

Gov. **Rick Perry** appointed **Victor Hugo Gonzalez** of McAllen to preside over the Texas Diabetes Council. Gonzalez is an eye surgeon and medical director at Valley Retina Institute.

The governor named **W. Benjamin Fry** of San Benito as presiding officer of the Texas State Board of Pharmacy. He's the past owner of two pharmacies: Fry's, in San Benito, and Small Fry's, in Harlingen.

Perry named Corpus Christi homebuilder **Gerardo Garcia** to the Texas Residential Construction Commission that regulates that industry. He reappointed two current members: **Glenda Marriott** of College Station, president of GCM Designs, and **Mickey Redwine**, owner and CEO of Dynamic Cable Holdings in Ben Wheeler.

State Rep. **Dan Flynn**, R-Van, was elected to the executive council of the National Conference of State Legislators.

Engaged: Jenna Bush, daughter of **George** and **Laura**, and **Henry Hager**, a former campaign op whose father **John Hager**, is a former lieutenant governor of Virginia and Bush appointee in the Department of Education who now heads the Virginia GOP. No wedding date has been set.

Quotes of the Week

Karl Rove, talking to reporters on Air Force One about what he'll do next, quoted by *The New York Times*: "I'd like to teach eventually, but in the meantime I need to make some money. I have an employment record that I think would be attractive to any employer: I've worked in an industrial kitchen in a hospital; I've waited tables; I've worked in convenience stores and have been robbed at the point of a gun twice; I've pumped gas; I've babysat; I've cut lawns; I've delivered newspapers."

Rep. **Pat Haggerty**, R-El Paso, quoted in the *El Paso Times* the Speaker refusing to allow a challenge to his leadership position earlier this year: "God died and left **Tom Craddick** with absolute power."

Houston businessman **Massey Villarreal**, quoted in the *Houston Chronicle*: "I've been trying to put my finger in the dam of Hispanics leaving the Republican Party and I can't anymore. I've run out of fingers."

U.S. Sen. **John Cornyn**, R-Texas, talking to the *Austin American-Statesman* about **Alberto Gonzales**, who's appointment Cornyn supported: "He's a good person, but I look at his jobs he's held, and I wonder what has prepared him for being the head of the