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### PASSING GRADES

The 10-year-old Las Vegas Retired Military Association awarded Durango High School Student Jennifer Smith (second from left) and her mother Jacqueline Smith (second from right) tickets to the early October NFL matchup between the Minnesota Vikings and the Arizona Cardinals in Phoenix. The association recognized Jennifer Smith for excelling academically with a 3.5 grade point average and for her school citizenship. The association makes contributions to civic and charitable causes. Chaz Dailey (left) is the association's president. Event co-sponsor Ed White (middle) donated the tickets. Mack Sims (right) coordinated the trip.

### EBONY ETCHINGS, ETC.

## Eric Davis swings at cancer

By Warren Lanier, Sr.  
Special to Sentinel-Voice

Baseball great Eric Davis of the Baltimore Orioles and formerly of the Los Angeles Dodgers will be stepping up to the plate to take a healthy swing at financially aiding cancer research when he hosts his "First Annual Golf Tournament & Gala" to benefit Cancer Research, beginning Friday, Nov. 7, at Lakewood Country Club.

Davis' two day celebrity sports event starts with his inaugural Golf Tournament at Lakewood Country Club and will be followed by an elegant gala dinner and silent auction aboard a Marina Del Rey luxury yacht.

The fun-filled weekend that will take on the look of the who's who in sports, entertainment, films and television will climax on Saturday evening, Nov. 8, with a Pool (Billiard) competition at the National Sports Grill in Torrance, Calif.

All proceeds raised from the golf tournament and billiard competition plus the money generated from donated baseball memorabilia and other items sold at the silent auction will benefit Cancer Research.

The list of the many popular sports stars that have already committed to be there for the tournament and gala, are: Marquis Grissom and David Justice from the Cleveland Indians. Additionally, a number of popular celebrities from the world of entertainment, film and television have been invited to play.

Davis, who successfully underwent surgery in June to remove a cancerous tumor in his colon, is eager to aid Cancer Research. "There are a variety of programs available and many great hospitals working to combat this disease, and I want to do my part to help," he said.

Although he has not named which program will benefit from his fund-raising charity weekend, he hopes to eventually raise a million toward several projects.

Although golf is not his best

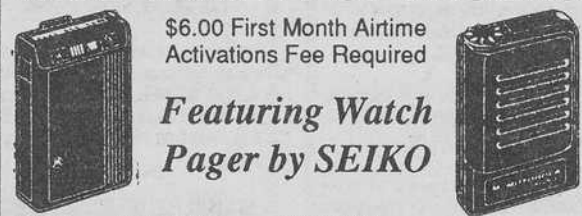
game, Davis aims to give back to those who helped him while making a difference for Cancer Research! His future plans include hosting similar events as a part of an annual campaign to be held throughout the year in different cities across America.

Noting the popularity of golf on the rise since Tiger Woods aced the Masters, and by adding notoriety to his celebrity guest list, Davis has hit a winning combination that is sure to be a grand slam for cancer research.

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# Spartans roll over Cheyenne, 46-14

By Diamond Ross  
Sentinel-Voice

Cimarron-Memorial has relied on the running game all season long, but Toby Smeltzer put the load on his shoulders last Friday night.

The Spartan quarterback threw for a season-high four touchdowns and ran for a fifth as Cimarron beat up on Cheyenne, 46-14.

The victory put Cimarron back in first place of the Sunset Division at 5-1 because Durango upset Western, 26-24.

Cheyenne and Western, a half-game back at 4-1, go head to head next Friday in the regular season finale. If the Desert Shields beat Western, Cimarron will be the Sunset's No. 1 playoff seed. If Western wins, they are the No.1 seed.

While the offense ate up 450 yards, Cimarron's defense held Cheyenne to only 211 yards and eight first downs.

Down 10-0 in the second, Cheyenne got on the scoreboard on a 27-yard TD pass from quarterback Lawrence Turner to Ledal Marshall on the left sideline to make it 10-7, the closest the Desert Shields would get in the game.

"We had to focus in on stopping the big play," said defensive tackle Dustin Topper. "They don't have the kind of team that is going to run 15, 20 yards for a score."

Take away big plays by Marshall and a 52-yard TD run by William O'Neal, Cheyenne amassed only 132 total yards of offense. Cimarron also shut down one of the best

running quarterbacks in the city, allowing Turner to rush for minus-four yards on seven carries.

Cimarron also stifled the passing attack, allowing Cheyenne quarterback Turner only 2 completions on five pass attempts for 65 yards.

A good example of Turner's ineffectiveness was on a play just before halftime. Trying to escape from a Cimarron blitz, he scrambled himself to a 25-yard sack and a safety to make the score 19-7 at halftime.

Smeltzer was 7-of-13 passing for 190 yards and ran in a one-yard TD in the second quarter. Later in the second, Smeltzer connected with running back Arnold Parker on a middle seam route 28 yards downfield to put Cimarron up 17-7.

His next two TD passes came off a pair of screen passes to fullback Leonard DeRoche for 38 and 81 yards in the third quarter to put the game out of the reach.

Smeltzer had a hand in 38 of Cimarron's 42 points, he kicked five extra points and a 23-yard field goal that opened up the scoring.

Seven of the eight Southern Conference Zone playoff spots are clinched with Cimarron, Western, Cheyenne, and Durango holding spots in the Sunset Division; Green Valley, Valley and Chaparral have spots in Sunrise.

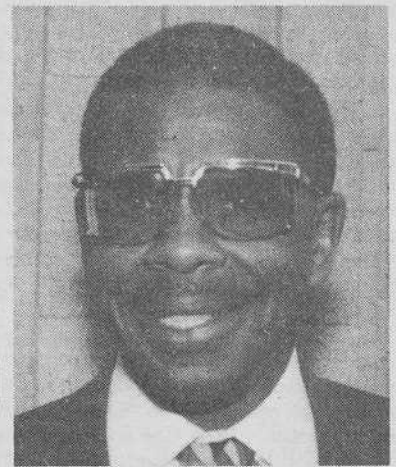
The last playoff spot is up for grabs between Las Vegas and Eldorado. Even though Eldorado beat the Wildcats last week 39-29, if Las Vegas wins they will go to the playoffs. But if Las Vegas loses and the Sundevels win, they will go into the postseason.

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