

Channel 3 puts traffic reporter off TV freeway



Fly on the Wall is a column of rumor, innuendo and a smattering of truth. True Fly fans already know this, but our legal eagles from the firm of Dewey Cheatham and Howe insist on the disclaimer. At any rate, enjoy the holiday edition.

Sheila Stewart won't be giving daily traffic updates

Malvo

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10 people and wounded three.

His lawyers had claimed Malvo was so indoctrinated by John Allen Muhammad, a man he saw as a father figure, that he was incapable of telling right from wrong. Muhammad, 42, was convicted last month in another of the shootings, and his jury recommended the death penalty.

The jurors in Malvo's trial now must decide whether the younger man also should be sentenced to death or life in prison without chance of parole.

Defense attorney Craig Cooley told the judge he expected more defense witnesses to testify for up to 3 1/2 hours Monday before closing arguments can begin.

Cooley said those witnesses would include Malvo's father, Leslie, who lived with his son and the young man's mother in Jamaica until Lee Malvo was about 5.

when 2004 rolls around. Stewart's bosses at WBTB kicked her to the curb in favor of bringing on a traffic cat Chuck Roads from its radio sibling, WBT-AM. Insiders say it's an attempt to boost WBT's ratings through baiting TV viewers to become 1110 listeners.

As for Stewart, who's been doing the traffic thing for four years, she's not sounding too torn up about things. "I have been blessed with the opportunity to work with a wonderful group of people," she said in a statement. "The friendships and experience I have gained will last a lifetime."

Fly isn't one to get up at the crack o' dawn, but

Stewart is easy on the eyes. At any rate, she'll still read the news at WPEG-FM.

Stewart

• The N.C. Legislature is drawing new districts and one of them looks similar to Charlotte City Council member Malcolm Graham's District 4.

Fly's spies say that lawmakers were looking to carve a "safe" district that former Sen. Fountain Odom could run in as a Democrat and win. Problem is, Graham could also run, and

with the district leaning Democratic (52 percent) and nearly half black (48 percent), he'd be tough to beat.

Graham

Democrats, Fly hears tell that the Donkey Party is having trouble paying for its headquarters on South Boulevard. Why, you ask. Simple. Someone forgot to pay the rent, the latest in a series of missteps for the Democrats. It's actually amazing that they've been able to stay competitive con-

sidering the lack of energy the Democrats have engendered among voters.

Just Fly's 2 cents worth. Which will be donated to the party.

• An era comes to an end the day after Christmas.

A.D. Neal, longtime owner of Neal's Barber Shop on Oaklawn Road is calling it quits after seven decades of close shaves and shampoos. Neal, whose shop has been a gathering spot around these parts for years, has deep

roots in Charlotte. He's a graduate of West Charlotte High School and also played a pivotal role in the 1960s sit-in movement. He helped organize transportation to and from downtown department stores for students who sat down in order to stand up to The Man.

And up until retirement, he still gives a mighty mean haircut.

For all your accomplishments, Fly gives you a hearty buzz (cut) salute.

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LOCAL 7-DAY FORECAST

Wednesday	Wed. night	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
56	31	52/31	58/33	60/38	56/39	55/36	61/38

THE WEEK AHEAD

Temperatures

Precipitation

U.S. TRAVELER'S CITIES

City	Today			Thursday			Friday			Saturday			Sunday		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	52	32	c	54	36	pc	56	38	s	60	44	s	59	41	pc
Boston	50	37	c	46	32	pc	40	32	pc	40	34	pc	43	33	pc
Chicago	28	18	sf	30	22	c	38	28	pc	44	30	pc	39	19	c
Cleveland	36	26	sf	34	28	sf	38	30	c	42	31	pc	45	33	c
Denver	52	27	pc	54	30	pc	58	28	c	45	17	pc	37	7	c
Des Moines	34	17	pc	38	23	s	44	29	pc	46	25	c	38	14	pc
Detroit	34	24	sf	30	22	c	34	26	pc	41	30	pc	43	31	c
Houston	60	37	s	64	42	s	64	44	pc	68	46	pc	67	42	c
Indianapolis	33	21	sf	32	25	pc	42	30	pc	47	34	c	44	28	c
Kansas City	40	22	s	47	31	s	50	35	pc	52	31	c	40	17	pc
Los Angeles	66	50	pc	62	50	c	60	44	pc	62	46	pc	62	46	pc
Miami	81	65	c	78	66	pc	79	66	pc	77	65	pc	78	63	s
Minn.-St. Paul	24	8	pc	28	16	pc	38	26	pc	38	23	c	32	6	c
New Orleans	57	40	s	61	46	pc	65	49	pc	69	53	pc	69	47	c
New York City	54	42	r	43	33	pc	41	37	pc	43	36	pc	45	36	pc
Omaha	36	18	s	44	26	s	52	35	pc	47	26	c	39	16	pc
Phoenix	72	44	pc	70	48	pc	65	42	pc	58	40	pc	60	40	s
San Francisco	58	46	r	54	42	c	52	42	pc	53	44	c	54	42	c
Seattle	48	38	c	44	36	c	40	34	c	43	35	c	45	32	c
Washington	56	40	r	44	34	pc	44	34	pc	48	36	s	50	38	c

THE NATIONAL SUMMARY

A strong jet stream will guide storms across the nation. Precipitation will be heaviest across the Pacific Northwest and the Tennessee and Ohio valleys. Southerly winds will keep temperatures unseasonably mild over much of the East. Cold air will dive southward into the Rocky Mountains and northern Plains at the end of the period.

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sf-showers, th-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, h-ice.

WORLD TRAVELER'S CITIES

City	Today			Thursday			Friday			Saturday			Sunday		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Amsterdam	46	39	c	41	38	pc	43	40	pc	41	33	c	41	39	c
Berlin	32	31	c	37	36	pc	40	38	pc	44	40	pc	41	34	pc
Buenos Aires	81	65	s	84	68	s	90	70	s	84	67	t	74	61	sh
Cairo	69	48	s	66	41	s	60	37	s	60	39	s	60	40	s
Jerusalem	60	45	pc	62	44	s	55	36	s	52	37	s	53	37	s
Johannesburg	82	55	c	75	54	r	79	62	c	78	51	c	79	57	pc
London	52	44	c	52	45	c	50	45	c	46	35	r	45	41	c
Madrid	51	40	c	51	37	pc	49	39	pc	51	38	pc	49	36	pc
Mexico City	66	43	c	67	45	pc	70	46	pc	71	46	pc	71	44	pc
Moscow	14	4	pc	21	18	c	23	15	c	25	19	pc	29	23	c
Paris	47	38	c	44	37	pc	45	40	pc	43	31	pc	41	35	c
Rio de Janeiro	73	63	c	73	62	c	72	61	c	77	63	c	77	65	pc
Rome	35	26	s	51	40	pc	54	43	pc	54	44	pc	52	43	c
San Juan	84	73	pc	84	73	pc	84	73	pc	85	70	pc	81	70	pc
Seoul	47	29	s	31	7	pc	20	0	pc	21	10	s	32	20	s
Sydney	77	64	pc	88	72	s	89	67	s	83	55	pc	74	60	pc
Tokyo	55	43	pc	57	42	s	48	33	s	41	25	s	40	29	s
Toronto	40	22	r	30	22	sf	34	20	c	36	26	c	43	29	pc
Winnipeg	25	9	s	28	13	pc	24	15	pc	27	15	sn	25	0	sn
Zurich	32	30	pc	39	35	pc	44	39	pc	44	37	pc	42	35	c

SUN & MOON

Sunrise

Day	Time
Wed., Dec. 24	7:29 a.m.
Thu., Dec. 25	7:30 a.m.
Fri., Dec. 26	7:30 a.m.
Sat., Dec. 27	7:30 a.m.
Sun., Dec. 28	7:31 a.m.
Mon., Dec. 29	7:31 a.m.
Tue., Dec. 30	7:31 a.m.

Sunset

Day	Time
Wed., Dec. 24	5:16 p.m.
Thu., Dec. 25	5:17 p.m.
Fri., Dec. 26	5:17 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 27	5:18 p.m.
Sun., Dec. 28	5:19 p.m.
Mon., Dec. 29	5:19 p.m.
Tue., Dec. 30	5:20 p.m.

Moonrise

Day	Time
Wed., Dec. 24	9:00 a.m.
Thu., Dec. 25	9:53 a.m.
Fri., Dec. 26	10:36 a.m.

Moon Phases

Phase	Day	Time
New	Dec. 23	
First	Dec. 30	
Full	Jan. 7	
Last	Jan. 14	

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