

San Francisco seeks silent Simms tonight

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — As quarterback Phil Simms of the New York Giants must know by now, some old quotes never die. They are posted in the locker rooms of teams looking forward to their next game against you.

In this case, it's the San Francisco 49ers, the Giants' opponent on Monday night in a game matching division leaders with 9-2 records, best in the NFC. A January rematch to decide the conference championship and a Super Bowl berth is a strong possibility, and the outcome of this regular-season meeting could determine which team gets the home field advantage.

There have been four Giants-49ers playoff games in the 1980s, with the home team winning each time.

The Giants' hopes of reaching the playoffs last year died on the

final Sunday of the season when the Los Angeles Rams claimed the last available NFC wild-card spot with a 38-16 victory over the 49ers. A disconsolate Simms was quoted as saying the 49ers "lay down like dogs" against Los Angeles.

He's sure to have jeering fans, reminding him of his 11-month-old comment, as well as the 49ers' defense to contend with Monday night at sold-out Candlestick Park.

"He screwed up and he blamed it on us," San Francisco center Jesse Sapolu says. "He's a cry-baby. I have no respect for him. We may have laid down like dogs but, baby, we got up!"

The 49ers, who were assured of the NFC West title before their final game, went on to win their third NFL title under coach Bill

Walsh, who retired soon after the Super Bowl.

New head coach George Seifert, who was Walsh's defensive coordinator, has the league's top-ranked offense, one led by passing leader Joe Montana and receiving star Jerry Rice. Montana, the two-time Super Bowl MVP, went over the 30,000-yard mark for his career last week and is having a super season, with 19 touchdown passes and only four interceptions. Rice, last January's Super Bowl MVP, has 14 touchdowns and 1,149 yards on his 1989 catches and receiving totals of 63 TDs and 6,030 yards in his five pro seasons.

The Giants have not played a postseason game since their 1986 Super Bowl championship season. They could have reached the 1988 playoffs, without requiring

help, by beating the New York Jets a few hours before the Rams' 49ers game. The Jets upset them

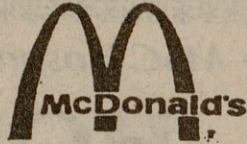
Walsh, now the rookie NFL television commentator, said recently of Simms' "dog" comment: "I'm sure he's been reminded everyone that to assure you of a championship, you have to win games. You can't expect someone else to win it for you."

Giants coach Bill Parcells is thinking only of Monday night game and believes that old quote "don't have anything to do with the outcome."

Simms, working behind young offensive line this year, not had a 300-yard passing game yet, with his top output being 225 in the season opener. His past statistics include 10 touchdowns and nine interceptions.

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There is still space available for the trip to Cozumel after finals on **December 15-18**. The cost of the trip for divers is \$480 (\$500 for non A&M) and for non-divers is \$405 (\$425 for non A&M).

All registration for TAMU Outdoors is taken in 159 Read. For more information, call Patsy Greiner at 845-7826.

Members of the Sports Officials Association should RSVP for the **SOA Christmas Party** by Tuesday, November 28. Members can RSVP by calling 845-7826 or coming by 159 Read Building.

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The Men's and Women's Polo Teams competed at the Lone Star Challenge at the Great Southwest Equestrian Center in Katy, Texas on November 17-19. The Men's Team of Wesley Sinor, Vicente Borrero, Todd Perry and Adrian Clachar competed in the A Bracket defeating Tulane 15-2, T.K. Polo 13-8 and losing in the finals to Lone Star A 12-11. The Women's Team won the B Bracket competition defeating Tulane 17-5, Lone Star C 14-11 and Lone Star B 14-10. This team consisted of Kristin Matlack, Rene Sewell, Rachel Lavin and Portia Branson-Swales.



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Sport Trivia Contest

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| John Chapman | Jan Moss |
| Ted Biddle | Audrea Storz |
| Bobby Srindasan | Mollie Huber |

Tennis Singles

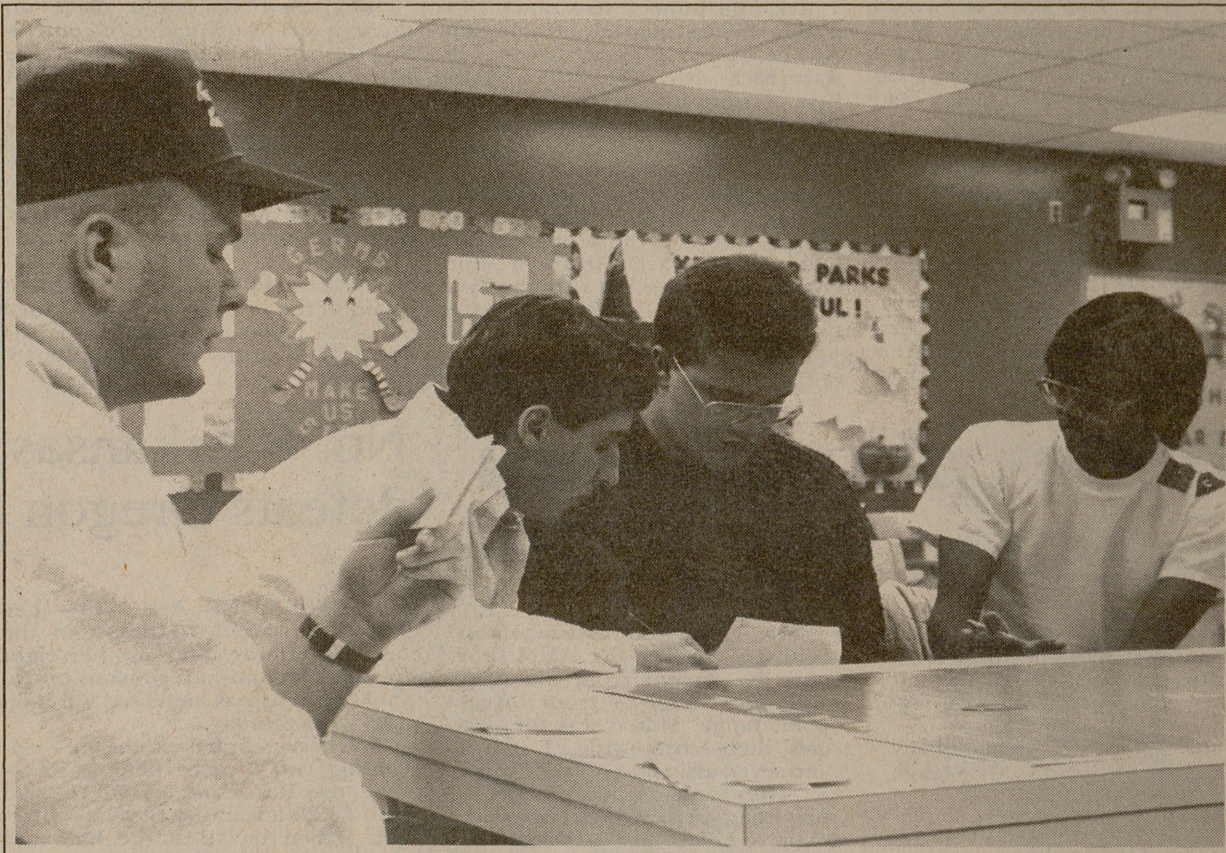
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| A John Ramirez | A Nicole Jacobs |
| B Steve Meyers | B Ashley Croft |
| C Chris James | C Heidi George |

8-Ball Singles

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| Men's A | Bruce Nickell |
| Men's B | Jon Grundhoefer |
| Men's C | Humberto Jaurez |
| Women | Kelly McQuerns |

Golf Doubles

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| Men's A | Jeff Warring, Jack Warring |
| Men's B | Matt Culp, Todd Swink |
| Men's C | David Anderson, Andy Miller |
| Women | Sherri Wilson, Vicki Czajkowski |
| CoRec | Michelle Bergeron, John Faulkinbury |



Sport Trivia Champions Ted Biddle, John Chapman and Bobby Srindasan confer after hearing a question in the final round of the Sport Trivia Contest.

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All-University Flag Football Finals will be held tonight, Monday, November 27 at the Intramural Sports Center, from 7 - 10 pm. Come on out for some great action.

CoRec 2-Pitch Softball All-University Finals will be held Monday and Tuesday, November 27-28 at the Penberthy Intramural Center.

All-University Volleyball Play-offs begin on Wednesday, November 29. Schedules are posted in 159 Read Building. The All-University Finals are scheduled for Sunday, December 3 from 7 - 10 p.m. in the Read Building Gyms.