or 264-1530.

Garnett helps keep Wolves' hopes alive

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kevin Garnett had 23 points, 12 rebounds and six assists, and six teammates scored in double figures as the Timberwolves gained their fifth straight victory, winning over the Los Angeles Lakers, 105-96.

The Wolves won 15 of their first 23 games, lost 22 of their next 35, and now won 10 of 14.

Two freshman fare well at Western Texas rodeo

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

SNYDER — The weather was nice and so was two Howard College freshman rodeo members' performances Thursday night at the Western Texas College rodeo.

Only four members of the Hawk team competed

in the first night of competition, and freshmen Jed Headley and Dustin Specht looked good in their initial runs. Headley scored a 68 in the bareback riding competition, while Specht was timed at 9.5 in calf roping.

"The weather cooled off a bit and was good," said



Howard coach Greg Kernick. "I don't know if that helped us or not, but it is always easier to compete when the elements are on your side."

Freshmen Cody Heiner and Trent Broussard both competed Thursday night, as well. Heiner took his first run in steer wrestling and scored a time of 12.6. The event seems to be fast, according to Kernick, as the leader scored a 3.3. Broussard competed in

the bull riding event, but failed to complete the eight second ride.

Howard will have several participants compete Friday, including Jeremy Russell and Danny McDowell in the bull riding event.

The rodeo runs through Saturday evening.

Buzzer-beater helps Gamecocks capture first-ever NIT trophy

By IRA PODELL

AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Carlos Powell had less than 2 1/2 minutes remaining in his college career when South Carolina coach Dave Odom put him on the bench.

The Gamecocks star forward couldn't believe it. How could this be happening to him when his team had a one-point lead over Saint Joseph's in the NIT championship game?

"The answer simply is, he was tired," Odom said. "He had just missed two inside layups, chippies for him."

"He said, 'What are you doing?' I said 'You're human, too. You're tired. Sit and I'll get you back.' He did, and came back very, very well."

Powell got on the floor soon after and was in the thick of the celebration when Tarence Kinsey's tiebreaking 3-pointer with 1.3 seconds left gave South Carolina a 60-57 victory Thursday night.

Powell scored a game-high 16 points and was chosen tournament MVP, showing no problems with the right forearm he strained in the semifinal victory over Maryland Tuesday.

He had 31 points and grabbed 16 rebounds in his final two games.

South Carolina (29-13) reached 20 wins for the third time in Odom's four seasons and earned the first NIT title in school history after being the

runner-up in 2002.

"It is great as seniors to be champions," said Powell, the Gamecocks' career leader in games played. "It is a great thing for us."

Odom improved to 16-3 in the NIT. He also won it in 2000 with Wake Forest.

A day earlier, Powell said winning this title would be better than a first-round loss in the NCAA tournament. The latter is how last season ended, and he wanted to leave as a winner.

Once Mississippi beat the Gamecocks in the first round of the Southeastern Conference tournament, the "big dance" was out of reach this year.

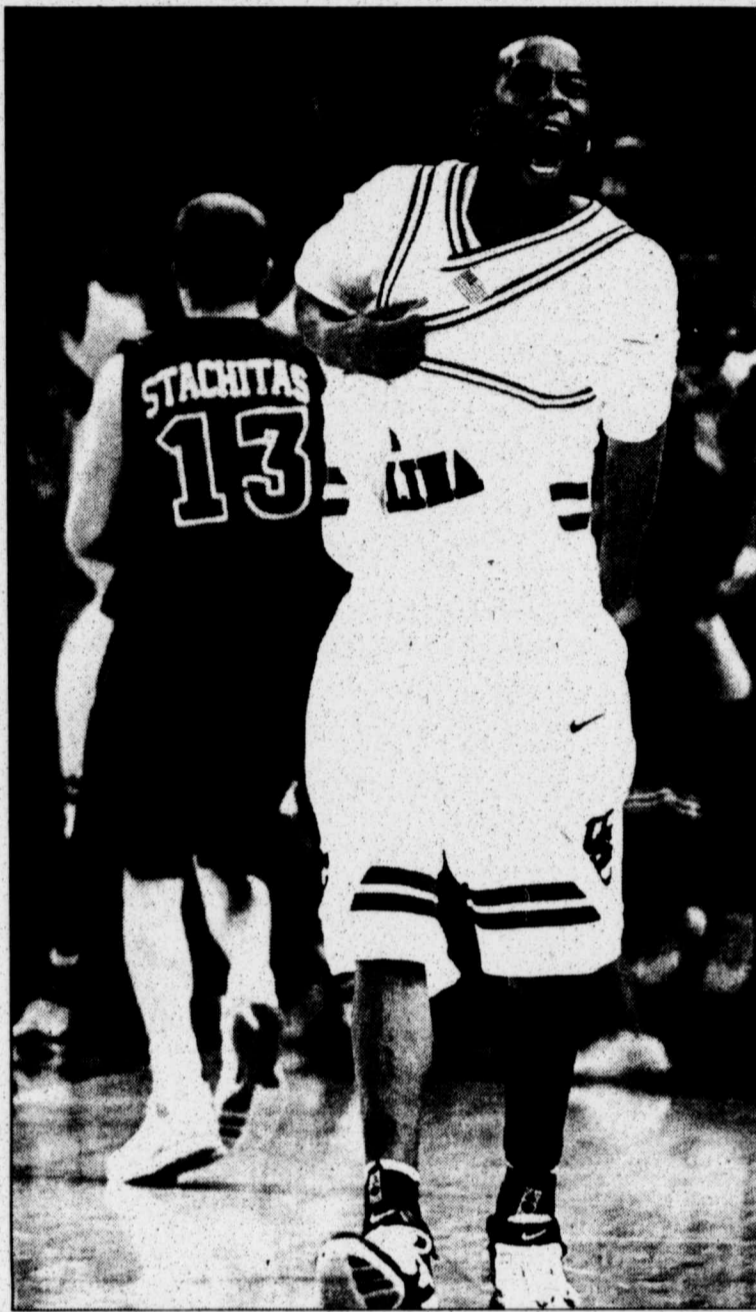
"We came back a day off and had practice. We didn't know what we were practicing for," Powell said. "We decided from there on out we were going to have fun."

Pat Carroll's college farewell game was anything but enjoyable.

The Saint Joseph's sharpshooter couldn't find the range all night, that is until there were 7.7 seconds left.

His 19th shot, 13th from behind the arc, went in to tie it at 57. But that was only his fifth successful attempt, and only the second good one from 3-point range.

"You're going to have good nights and bad nights as a basketball player. Tonight was definitely a bad night," the Atlantic 10 co-player of the year said. "The only



KRT photo/Charles Fox, Philadelphia Inquirer
South Carolina's Tarence Kinsey celebrates after his 3-point shot, in the closing seconds of the NIT championship game, defeated Saint Joseph's Thursday in New York City.

thing I wanted to do as a player was have no regrets."

His Hawks career ended with a 15-point performance, after he averaged 20.6 in the first five NIT games.

Known more for defense, Kinsey's 3-pointer was the one that made the difference.

"I figured if I miss we're in OT," Kinsey said. "I didn't want to pass because of the time, so I said, 'Why not take the shot?'"

He was only in to guard Carroll, and had been substituted on offense-defense switches down the stretch. As Kinsey crossed midcourt, Odom was about to call timeout to get shooter Josh Gonner back in.

But he didn't. "I didn't want their defense to set for the last play. So I swallowed my tongue, or whatever," Odom said. "The irony is, had I called a timeout, I

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Steers sit fifth after one round of districts

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

PLAINVIEW — Big Spring's best score of the season was not enough to put the Steers in first place at the first round of the boy's district golf tournament.

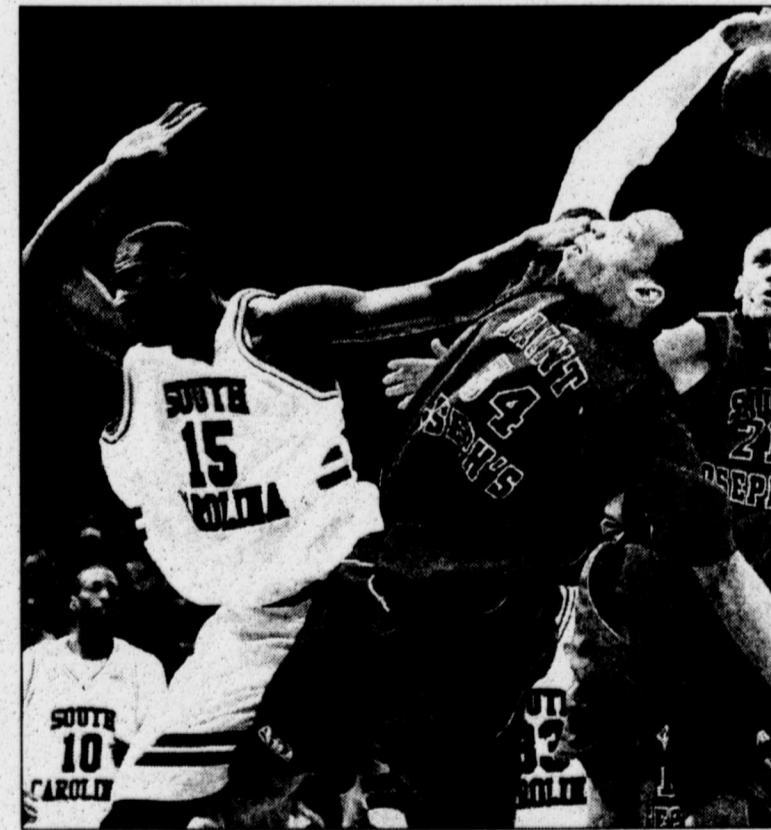
The Steers shot a 338 on the day, but still sit in fifth place overall among District 4-4A teams, trailing Andrews 'A', Plainview, Frenship and Andrews 'B'. Andrews' top team scored a 303, while Plainview and Frenship are both tied for second after shooting 309. The Andrews 'B' team finished eight shots off of second and are sitting fourth after shooting a 317. Lubbock Estacado and Lake View finished sixth and seventh, respectively.

Bryston Jimenez of Plainview took first after day one with a 70, while Andrews' duo of Dylan Dockery and Jacob Subia shot 71 and 73, respectively.

Big Spring was led by juniors Chance Cain and Tommy Billalba. Cain fired a 77, while Billalba shot a 79. Brian Hale came in third with an 84. Senior Wesley Parks shot a 96, while junior Collin Carroll fired a 97.

The Steers' second team was led by Ryan Tannehill's 96, while Seve Watson scored a 97.

The District 4-4A's next round will take place Tuesday in Lubbock at the Hillcrest C.C.



KRT photo/Charles Fox, Philadelphia Inquirer
Saint Joseph's John Bryant, right, gets tangeled up with South Carolina's Carlos Powell after Bryant blocked his shot in the first half of the NIT championship game Tuesday in New York City.

Michigan State's Izzo savors moment fourth time around

• Spartans still have work to do against No. 1 seeded UNC

By PAUL NEWBERRY

AP Sports Writer

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Tom See SPARTANS, Page 3B

Izzo wanted to take it all in.

Sure, he had already been to three Final Fours, even won a national championship. But the Michigan State coach

Stasey's devotion to baseball ran thick

By PAUL A. ANTHONY

San Angelo Standard Times

Pat Stasey's heart was different than most — made of horsehide with red stitching.

A longtime minor-league baseball player, manager and owner who



STASEY helped bring baseball back to San Angelo after a 40-year absence, Stasey died Tuesday. He was 88. "He was a baseball man," said Patricia Aylor, his daughter.

Stasey played 14 years in the minor and independent leagues with such greats as Ted Williams and Warren Spahn and was inducted in 1998 into the Texas Baseball Hall of Fame. After becoming one of the San Angelo Colts' first investors when the franchise was revived in 2000, he served as the team's bench coach for two years, including the team's 2001 championship season.

Born in 1917 and raised on a ranch near Stephenville, Stasey, an outfielder, worked his way through the Washington Senators farm system until his major-league aspirations were cut short by World War II, when he joined the Army. A solid hitter, Stasey finished only three seasons with a batting average below .300. In 1947, his first year returning from the war, Stasey hit .416 in 123 games, only to lose the batting title to Midland's Jim Prince, who hit .429, best in organized baseball that year.

In 1947, Stasey helped found the Class D Longhorn League. As owner, manager and player for the Washington Senators-affiliated Big Spring Broncs, he led his team to first place twice and never hit below .344.

More significantly, Stasey each year traveled to Cuba and recruited players for the Senators, one of baseball's first teams to tap the Latin American market. One of those players, whom Stasey also

coached in Big Spring, was pitcher Camilo Pascual, a winner of 174 major-league games, most with the Senators and Minnesota Twins.

"He helped a lot of people find a better way of life," Aylor said.

Stasey also managed and played for Longhorn League teams in Roswell, N.M., and Hobbs, N.M.

After turning down an offer in 1957 from the Senators to be the team's assistant farm director, Stasey turned to the business world in San Angelo.

Nevertheless, Stasey remained a baseball fan, helping out the Angelo State University team before it disbanded in the 1960s and jumping on board as one of a group of investors that funded the re-creation of the San Angelo Colts in 2000.

A baseball fan to the end, Stasey began attending ASU baseball games this year, Aylor said, watching the players and talking about which he thought could become stars.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. today at First Christian Church.

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'Survivors' hope guards can carry them to title game

By EDDIE PELLIS
AP Sports Writer

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Their seasons were all but over, their deficits too steep to overcome.

Somehow, Illinois and Louisville did overcome, though, and now they're at the Final Four, fully infused with the confidence that almost any obstacle can be conquered.

What did the Illini learn when they made a 15-point deficit with 4 minutes left vanish to beat Arizona in the regional final?

"That we won't give up, man," junior guard Dee Brown said.

And the Cardinals? Trailing by 20, up against a West Virginia team that was turning their regional final into a lopsided game of H-O-R-S-E?

"It's a never-give-up attitude," coach Rick Pitino said.

Illinois (36-1) and Louisville (33-4), who meet Saturday in the first national semifinal, are teams built for the comeback.

They have guards who can shoot the 3: Brown and Luther Head of Illinois each shot better than 40 percent. Taquan Dean of Louisville made 120 3-pointers this season, shattering DeJuan Wheat's school record by 23.

Those same guards can ratchet up the defense:

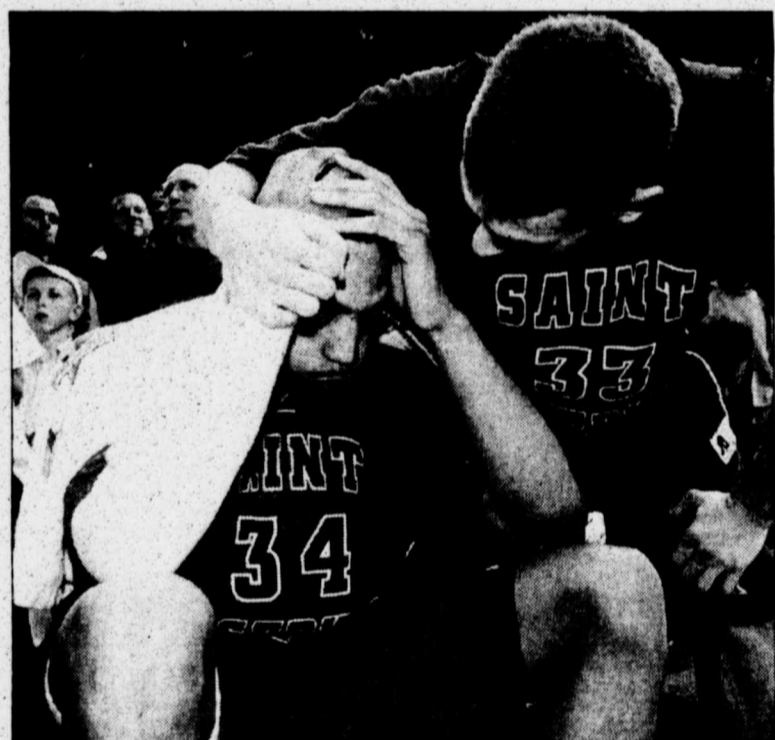
Brown, the Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year, helped Illinois put on a press that smothered Arizona down the stretch. Louisville switched from zone to man to shut down West Virginia.

They both like to run and score quickly: Illinois averaged 75.9 points a game and played most games in the 70s and 80s despite playing in the brawny, defensive-minded Big Ten. Louisville scored 81.3 points a game and was able to score even when Pitino abandoned his vaunted pressure defense.

They have coaches who won't let their teams give up — Bruce Weber made his players look into his eyes late in the Arizona game and told them they hadn't come this far to let it slip away. At halftime against West Virginia, Pitino reeled off a list of great comebacks he had been involved in and said this could be next on the list.

"Sometimes, pressure is an amazing thing," Pitino said. "It brings out the best in people, and also the worst."

The Illini, making their first Final Four appearance since 1989, are out to fulfill a goal they set very early in the season. They were ranked first in The Associated Press poll on Dec. 6 and stayed there until the end.



KRT photo/Charles Fox, Philadelphia Inquirer
Saint Joseph seniors John Bryant, left, and Pat Carroll comfort each other after losing to USC 60-57 in the NIT championship game Thursday in New York City.

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would have put Josh in and taken Tarence out — no question."

South Carolina was only the second team in the NIT to get to 60 points against the Hawks (24-12), who controlled the tempo with ball control and good defense.

The Hawks were 22-2 when holding opponents to 60 points or fewer. "I felt if we could hit 60 we would win," Odom said. "I didn't know it would come on the last shot."

The Hawks started 3-6 in the follow-up season to their run to the NCAA regional finals. They turned things around and went 21-6 after Jan. 1.

"They will fight you, scratch you and claw you until there is nothing left," coach Phil Martelli said. "I am eternally grateful to them for all their efforts, all their emotion, all of their flaws."

Kinse made two free throws to make it 56-51 with 27.4 seconds remaining, 7 seconds before Chet Stachitas' 3-pointer

brought the Hawks within two.

South Carolina's Rocky Trice made 1 of 2 from the line, giving Saint Joseph's a chance to tie — and Carroll came through.

"That shot only tied the game," Carroll said. "There was absolutely no satisfaction when that shot went in."

Tell that to the crowd of 11,555 — made up of mostly Saint Joseph's fans — that erupted in cheers only to have them silenced seconds later.

Saint Joseph's got to the title game the hard way, starting in the opening round and playing four times before reaching New York. Of the final four teams, only the Hawks played in the opening round. They were also the only team to play on the road before reaching Madison Square Garden.

The Hawks were also the NIT runners-up in 1996, Martelli's first season as coach.

"We are not going to leave here in second place, we are going to leave as champions," he said. "It just doesn't say that in the end result."

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2005 Steer Baseball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
April 1	*Andrews	(T)	7:00
April 5	*Frenship	(T)	7:30
April 8	*Estacado	(H)	5:00
April 12	*Plainview	(H)	5:00
April 15	*Lakeview	(T)	5:00
April 19	*Andrews	(H)	5:00
April 22	*Estacado	(T)	7:00
April 26	*Frenship	(H)	5:00
April 29	*Plainview	(T)	6:00

(DH) Double Header

*District Games

Head Coach: Jason Phillips Asst. Coaches: Kenny Lowery & Paul Hidalgo



2005 Lady Steer Softball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	TEAM	SITE	TIME
April 1	Midland Lee Soph	JV	(H)	5:30
April 1	*Estacado	V	(H)	4:00
April 5	*Plainview	V-JV	(H)	4/5:30
April 8	*Lakeview	V-JV	(T)	4:30/6
April 12	*Andrews	V-JV	(H)	4/5:30
April 14	Midland Lee Soph.	JV	(T)	4:30
April 15	*Estacado	V	(T)	4:30
April 19	*Frenship	V-JV	(H)	4/5:30
April 22	*Plainview	JV-V	(T)	4/6:00

*District Games

Head Coach: Phillip Pearce

Good Luck To All Of You!



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never really savored the moment, never really appraised what it meant to reach college basketball's promised land.

"The others went so fast," Izzo said. "I'm not sure I took even a minute to enjoy them."

So, after the Spartans had completed an unlikely run through the regional to get back to another Final Four, Izzo did something unusual.

He found a chair at courtside.

And he sat.

"I just kind of looked around and said to myself that I'm going to take a couple of minutes here to enjoy," Izzo said. "If the stars are on the right line, I think I could find a minute or two on Monday night."

But between now and then, there's a lot of work to do. First, Michigan State (26-6) must get by North Carolina in the national semifinals Saturday night.

If that happened, the Spartans would face either Illinois or Louisville in the title game.

No matter what happens, it's been a season to cherish.

"I appreciate this group," Izzo said. "It's been a unique group. I think there will be some memories that will come from this that will last a lifetime."

North Carolina's Roy Williams is back for the fifth Final Four of his head coaching career. He's yet to experience the ultimate — a national championship — but insists he's not consumed by the quest.

Someone raised the possibility that he might jump off a building if he comes up short again. If the coach did meet an unfortunate fate, it wouldn't be because of anything that happened on the court.

"One, check Wanda (his wife), because I'm worth more to her dead than alive," Williams quipped. "And two, somebody investigate, because I was pushed."

North Carolina (31-4) has been near the top of the rankings all season, a deep, talented team that was penciled in as a Final Four contender right from the first day of practice.

Williams has tried to mold this group along the lines of the reigning NBA champion Detroit Pistons, who happen to be led by another product of the Tar Heels' deep coaching lineage, Larry Brown.

The Pistons didn't have a true superstar, but that didn't stop them from routing Shaquille O'Neal, Kobe Bryant and the Los Angeles Lakers last summer.

"(Williams) showed us clips of that team and he asked us before we went

in there, 'Who is the best player on that team?'" center Sean May said. "Everyone had their difference in opinions... and he just said, 'You can't tell who the best player is, because they don't care. Everyone just plays together. That's what it's about. That's the epitome of a team.'"

Last season, Williams' first with the Tar Heels after he was lured away from Kansas, Rashad McCants was the center of attention. He averaged 20 points a game, but North Carolina was knocked out in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

This year, McCants' scoring average has dropped off four points, but those around him have stepped up. May (17.1) is the team's top scorer. Jawad Williams (13.0) and Raymond Felton (12.7) have improved their numbers. And freshman Marvin Williams (11.7) has made a huge contribution off the bench.

"The team is the one who shines," May said. "This team has totally turned around from what we were last year, the way we play and the way we do things. I think you can just see in our play. On any given night, you don't know who will be the leading scorer. It could be Marvin off the bench or it could be Raymond or Jawad."

"It doesn't matter to us. We just want to win."

Michigan State is cut from a similar mold. Maurice Ager leads the way at just 13.8 points a game, but three of his teammates are in double figures and two others just below that cutoff.

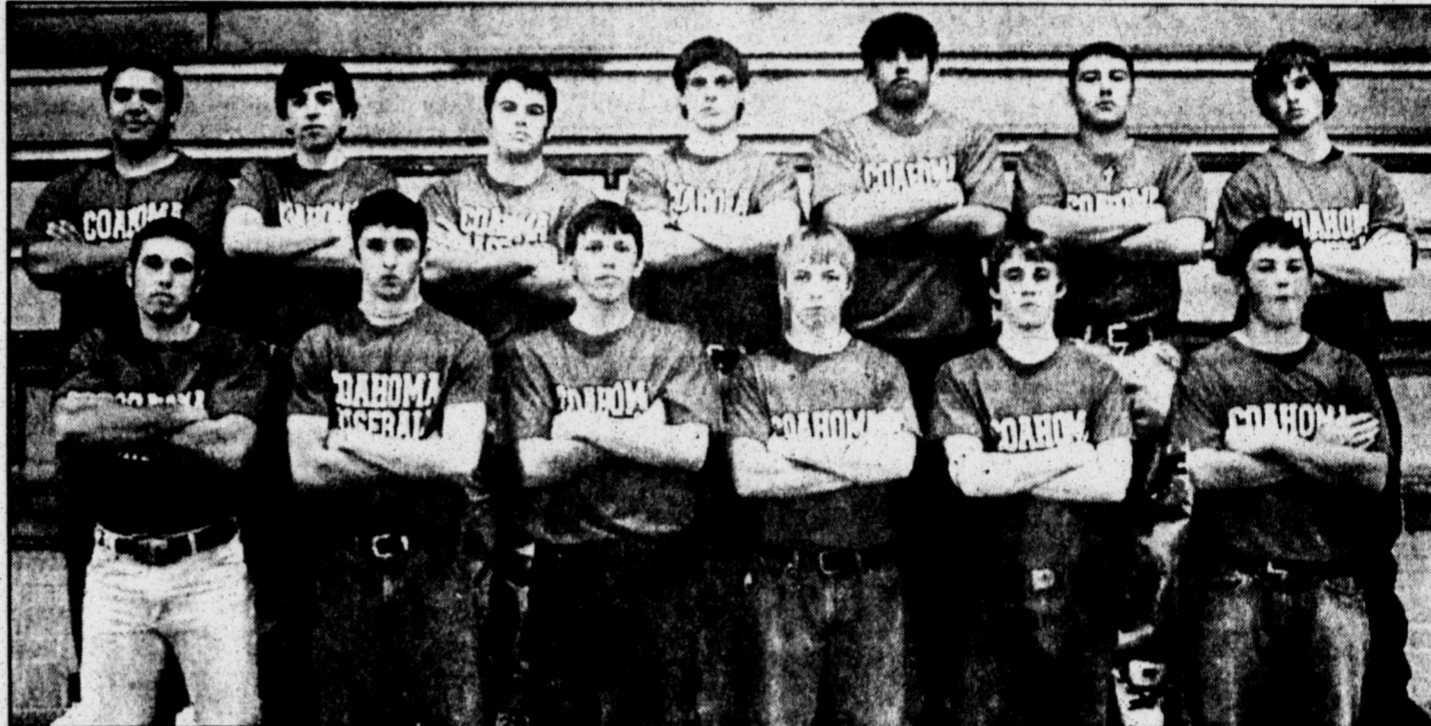
The Spartans have a bunch of swingman types, all between 6-foot-3 and 6-6, who defy attempts to pigeonhole them in conventional positions. Size-wise, they might have trouble matching up with North Carolina, which can put out a front line that's 6-9 all the way across (May, Jawad Williams and Marvin Williams). Michigan State also appears vulnerable at the point, where diminutive freshman Drew Neitzel is the starter but Chris Hill and Alan Anderson help out with the ball-handling duties.

"You look at most of the teams in it, whether it be Illinois or Louisville or North Carolina, all of them have very well-established point guards," Izzo said. "We're probably the only one that's still up for grabs."

Williams sees that scenario as a potential advantage for the Spartans. North Carolina doesn't have much at the point beyond Felton.

"We're a little vulnerable when Raymond gets in foul trouble or has to be given a rest," Williams said. "I like it where you have more than one."

COAHOMA



2005 Bulldog Baseball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
April 1	*Anson	Here	7:00
April 5	*Hawley	Here	7:00
April 8	Midland Trinity	There	6:00
April 9	Midland Christian	Here	12:00
April 12	*Stamford	Here	7:00
April 16	*Colorado City	Here	2:00
April 19	Midland Trinity	Here	7:00
April 22	*Anson	There	4:30
April 26	*Hawley	There	4:30
April 29	Sweetwater	There	7:00

*District Games

Head Coach: Brad Harman Asst. Coach: Coley Dobbs



2005 Lady Bulldog Softball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	TEAM	SITE	TIME
April 1	*Anson	JV-V	(H)	5/7:00
April 5	*Hawley	JV-V	(T)	5/7:00
April 8	Midland Christian	JV-V	(H)	5/7:00
April 12	*Stamford	JV-V	(H)	5/7:00
April 16	*Colorado City	JV-V	(H)	12/2:00
April 22	*Hawley	JV-V	(H)	5/7:00
April 23	*Anson	JV-V	(T)	1/3:00
April 26	Lubb. Coronado	JV-V	(H)	5/7:00

*District Games

Head Coach: Robby Dickenson Asst. Coaches: Dicky Stone & Shanna Roberts

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 - Big Spring tennis @ Abilene Tournament (all day)
 - Big Spring boy's track @ San Angelo (all day)
 - Garden City track @ Aspermont (all day)
 - Howard College baseball/softball vs. El Paso Community College, two games each at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.
 - Howard College rodeo at Western Texas College in Amarillo, check in morning, event starts at 7 p.m.
- Saturday
 - Big Spring girl's golf @ Andrews (all day)
 - Big Spring tennis @ Abilene Tournament (continued)
 - Big Spring boy's track @ San Angelo (continued)
 - Coahoma track @ Seminole (all day)
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS
This April Fools' Day, the last quarter moon completes a difficult astrological pattern, which throws focus to previously unexpressed emotions. Secret resentments and attractions are revealed in a backward way. Jokes mask deeply rooted feelings, some of them hostile. It brings to mind Sigmund Freud's opinion — "There are no jokes."

HOLIDAY
MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's a rowdy day. Party plans are made before the beds are. Those looking for love should note that the girl or boy next door has just as much to offer as the glamorous person on the other side of the world.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Everyone wants to be around a fabulous sense of humor, and now, yours is as fabulous as it gets.

Unfortunately, being funny requires that you know both truth and pain — but at least you're making the most of it!

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Read the instructions. It makes life simple. For instance, how much easier would life be if you knew how to program your cell phone or work that digital camera? Skills you pick up now bring money later.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Potential loves are everywhere, and all you have to do is flash that killer smile and continue to exercise your originality muscles. Creativity is so attractive, especially to Libra and Leo.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're dreaming of riches and are willing to take a gamble. However, there are still negative beliefs swimming in your subconscious about money and the people who have it. Abolish those beliefs now!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The people you admire have a purposeful dream and are positive

about its accomplishment. So what are you doing hanging around those other people — the ones with scowls on their faces? Break free!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Social acceptance isn't always as forthcoming as you'd like. But you'll have your day. If signmate Ashlee Simpson can show her face after all, the humiliation she's been through, your comeback should be a snap.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's tempting to get caught up in ego-based problems when there are so many people around trying to one-up their neighbor. Acknowledge the spiritual dimension. Remember who you are.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The luckiest thing you can do is to actively participate in the act of listening — to your partner, your boss, your children. The person who masters the art of communication will excel in every area of life.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). In this evolving world, you have to roll

with the changes, and oftentimes you have no vote. This afternoon provides your case in point. At least you can still choose the attitude with which you embrace the new.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There's a reason for the term "deadly boring." Because when you're bored, you're not really living life the way it's supposed to be lived. Run — don't walk — to the bookstore and find something compelling to spark your interest.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll need a cushion to protect you from the unexpected. Bring extra money, supplies, friends — whatever resources you'd normally require to get through the day — and double that amount.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: We only try to fool the ones we love! There is a profound underlying meaning to all of the kidding around. Think about it. **ARIES**: When it comes to love, your morality-meter gets a little fuzzy. The rules

are no longer black and white. **TAURUS**: There's a new kind of love on the horizon. Are you ready?

GEMINI: Decide on a relationship role model. **CANCER**: You're not afraid to ask for what you want, and you are likely to give others what they want, too. **LEO**: Your personality gets you noticed, admired and accepted. **VIRGO**: Weekend brings many opportunities to socialize, and perhaps to connect with someone lovely. **LIBRA**: Passions heat up, not just for a person you love, but also for an activity that makes you feel inspired. **SCORPIO**: Be aware that the personality you bring to everything you do is part of the experience you bring to others. **SAGITTARIUS**: A big part of you simply doesn't care what people think about you, which is why you're so attractive. **CAPRICORN**: What happens this evening could be the start of an interesting romantic chapter. **AQUARIUS**: Romance defies conventional logic — do what

works for you! Sumptuous entertaining is worth the expense. **PISCES**: You will receive multiple social benefits.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Aries and Taurus are neighbors on Zodiac Street, but they're usually the kind of neighbors who are so busy they seldom see each other, except to wave goodbye while zipping out of the driveway. This weekend, Aries and Taurus make the proper time for each other and realize in the process that there is a goldmine of common ground here. Spring fever causes a simmering passion to ensue.

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Annie's Mailbox®: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: My daughter and her family recently moved into a new house. My granddaughter wanted me to decorate her bedroom window with those cute window stickers that you make from supplies from your local craft store. She was thrilled with the results, but after I got home, I started to wonder if it was a bad idea.

My state has a website showing the addresses of all sex offenders, and, surprisingly, there are quite a few in my daughter's affluent neighborhood. I am afraid a pedophile might be attracted to my granddaughter's room, knowing that there is a child inside. On the other hand, the window could prove helpful in case of a fire, letting the firemen know to check that room for children.

What do the experts say, Annie? — Worried Grandmother in California

Dear Grandmother: We contacted the Polly Klaas Foundation, and were told it is better to place those stickers on a mirror or bulletin board inside the bedroom. In fact, the National Fire Protection Association recommends not using child locator decals for various safety reasons.

The Foundation commends you for asking the question, but cautions that such databases list only known offenders and where they live, but not where they shop or vacation. It is important for parents to teach their children the rules of personal safety, and the Foundation recommended their free "Child Safety Kit," which can be ordered online at www.PollyKlaas.org.

Dear Annie: I read the letter from "Wear Underwear in Colorado," the mother who was worried because her 14-year-old son has stopped wearing underwear and pajamas on a dare from his buddies. She should pick her battles and not make too much of what might be a passing fad. That's the approach my mother took 40-some years ago, when several of my high school friends and I started going "commando" because we thought it would be cool and macho.

Mom, a nurse, simply urged me to wear heavier pants in winter, and commented that she enjoyed having less laundry to wash as well as not hav-

KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

ing to buy me underpants. (Incidentally, I still go commando every day and have rarely had any of the health problems you mentioned.) You saying the boy should develop a backbone and not be swayed by his buddies' dares is rather naive. Teenagers often do silly things because of peer pressure. — Happy Commando

Dear Happy: We totally agree that not wearing underwear is a minor issue, but being overly susceptible to dares can be more serious. Read on: From Meadow Vista, Calif.: Anyone who is vulnerable to a dare is letting someone else control his life. People die each year from taking dares: jumping off of high places, diving into water without checking the depth first, driving fast on winding

roads. And it's all so stupid. If a dare doesn't represent a direction we really want to go, it should be avoided. Why be the puppet who risks all, while the puppet masters risk nothing?

Alaska: I couldn't help but giggle reading the letter from the mother who suffered great angst because her teen son did not wear underwear. Obviously, this mom didn't grow up with brothers. Though I would find it uncomfortable to go without undies, as most women would, I believe that this is a natural thing for most men. However, care is essential around zippers.

Richland, Wash.: I thought I would offer a tidbit from when I did alterations at a department store. A customer came in with his suit jacket tied around his waist, covering his backside. He explained that his pants had pulled apart at the center back seam. When a saleswoman pulled the jacket up to see the seam, it was obvious the customer was not wearing underwear. You'd better believe none of us was willing to work on his pants.

Dear Annie: This letter is for the men in your reading audience. I have been married to "Buddy" for over 20 years. I

thought we had a satisfying, wonderful sex life, but Buddy recently told me about several encounters he's had with prostitutes.

I am devastated, sad, angry, hurt — you name it. He has tremendous remorse, regret and guilt. We are contemplating staying together and working through all of the layers of pain that such betrayal causes. I don't know if I can do it, but I want to try.

I am so hurt and so afraid that those sexual experiences have diminished what we had. I'm fearful Buddy will remember the "talents" of these women, not to mention their youth and bodies, and compare me unfavorably. I'm attractive and thought I was plenty adventuresome, willing and provocative in bed. I was sure that I satisfied him. He certainly satisfied me.

Buddy has had zillions of disappointments in his life and suffers from depression and low self-esteem. My question is for men who have strayed with prostitutes. Did you find yourself comparing them to your wives? Were you not content at home? Please say anything you can about this as I try to recover from this devastating horror. — Needing to Know

Dear Needing: Have you asked Buddy these questions? Although some men may choose prostitutes because they are unhappy at home, we suspect that is not the case here. First, you are doing yourself a disservice. Prostitutes are not necessarily young or attractive. They are simply willing and non-judgmental. Does Buddy have a fetish or sexual proclivity that he doesn't want you to know about?

We are glad you are getting counseling, and we hope you have been checked for sexually transmitted diseases. If we receive any responses to your questions, we will let you know.

Dear Annie: You printed a letter from a man whose in-laws are intrusive and demanding. After 25 years of dealing with a domineering, critical and sarcastic father-in-law, I took your advice and am currently talking out my resentment with a psychologist. I discovered that you do your marriage no favors by biting your tongue.

At some point, all those little resentments converge into one unmanageable anger. I was told that my husband's parents never made the transition to a parent/adult relationship. It never dawned on my husband, for example,

that it was unreasonable that his parents expected him to do their yard work every weekend, when they had plenty of money to hire someone. I still resent the family time we didn't have.

The problem here is not that the in-laws don't realize how intrusive and annoying they are. The problem is they are too selfish to care. Tell that reader to do what I didn't — draw that line! — Too Nice and Too Late in the South

Dear South: Thanks for sharing your therapy with our readers. We're glad counseling helped you, but it sounds as if your husband should have been on the adjoining couch.

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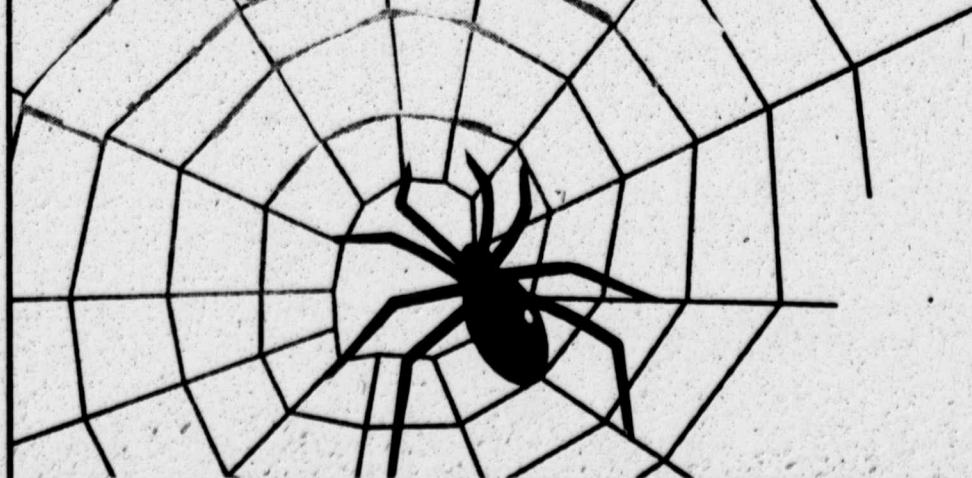
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The Spider

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.

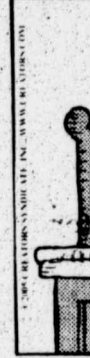
Twain replied, "Finding a spider in your paper is neither good nor bad luck. The spider was merely looking over our paper to see which merchant was not advertising so that he could go to that store, spin his web across the door and lead a life of undisturbed peace ever after."

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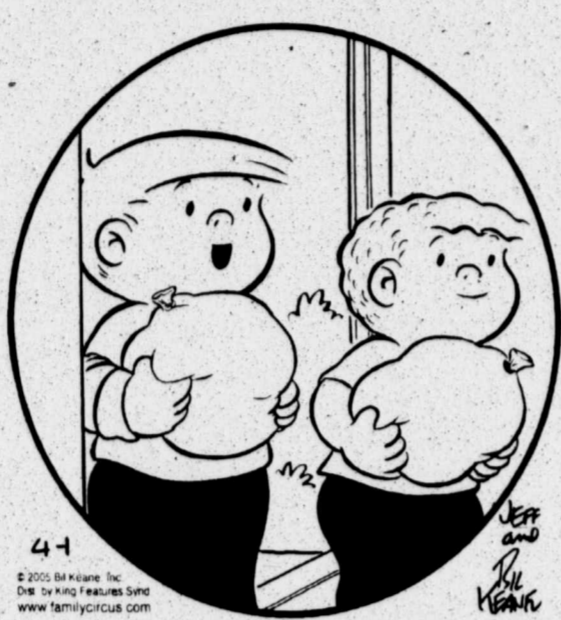
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DENNIS THE MENACE



IT'S JUST ME, MR. WILSON. REMEMBER, YOU TOLD ME HOW YOU USED TO SHAKE A RATTLE AND SHOUT 'SAWAKE' FOR APRIL FOOL'S?

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THE OTHER COAST



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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, April 1, the 91st day of 2005. There are 274 days left in the year. This is April Fool's Day. Today's Highlight in History: On April 1, 1945, American forces invaded Okinawa during World War II. On this date: In 1853, Cincinnati, Ohio, became the first U.S. city to pay its firefighters a regular salary. In 1918, the Royal Air Force was established in Britain. In 1933, Nazi Germany began persecuting Jews with a boycott of Jewish-owned businesses. In 1946, tidal waves struck the Hawaiian islands, resulting in more than 170 deaths. In 1960, the first weather satellite, TIROS-One, was launched from Cape Canaveral, Fla. In 1963, most of New York City's daily newspapers resumed publishing after a settlement was reached in a 114-day strike. In 1970, President Nixon signed a measure banning cigarette advertising on radio and television, to take effect after Jan. 1, 1971. In 1983, tens of thousands of anti-nuclear demonstrators linked arms in a 14-mile human chain spanning three defense installations in rural England. In 1987, in his first major speech on the AIDS epidemic, President Reagan told doctors in Philadelphia, "We've declared AIDS public health enemy number one." In 2003, American troops entered a hospital in Nasiriyah, Iraq, and rescued Army Pvt. 1st Class Jessica Lynch, who'd been held prisoner since her unit was ambushed on March 23. Today's Birthdays: Actor George Grizzard is 77. Actress Jane Powell is 77.

Actress Grace Lee Whitney is 75. Actress Debbie Reynolds is 73. Country singer Jim Ed Brown is 71. Actor Don Hastings is 71. Blues singer Eddie King is 67. Actress Ali MacGraw is 67. R&B singer Rudolph Isley is 66. Reggae singer Jimmy Cliff is 57. Jazz musician Gil Scott-Heron is 56. Rock musician Billy Currie (Ultravox) is 53. Movie director Barry Sonnenfeld is 52. Country singer Woody Lee is 37. Movie directors Albert and Allen Hughes are 33. Tennis player Magdalena Maleeva is 30. Singer Bijou Phillips is 25. Actor Sam Huntington is 23.

Answer to previous puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with letters filled in.

Newsday Crossword

THREE PAIRS by Ann W. Masten Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanwords.com

- ACROSS: 1 Popular houseplant, 5 Biblical father of twins, 10 Addressee preceder, 14 Urge forward, 15 Jurassic Park actor, 16 Where Braves and Brewers visit, 17 Two poles, 20 Bag bearer, 21 Knightly doings, 22 No neatnik, 24 Winning streaks, 25 Harvard deg., 28 Oath affirmation, 29 for Alibi, 30 J.E.B. Stuart's side, 33 Chocolate substitute, 35 Tidings, 37 Shelley selections, 38 Two polls, 41 Very wide shoe, 42 Splendor in the Grass author, 43 Sirloin alternative, 44 Paper 4 Down: Abbr., 45 Sons of the Desert toppler, 46 On target, 48 16 Across host, 49 Star starter, 50 Get off the ground, 52 David, to Goliath, 55 How to write this answer, 59 Two Poles, 63 Large group, 64 Opulent, 65 Magritte contemporary, 66 Dept. store goods, 67 Impetuous, 68 Place for a tab, 9 Apt to stay with one's pals, 10 Cookbook residue, 11 "Memories Are Made of", 12 Bivouac structure, 13 Irksome ones, 18 Pacific Coast Highway town, 19 NBA team, 23 Big payday, 24 Unfair shake, 25 Molly of old-time radio, 26 Sounded sheepish, 27 Van Gogh hangout, 30 Laptop feature, 31 Fishing net name of '36, 34 Cheer for a torero, 36 Lit., 37 Eye, poetically, 39 Budget representation, 40 Put on charges, 45 Service charges, 47 Swell, 49 "That's what you think!", 51 Urges forward, 52 Did the crawl, 53 Skillet coating, 54 Charitable donation, 56 October birthstone, 57 Place for fodder, 58 Agitated state, 60 Like, 61 Greek letters, 62 Apr.-Oct. period

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers indicating starting positions for clues.

Golf Insider

IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR GAME

Fairway success is in the setup

By T.J. TOMASI
Universal Press Syndicate

At the recent Bay Hill Invitational in Orlando, Fla., the Associated Press described the opening tee shot of Tiger Woods as follows:

"With great anticipation over the threesome of Woods, Ernie Els and U.S. Open champion Retief Goosen, the world's No. 1 player led off on the first tee by taking a 6-inch divot with a 3-wood and was lucky to reach the fairway."

"I've never done that before," Woods said of his 198-yard effort with a club he routinely hits 270 yards.

While this may be a rarity for Woods, it sounds all too familiar to many golfers who alternate between hitting the fairway woods fat or thin. The cause of both shots is the same, no matter which missed hit comes off the club face: It's a swing shape that is too steep.

The problem is that the big head on a fairway wood lures the player into a misguided attempt to get "under" the ball, and nothing good can result from this. The fairway woods are designed to sweep the ball off the ground with a shallow angle of attack.

You must promote this sweeping action by adjusting your setup. The setup for the woods is not the same as your address position with the irons, which are designed to take a divot.

Take a look at my setup in the first photo below and notice these three features:

1. Ball position: The ball rests about 2 inches back from my left heel, opposite the logo of my shirt.
2. Soling the club: The entire sole plate (bottom surface) of the club head is on the ground. This establishes the correct shaft angle.
3. Weight distribution: My right shoulder is lower than my left with the majority of my weight on my right side (at least 60 percent). This positions my head behind (to the right of) the ball.

Use a mirror and do the "drop" drill to make sure you have a shallow angle of attack into the ball. The drill encourages you to start the "down" portion of your swing before the club moves forward toward the ball. Here is how it works:

Start your downswing with two simultaneous motions: Transfer your weight into your front hip socket while dropping your hands straight down to hip height. If done correctly, the butt end of the club shaft should point directly at the target line as mine does in the second photo. Stop and check yourself in the mirror to make sure yours does the same.

If the butt end of the club points inside your target line at this "drop down" point, your downswing is too steep — more like a V than a U. Instead you want to swing down the side of the U before the club head moves down the flat part of the U to the ball.



If your weight transfer is done correctly, the butt end of the club shaft should point directly at the target line.



CURTIS COMPTON / Cox News Service

Sergio Garcia tied for fourth at last year's Masters

Garcia drives at missed green

By GLENN SHEELEY
Cox News Service

Atlanta
The last time we saw Sergio Garcia in Georgia, he was moping at the microphone after the final round of the 2004 Masters, hurt that he had gone unnoticed before awakening to tie for fourth with a closing 66.

The young Spaniard has gotten over it. He recently talked about his schedule for the Masters. "Well, just probably get there on Monday afternoon," he said, "and just start practicing Tuesday and Wednesday and play for four days, hopefully..."

Garcia went on, perhaps to see if anyone was paying attention. "... Spend a little extra time in the afternoon on Sunday sitting around," he said, "right next to the 18th hole, get a new jacket for my wardrobe."

Garcia grinned and chuckled at that one.

That would be, of course, the green jacket presentation ceremony, which at some time in his career Garcia wishes to attend in the proper role. He was there in 1999 as the Masters' low amateur, standing proudly next to champion Jose Maria Olazabal, his coun-

tryman. "I've always said that the Masters and British Open are the two I like most," Garcia said. "I want to have them all, but if I could choose, of the four I'd choose those two."

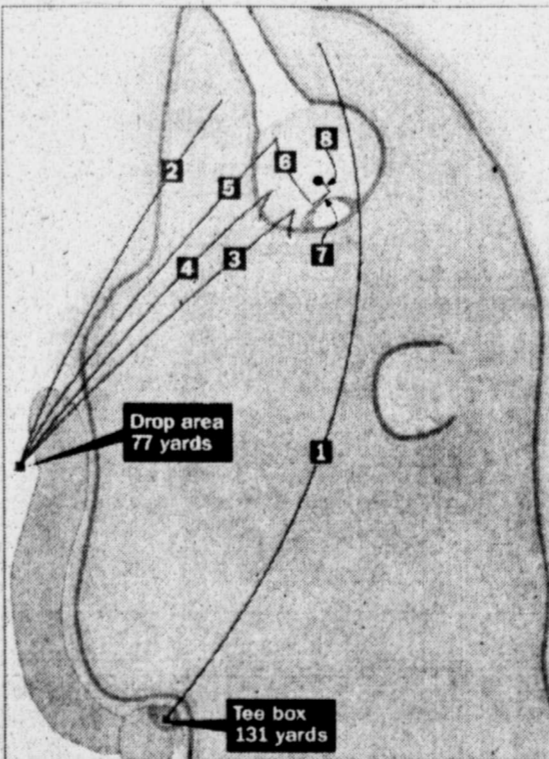
Garcia does not mind the label that often gets applied to him at age 25, owning five PGA Tour victories and nine more worldwide. He understands that "Best Player Not To Win a Major" is more a term of respect than criticism.

"But I'm 25 years old," he said. "I don't even worry about it... I feel like my long game is good enough to win it. I've just got to get the flat stick going, and it should come soon."

The pressure on Garcia in Europe is significantly heavier in the shadow of Masters champions Seve Ballesteros and Olazabal. But

COUNTDOWN TO SPLASHDOWN

Bob Tway made a 12 on the 17th island hole at TPC at Sawgrass during the third round of The Player's Championship on Monday. It is the highest score on the famous hole in tournament history, and it knocked Tway to 72nd place. Here's a breakdown of his shots:



- 1. Tee shot from 131 yards went 5 yards over green.
- 2. Tee shot from 77-yard drop area went over and left.
- 3. Tee shot from 77-yard drop zone hit the front of the green and spun back into the water.
- 4. Tee shot from 77-yard drop zone hit the front left of the green and spun back into the water.
- 5. Tee shot from 77-yard drop zone hit the back of the green, 42 feet, 3 inches from pin.
- 6. First putt finished 5 feet, 7 inches from hole.
- 7. Second putt finished 2 feet from hole.
- 8. Third putt went in hole for a 12 (eight strokes plus four penalty strokes).

SCHEDULE

- All Times EST
PGA TOUR
BellSouth Classic
- Site: Duluth, Ga.
 - Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.
 - Course: TPC at Sugarloaf (7,259 yards, par 72).
 - Purse: \$5 million. Winner's share: \$900,000.
 - Television: USA (Thursday-Friday, 4-6 p.m.) and NBC (Saturday-Sunday, 3-6 p.m.).

- PGA EUROPEAN TOUR
Estoril Open de Portugal
- Site: Cascais, Portugal.
 - Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.
 - Course: Quinta da Marinha Resort, Oitavos Golf Club (6,983 yards, par 71).
 - Purse: \$1.6 million. Winner's share: \$270,000.
 - Television: The Golf Channel (Thursday-Friday, 9 a.m.-noon; Saturday, 8-11 a.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m.-noon).

- LPGA TOUR
- Next event: Takefuji Classic, April 14-16, The Las Vegas Country Club, Las Vegas.

- CHAMPIONS TOUR
- Next event: Legends of Golf, April 22-24, The Westin Savannah Harbor Golf Resort and Spa, Savannah, Ga.

- NATIONWIDE TOUR
- Next event: Virginia Beach Open, April 21-24, TPC of Virginia Beach, Virginia Beach, Va.

LEADERS

WORLD RANKINGS		
1. Vijay Singh, Fiji		12.29
2. Tiger Woods, USA		12.09
3. Ernie Els, SAf		11.25
4. Phil Mickelson, USA		8.75
5. Retief Goosen, SAf		7.49
6. Padraig Harrington, Ire		5.52
7. Sergio Garcia, Spn		5.29
8. David Toms, USA		5.10
9. Adam Scott, Aus		4.95
10. Stewart Cink, USA		4.92
11. Mike Weir, Can		4.59
12. Davis Love III, USA		4.52
13. Stuart Appleby, Aus		4.52
14. Kenny Perry, USA		4.46
15. Chris DiMarco, USA		4.11
16. Luke Donald, Eng		4.09
17. Darren Clarke, Nir		4.01
18. M.A. Jimenez, Spn		3.99
19. Chad Campbell, USA		3.54
20. Scott Verplank, USA		3.44

MONEY LEADERS PGA TOUR		
Player		Money
1. Phil Mickelson		\$2,753,456
2. Vijay Singh		\$2,699,113
3. Tiger Woods		\$2,427,090
4. David Toms		\$2,256,643
5. Fred Funk		\$1,771,000
6. Adam Scott		\$1,618,128
7. Luke Donald		\$1,360,427
8. Retief Goosen		\$1,242,408
9. Joe Ogilvie		\$1,223,855
10. Tom Lehman		\$1,211,560

LPGA TOUR		
Player		Money
1. Annika Sorenstam		\$660,000
2. Cristie Kerr		\$286,959
3. Rosie Jones		\$241,925
4. Lorena Ochoa		\$205,750
5. Jennifer Rosales		\$186,347
6. Laura Diaz		\$153,306
7. Hee-Won Han		\$152,530
8. Juli Inkster		\$142,910
9. Karrie Webb		\$130,353
10. Soo-Yun Kang		\$101,485

CHAMPIONS TOUR		
Player		Money
1. Hale Irwin		\$746,606
2. Dana Quigley		\$459,247
3. Mark McNulty		\$408,689
4. Wayne Levi		\$405,501
5. Des Smyth		\$302,506
6. Mark Johnson		\$290,000
7. Don Pooley		\$289,250
8. Tom Watson		\$271,920
9. Morris Hatala		\$268,905
10. Mark James		\$264,450

THE GOLF DOCTOR

Help from Pythagoras

A clever print ad for the "Home of American Golf" — the Pinehurst area of North Carolina — features a schoolteacher in front of a high school class using a 7-iron for a pointer to draw attention to a sketch of a golf hole on the blackboard.

The golf hole is a right-angle dogleg to the right, measuring 215 yards to the center of the fairway and 180 yards from there to the center of the green. The teacher is asking, "How far is Johnny's drive?" assuming he had just hit directly from the tee to the green. Johnny's drive can't be paced off because it is "all carry" over water.

The ad didn't solve the problem, but according to math genius John Callahan, who's also a PGA pro, it can be solved by

applying the Pythagorean theorem, which states: "When the two shorter sides in a right triangle are squared and then added, the sum equals the square of the longest side or hypotenuse." So some quick calculations by John tell us that the drive is the square root of 78,625 or 280.4 yards. I knew that.

Of course, the ad was meant to be funny, but before modern technology gave us other options, this formula was the only way to figure out the necessary carry for such shots. No wonder most golfers simply eye-balled it.

Now there are hand-held lasers for under \$400 that measure the distance of objects with high accuracy. I recommend using lasers because even though you can't use them in a tournament, if you use them on the practice tee and the course, your judgment of distance is bound to improve.

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Q: I'm 55 years old and recovering from a stroke resulting in only partial use of my right leg, arm and hand (I'm a right-handed player). I was an avid golfer and although I know I won't play as well as I used to, I'd love to get back on the course. So far I have only taken some practice swings around the house, but I seem to be losing my balance. I would appreciate any advice that may help. — **John, from White Plains, N.Y.**

A: At address, narrow your stance and flare both feet more than in the standard setup. Normally, the golf swing requires a body turn plus a weight shift, and this results in pivoting on both sides. But if one side is out of commission golf-wise, you have to eliminate the weight shift but not the body turn. In your case, set up with the ball more for-

ward in your stance and 100 percent of your weight on your left side, and keep it there throughout the entire swing. Although there is no weight shift, this allows you to make a sufficient body turn by rotating around your good left hip.

If you are taking physical therapy, talk to your therapist and work this swing into your workout routine.

One more suggestion: The PGA of America has many members who specialize in teaching people with physical problems. Call the PGA section headquarters near you (in your case, the "Met Section") and the people there will be glad to put you in touch with pros in your area.

Something else that might help you is a book, "Dr. Divot's Guide to Golf Injuries" by Larry Foster, M.D. Check it out at www.doctordivotmd.com.